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Library News

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HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

9/1 - Labor Day

10/13 - Columbus Day & NIP

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Letter from the Assistant Director



The American Library Association held a nationwide conference from June 26 to June 30, 2025, in Philadelphia. Representatives from the Wicomico Public Library gave presentations on our Community Support Center, EDI Task Force, and Prison Outreach.

The first panel featured Seth Hershberger, Executive Director; Cristi Richardson, Community Support Specialist; Bernadette Cannady, Branch Manager for Sarbanes; and Michel Schlehofer, Board of Trustees. This panel focused on the current model of the Community Support Center at the Sarbanes Branch, which provides essential

support and resources to help Wicomico County citizens access necessary services and foster growth. The panel also led a discussion on the library's EDI panel, which reviews internal policies and resources while promoting a culture of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion for all staff. They operate in an advisory role to the library.

Additionally, Karen Earp, our Youth Services Manager, presented on her Storybook program. Karen collaborates with the Wicomico County Detention Center to help incarcerated parents record picture books for their children, which she mails to them in a package that also contains age-appropriate toys and library information. The program helps to enforce children's connections to their incarcerated family members by allowing them to hear their adult's voice at any time.

This group also presented locally to the Maryland Library Association in June. Bernadette Cannady retired after 38 years of service upon returning from the ALA conference.

SAVE THE DATE

FOLK FESTIVAL BOOK SALE SEPTEMBER 20TH-21ST

FALL BOOK SALE NOVEMBER 20TH-22ND

Staff Highlight: Mary Wieland



Mary Wieland is a Circulation Assistant II at the Paul S. Sarbanes Branch and has been employed there since March 2015. She has held various positions in the library, including serving as a driver for the Mobile Services Department. We have received the most feedback about Mary, with patrons noting that she is very pleasant and helpful. One patron even mentioned that she can brighten anyone's day, thanks to her contagious enthusiasm. Mary takes great pride in her customer service skills, and we are very happy to have her as part of our team.

Program Highlights

One Maryland One Book

Be part of this year's One Maryland One Book program with Kin: Rooted in Hope by Carole Boston Weatherford, featuring illustrations by Jeffery Boston Weatherford. The story weaves voices from history, including Harriet Tubman, Frederick Douglass, and the land itself, into a powerful meditation on memory and identity. Join us this fall as the library hosts events inspired by Kin, exploring themes of family, legacy, and hope.

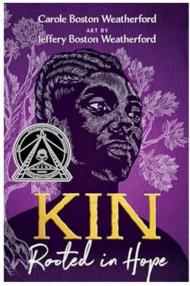
The annual One Maryland One Book program is free and unites readers across the state, fostering community and conversation around a single book. Free copies of the book are available at all Wicomico Public Library branches while supplies last.











by Carole Boston Weatherford, Illustrations by Jeffery Boston Weatherford



POWER UP WITH CHOPTANK ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE 10/17-11/16

AT PAUL S. SARBANES LIBRARY

3D PRINT KEYCHAINS* SAT, OCT. 18; 2:00PM-3:30PM AT PAUL S. SARBANES LIBRARY

3D PRINTING WORKSHOP* Tue, Nov. 4; 4:30pm-6:00pm AT PAUL S. SARBANES LIBRARY

MINDS IN MOTION (STEAM)* WED, NOV. 5; 3:30PM-5:30PM AT PAUL S. SARBANES LIBRARY

Join the fun at the Maryland STEM Festival! Explore exciting activities and events that bring innovative ideas to life. For more information, visit marylandstemfestival.org.



Sign up for Wowbrary today!

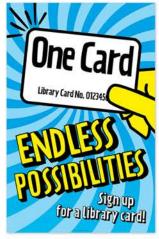
Wicomico Public Library is excited to offer its patrons free "Wowbrary" email alerts that showcase the library's newest items each week. The alerts feature the latest bestsellers, movies, music CDs, audio books, children's titles, cookbooks, mysteries, travel guides, health books, science fiction and more purchased by the library.

Wowbrary alerts are free and do not require a library card. Go to www.wowbrary.org to sign up or learn more.

SCAN HERE FOR WOWBRARY **EMAILS:**



Library Things



What Can a Library Card Do? More Than You Think.

When William Bennett, Secretary of Education in 1987, suggested every child get a library card, a national tradition was born. Library Card Sign-Up Month is now a time to reflect on just how much that one small card can do.

At Wicomico Public Library, we believe in the power of possibility. With your library card, you can check out books, of course, but that's just the beginning. You can explore new hobbies, stream movies and music, get homework help, learn new skills, and so much more.

