January 7, 2021

Top Ten Checkouts

Back when print books ruled the earth, part of the fun of taking public transportation was seeing what other people were reading. I discovered some of my favorite books by surreptitiously checking out what had other travelers spellbound.

Today, get on any train or plane and all you will be greeted with is a sea of cell phones, and the occasional Kindle or iPad. What's the fun in that?

So we've done a little data mining, and pulled together the top ten books, films, audiobooks, and more that White Plains residents are enjoying. Take a look. Maybe you'll discover your favorite read or TV series.

Take care,

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Talking to Kids about the Attack on the Capitol

The disturbing images of an angry mob of armed white militants storming the halls of our democracy were blasted across screens yesterday. Our nation has never witnessed an event like this in recent history and it's difficult to make sense of the confusing, frightening scenes, let alone explain the situation to our children. But what is most important to remember and to tell kids is that the brave people who are helping will eventually bring order and peace.

Read more from the NEA here.
Virtual Tech Help  
Tuesday, January 12th  
6:00–7:30 p.m.  
Need help with a general computer issue or have questions about a particular piece of technology? Ask Digital Media Specialist Austin Olney in this virtual assistance program. Whether a beginner or advanced user, all are welcome. Registration is required and spots are limited; [click here](#) to register.

Short Story Film Discussion  
Thursday, January 14th  
2:00–4:15 p.m.  
Join librarian Barbara Wenglin to explore this feature film from Hollywood’s golden era (MGM, 1954), *The Last Time I Saw Paris*, with a stellar cast including Elizabeth Taylor, Van Johnson, Donna Reed, Walter Pidgeon, Eva Gabor, and Roger Moore. The film may be viewed before the meeting on [Kanopy](#) and [Hoopla](#). [Click here](#) to register.

How Did I Get Here? Careers in Dentistry & Digital Dentistry  
Monday, January 11th  
4:00–5:00 p.m.  
Dr. Jurim and Mr. Abraham are part of the Digital Dentistry Team at the Touro College of Dental Medicine. In their roles, they train dental students in the most advanced techniques in the dental field including digital intraoral scanning, 3D printing, and CAD/CAM (computer-assisted design, computer-assisted manufacture). Teens can join us for this discussion where the panelists will share information about their careers, and their journey from high school to today. For information on attending, [click here](#).

Library Resources for Smartphones  
Wednesday, January 13th  
10:30–11:15 a.m.  
Join Digital Media Specialist Austin Olney and learn about popular resources the library offers that are available on smartphones. Beginners are encouraged, all are welcome. [Click here](#) to register.
Tarde de Ñ
Wednesday, January 13th
7:00–8:00 p.m.
In this class Andrei Bezzubikoff offers topics of discussion in Spanish, giving participants the opportunity to practice pronunciation. Participants must speak Spanish at an intermediate level. Click here to register.

English Conversation Group
Fridays at 2:00 p.m.
For ESL speakers. Come practice your English conversation skills in this fun, supportive virtual setting! Feel free to bring your own conversation topics. Click here to find out how to attend.
Coffee with Grandpas
Friday, January 8, 2021 • 9 a.m.

Speaker: Rev. Erwin Trollinger, Calvary Baptist Church

The Year That Was:
- Assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
- Assassination of Robert Kennedy
- The Vietnam War
- Student Protests
- The Olympics
- Apollo 8 Orbits the Moon

Rev. Erwin Trollinger, Pastor

Please contact the White Plains Youth Bureau at 914-422-1378 for the Zoom registration link.
Learn English Online
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- Live classes by computer or mobile
- Balanced instruction in all language skills
- Advanced beginner/Low intermediate
- Levels 3 & 4

— CLASS INFORMATION —

LEVELS: 3 & 4 ONLY

Saturday Schedule (ELI-ESL 2019VLI-S)
Saturdays, 9:00 AM — 2:30 PM
January 30 — May 15
Online placement test, 1/30, 9:00 AM 1st Class 2/6

Morning Schedule (ELI-ESL, 2019VLI-TWRA)
Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday Mornings, 9:00 AM — 12:00 PM
Wednesday, February 3—Thursday, April 1
Online placement test, 2/3, 9:00 AM 1st Class: 2/9

Evening Schedule (ELI-ESL 2019NRL-TWRP)
Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday Evenings, 6:30 PM — 9:30 PM
Wednesday, February 3—Thursday, April 1
Online placement test, 2/3, 6:30 PM 1st Class: 2/9

COST: $22 via credit or debit card at time of registration
BOOKS are required and are purchased at first class. Cost is $20

For information or to register,
please send a message to:
- LibraryESL@sunywcc.edu
- Or call: 914-606-6607

White Plains Public Library
New Rochelle Public Library
Port Chester-Rye Brook Public Library
Ossining Public Library

Westchester Community College
State University of New York
English Language Institute
En línea: Aprenda inglés por Internet
con su Biblioteca Local y Westchester Community College

- Mejore sus habilidades en inglés desde casa
- Clases en directo por computadora o móvil
- Instrucción equilibrada
- Nivel principiante avanzado/intermedio bajo
- Niveles 3 & 4

--- INFORMACIÓN SOBRE LAS CLASES ---

**NIVELES: 3 & 4 solamente**

**White Plains Public Library**

New Rochelle Public Library

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Ossining Public Library

**Precio de la inscripción: $22 con tarjeta en el momento de la inscripción**

Libros: Se compren en la primera clase. El costo es $20

Para más información o para inscribirse, por favor mande un mensaje al:
- LibraryESL@wwywc.edu
- O llame al 914-606-6607

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**Around the Web**

**Facts on Coronavirus.**

2020’s top eBooks and audiobooks from public libraries reflect interest in social justice.

Everything published in "the greatest year for books ever" is now in the public domain.

Nearly a year on, Lila Shapiro goes deep on the American Dirt debacle.

**Photos:** Mayhem erupts in D.C. as pro-Trump extremists storm U.S. Capitol.

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**Photo of The Week**

**Left:** Early morning of the first snow storm of the season. WP sanitation working hard to keep the streets clean overnight! by Henry H.
We want your photos! In each issue of *This Week on Martine* we feature one patron submitted photo that was taken in White Plains. To submit your photography for a chance to be featured, visit our submission page, upload a photo, and fill out our form with a short description of the photo and your name.