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Children's Department News

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With branches in Moncks Corner (Main), Goose Creek, Daniel Island, Hanahan, Sangaree, and St. Stephen, South Carolina



Storytime

**Daniel Island
& Sangaree**

Mondays @ 10:30

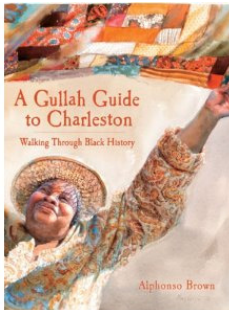
Goose Creek

Tuesdays @ 10:30

Moncks Corner

Thursdays @ 10:30

No charge. Please call ahead if you are bringing 20 or more children.



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Black History Month

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Chapter Books

The Homerun King by Patricia C. McKissack; illustrated by Gordon C. James. During the Depression in Nashville, Tennessee, two baseball-loving brothers host Josh Gibson, a star of the Negro Leagues, in their home, and are motivated to get their own team started as well. J FIC MCKISSACK (G, M)

Nonfiction

A Gullah Guide to Charleston: Walking Through Black History by Alphonso Brown. Visit Denmark Vesey's home, Catfish Row, the Old Slave Mart and the Market; learn about sweetgrass basket makers, the Aiken-Rhett House slave quarters, Black slave owners, and blacksmith Philip Simmons. This book might be a good place to start for some family field trips this month. (Adult) 975.791 BROWN (M)

Freedom Like Sunlight: Praisesongs for Black Americans by J. Patrick Lewis and John Thompson. Presents poems and brief biographical notes about such well-known African Americans as: Arthur Ashe, Harriet Tubman, Sojourner Truth, Louis Armstrong, Martin Luther King, Jr., "Satchel" Paige, Rosa Parks, Langston Hughes, Jesse Owens, Marian Anderson, Malcolm X, Wilma Rudolph, and Billie Holiday. J 811.54 LEWIS (G, A)

Catching the Fire: Philip Simmons, Blacksmith by Mary E. Lyons. Tells the story of this African American artist, the great-grandson of slaves, who has achieved fame and admiration for his ornamental wrought-iron creations. SC J B SIMMONS LYONS (All)

We Are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball words and paintings by Kadir Nelson; forward by Hank Aaron. Using an "Everyman" player as his narrator, Kadir Nelson tells the story of Negro League baseball from its beginnings in the 1920s through the decline after Jackie Robinson crossed over to the majors in 1947. J OS 796.357 NELSON (G, M)

Crafts That Celebrate Black History by Kathy Ross; illustrated by Jenny Stow. Provides step-by-step instructions for twenty easy crafts which celebrate the accomplishments of different African Americans, including inventors, activists, educators, and others. J 745.5941 ROSS (M, S)

A Kid's Guide to African American History by Nancy I. Sanders. Includes more than 70 hands-on activities, songs, and games that teach kids about African American history. J 973.0496073 SANDERS (G, M)

DVDs

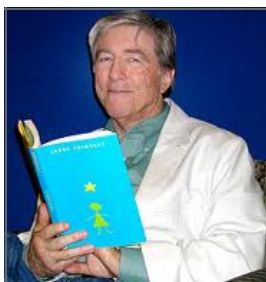
Duke Ellington: And

More Stories to Celebrate Great Figures in African American History from Weston Woods Studios. Narrators: Forest Whitaker, Phylicia Rashad, Billy Dee Williams, and Samuel L. Jackson. Celebrate African American history with this historic collection of stories. Collection includes: Duke Ellington; **Ellington Was Not a Street**; Ella Fitzgerald; **The Tale of a Vocal Virtuosa**; and **John Henry**. Includes read-along and discussion questions. J DVD 780.899 DUKE (G, M, S)

March On: The Day My Brother Martin Changed the World: And More Stories About African American History from Weston Woods. Narrators: Lynn Whitfield (**March On!**), Michael Clarke Duncan (**Martin's Big Words**), Nikki Giovanni (**Rosa**), and Jerry Dixon (**Henry's Freedom Box**). Four children's books about African American History are read aloud; special features include an interview with Christine King Farris and one with Ellen Levine. J DVD 920.0092 WHITFIELD (G, M, S, A)

Read and view these and many more books and DVDs about this important subject. We also have many more.