This year's theme—One Card, Endless Possibilities—celebrates the way libraries empower people from all walks of life. Whether you're a student, a job seeker, a lifelong learner, or a curious mind, a library card connects you to the tools you need to grow. Signing up is easy, free, and one of the best decisions you can make. Come in, get your card, and discover what's possible.



A Storytime for Every Age at Wicomico Public Library, Sarbanes Branch

The Youth Services staff at the Sarbanes Branch is excited to introduce our redesigned storytimes, launching this fall. We remain committed to fostering early literacy and creating welcoming, inclusive spaces for families with young children.

To better support families and reflect the diverse developmental needs of our youngest patrons, we are transitioning to leveled storytimes. These new programs—Baby Storytime for infants, Toddler Storytime for young walkers, and Preschool Storytime for early learners—will replace our current mixed-age sessions. Each program is thoughtfully designed to offer age-appropriate learning experiences while welcoming children of all abilities, cultures, and backgrounds.

Leveled storytimes will feature developmentally targeted activities, encourage caregiver engagement, and support early literacy skill-building. Sessions will include songs, books, and activities that celebrate cultural diversity and incorporate flexible, sensory-friendly elements to meet a range of needs. This more

intentional approach allows us to create meaningful, engaging experiences for every child.

Research shows that children thrive when activities match their stage of development. Infants benefit from slower pacing, sensory play, and bonding time that fosters early language skills. Toddlers, who are rapidly expanding their vocabularies, engage best with songs, repetition, and movement. Preschoolers are ready for more complex language, including retelling stories and group discussions that build skills essential for reading success.

By aligning content with developmental stages, leveled storytimes improve engagement, promote stronger literacy outcomes, and empower caregivers to actively support their child's growth. Feedback from families highlights the importance of age-appropriate content—when programs match a child's needs, learning becomes joyful and frustration is minimized.

We can't wait to see our friends and families at our leveled storytimes!

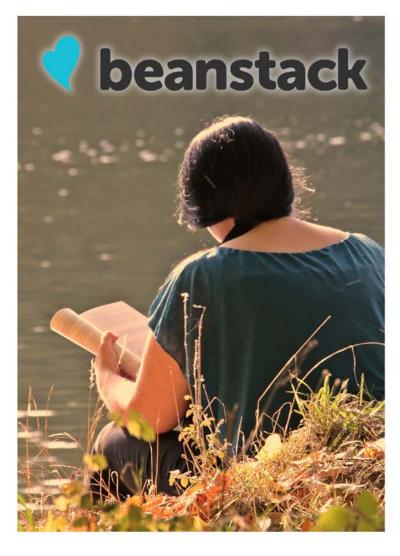
Beanstack Fall Reading Challenges

This fall, discover how stories connect us all. Wicomico Public Library's Beanstack challenges are back with something for everyone! Enjoy the cozy Fall Reading Challenge for all ages, get spooked with our Spooky Season Movies October challenge for ages 16+, and reflect during Read Grateful in November. Students can also join Your Next Chapter, a year-long challenge designed to keep them engaged and inspired throughout the entire school year.



Start reading today at wicomicolibrary.beanstack.org!













PLUS, DON'T MISS OUT ON OUR YEAR-LONG READING CHALLENGES!





Paul S. Sarbanes Library

(410) 749-3612 Monday - Thursday: 10am - 7pm Friday - Saturday: 10am - 5pm Sunday: 1pm - 5pm

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

MINDS IN MOTION (STEAM)*

WED: 9/3, 9/17, 10/1, 10/15, 11/5 & 11/19; 3:30PM-5:30PM

Get ready to imagine, explore, and create! Minds in Motion is a hands-on STEAM program designed for elementary students to spark curiosity and build problem-solving skills through fun, engaging activities.



TODDLER STORYTIME

THU: 9/4, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25, 10/2, 10/9, 10/16, 10/23, 10/30, 11/6 & 11/13; 10:30AM-11:15AM

Toddler Storytime is specially designed for children ages 18 to 35 months and their caregivers. Each week, we'll explore the world through short stories, upbeat songs, movement, and play, perfect for busy toddlers eager to learn and explore.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

FRI: 9/5, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26, 10/3, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, 10/31, 11/7 & 11/14; 10:30AM—11:15AM

Preschoolers, get ready for fun!
Designed for children ages 3 to 5
and their caregivers, Preschool
Storytime features longer stories,
playful songs, and creative
activities that support school
readiness and early literacy
development.



