Mars is the fourth planet from the Sun. This cold world is about half the size of Earth. Giant craters, deep faults, rock strewn plains, and dried-up beds mark its surface. Like Earth, it has polar ice caps and seasons.

Structure and atmosphere
The lack of rock and metals in the atmosphere and surface of Mars means that it was once warm and wet, with evidence of water thousands of years ago. Most of the water on Mars is now locked in the polar caps and glaciers. The planet’s atmosphere is made up mostly of carbon dioxide, with a small amount of nitrogen and other gases.

Mars data
- Distance: 230 million miles
- Average distance from the Sun: 1.52 astronomical units
- Orbital period: 687 Earth days
- Rotation period: 24.3 Earth hours
- Surface temperature: -63 degrees Celsius
- Number of moons: 2
- Size comparison: The Moon is about one-fifth the size of Mars.

Atmospheric composition
Mars’ thin atmosphere is composed of carbon dioxide, nitrogen, argon, and traces of oxygen and water. The thin atmosphere is responsible for the planet’s cold surface temperatures and weather patterns, which are dominated by dust devils and storms.
Coming soon to Wicomico Public Library

STEAM Studio
We are excited to announce our upcoming STEAM Studio at the Paul S. Sarbanes Branch! This season we will be updating our computer lab to become a multipurpose programming environment that will support graphic design, visual media design, creation, and editing. The Studio will also expand our efforts to support robotics programming, along with coding, 3D design and printing.

To begin, the STEAM Studio will become the new home of Sarbane Branch’s biweekly STEAM & Robotics Club and will host a Girls Who Code program later this season. Future programs are currently in development to provide creative opportunities for all age groups. Keep an eye out, it’s going to be fun!

Library Events
The library will be partnering with several businesses in Downtown Salisbury to host a new series of library events! Starting with the Brick Room in September and then continuing throughout the spring we look forward to offering engaging, free programs offsite in fun new ways.

Mobile Branch
A new Bookmobile is under construction! Mobile Branch is currently planning routes all over Wicomico County, updating their collection of materials, and planning for the future with a new 34ft bus. We can’t wait to see it!

In the meantime, experience a program on the Mobile Learning Lab! This STEM inspired bus is out and about around Wicomico County bringing library events for all ages.

Lockers
Have you tried one of the Library’s Lockers? Locker’s are available in Sharptown, in Fruitland at the Crown Sports Center, and in Salisbury’s YMCA and Centre at Salisbury Mall. Order an item from our collection to easily pick up in these locations, you can return items there too!

Coming soon a new locker will be available in Bivalve! Designed to serve the Bivalve, Tyaskin, Nanticoke, and surrounding areas, this new locker will be located in the Westside Community Center.

Passport Services
Inspired to travel? The library provides passport services! Apply for a new passport at our Centre Branch located in the Centre at Salisbury Mall. Applicants must provide a completed application, birth certificate and photo ID, along with a check or money order written out to the US Department of State. Review additional information online at travel.state.gov and contact Centre Branch to schedule an appointment. 410-546-5397.

Passport services will be expanding soon to include appointments at the Sarbanes Branch in downtown Salisbury! Location updates will be available online at wicomicolibrary.org/services/passport-services
Check it out!

Book Bites

Short on time and craving a literary snack? Looking to expand your reading list palate? Let us “serve” some trivia as inspiration for your next feast!

- James Patterson was the first-ever writer to exceed one million sales in ebooks in 2010.
- The first generation Kindle, released on 19 November 2007, sold out in under six hours.
- Former President Theodore Roosevelt read at least one book each day—but there’s no need to “rush” through books “more.”
- The Japanese language has a word for your “to be read” pile— “tsundoku.”
- Edgar Allan Poe’s “The Raven” was originally supposed to feature a parrot.
- Dan Brown swears by hanging upside down to cure writer’s block.
- There are more public libraries than McDonald’s restaurants in the United States...a real book bite.
- In a while, fair play, all of a sudden, night owl and star-crossed lovers are all phrases Shakespeare is thought to have introduced to the English language.
- Reading for just 6 minutes each day can help reduce stress by up to 68%, study finds.
- Charles Dickens, author of “The Christmas Carol,” was a member of a ghost-hunting club.
- Truman Capote and Stephen King, both known for penning chilling tales, are triskaidekaphobics: people with a fear of the number 13.
- Fairytale legend Hans Christian Andersen, always traveled with coils of rope in case he had to escape hotel fires.
- Copies of Alvin Schwartz’s “Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark” were featured in kids’ meals at fast food chain Popeyes.

