

# HAPPENINGS

## JACKSONVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY



FEBRUARY 2011

A monthly newsletter highlighting the events and new of the Jacksonville Public Library.

### THE BIG READ KICKOFF

Join us for a showing of the movie, "*The Heart is a Lonely Hunter*" as our kick off event for The Big Read. The JPL Book Club will be reading the book for their February meeting as well. Carson McCullers's 1940 novel was a big sensation, especially for a girl of only 19 to write such a compelling piece. The movie version was made in 1968 and packs a strong punch along with the book. The Big Read is a national program where communities across the country are encouraged to read, engage and discuss the same book by a classic author. **The movie will be shown on Wednesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM. A book discussion will be held on Tuesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00PM.**



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THE HEART IS  
A LONELY HUNTER



### Valentine's Day Party

Join us with your little sweetie for a sweet Valentines Day Party on **February 14<sup>th</sup> at 3:30PM.** We will have games, and Valentines to make - you'll LOVE it! Open to kids from 2years old and up.

#### *Valentine Lap Sit*

Come join the fun with the Lap Sit gang as we celebrate Valentines Day with writing! Miss Ann will discuss a variety of writing activities you can do with your child and then you and your little one can practice by making a Valentine card! Join in the writing fun on **Friday, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 AM.**



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### JPL Book Club Looks at The Help

Join the JPL Book Club as they discuss the newest selection, The Help by Kathryn Stockett. Eugenia Skeeter Phelan is just home from college in 1962, collects the stories of the black women on whom the country club sets relies and mistrusts enlisting the help of Aibileen and Aibileen's best friend Minny. The book is scathing and shocking, bringing pride and hope to the black community, while giving courage to others. Join the discussion on **Thursday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM.**

### Spread a little love . . .

Make a sick child's day a little brighter with our Create-a-Card Week! Stop in **anytime between Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, February 19<sup>th</sup>** to make a card for a child in the hospital. The cards will be sent to *Love Letters*, an organization that distributes handmade greetings to those in need. It will only take you a few minutes, but it will brighten someone's day!

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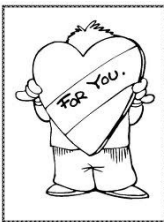
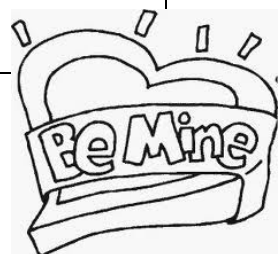
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Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 9:00AM-9:00PM, Fri. 9:00AM-6:00PM, Sat. 9:00Am-5:00PM

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# FEBRUARY EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Story Time 9:15AM 3:15PM	3	4 Lap Sit 10:15AM	5
6	7	8 Creative Toddler 10:15AM	9 Story Time 9:15AM 3:15PM	10	11 Lap Sit 10:15AM	12
13 	14 Valentine's Day Party 3:30PM  JPL Board Meeting 4:30PM	15 Friends of the Library 5:30PM	16 Story Time 9:15AM 3:15PM  <i>The Heart is a Lonely Hunter</i> Movie 7:00PM	17	18	19
<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> <p><b>Create-A-Card Week</b> Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> Create a card for a sick child! Available all day in the Story Time Room!</p> </div>						
20	21 CLOSED	22 <u>Heart is A Lonely Hunter</u> Book Discussion 7:00PM	23 Story Time 9:15AM 3:15PM	24 JPL Book Club 7:00PM <u>The Help</u>	25 Lap Sit 10:15AM	26
27	28 Movie: <i>Be My Valentine, Charlie Brown</i> 3:30PM					

*with Valentines!*

## Valentine's Day Trivia

- ♥141 million Valentine's Day cards are exchanged annually, making Valentine's Day the second-most popular greeting-card-giving occasion.
- ♥15% of U.S. women send themselves flowers on Valentine's Day.
- ♥About 3% of pet owners will give Valentine's Day gifts to their pets.
- ♥California produces 60 percent of American roses, but the vast number sold on Valentine's Day in the United States are imported, mostly from South

- America. Approximately 110 million roses, the majority red, will be sold and delivered within a three-day time period.
- ♥Hallmark has over 1330 different cards specifically for Valentine's Day.
- ♥In Victorian times it was considered bad luck to sign a Valentine's Day card.
- ♥Only the U.S., Canada, Mexico, France, Australia and the U.K. celebrate Valentine's Day.

- ♥Some people used to believe that if a woman saw a robin flying overhead on Valentine's Day, it meant she would marry a sailor. If she saw a sparrow, she would marry a poor man and be very happy. If she saw a goldfinch, she would marry a millionaire.
- ♥Teachers will receive the most Valentine's Day cards, followed by children, mothers, wives, and then sweethearts.