BABY & ME STORYTIME

MON: 9/8, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/20, 10/27, 11/3 & 11/10; 10:30AM—11:15AM Designed especially for our youngest library visitors, Baby & Me Storytime invites babies from birth to 18 months and their caregivers to enjoy a gentle, sensory-rich experience that supports early language development and bonding.

PAWS TO READ

MON: 9/8, 9/22, 10/27, 11/10 & 11/24; 5:30PM-6:30PM

At Paws to Read, children can read aloud to a dog for 5 - 7 minutes. A volunteer will be present during the entire session. This activity helps build reading confidence in children while they are relaxing and having fun



POKÉCLUB*

MON: 9/15, 10/6, 10/20, 11/3 & 11/17; 4:00PM-5:00PM

Calling all young Pokémon Trainers! Join us for PokeClub, a fun and friendly space where kids can dive into Pokémon-themed games, crafts, and activities. Ages 6-11



POWER UP WITH CHOPTANK ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE 10/17-11/16

Discover how energy is generated, how it travels to your home, and why it matters. Stop by anytime during open hours to learn, play, and get inspired by the power of STEM!

MS. RACHEL PARTY: A MUSICAL PLAYDATE FOR LITTLE ONES*

TUE, OCT. 14; 10:30AM-11:30AM & 11:30AM-12:30PM

Join us for a fun-filled party featuring Ms. Rachel's most beloved songs and activities! This interactive event is designed for children ages 0-5 and their caregivers to sing, dance, and play together.

FREE HOMESCHOOLER PICTURE DAY

WED, OCT. 15; 12:00PM-2:00PM

A special opportunity for homeschooling families to have high-quality, free portraits taken in a friendly and welcoming environment. Children and teens can dress up as they choose—whether in formal attire, casual clothes, or character costumes. Families will receive digital copies of their photos via email.

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CHILDREN & TEEN PROGRAMS

3D PRINTING WORKSHOP*

TUE: 9/2, 9/16, 10/7, 11/4 & 11/18; 4:30PM-6:00PM

Join us for a hands-on 3D Printing Workshop designed just for kids and teens!



3D PRINT KEYCHAINS*

SAT, OCT, 18; 2:00PM-3:30PM

Learn the basics of 3D printing and design by creating your own custom keychain. A great way to decorate your backpack or lanyard! Ages 6-18

CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK

11/3-11/9

Join us in celebrating Children's Book Week! This year's theme, An Ocean of Stories, invites you to dive into fun with a variety of activities and resourcesavailable to do in the library or to take home.



EVERYONE

THE MINIATURE WORKSHOP: **DOLLHOUSE EDITION**

THU: 9/11, 10/9 & 11/13; 4:30PM-6:30PM

Step into a world of miniature magic at The Miniature Workshop: Dollhouse Edition. Whether you're a long-time dollhouse enthusiast or just discovering the charm of these tiny worlds, this program offers something for everyone.

HALLOWEEN COSTUME SWAP 9/15 - 10/31

Let's reuse and recycle this Halloween! Donate gently used Halloween Costumes and pick up a new-to-you ensemble for the holiday!

A donation is not required in order to pick up a costume. Donations will be accepted beginning Monday, September 15th. Costumes will be available for pick-up Wednesday, October 1st through the end of Friday, October 31st.

CROCHET CORNER*

SAT: 9/27, 10/25 & 11/22; 11:00AM-12:00PM

Whether you're brand new or a seasoned stitcher, join us for Crochet Corner! We'll provide yarn and hooks to help you get started-no experience needed.



PUTTING YOUR GARDENS & LAWNS TO BED FOR THE WINTER*

SAT, SEP. 27; 2:00PM-3:00PM Get your yard ready for the colder months! Join us for an informative program where you'll learn how to properly prepare your garden and lawn for winter to ensure a beautiful, healthy return in spring.

CELEBRACIONES DE LA CULTURA LATINOS: A CELEBRATION OF LATIN AMERICAN HERITAGE

SAT, OCT. 18; 1:00PM-4:00PM Join us for an inclusive celebration of Latin American Culture. This community event honors our shared heritage while celebrating what makes each culture unique.

HALLOWEEN PARADE

FRI, OCT. 31; 11:30AM-12:00PM Join us for the Halloween Parade after Storytime on Friday, 10/31! Come in costume and trick-ortreat your way through the library!



JUST FOR TEENS

ANIME STEAM FUSION

TUE: 9/9 & 10/14; 5:00PM-6:30PM Join us at the library for Anime STEAM Fusion, a unique program designed specifically for teens and tweens who love Anime and are curious about science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics (STEAM).