New to our collection

Our collection is constantly growing to include a wide variety of materials because the library is about more than simply books. There is something for everyone to discover, from cutting-edge technology to original board games. Here are some new items that are available for patrons to borrow:

- Scientific Calculators just in time for school!
- Toniebox for kids - audiobook storyteller and music player.

DISCOVER YOUR NEXT READ

A Lady’s Guide to Scandal
by Sophie Irwin

Romance, Historical Romance, Contemporary Romance

In Sophie Irwin’s A Lady’s Guide to Scandal, a young widow is given a second chance at happiness. Eliza, Lady Somerset, is at last free after a wretched ten–year marriage—and wealthy, if she can avoid scandalizing the Somerset name.

The Devil’s Playground
by Craig Russell

Mystery & Suspense, Historical, Mystery

In the glamorous world of Hollywood’s Golden Age, our protagonist Mary Rourke is a studio fixer who handles the shady side of the industry, ensuring the secrets and scandals of its beloved stars remain hidden. However, when summoned to the home of Norma Carlton, the lead actress of the notorious play “The Devil's Playground,” Mary is shocked to find Norma dead, apparently having taken her own life. The mysterious circumstances leave Mary questioning everything she knows, setting the stage for an intriguing tale.

Find more at BookPage.com
FESTIVAL EVENTS

LET’S LEARN ABOUT THE ECLIPSE
Saturday, October 14 @ 12 pm
Cedar Hill Marina

EXPLORE STEM CAREERS
Thursday, October 19 @ 5 pm
Bennett Middle School

OBSERVE THE MOON NIGHT
Saturday, October 21 @ 6 pm
Cope Bennett Park

HAVING FUN WITH FLOATING INK
Tuesday, October 24 @ 5:30 pm
Cope Bennett Park

E-GAME DEMO DAY
Saturday, October 28 @ 9 am
Crown Sports Center

CODING EXPLORATION – OSMOS
Saturday, November 4 @ 1 pm
Oak Ridge Church

BUILD YOUR OWN FAIRY HOUSE
Monday, November 6 @ 5 pm
Pemberton Park

The Wicomico Public Library is excited to be a partner in the ninth annual Maryland STEM Festival. The STEM-ertainment festival, which runs from October 13 to November 11, offers students an engaging and instructive experience. Kids will have the chance to participate in STEM-related activities at seven events that are scheduled throughout the county and are all held in the Mobile Learning Lab.

What is the STEM FESTIVAL in Maryland?

Every Fall, there is a month-long festival in Maryland called the STEM Festival that honors science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

The Festival emphasizes the contribution that science has made to this state’s economy, culture, and education. The Festival involves a variety of public audiences while motivating future generations through practical activities, presentations, and other events.

Teaching children STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) has many advantages, including fostering creativity and innovation, developing critical thinking and problem-solving skills, preparing them for future career opportunities, and closing the gender and diversity gap in STEM fields. STEM education develops children’s interest and capacity for lifelong learning while providing them with the necessary skills and information to succeed in a world that is changing quickly.
Featured Programs

One MD One Book

One Maryland One Book is a statewide reading program in Maryland that selects a single book each year for the entire community to read and discuss. The Wicomico Public Library is where you can take part in the One Maryland One Book initiative! Pick up your free copy of this year’s featured book, “There There” by Tommy Orange, at one of our branches in September.

THERE THERE
BY TOMMY ORANGE

ABOUT THERE THERE
PULITZER PRIZE FINALIST • NATIONAL BESTSELLER • A wondrous and shattering award-winning novel that follows twelve characters from Native communities: all traveling to the Big Oakland Powwow, all connected to one another in ways they may not yet realize.

A contemporary classic, this “astonishing literary debut” (Margaret Atwood, bestselling author of The Handmaid’s Tale) “places Native American voices front and center” (NPR/Fresh Air).

www.penguinrandomhouse.com/books/563403/there-there-by-tommy-orange/

One MD One Book Library Events

ONE MARYLAND ONE BOOK DISCUSSION
TUE, NOV. 14; 5PM – 6PM
SARBANES BRANCH

Join us for a book discussion of this year’s One Maryland One Book “There There” by Tommy Orange.

