



library happenings



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and boost your reading skills! See pages 12 and 13.



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A Note from **Steuart Pittman**, Anne Arundel County Executive



Our libraries have time and again shown their superpowers – the power to connect, to educate and to innovate.

Their power to connect provides our residents, local institutions, businesses and nonprofit organizations a safe space to share ideas, find solutions to difficult problems and to access vital resources. That heroism continues today through a recent pilot program in partnership with our Department of Health's Gun Violence Intervention Team to distribute gun locks at library locations.

Their power to educate is evident in the multitude of information and resources that allow our families to explore new topics, and learn new skills. We see that power through the Kindergarten

Readiness Program hard at work in our communities addressing the disparities in opportunity and progress that come from children not being prepared to enter school.

With the need to respond to the changing demands of our residents post-pandemic and in an ever evolving world, the libraries responded with innovation. They took their services mobile to reach disconnected residents and created new ways to nurture curiosity and creativity. That work was made possible by the dedicated, forward-thinking library leadership and staff – we thank them.

This year's budget invests in progress by providing additional funding to increase library staff salaries, funding the planning and construction of new library facilities, and continuing the Kindergarten Readiness Program so that our goal of 76% percent of students ready for Kindergarten by 2026 becomes a reality.

We know we have more to do to fulfill our obligation as stewards of county government to grow the wages of our public servants, and continue to provide critical services, while also setting ourselves up for future economic challenges. We will do so with the certainty that our libraries are valuable partners. I look forward to continuing that partnership as we connect, educate and innovate so we can truly make Anne Arundel County *The Best Place – For All*.



Scan to view how this year's budget invests in the future of Anne Arundel County.

New Riviera Beach Library to Open September 6

The new Riviera Beach Library is slated to open with a ribbon cutting ceremony on September 6. The new building will feature an expanded children's area and program space, dividable community meeting room, individual collaboration spaces, outdoor space and an entire collection of new materials. Learn more at aacpl.net/services/riviera-beach.



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Library STEM Programs Promote Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Skills

STEM education fosters a love of math and science by encouraging learners to engage in inquiry, logical reasoning, collaboration and investigation. See the back cover for STEM events. Elsewhere in *Library Happenings*, programs that incorporate STEM principles are designated with this icon:



The donor funded icon brings awareness to the many wonderful programs and experiences that are a reality at your library thanks to community donors.

Why not say foundation funded? The Library Foundation is the conduit that stewards gifts given to your library. Donors are the ones that truly make the magic happen and we are so grateful for your support.



celebrating PRIDE MONTH

Join us!
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PRIDE
PARADE & FESTIVAL 6.3.2023

Preschoolers

Rainbow Family Storytime

Enjoy stories and songs of diversity, love and friendship. All are welcome!

Broadneck | Saturday, June 24 at 10:30 AM

Brooklyn Park | Saturday, June 24 at 11:30 AM

Deale | Saturday, June 3 at 11 AM

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall | Friday, June 9 at 10:30 AM

Glen Burnie | Saturday, June 24 at 11 AM

Odenton | Wednesday, June 7 at 6:30 PM

Severna Park | Saturday, June 10 at 11 AM

Teens

Brooklyn Park

LGBTQ+ Mental Health and You

Thursday, June 15 at 4 PM

The youth coordinator from On Our Own of Maryland, Inc. will work with teens on mental health issues.

Crofton

Fly Your Flag

Wednesday, June 7 at 4 PM

Learn some basic hand sewing skills and create your own personal flag.

Deale

Colors of the Rainbow - A Pride Crafternoon

Friday, June 9 at 3:30 PM

Come craft with us as we make something unique and special! Supplies provided.

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Library Lock-In: Pride Night

Friday, June 30 at 5:30 PM

Take over the library in this after-hours event. Join us for an evening of snacks, crafts, video games and more in a welcoming and inclusive environment.

Glen Burnie

Tell Your Story Zines

Thursday, June 8 at 6 PM

Come one, come all, anyone with a story to tell is invited to our zine making event! Make an entire book out of just one sheet of paper and tell your own story.

Pride Friendship Bracelets

Thursday, June 22 at 2 PM

Make a rainbow friendship bracelet to display your Pride!

Odenton

Pride Movie and Craft Hangout

Monday, June 5 at 5 PM

Join us in our teen room for a viewing of *Love, Simon* (PG-13), and to make Pride-themed crafts.

Severn

Pride Arts & Crafts for Children & Teens

Friday, June 23 at 2:30 PM

Drop in to make unique crafts. Supplies provided.

Adults

Broadneck

Pride Film Series

Enjoy three documentaries of LGBTQIA+ interest.

Coming Out: A 50 Year History (NR, 2017)
Tuesday, June 6 at 6 PM

A Road to Home (NR, 2015)

Tuesday, July 11 at 6 PM

Out in the Open (NR, 2013)

Tuesday, August 8 at 6 PM

Crofton

Queer Representation in Hollywood Films

We'll analyze films from different decades and observe the way they represented queer individuals.