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THE IRON KEEP: TABLE TOP **GAMING***

WED: 9/10, 9/24, 10/8, 10/22, 11/12 & 11/26; 3:30PM-6:30PM Step into the world of imagination, strategy, and storytelling with The Iron Keep, a tabletop role-playing game experience designed especially for teens.

ADULTING 101: LIFE SKILLS FOR TEENS*

WED, NOV. 12; 5:30PM-6:30PM Adulting 101: Life Skills for Teens is a hands-on program designed to equip teenagers with essential real-world skills-from financial literacy and basic home maintenance to effective communication and decisionmaking-preparing them for independence and success in adulthood. This session will focus on stress management for teens.

TEENS AND ADULT PROGRAM

COLLEGE TEXTBOOK EXCHANGE 8/1-9/30

Join us at the Library for our Textbook Exchange Program!

Bring your used college textbooks to the library. Help another student out while clearing some space on your shelf! Browse through our collection of donated textbooks and take what you need. Remember, it's first come, first serve, so come early for the best selection!



SUPERHERO PAINT DAY: UNMASK YOUR CREATIVITY!*

SAT, OCT. 18; 10:15AM-12:15PM

Teens and young adults—it's time to channel your inner hero! Join us for Superhero Paint Day, a creative experience where you can paint your favorite superhero. Whether you're into Marvel, DC, or anime, this is your chance to bring your vision to life.

ADULT PROGRAMS



COMPUTER TUTOR*

MON: 9/8, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/20, 10/27, 11/3, 11/10, 11/17 & 11/24; 10:30AM-11:30AM

Learn the basics in our Computer Tutor series! Self-paced, handson learning for just the basics. Do you just have a computer question? Stop in and we'll help! Registration is preferred, but walk-ins are welcome.

BOOKED FOR THE WEEKEND*

SAT: 9/13, 10/11 & 11/8; 10:30AM-11:30AM

A book club that features one title per month with selections from a variety of genres and authors.

September is The Murder of Roger Ackroyd by Agatha Christie, October is The Seventh Veil of Salome by Silvia Moreno-Garcia, and November is The Night Watchman by Louise Erdrich

ADULT YOGA WITH SOUL YOGA* WED: 9/17, 10/1, 10/15, 11/5 & 11/19; 4:30PM-5:30PM

Come join Soul Yoga's instructor Lauren Gilmore for a free adult yoga class! Participants will learn the fundamentals of yoga while exploring how it can benefit them. Grab a friend or family member to experience and learn together. Registration is not required but is recommended. *Participants should bring their own towel or yoga mat.

PATHWAYS TO PREVENTION: TURNING PAIN INTO PURPOSE DISCUSSION FORUM

THU, SEP. 18; 5:00PM-7:00PM Join us for a Community Forum on understanding and addressing substance misuse in Wicomico County. Come hear from local experts, ask questions, and learn how substance misuse is impacting our community and what we can do together to help. Let's come together to listen, learn, and take action.

ONE MARYLAND ONE BOOK DISCUSSION: KIN: ROOTED IN HOPE

TUE, OCT. 28; 5:30PM-6:30PM Join us for an engaging discussion of Kin: Rooted in Hope by Carole Boston Weatherford the 2025 One Maryland One Book selection.

Come explore a compelling narrative of resilience, history, and legacy. All are welcome!

One Maryland One Book is a program of Maryland Humanities, sponsored by the Institute for Museum and Library Services and the Maryland State Library Agency.

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Centre Library

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE JR.- READ ALOUD BOOK CLUB*

THU: 9/4, 9/11, 10/2, 10/9, 11/6 & 11/13; 5:00PM-6:45PM

Each session we will read one Choose your own adventure book where you; the ADVENTURER, decide the path the group should take. An activity or craft will follow the story.

PAINT! WITH MARBLES!* FRI, SEP; 4:15PM-4:45PM

Let's make some fun art pieces! With marbles and some paint we can let our imagination roll!

EGG CARTON BIRD FEEDER*

WED, NOV 12; 5:30PM-6:30PM

Let's make a totally recycled bird feeder from an egg carton and some string! This is sure to help kick off the bird watching from your window!



KIDS & TEEN PROGRAMS

PULLED STRING ART*

SAT, NOV. 8; 3:30PM-4:00PM Use string and fun colors to make a fun art piece like no other!