ONE MARYLAND ONE BOOK DISCUSSION*
WED, NOV. 22; 3PM – 5PM
PITTSVILLE BRANCH

Join us as we watch the movie “The Indian Horse.” The film centers on Saul Indian Horse, a young Canadian First Nations boy who survives Canada’s Indian residential school system to become a star ice hockey player.

WICOMICOCOLIBRARY.ORG
Beanstack Fall Reading Challenge

Read 10 titles to complete the Fall reading challenge. Log your progress on the Beanstack app, at wicomicolibrary.beanstack.org, or this page and return it to any Wicomico Public Library branch.

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CHILDRENS PROGRAMS

AROUND THE WORLD IN 12 HOLIDAYS
SAT: 9/2, 10/7 & 11/11; 2PM - 3PM
Get ready for a year-long adventure! Around the World in 12 Holidays is a once a month adventure for explorers ages 5–12 where we will learn about the ways people around the world celebrate holidays and what makes us all beautifully unique!

IF YOU GIVE A KID A BOOK – MIDDLE GRADE BOOK CLUB
TUE: 9/5, 10/3 & 11/7; 4PM - 5PM
If you give a kid a book, they’ll want to read another! Join us on the first Tuesday of each month for our graphic novel book club. This book club is designed for middle grade readers, but all kids are welcome!
- Sept. book: Amulet: The Stonekeeper by Kazu Kibuishi
- Nov. book: Cleopatra In Space: Target Practice by Mike Maihack

STORYTIME AGES 0–5
THU: 9/7, 9/14, 9/21, 9/28, 10/5, 10/12, 10/19, 11/2, 11/9 & 11/16; 10:30AM - 11AM
All 0–5 year-olds and their caregivers are welcome to share songs, rhymes, and stories together on the first four Thursdays of each month.

* Registration is required. For more information or to register, visit the Events Calendar at www.wicomicobrary.org/events.

READING DRAGONS*
Sat: 9/9 & 10/14; 11am - 12pm
Here There Be Dragons! If you like collectible trading card games and reading, this program is for you! Earn dragon cards for reading and play fun games with the cards. Ages 6 to 11.

CODING FOR KIDS
Mon: 9/11, 9/25, 10/23, 10/16, 10/23, 10/30, 11/6, 11/13, 11/20 & 11/27; 10:30am - 11:30am
Join us for an hour of coding! This program is designed for children ages 7–11, but all are welcome!

STEAM & ROBOTICS CLUB
WED: 9/13, 9/27, 10/11, 10/25, 11/8 & 11/22; 3:30PM - 5PM
Imagine, design, explore, build, and discover using STEAM. Bring your curiosity and imagination to play with Snap Circuits, littleBits, and more!

SPANISH FOR CHILDREN
THU: 9/14, 9/21, 9/28, 10/5, 10/12, 10/19, 10/26, 11/2, 11/9 & 11/16; 4:30PM - 5:30PM
Come learn Spanish with us! Salisbury University Spanish professor, Dr. Sally Perret, will lead these fun and engaging Spanish classes for children.

ALL AGES PROGRAMS
MIL COLORES (A THOUSAND COLORS) – A BILINGUAL FAMILY CONCERT
SAT, SEP. 30; 10:30AM - 11:30AM
Colombian-born songwriter and performer, Nathalia, hosts a fun and interactive presentation of her original bilingual music. Exploring a variety of imaginative themes, Nathalia and her dynamic ensemble paint a world of musical colors by fusing popular styles with traditional Latin American sounds and rhythms. From start to finish, her catchy melodies, heartfelt lyrics, and musical stories will have families singing, dancing, and even learning a little Spanish, in this exciting multicultural experience!
CHILDMEN'S PROGRAMS

LET’S PLAY! COLLABORATIVE GAME TIME
MON: 9/18, 10/2, 10/16, 11/6 & 11/20; 4:30PM - 5:30PM
Let’s Play! provides an opportunity for children ages 6-11 to collaborate on their favorite games! A selection of video and board games will be available for each one hour session. Let’s Play! will take place every first and third Monday, September through December.

YOUNG THINKERS CLUB
Wed: 9/20, 10/4 & 10/18; 4:30pm - 5:15pm
In the Young Thinkers Club, children will play games and do activities that get them thinking—and having fun! This club is led by faculty and students from Salisbury University’s philosophy department. Parents: This club seeks to help children develop critical thinking skills and get them socializing with their peers.

