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present

The 21st Annual
Art Auction & Dinner

Chatom Community Center February 21, 2014

> Viewing 5:30 pm Dinner 6:00 pm

> > \_Ticket: \$30







Tickets available at library and from Friends of the Library. Sponsorship and art auction item donations must be received by January 24th to be included in the program.

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### The Importance of **ACT** Practice Test

A 2012 study conducted by the ACT found that the higher that ACT score the higher their freshman year GPA. Students with a higher freshman year GPA are more likely to graduate from college. ACT practice tests, if taken properly, will clearly map the areas of strengths and weaknesses in the five subjects included on the test, therefore allowing students to focus on problem areas. ACT practice tests makes the students aware of the different styles of questions as well as the different subject areas on the test. Through the Alabama Public Library Service website, WCPL can provide students with a test prep called Learning Express Library. This educational website allows students to take numerous practice test as well as refresher courses on individual subjects where help is needed. Visit www.statelibrary.alabama.gov and click on resources and reseach links for Learning Express Library.

Upcoming Test Dates February 8, 2014
Registration Deadline:
January 10, 2014

April 12, 2014
Registration deadline:
March 7, 2014

# BOOK CLUB A Year of Classics

This year we have chosen to change book club up a bit in hopes of reaching new participants and readers. After considering the input of participants and staff, we have decided to begin "A Year of Classics." Each month we will read and discuss a selected title of popular classic literature, if you have a personal favorite please let us know. Come join us the first Wednesday of every month at noon and be sure to bring a sack lunch. WCPL will provide drinks and dessert.



January 8th The Secret Garden (retold from original) By Francis Burnett



February 19th Racso and the Rats of Nimh By Jane Leslie Conly

# "Love My Library"

# How can YOU help your community for just \$1 a month?

Participate in the Washington County Public Library

"LOVE MY LIBRARY" fundraiser sponsored by

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give a little and help a lot! 100% of your monthly

donation will go toward library programs

benefiting the citizens of Washington County!!!

A little bit goes a long way at the LIBRARY!!!



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Yes! I want to participate in the Washington County Public Library "Love My Library" program!

Please add to my monthly CWEMC bill: (mark amount) ♥ \$1 ♥ \$10

(100% goes directly to the Library and is tax deductible!)

♥ \$5 ♥ Other \$\_

Your CWEMC account #\_

Print name:\_\_\_\_ Signature:\_\_\_\_



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# Potter's Tails

Hey, this is Potter, the library kitty, again.

Can you believe a new year is already here? I hope that the year 2013 was good for everybody. It was for me. (meow) Reflecting back, there were a plethora of good times. I will try to name a few. The annual Friends of the Library Art Auction is a major event that raises money for the library. We all appreciate the dedication of the Friends of the Library in making this yearly event such a success. In the Pines Music Festival was another great event that brought first class talent to this area. All the music, food and wonderful people together in one place just gave me a warm fuzzy feeling. (Purr, Purr) As always the Summer Reading Program has such an important part of WCPL. This program is always well received by not only the participants, but also the parents. There was so much to do-reading and great entertainment. (Of course you know I appreciate the treats that always come my way.) And how could we forget Junie B. Jones coming to our library? Kids, if you were not able to meet her, you missed a treat. It was wonderful! The 2nd Annual Spelling Bee was held in August and everyone had so much fun. (They wouldn't let me participate, but I don't know if I could have spelled any of those words). Bravo to the winners! In case no one noticed, we have a fantastic new library sign. It really brightens up the town. This fall, the library invited a unique personality to Chatom. Fannie Flagg, actress, comedienne and fantastic author, visited our town for a book signing and luncheon. It was a tremendous coup to have such a well-known personality in our community. The visit from Santa Claus at the Christmas party for the kids was enjoyed by all. The children enjoyed the stories, treats, and of course the visit from Mr. and Mrs. Claus. I would have loved to have my picture made with Santa, but maybe another time. Happy New Year!

Ghostwriter: Brenda Howard

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### Our Mission

It is the mission of the Washington
County Public Library To strengthen
and enrich our community by
connecting people to the world of
information, ideas and imagination in
order to support their work, education,
personal growth and enjoyment.

# What can your library do for you?...

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- Movies on DVD & VHS
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- Educational workshops
- Bookmobile
- BOOKS!

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