TEEN & ADULT PROGRAMS

GETTING STARTED WITH 3D PRINTING*

TUE, SEP. 9; 5:30PM-7:00PM

Curious about 3D printing but not sure where to begin? Join us for an introductory workshop where you'll learn the basics of 3D printing technology, explore how 3D printers work, and discover how designs go from a digital file to a real-world object.



SCRAPBOOKING FOR BEGINNERS* TUE: 9/16, 10/21 & 11/18; 5:00PM-7:00PM

Join us every month as we create a seasonal scrapbook layout together based on that month! All supplies will be provided, you'll just need to bring your creativity and imagination.

FANTASY MAP MAKING*

FRI, OCT. 3; 4:00PM-4:45PM

What can we make with beans, dice, and rice? A completely original fantasy map! Join us as we walk through the creative steps to build your very own continent (or entire world).



GETTING STARTED WITH VIRTUAL REALITY*

Monday - Thursday: 10am - 7pm Friday - Saturday: 10am - 5pm

(410) 546-5397

Sunday: CLOSED

TUE, OCT. 28; 5:00PM-7:00PM Step into the world of virtual reality! This introductory program will guide participants through the basics of VR technology, how it works, and the exciting ways it's being used today, from gaming and education to travel and design.

CRYPTID SOCIAL HOUR*

FRI, OCT. 31; 4:00PM-5:00PM

Join us Halloween night to talk about our favorite cryptids! No cryptid is too obscure! Mothman? Absolutely! Fresno Nightcrawlers? Always welcome!



EVERYONE

DESIGN YOUR OWN GLOW IN THE DARK TRICK-OR-TREAT BAGS!*

TUE, OCT. 7; 5:00PM-6:45PM Let's get creative and make our very own custom trick-or-treat bags! We'll be using canvas tote bags and iron-on vinyl to assemble our perfectly spooky creations.

PUMPKIN PAINTING SOCIAL!*

FRI, OCT. 31; 2:30PM-3:30PM

Come chat, paint, and celebrate Halloween at your local library!

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Centre Library

(410) 546-5397

Monday - Thursday: 10am - 7pm Friday - Saturday: 10am - 5pm

Sunday: CLOSED

ADULT PROGRAMS



BASICS OF AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE*

WED: 9/3, 9/10, 6/17 & 9/24; 5:30PM-6:30PM

ASL is the primary communication of the Deaf community. Celebrate Deaf Awareness month with us at Centre by learning some of the

THE SALISBURY SALON CREATIVE CIRCLE*

SAT: 9/6, 10/4 & 11/1; 2:00PM-4:00PM Step into the new season with a celebration of American culture from the intellectually diverse voices of American poets, past and present. The Salisbury Salon aims to be a welcoming space for ALL 18+ to engage in hearty artistic discussion, activities, and share personal creative projects (usually over light refreshments).



THE CENTRE PULL

MON: 9/8, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/20, 10/27, 11/3, 11/10, 11/17 & 11/24; 5:30PM-6:30PM

Need a quiet place to work on a project? Join us at the Centre Pull! All fiber arts are welcome, and any experience level! We have yarn and supplies for those who are just starting out!

STORYTELLING THROUGH ART -KIN, ROOTED IN HOPE*

THU, SEP. 18; 5:00PM-7:00PM

Join us we create visual or written pieces reflecting our family stories, inspired by the poetic and visual format of this years One Maryland, One Book entitled Kin -Rooted in Hope by Carol & Jeffrey Boston Weatherford. Pick up a copy of the book at your local library before the program



"FOR THE RECORD" MUSIC CLUB* SAT: 9/20, 10/18 & 11/15; 3:00PM-4:30PM

Check out the "Centre" for music! Update your music library at our new monthly music listening club, "For the Record," where attendees will share songs and albums to play. Feel free to bring your own CDs and/or playlists. All genres welcome!!!

SPOOKY STAINED GLASS*

SAT, OCT. 11: 3:00PM-4:00PM

Make a spooky faux stained glass piece to bring some seasonal decor into any space!

KINNECTIONS: DISCOVERING AFRICAN AMERICAN ROOTS*

WED, OCT. 22; 5:00PM-7:00PM Inspired by One Maryland One Book selection Kin: Rooted in Hope by Carole Boston Weatherford, this class invites participants to begin or deepen their journey into African American genealogy.

DAGGERHEART: A NEW ADVENTURE

SAT, OCT. 25; 2:30PM-4:30PM Looking for a new fantasy adventure to embark on? Join us for a session 0 in the new Daggerheart format. We can talk scheduling, character creation, and what kind of adventure you,



PAINT AND SIP!* SAT, NOV. 22; 2:30PM-4:30PM Take a break and unwind with some social painting and

mocktails!