YOUTH KARAOKE
Fri: 9/22 & 10/27; 4pm - 4:45pm
Sing with us every fourth Friday of the month at our Youth Karaoke Night. Categories include pop, R&B, country, Disney songs, rap, and more.

Youth Talent Show
Showcase your talent this fall at the Paul S. Sarbanes Youth Talent Show! We are looking for all kinds of talent: singers, dancers, magicians, actors, pianists, etc.

AUDITIONS
Fri, Sep. 29; 3pm - 4:45pm
Sat, Sep. 30; 3pm - 4:45pm

REHEARSALS
Fri, Oct. 6; 3pm - 4:45pm
Fri, Oct. 13; 3pm - 4:45pm

YOUTH TALENT SHOW
Fri, Oct. 20; 4:00pm - 5:00pm

SPOOKY STORYTIME AND COSTUME PARADE
Thu, Oct. 26; 10:30am - 11am
Come in costume to a special spooky story time! Following story time, children will be invited to show off their costumes on a trick-or-treating parade through the library.

CHILDREN’S BOOK WEEK BASH
Sat, Nov. 11; 2pm - 4pm
Come celebrate Children’s Book Week at the book bash! There will be a costume contest (dress as your favorite book character!), book-themed activities, and more.

HOMESCHOOL ART 101*
FRI: 9/1, 9/15, 10/6, 10/20, 11/3 & 11/17; 2PM - 3PM
Join us for Arts and Crafts for our homeschool friends! Each session we will work on a new project suitable for ages 10 - 16 focusing on a relevant artist, book, or technique. All supplies will be provided.

YOUTH GARDENING 101*
TUE: 9/5 & 9/26; 4PM - 5:30PM
Learn to grow fresh and delicious fruits and vegetables in your own backyard for free! This program is designed for ages 10 through teen.

ANIME AND MANGA CLUB
TUE: 9/12, 10/10 & 11/14; 5:30PM - 6:30PM
Manga/Anime Club members meet the second Tuesday of each month to talk about manga and watch a member selected anime movie/show. Open to middle and high school students.

TEEN ACTION BOARD (TAB)* MEETING
TUE: 9/19, 10/17 & 11/21; 5:30PM - 6:30PM
Attend in person or on Zoom! Registration is required. All middle and high school students are invited to our TAB (Teen Action Board) Meeting. TAB meetings are a forum where students’ opinions and suggestions are heard. TAB members earn one service learning hour for each meeting attended.* - Registration is required. For more information or to register, visit the Events Calendar at www.wimicocolibrary.org/events.
CRAFTERNOON*
WED: 9/20, 10/18 & 11/15; 4PM – 5PM
Let’s have fun and make some art! Patrons 12–18 are invited to join us for a relaxed afternoon crafting session. All materials are provided and participants will take home their project at the end of the group.

CROCHET 101*
TUE: 9/26, 10/24 & 11/28; 5:30PM – 6:30PM
If you’d like to learn to crochet and are in middle or high school, join us! We’ll use tutorials from the library resource, Creativebug, and one on one instruction to start you crocheting for fun and to make scarves for our community.

KEEP SALISBURY WARM*
SAT, OCT. 28; 1PM – 2PM
Would you like to learn to crochet and make scarves and hats for our community? We’ll provide middle and high school students with crochet kits, which they can use to earn service learning hours by making scarves. Donated scarves will be made available to the community during the fall and winter.

GIRLS WHO CODE CLUB*
– GRADES 6 TO 12
SAT: 11/4, 11/11, 11/18, 11/25, 12/2, 12/9, 12/16, 1/6, 1/12 & 1/20; 1PM – 3PM
Join our club to learn from fun and simple online coding tutorials, build community through interactive activities, and learn about inspiring role models. Club members will work in teams to design and build a Girls Who Code Project that solves real world problems you care about through code!

All skill levels are welcome and participants should plan to attend all 10 sessions.

ADULT TRIVIA NIGHT*
THU, SEP. 7; 7PM – 8:45PM
Think you know it all? Come prove it at The Brick Room, where an adult trivia night will be hosted! All categories and subjects are included in this exciting night of trivia. There will be teams of five individuals, so grab your friends, co-workers, or some family members. Participants are required to be at least twenty-one years of age. Drinks will be available for purchase.