February Author: Jerry Spinelli



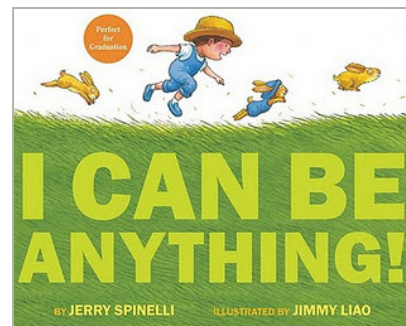
Jerry Spinelli was born in Norristown, PA on February 1, 1941. He went to Gettysburg College, graduating in 1963; followed by a Masters of Arts degree from Johns Hopkins University. He spent nearly twenty years writing books that were never published. He married his wife in 1977. His first books was published in 1982, *Space Station Seventh Grade*. *Maniac Magee*

earned the Newbery Medal in 1991. He writes from his home with author/illustrator, Eileen Mesi Spinelli, in Wayne, Pennsylvania.

His childhood was full of sports, races, bicycles, yo-yos, girls, and comics, giving him plenty of things to write about later. His first big interest was in cowboys and all things Western, including country tunes, cowboy apparel, and Roy Rogers. Next he got into sports in a big way, particularly baseball. He fantasized about becoming a professional shortstop for the New York Yankees. In his Junior year in high school he wrote a poem that set the stage for his future life as a writer.

Picture books he has written are: *My Daddy and Me* and *I Can Be Any-*

thing! Chapter books are *Fourth Grade Rats*, *Crash*, *The Library Card*, *Tooter Pepperday*, and *Eggs*.



Information taken from: http://pabook.libraries.psu.edu/palitmap/bios/Spinelli_Jerry.html. Photo from: <http://cynthialeitichsmith.blogspot.com/2011/04/author-interview-jerry-spinelli.html>

Great Web Sites: Black History



Slaves' Stories.

<http://www.liverpoolmuseums.org.uk/ism/slavery/slave-stories/>

Meet four Africans who were taken into slavery in the year 1780. Woodcuts, paintings, and photographs of period artifacts bring their struggles to life for today's youth. From the International Slave Museum. E, M

Pre=Preschool aged youth; E= Elementary-aged youth; M=Middle school aged youth; Pa=For Parents/teachers/caregivers.



New DVDs

Dolphin Tale from Warner Bros. release of an Alcon Entertainment presentation. Produced by Andrew A. Kosove, Broderick Johnson and Richard Ingber. Directed by Charles Martin Smith; screenplay by Karen Janszen and Noam Dromi. Star-

ring: Harry Connick, Jr., Ashley Judd, Nathan Gamble, Kris Kristofferson, Cozi Zuehlsdorff, Morgan Freeman, and Austin Stowell. Eleven-year-old Sawyer Nelson becomes fascinated by the efforts of a local aquarium to save a dolphin injured in a crab trap. MPAA rating: PG. J DVD FIC DOLPHIN (G, M, S)

Kung Fu Panda 2 produced by Melissa Cobb; written by Jonathan Aibel and Glenn Berger; directed by Jennifer Yuh Nelson. Voices: Jack Black, Angelina Jolie, Dustin Hoffman, Gary Oldman, Jackie Chan, and Seth Rogen. Newly anointed Dragon Warrior Po must look to his past in order to prevent Lord

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New Books!



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Picture Books

I Want My Hat Back by Jon Klassen. A bear almost gives up his search for his missing hat until he remembers something important. JE FIC KLASSEN (D, G, M, A)

Wodney Wat's Wobot written by Helen Lester; illustrated by Lynn Munsinger. When Wodney Wat, who cannot pronounce the letter R, gets a talking robot for his birthday, it turns out to be more than just a fun gift. JE FIC LESTER (All) **A avail. now**

When I Woke Up I Was a Hippopotamus by Tom MacRae; illustrated by Ross Collins. A little boy with a big imagination pretends to be many different things over the course of his busy day. JE FIC MACRAE (D, G, M)

If You Give a Dog a Donut written by Laura Numeroff; illustrated by Felicia Bond. Chaos might ensue if you were to give a dog a donut. JE FIC NUMEROFF (G, H, M, S)

Roscoe and the Pelican Rescue by Lynn Rowe Reed. The Gulf Coast oil spill turns Tony's summer vacation into an animal rescue mission. JE FIC REED (D, G, M)

Love Waves by Rosemary Wells. While they are at work a mother and father send powerful "love waves" to their child at home, offering reassurance and comfort in their absence. JE FIC WELLS (All)

Happy Pig Day! by Mo Willems. An "Elephant and Piggie" book. Pig-

gie celebrates her favorite day of the year, but Gerald the elephant is sad, thinking that he cannot join the fun. JE FIC WILLEMS (G, H, M, S, A)

Easy Readers

Madeline and Her Dog written by John Bemelmans Marciano; illustrated by JT Morrow; based on the art of John Bemelmans Marciano. After happily exploring garbage cans in the streets of Paris and pulling fish from the river, Genevieve, the puppy belonging to Madeline and the other orphans, receives an unwanted bath. JER FIC BELEMANS (All)