Pittsville Library

(410) 835-2353

Monday - Thursday: 10am - 7pm Friday - Saturday: 10am - 5pm

Sunday: CLOSED

ADULT PROGRAMS

BEEKEEPING FOR BEGINNERS: WINTERIZING & LONG-TERM BEEKEEPING SUCCESS*

WED, SEP. 3; 5:00PM-7:00PM Interested in beekeeping but not sure where to start? Join us for our series on Beekeeping for Beginners, an introduction to the essentials of starting your own hive! This series will be led by a local beekeeper who has learned through trial and error, experiencing both the challenges and rewards of the art and science of backyard beekeeping.



COFFEE CLUB @ THE PITTSVILLE BRANCH

THU, SEP. 4; 10:30AM-12:00PM Coffee Club (Formally known as Coffee Klatch), is back at the Pittsville Branch. Join us every Thursday morning for coffee and conversation. No registration required, just drop in!

SCRATCH ART*

THU, 9/18, 10/16 & 11/13; 5:30PM-7:00PM

Join us as we learn the relaxing, stress-free activity that is Scratch Art Therapy. Scratch Art is the process of "scratching" away a gray surface to unveil a beautiful piece of art you can take home and display.

KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS

CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE JR.- READ ALOUD BOOK CLUB*

WED: 9/3, 10/1 & 11/5; 5:00PM-6:45PM Each session we will read one Choose your own adventure book where you; the ADVENTURER, decide the path the group should take. An activity or craft will follow the story.

PICTURING WICOMICO! YOUTH PHOTOGRAPHY*

SAT: 9/6, 10/4 & 11/1; 3:00PM-4:00PM Picturing Wicomico aims to teach younger audiences the basics of photography; to show how they view their community; and let them display their works for their community to see.



EVERYONE

DESIGN YOUR OWN GLOW IN THE DARK TRICK-OR-TREAT BAGS!*

MON, OCT. 6; 5:00PM-6:45PM

Let's get creative and make our very own custom trick-or-treat bags! We'll be using canvas tote bags and iron-on vinyl to assemble our perfectly spooky creations.



TEEN & ADULT PROGRAMS

EASY SEWING WITH KRISTIE* TUE: 9/9, 10/14 & 11/18; 5:00PM-6:45PM

Join us for Easy Sewing with Kristie, a fun and beginnerfriendly hand-sewing class featuring simple embroidery techniques!



GUITAR FOR BEGINNERS* THU, SEP. 11; 6:00PM-7:00PM

Have you always wanted to learn how to play guitar but didn't know where to start? Come join us as we learn from a teacher with 10+ years of guitar teaching experience in a laid-back, fun atmosphere with zero pressure.



SCRAPBOOKING FOR BEGINNERS* SAT: 9/13, 10/11 & 11/8;

2:00PM-4:00PM

Join us every month as we create a scrapbook layout together! All supplies will be provided, you'll just need to bring your creativity and imagination.

Mobile Library



FREE EXPUNGEMENT CLINIC

Join us at a FREE EXPUNGEMENT CLINIC! Review your criminal record, prepare expungement petitions, and discuss new changes to the expungement laws with an attorney from the Maryland Court Help Center.

Current stops (4PM - 7PM):

- 9/9: Hebron Fire Dept.
- 10/21: Salisbury YMCA

FAMILY LAW HELP SERVICES

Let Wicomico Public Library's Mobile Learning Lab bring FREE Family Law Help to you!

Get FREE legal assistance from licensed attorneys via Zoom and law staff support to prepare legal documents. Services cover family law topics like divorce, custody, name changes, and court preparation.

This program series is in partnership with the Circuit Court for Wicomico County Family Services Program.

Current stops (IPM - 4PM):

- 9/10: Salisbury YMCA
- 9/24: Willards Lions Club
- 10/8: Hebron Fire Dept.
- 10/22: Westside Community
- 11/5: Billy Gene Jackson Sr.
- 11/19: Salisbury YMCA

HOW TO SELL ITEMS ON FACEBOOK MARKETPLACE

SAT, SEP. 6; 10:00AM-11:30AM YMCA PARKING LOT

Do you have items to sell but don't understand how to work Facebook Marketplace? Bring your smartphone with a picture of the item you want to sell!

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS CLUB

THU: 9/11, 10/9 & 11/13; 3:30PM-5:30PM

YMCA PARKING LOT

Come join our Dungeon Master on an adventure!