Scan the QR code below to register:

COMMUNITY CONVERSATION HOURS
THU: 9/14, 9/21, 9/28, 10/5, 10/12, 10/19, 10/26, 11/2, 11/9 & 11/16; 5:45PM – 6:45PM
Want to practice your Spanish or English? Do you know someone in the community who does? Join these weekly conversation hours, led by SU students and department faculty, for lively practice and fun. We hope you will come!

CROSS STITCH 101*
SAT, OCT. 7; 10:30AM – 12:30PM
Let’s get crafty! Learn the basics of the counted cross stitch method. Registration is required; the first 20 sign-ups will receive supply kits to use during the program. We will be in Meeting Room #8 at the Sarbanes Branch.

TEENS & ADULTS GAMING
BOARD GAMES: TICKET TO RIDE
SAT, SEP. 16; 1PM – 2:30PM
Let’s play Ticket to Ride---build your tracks and connect iconic cities across North America in this fast-paced, strategic board game! See the game and then try it out! This fast-playing 2–5 player game is for ages 8+.

BOARD GAMES: CLUE
SAT, OCT. 21; 1PM – 2:30PM
Let’s play the classic detective game Clue---players move from room to room in a mansion to solve the mystery of: who done it, with what, and where. See the game and then try it out! This fast-playing 2–6 player game is for ages 8+.

BOARD GAMES: CATAN
SAT, NOV. 18; 1PM – 2:30PM
Let’s play Catan---players try to be the dominant force on the island of Catan by building settlements, cities, and roads! See the game and then try it out! This 3–4 player game is for ages 10+.

SUNDAY SCRABBLE
SUN: 9/10, 9/24, 10/8, 10/22, 11/12 & 11/26; 1:30PM – 2:30PM
Stop by the Sarbanes Branch for an afternoon of wordsmithing with the classic game Scrabble. Boards and dictionary will be provided for use, but feel free to bring your own, too!
ADULT PROGRAMS

COFFEE CLUB
THU: 9/7, 9/14, 9/21, 9/28, 10/5, 10/12, 10/19, 10/26, 11/2, 11/9, 11/16 & 11/30; 11AM – 12PM
Stop by Centre Branch on Thursday mornings for the brand new Coffee Club. Enjoy coffee, tea or hot chocolate, read the paper or just chat with friends and start your day off right! Help us save paper, bring a mug!

BOOK BINGO*
WED, 9/6, 10/11 & 11/8; 6PM – 8PM
Join us at the Centre Branch in the mall and get ready to shout “BINGO!” and win some cool library & book-related prizes and of course...BOOKS!! Pre-registration is required. No drop-ins please, space is limited.

CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

STORYTIME WITH NANA – AM

STORYTIME WITH NANA – PM
Story Time is back at the Centre! Join us every Wednesday in our Storybook Room as Nana reads fun stories, sings songs, and teaches a fun craft for everyone to take home with them. Crafts are appropriate for children ages 3–6, but younger (and older) ones can come and listen to the stories as well.

BACK TO SCHOOL BUTTON MAKING FUN!* 
TUE, SEP. 5; 4:30PM – 5:30PM
Let’s get into the back-to-school spirit by designing and making our own buttons! Make a button of your favorite characters, tv shows, bands, favorite sayings, or show your school spirit. The sky is the limit! Pre-registration is required.

BOOK BINGO FOR KIDS!*
SAT, SEP. 16; 2PM – 3PM
Come join us as we play bingo to win cool books! Pre-registration is required. Ages 8–16.

CHILDREN’S BOOK WEEK – LEARN TO DRAW FAVORITE BOOK CHARACTERS*
TUE, NOV. 7; 4:30PM – 5:30PM
Join us as we celebrate Children’s Book Week and learn to draw some favorite book characters. Pre-registration is required.

TEEN PROGRAMS

ADVENTURE’S LEAGUE*
SAT: 9/9, 9/23, 10/14, 10/28, 11/11 & 11/25; 2PM – 4PM
The library is hosting a roleplaying program just for teens! Role Playing games use cooperative storytelling in which they are the heroes. These games foster creativity, learning to work together, and applied math skills!

TEENTOBER – HOW TO MAKE DIGITAL ART*
WED, OCT. 4; 4PM – 6PM
Join us for a hands-on introduction to making art online! We’ll discuss free programs, supplies you might need, and how to get started drawing digitally.

