

#### Our Mission:

We strive to provide personal enrichment, cultural programming, educational support, and lifelong learning for the citizens of this community and surrounding areas.



# March 2025

## Word to the Wise

"Spring is the time of year when it is summer in the sun and winter in the shade." — Charles Dickens

## **Events**



AARP Free In-Person Tax Preparation Wednesdays, March 5, 12, 19, 26

by appointment only – call 412-626-7213

Storytime Around the Reading Rug Saturday, March 8 – 11 am until noon – Ages 4 – 8 and their adults

> Adult Coloring Wednesday, March 12 – 6 pm to 7 pm

The Westmoreland Anime Club Saturday, March 15 – begins at 1 pm – Ages 13 and up



Jeannette Manor Visit Tuesday, March 18 – 2 pm

JPL Board Meeting Wednesday, March 19 – 5:30 pm

The Tools that Bridge Two Worlds: Paranormal Research 101

Saturday, March 22 – 2 pm Speaker: Larissa Rex, Paranormal Researcher The event is free. Please call the library to register.

### AARP Free In-Person Tax Preparation Wednesdays, April 2 and April 9 (last session) by appointment only – call 412-626-7213

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# **STAFF PICKS**

#### **Orphan X Series by Gregg Hurwitz**

#### (Adult Fiction; call number F HUR for the books in Jeannette Library)

"Do you need my help?" That's what anyone who calls Orphan X's encrypted phone line will hear. Orphan X is the product of a secret government program that trained orphan children to become assassins. "X" as he is called by the people who know him, has left the orphan program (a fact the government is not happy about). He now helps those who are desperate for help and in need of his unique skill set. He never accepts payment, he only asks the person he has helped to pass his number along to someone else in an equally despairing situation.

The Orphan X books and audiobooks (narrated by Scott Brick) are relentlessly exciting and ceaselessly entertaining. The books are best read in sequence as they build upon prior themes and relationships. I have read or listened to every book in this series and consider it to be one of my favorites in this genre.

#### Series Order and Release Date:

Orphan X – 2016 The Nowhere Man – 2017 The Intern (Short Story) – 2018 Into the Fire – 2020 Prodigal Son – 2021 The Last Orphan – 2023 (Jeannette Library) Lone Wolf – 2024 (Jeannette Library) Buy a Bullet (short story) – 2016 Hellbent – 2018 (*Jeannette Library*) Out of the Dark – 2019 The List (Short Story) – 2020 Dark Horse – 2022 The recital (Short Story) – 2023 Nemesis – 2025

#### Haunting and Homicide by Ava Burke (Adult Fiction; call number F BUR)

This book is the first of the "Ghost Tour Mystery" series. I'd call this book a cozy, paranormal, mystery. Lou (Talluylah) owns a gift shop that focuses on the paranormal. She also gives ghost tours. The others in New Orleans who are leading ghost tours don't realize that she can see ghosts. That is, until a competitor, Adam, is murdered and she's stuck in the middle of the investigation. He realizes that she can see him and asks her to help find out who killed him. She's also in the middle of a custody case over her runaway, younger brother. There were two twists at the end that I didn't see coming. It was fun reading and the storyline moved along quickly. This book is found in the Adult Fiction but I would say ages 14+ would find it enjoyable. ~ Cheryl



### **Adult Coloring Night**

We are going to offer Adult Coloring Nights in the odd numbered months and the Book Discussions in the even numbered months. That way, something is available for adults every second Wednesday of the month.

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