SCAVENGER HUNT

SAT, SEP. 13; 10:00AM-11:00AM PEMBERTON PARK

Explore Pemberton Park and connect with nature. We will have a scavenger hunt list for families to look for around the grounds.

SAND ART

SAT, SEP. 13; 11:00AM-12:00PM PEMBERTON PARK

Express your creative side with a sand art craft.

TABLETOP GAME CLUB

THU: 9/18, 10/2, 10/16, 11/6 & 11/20; 3:30PM-5:30PM

PARKSIDE HIGH PARKING LOT

Do you need a break from technology? Come join us in playing tabletop games with your friends. All middle and high schoolers are welcome!

CREATE A BIRD FEEDER

SAT, SEP. 27; 10:00AM-11:30AM WESTSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER

Join us in preparing our feathered friends for the cooler weather ahead. We will be making bird feeders to help feed them through the long winter..

STEM FREE PLAY

FRI, OCT. 17; 12:30PM-2:30PM WINTERPLACE PARK

Is your child interested in STEM? We will have some of our STEM activities out on the Mobile Learning Lab for kids ages 6-11 to

VISION BOARD WORKSHOP: CONNECTING DREAMS TO REALITY

SAT, NOV. 8; 10:00AM-11:30AM YMCA PARKING LOT

Join us for an inspiring and creative Vision Board Workshop where we focus on the theme of Connecting-to ourselves, to our goals, and to each other.

CONNECTING THROUGH TECHNOLOGY: COMPUTER HELP & DIGITAL SKILLS

MON, NOV. 10; 10:00AM-12:00PM SUMMER'S GATE COMMUNITY

Whether it's staying in touch with loved ones, accessing important resources, or exploring new opportunities, we're here to help you connect with the tools and skills you need.

BOARD GAME & PUZZLE SWAP/BOOKMOBILE POP UP

SAT, NOV. 22; 10:00AM-11:30AM SHARPTOWN TOWN HALL

Love board games and puzzles? Looking for something new to challenge your brain or bring family and friends together?

CONNECTIONS THROUGH GAMES: BOARD & E-GAME*

WED, NOV. 26; 10:00AM-12:00PM SHARPTOWN TOWN HALL

Join us for a fun-filled program where strategy meets screen and dice meet digital!

BIRDS IN THE PARK

FRI, SEP. 5; 10:00AM-11:30AM BEN'S RED SWINGS

Do you love to watch the colorful birds native to the Eastern Shore? Come out to Ben's Red Swings and meet up with other bird enthusiasts to talk about our feathered friends and do some bird watching!



ADULT TRIVIA NIGHT*

THU: 9/11, 10/9 & 11/13; 7PM-9PM THE BRICK ROOM

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.



POPLAR HILL STORYTIME SAT: 9/27, 10/25 & 11/15; 11AM-12PM

POPLAR HILL MANSION

Enjoy stories, songs, and themed activities at Poplar Hill Mansion! Families can discover history and creativity together in this engaging storytime-plus, take home a special activity to keep the fun going.



BOOK BINGO NIGHT!*

FRI, OCT. 24; 6:00PM-8:00PM WESTSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER

Join us for an exciting evening of **BINGO with Mobile Services!**

Looking for a fun and friendly way to connect with your community? Come play BINGO with us! This free event is open to teens and adults. Whether you're a seasoned player or brand new to the game, everyone is welcome. We will be holding this in the Westside Community Center. Prizes will be books for all ages!

3RD ANNUAL SPOOKTACULAR CELEBRATION

THU, OCT. 30; 5:00PM-8:00PM WINTERPLACE PARK

Join us for a frightfully fun time at Mobile Services' 3rd Annual Spooktacular Celebration—a Halloween event for all ages! Come in costume and enjoy an evening filled with ghoulish games, creepy crafts, and treats (no tricks!).

Explore our haunted trucks, create your own monster mask, paint a spooky rock, and trick or treat around to our community partners. From 5:00 pm until dark, we will host an eerie scavenger hunt through Winterplace park!

Costumes encouraged. Fun guaranteed.



Want to read a book but still enjoy the great outdoors? StoryWalk is a fun way to get exercise and enjoy reading at the same time. The Library is partnering with Wicomico County Recreation and Parks to bring Storywalks® to two local parks:

- 9/12 9/29: Centennial Village Playground
- 10/14 11/3: Winterplace Park



YEAR-ROUND RIVERWALK STORYWALK

Enjoy the outdoors with our Riverwalk Storywalk® in Downtown Salisbury!