TEENTOBER – VIRTUAL REALITY BEAT SABER*
TUE, OCT. 10; 5PM – 7PM
Teentober continues as we strap the VR headsets on and challenge each other to a Beat Saber competition. Pre-registration is required.

TEENTOBER – DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS DROP-IN ONE SHOT ADVENTURE
SAT, OCT. 21; 2PM – 3PM
Join us for another great Teentober event. Grab a random Dungeons and Dragons character and Find the Lost Apple Pie Recipe in this sweet, wholesome fantasy adventure! No experience is needed! No Registration Required.
BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT @ YOUR LIBRARY
Thu, Sep. 7; 4pm – 7pm
Students, Parents, and Teachers visit us at the Pittsville Branch of the Wicomico Library for a special back-to-school night. We will have refreshments and giveaways, and our librarians will be here to show you what the library can do for you this school year.

TRICK OR TREAT @ THE LIBRARY
Tue, Oct. 31; All Day
Come trick or treat at the Pittsville Branch Library. All day long, if you come in costume, you get candy! Pictures of everyone in costume will be taken for the librarians to pick the winners (to be announced later). Come celebrate Halloween, get some treats, and maybe win a prize!

MS. KAT & FRIENDS – PUPPETS & STORIES
Tue, Nov. 7; 11am – 12pm
Join Ms. Kat and her puppet friends as they celebrate Children’s Book Week with some childhood classics. Ages birth to whenever you stop believing in magic!

TEEN CONNECT – DUNGEONS & DRAGONS
Wed, Oct. 25; 3pm – 5pm
This month’s Teen Connect will be all about Dungeons & Dragons. Have you ever wanted to learn how to play? Do you already play and want to find others who love the game? Just want to see what all the hype is about? Come on out and join us as we learn all about it and play a little.

TEEN CONNECT – WRITING WORKSHOP
Wed, Nov. 29; 3pm – 5pm
Do you write? Have you always wanted to try your hand at writing? Join us as we will be honing our writing skills at this month’s Teen Connect. We will offer fun prompts and writing exercises to help you develop your storytelling abilities. Come join us as we use our imagination and see where it goes.

MAKE A MUSHROOM HOUSE*
Thu, Oct. 5; 3pm – 5pm
Back by popular demand! Join us as we make cute little clay mushroom house jars. All materials will be supplied.

THE INK & THINK CLUB – WHEN THE ANGELS LEFT THE OLD COUNTRY*
Tue, Nov. 14; 6pm – 7pm
Join us for an exciting new book discussion group. We will be reading books (ink) that make us think. We will read adult fiction, non-fiction, Young Adult books, and more that we find interesting and conversation-worthy. Our first book, When “The Angels Left The Old Country” by Sacha Lamb, is a YA book that can be enjoyed by readers of various age groups who appreciate the blending of fantasy and reality and the exploration of cultural identity.

BEGINNERS BEEKEEPING*
Thu, Sep. 21; 5pm – 7pm
Have you considered keeping bees? Wanna hear all about it from a relative “newbee”? Come learn what it’s like from the perspective of a beekeeper who has been at it for the past three years. I’ll tell you all about getting starting as a novice, what you’ll need, what it will cost you and the mistakes and successes along my journey. A no holds barred account of the good, the bad and everything in between, and why I’m still doing it.

BOOK BRICKS*
THU, SEp. 28; 3PM – 5PM
Join us as we learn to turn our favorite books into delightful garden bricks.

ESCAPE ROOM IN A BOX – HALLOWEEN EDITION*
FRI, OCT. 27; 5PM – 7PM
Escape rooms are exciting immersion experiences in which participants are challenged to find clues, solve puzzles, and crack codes in under an hour if they want to escape. You’ll have to work as a team—so put your heads together and let’s see if you can escape.

ONE MARYLAND ONE BOOK – MOVIE – THE INDIAN HORSE*
WED, NOV. 22; 3PM – 5PM
Join us as we watch the movie “The Indian Horse.” The film centers on Saul Indian Horse, a young Canadian First Nations boy who survives Canada’s Indian residential school system to become a star ice hockey player.
MOBILE LEARNING LAB SCHEDULE
Bringing books, programs and technology into our community!