Fancy Nancy: Hair Dos and Hair Don'ts by Jane O'Connor; cover illustration by Robin Preiss Glasser; interior illustrations by Ted Enik. Fancy Nancy, trying to decide how to style her hair for her school pictures, has what she thinks is a great idea and grabs the scissors. JER FIC O'CONNOR (All)

Chapter Books

Gnome Invasion by Eileen Cook. "Fourth Grade Fairy" #3. Ten-year-old fairy-godmother-in-training Willow secretly uses magic to deal with a rogue garden gnome who interferes with the plants in her science project, but when her project is chosen to advance, she finds even greater problems at the state level of competition. J FIC COOK (D, G, M)

Charlie Joe Jackson's Guide to Not Reading by Tom Greenwald.

Middle schooler Charlie Joe is proud of his success at avoiding reading, but eventually his schemes go too far. J FIC GREENWALD (D, G, M)

Nate the Great and the Hungry Book Club by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat and Mitchell Sharmat; illustrated by Jody Wheeler in the style of Marc Simont. Nate and his dog Sludge help Rosamond discover who has been damaging her books. J FIC SHARMAT (All) (M)

Scab for Treasurer? by Trudi Trueit; illustrated by Jim Paillot. #3 in the "Secrets of a Lab Rat" series. When teacher's pet Never Missy Malone -- who never misses her multiplication tables -- runs for class president, Scab dares to go up against her. J FIC TRUEIT (D, G, M)

Nonfiction

Barbara Beery's Pink Princess Party Cookbook photography by Zac Williams. Planning tips, decorating ideas, and recipes for 6 different princess-themed children's parties. J 641.5123 BEERY (D, G, M)

Graphic Novels

Captured by Pirates by Justine & Ron Fontes; illustrated by David Witt. #1 in the "Twisted Journeys" series. Match your wits against a band of pirates on the high seas and try to defeat them -- or join them! J FIC FONTES (G, M) ***Escape from Pyramid X*** is also new.



Jokes

What did the boy sheep say to the girl sheep on Valentine's Day?

I love ewe!

What did the stamp say to the envelope on Valentine's Day?

I'm stuck on you!

Knock knock.

Who's there?

Frank.

Frank who?

Frank you for being my friend!

Knock knock.

Who's there?

Sherwood.

Sherwood who?



Found at: http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/valentines_day_jokes.htm

Sherwood like to be your valentine!

What do you call a very small valentine?

A valentiny.

What did the boy squirrel say to the girl squirrel on Valentine's Day?

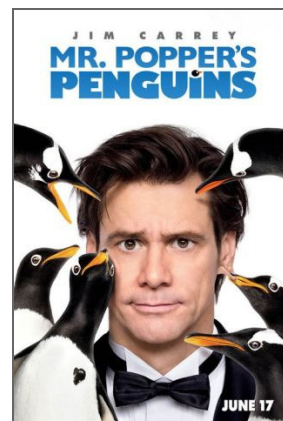
I'm nuts about you!

New DVDs (Cont. from p. 2)

Shen from taking over China and eliminating kung fu. MPA rating: PG. J DVD FIC KUNG FU PANDA II (M, S, A)

Mr. Popper's Penguins produced by John Davis; screenplay by Sean Anders, John Morris, and Jared Stern; directed by Mark Waters. Based on the book by Richard Atwater and Florence Atwater. Starring: Jim Carrey, Carla Gugino,

Angela Lansbury, Ophelia Lovibond, and Madeline Carroll. A successful businessman experiences several changes in his life after he inherits six penguins. MPA rating: PG. J DVD FIC MR. POPPER (D, H, M, A)



Valentine's Day Word Search

G V V Z F S C A N D Y S D D I
 P G A L C E D R A C T O A Z C
 P E I L X R J D P A R F N M I
 G R B G E E K J E E E T C Q W
 T G A Q O N S R F V G T E B M
 H G C G I A T S L O X U L S T
 Q W N V E D D I I L G E A H A
 J O F W F E J N N K C E H H Z
 S N S R E W O L F E M V C F F
 Y L A G C O E Y K B R O O V Q
 W P Y K E F F H R C Q B O M K
 S W E E T H E A R T U V M A A
 Q T U N E S C H T B E P S D L
 X Q U B X E M X U X U O I P L
 X J R C L N A V C G A M P D V

Find these words by searching across, down, and diagonally:

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|------------|-----------|
| candy | card |
| cupid | dance |
| embrace | flirt |
| flowers | hug |
| kiss | love |
| poetry | serenade |
| smooch | song |
| sweetheart | treats |
| tune | valentine |

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