- 8/8 9/26: "Mr. Tiger Goes Wild" by Peter Brown
- 9/21 12/1: "If Your Babysitter Is a Bruja" by Ana Siqueira

The Salisbury Riverwalk StoryWalk® was created by Wicomico Public Library and funded by the Chesapeake Bay Trust and the City of Salisbury.

Virtual Programs and Online Services

VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALKS

Enjoy a range of talks from bestselling authors and thought leaders.

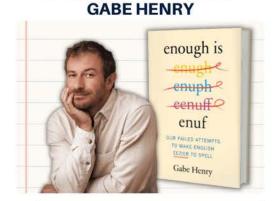
> Watch live to have your questions answered or enjoy the recorded program at your leisure.

AN AUTHOR TALK WITH HANNAH NICOLE MAEHRER



WED, SEPT. 3RD AT 7 PM

AN AUTHOR TALK WITH



TUE, SEPT. 17TH AT 2 PM

AN AUTHOR TALK WITH **LEIGH BARDUGO**



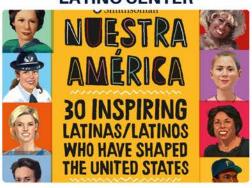
THU, OCT. 9TH AT 7 PM

AN AUTHOR TALK WITH JEFFERSON FISHER



WED, SEPT. 10TH AT 2 PM

A TALK WITH SMITHSONIAN **LATINO CENTER**



THU, OCT. 2ND AT 2 PM

AN AUTHOR TALK WITH PHILLIPA GREGORY



WED, OCT. 29TH AT 2 PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER:





MORE VIRTUAL PROGRAMS VIRTUAL BOOK DISCUSSION

TUE: 9/16 & 10/21; 5:30PM - 6:30PM

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.

Friends Foundation

Building Our Library Together - Paul S. Sarbanes Library Capital Campaign

A new flagship library is a once-in-alifetime event. Wicomico hasn't had a new one in more than 60 years ... but there's one coming soon!

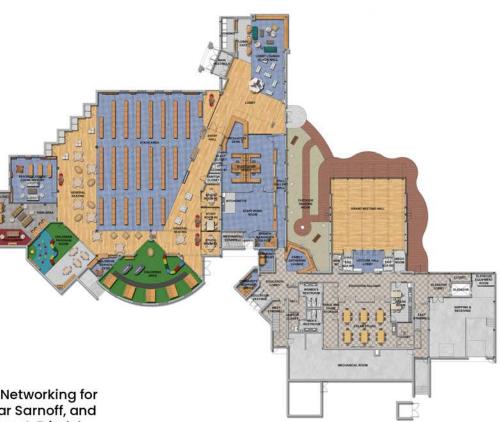
On July 22, we unveiled the plans for our new library – a vibrant, state-of-the-art facility designed to meet the evolving needs of our community. We had been building towards it for months with listening sessions and feedback boards, with architectural meetings and discussions with prospective funders. Now, we're proud to share all of this work with everyone in the community.

Nearly 200 attendees gathered in the future lobby of the new library to view floorplans of the new layout and renderings of some of what will be its iconic spaces. They also had the opportunity to hear from some of the many people behind this endeavor, including County Executive Julie Giordano, County Council President John Cannon,

the Director of Public Libraries and State Networking for the Maryland State Library Agency, Tamar Sarnoff, and architect Mike Wheedleton of Davis, Bowen, & Friedel, Inc.

We were joined, too, by many of the early supporters and donors. Debbie & Randy Day of Salisbury, MD announced their donation of \$1 million to the children's area of the new library, speaking about their belief in the power of early literacy and the importance of public libraries in creating opportunities for all. The Donnie Williams Foundation announced a \$1 million donation for the STEAM Studio - the lead programming space of the new library, which will combine the latest in literacy, technology, and art. And the Richard A. Henson Foundation announced a donation of \$1 million for the Grand Meeting Hall, a 2,200-sqft space for meetings, events, workshops, and celebrations that will be one of the most visually-striking parts of the new library. Marty Neat, the Chair of the Friends Foundation of Wicomico Public Library, recognized 42 donors who had already given at least \$10,000 each.

We hope you'll join us too, because you recognize the value of libraries and know the importance of this future addition to Wicomico County. Every contribution makes a difference, bringing our shared vision closer to reality.





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Centre Library Centre At Salisbury

(410) 546-5397

Monday - Thursday: 10am - 7pm Friday - Saturday: 10am - 5pm Sunday: CLOSED

Pittsville Library 34372 Old Ocean City Rd

(410) 835-2353

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