Current stops available:
• MAC Center
• Wright’s Market
• Willards Market Community Center
• Crown Sports Center
• Horizons

View the current schedule at:
tinyurl.com/wplmobilelab

LIBRARY LOCKER LOCATIONS
We currently have four library lockers placed around Wicomico County. Our library lockers are located:
• inside the lobby of the YMCA
• inside the Centre at Salisbury Mall by the Centre Branch Library
• at Crown Sports Center just inside the door with the green awning
• outside of Sharptown Town Hall

What are library lockers you may ask? They are remote locations in the form of lockers where you can pick up holds. You place a hold over the phone or online. When your holds come in, we will place them in the locker and you can come at your convenience to pick them up!

READER VAN SERVICE
Have a local daycare and want supplement material? Our Reader Van is a transit van that brings educational materials to daycares in the form of curriculum-centered-themed totes and storytimes.

PERSONALIZE A WATER BOTTLE WITH CRICUT*
SAT, SEP. 9; 10AM – 12PM
Cope Bennett Park
Learn how to personalize a water bottle with our Cricut aboard our Mobile Learning Lab. Bring your own bottle or we will supply you with one!

CHESS CLUB
WED: 10/4, 10/18, 11/1, 11/15 & 11/29; 3:30PM – 5:30PM
Parkside High School
Play chess onboard the Mobile Learning Lab against your friends on computers or physical boards. Students from any middle or high school are welcome.

LET’S LEARN ABOUT THE ECLIPSE!
SAT, OCT. 14; 12PM – 3PM
Cedar Hill Marina
In Maryland, we will only be able to see about 30% of the eclipse but we can use science and art to see what a full Eclipse might look like.

EXPLORE STEM CAREERS
THU, OCT. 19; 5PM – 7PM
Bennett Middle School
Are you not sure what career path you want to choose, but you love STEM? Come learn about different careers in the S.T.E.M world!

OBSERVE THE MOON NIGHT
SAT, OCT. 21; 6PM – 8PM
Cope Bennett Park
Come have fun with us as we learn about the phases of the moon. We will have out our telescope to take a look at the sky! Rain date is Friday, Nov. 3rd.

HAVING FUN WITH FLOATING INK
TUE, OCT. 24; 5:30PM – 7PM
Cope Bennett Park
Come explore how paper can be dyed with floating ink!

A SPOOKTACULAR CELEBRATION!
WED, OCT. 25; 5:30PM – 7:30PM
Pemberton Park
We will have storytime and a dance party, along with other fun activities!

E-GAME DEMO DAY
SAT, OCT. 28; 9AM – 11AM
Crown Sports Center
We will have the Mobile Learning Lab showcasing the different types of e-games we have. We even have an Oculus to try!

CREATE A 3D PRINTED HOLIDAY GIFT
SAT, NOV. 4; 10AM – 12PM
Oak Ridge Church
Need a unique gift? Learn more about 3D printing and create a personalized holiday gift.

CODING EXPLORATION – OSMOS
SAT, NOV. 4; 1PM – 3PM
Oak Ridge Church
Coding for kids? Give your little ones a jumpstart into the world of coding with the Mobile Learning Lab, where we can make learning about coding fun. Join us as your little ones explore basic coding skills with the Osmos and 3 levels of games that are designed for 5-10+ learners.

THIRD FRIDAYS
Mobile Services will be parked at 3rd Friday on the Downtown Plaza.
9/15 – Urban Artsscapes
10/20 – Superheroes
11/17 – Holiday Lights
VIRTUAL BOOK CLUB*
TUE: 9/19, 10/17 & 11/23; 6PM – 7PM
Please join the Virtual Book Club from the comfort of your home for a relaxed discussion. Come prepared to share book(s) that you’re reading or have recently read. Registration is required.

We will be using the Zoom platform. A link to join the book discussion will be sent to all registered the day before the program via email.

MORE VIRTUAL PROGRAMS
Can’t physically visit the library? Not to worry! Visit our YouTube page to discover fun activities provided by the Wicomico Public Library from the comfort of your home. Find a wide range of enjoyable and educational videos for the entire family, including kid-friendly craft videos, riveting storytimes, interesting STEM activities, and enjoyable podcasts.

Visit our youtube page at youtube.com/@wicomicopublibrary to find out more!

Check out these digital resources and more at:

Hoopla allows you to borrow movies, music, audiobooks, ebooks, comics, and TV shows to enjoy on your personal devices.

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Brainfuse offers live tutoring, skills building, foreign language lab, live writing assistance, a test center offering practice quizzes for standardized tests.

Mango Languages is an online language-learning system teaching actual conversation skills for over 70 languages.

Young students can find authoritative information from National Geographic Kids magazine, videos and photos.

Website sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor, featuring career-building tools, job search, and training opportunities.
MEETING ROOMS

The Paul S. Sarbanes branch offers meeting rooms for public use. These rooms are perfect for a variety of events, including business meetings, community gatherings and educational workshops.

Simply visit our website wicomicolibrary.org/reserve-room and select the date, time, and room size that best fits your needs. Please note that there is a charge for using the meeting rooms, with the exception of non-profit organizations. Once your reservation is confirmed, you’ll receive an email with all the details.

Before reserving a meeting room, it’s important to review the library’s meeting room policies. These guidelines ensure that all guests can enjoy a safe and comfortable environment. Some of the key policies include:

- Rooms can be reserved up to three months in advance
- Reservations must be made by an adult (18 years or older)
- No food or drink is allowed in the meeting rooms
- Rooms must be left clean and tidy after use

If you have questions, or need to request a room within three days notice, please contact the admin office at 410-749-3612 x110.

PROJECT READ

The Wicomico Library’s Project Read program is building brighter futures through literacy. Project Read provides free one-on-one tutoring for adults who struggle with reading, writing and basic math skills. Our goal is to help individuals improve their literacy skills so they can succeed in their personal and professional lives.

But we can’t do it alone. We’re currently seeking volunteers to serve as literacy coaches in our program. As a literacy coach, you’ll work one-on-one with an adult learner to help them improve their literacy skills. You’ll make a real difference in someone’s life, helping them to gain confidence and achieve their goals. You’ll also gain teaching and mentoring skills, develop new friendships and experience the joy of seeing someone else succeed.

If you’re interested in becoming a literacy coach for Project Read, please contact DeMyra Harvey, Project READ Coordinator, at 410-749-3612 ext. 159. You’ll receive training and ongoing support to ensure that you’re equipped to make a positive impact in someone’s life.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT CENTER

The Wicomico Library is proud to offer a Community Support Center at our Paul S. Sarbanes Branch. The Community Support Center is a place where individuals and families can find the resources they need to succeed.

Services provided at the Community Support Center:

- Job search assistance
- Assurance wireless and Q-link sign ups (This is a service where the government provides a free phone to qualifying individuals).
- Assistance with Unemployment applications
- Assistance with rental applications
- Assistance with locating community resources for specific needs (food, shelter, addiction and treatment resources, crisis intervention resources, transitional housing resources)

Registered rental unit list in the Salisbury and Wicomico County Area:

The Veterans Administration is going to begin staffing a resource table on the last Wednesday of every month. They will be at Sarbanes Branch from 10–2 with staff that can provide information about VA benefits, Veteran housing resources, and insurance information.
The Friends of Wicomico Public Library provides support for this necessary public institution. Being a Friend shows your commitment to the Library; its resources, services, and educational opportunities. It also demonstrates to local leaders that the Library is vital to our community and continues the Library’s base of support.

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS
ALL FRIENDS MEMBERSHIP LEVELS INCLUDE
2 FREE BOOKS FROM THE BOOKSHELF BOOK STORE.

☐ BOOKWORM (INDIVIDUAL) .......... $15
☐ BOOK COLLECTORS (FAMILY)...... $25
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SAVE THE DATE
Please plan to join us for our book sales held at the Paul S. Sarbanes Branch!

2023 FOLK FESTIVAL BOOK SALE
September 22 – 24

2023 FALL BOOK SALE
November 17 – 18
Friend’s Preview Night: Nov. 16

BOOK SHELF
The Book Shelf is our volunteer run used book store located in the lobby of the Paul S. Sarbanes Branch. Thanks to our Friends of the Library Volunteers, the Book Shelf is major source of additional funding for our Wicomico Public Library.

HOURS:
Mon – Sat: 10am – 4pm
Sunday: Closed

* Hours are subject to volunteer availability.

PRICE LIST
• Hardcover $2.00
• Paperback $2.00
• Small Paperback $1.00
• Youth $1.00
• Media Shelf $1.00
• Tote Bag $1.50

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