All About Eve (NR, 1950)

Saturday, June 3 at 2 PM

Psycho (R, 1960)

Saturday, June 10 at 2 PM

The Color Purple (PG, 1985)

Saturday, June 17 at 2 PM

Everything Everywhere All At Once (R, 2022)

Saturday, June 24 at 2 PM

Edgewater

Pride Book Club

Thursday, June 8 at 7 PM

The Lesbian's Guide to Catholic School
by Sonora Reyes

Enjoy a great book and meaningful discussion in a safe and healthy space to discuss LGBTQIA+ themes in literature.

For teens and adults

Glen Burnie

LGBTQ+ Trivia Night

Monday, June 26 at 6 PM

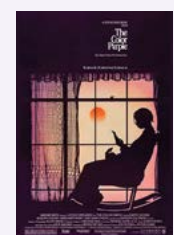
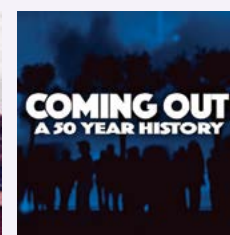
Test your knowledge and learn something new at our Pride Month LGBTQ+ themed trivia night.

Odenton

Art Inspired by LGBTQ+ Artists

Monday, June 12 at 6:30 PM

Enjoy creating art inspired by the work of a favorite or newly discovered LGBTQ+ artist. Supplies provided.



SPECIAL EVENTS FOR ADULTS



Brooklyn Park

'70s Trivia Night!

Wednesday, August 30 at 6 PM

Prepare to test your trivia skills with a fun trivia night about the 1970s!

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Senior Tea & Social

Wednesdays, June 7, July 5 and August 9 at 11 AM

Monthly social event complimented by an activity related to the arts. Refreshments will be served.

Un evento social, mensualmente, en el que realizan una actividad relacionada con las artes. Se servirán refrigerios. El programa será presentado en inglés.

Neurodiverse Meet Up

Wednesdays, June 14, July 19 and August 23 at 11 AM

Check out this monthly social event for neurodivergent adults. Everyone is welcome, so join us to socialize and meet new friends.

Edgewater

✔ Strum Along With Us!

Saturdays, June 17, July 15 and August 26 at 10 AM

Novice ukulele players are welcome to join more experienced players from UkeAnnapolis as they strum and sing. Music books and a limited number of ukuleles will be provided.

Glen Burnie

Learn Counted Cross Stitch

Saturday, June 3 at 2 PM

Learn basic counted cross stitch with members of the Constellation Chapter of the Embroidery Guild of America. Chapter members will be available to help and advise participants with embroidery projects.

Monday Night Music: Project Loceca

Monday, June 12 at 7 PM

Enjoy Project Loceca, a world-folk fusion ensemble dedicated to creating original compositions and contemporary arrangements inspired by folk music of different countries.

Anime & Manga Club for Adults!

Tuesdays, June 13, July 11 and August 8 at 6 PM

Get ready to share your faves, what you are currently watching/reading, artwork and cosplay!

✔ Ukulele Beginner Strum

Thursdays, June 15, July 20 and August 17 at 6:30 PM

Get a "quick start" lesson on the basics followed by playing beginner or intermediate songs. Bring your own ukulele, or reserve and pick up one of our loaners.

Glen Burnie, continued

Senior Sip and Social

Fridays, June 30, July 28 and August 25 at 10 AM

Enjoy a hot beverage and get creative with a simple art project at our monthly senior social event.

Moovin' & Groovin' for Adults

Monday, August 14 at 6:30 PM

Come, learn, move and have a little fun!



Alif Laila Sitar Concert

Saturday, August 26 at 2 PM

Maestro Alif Laila is a Bangladeshi-American who will share the rich heritage of South Asian classical music.

Linthicum

Donuts and Discussions for Seniors

Fridays, June 16, July 14 and August 11 at 10:30 AM

Visit us for a morning of learning, socializing and donuts.

Maryland City at Russett

Tuesdays at Two

Socialize with other seniors. Refreshments served.

Potluck

Tuesday, June 20 at 2 PM

Bring a favorite snack or dessert that represents your heritage and tell us about its importance to you. Please no shellfish, peanuts or peanut butter.

Trivia through the Decades

Tuesday, July 11 at 2 PM

Test your knowledge and have fun with easy trivia.

Fire Safety for Seniors

Tuesday, August 15 at 2 PM

A speaker from the Anne Arundel County Fire Department will answer questions about fire safety.

Severna Park

Homeschool Book Swap

Saturday, June 24 at 11 AM

Gently used curriculum, reading or other books may be donated on the day of the program. Families wishing to exchange materials can stay and swap.



ARTS AND CRAFTS

JOIN US FOR ARTS, CRAFTS, MAKING AND MORE. MATERIALS PROVIDED UNLESS NOTED.

Broadneck

✔ Paint Night: Summer

Wednesday, August 30 at 6 PM

Brooklyn Park

Paint and Sip

Tuesday, August 29 at 4 PM

Relax and have fun painting while you sip a mocktail.

Busch Annapolis

Flix with Sticks

Saturdays at 2 PM

Bring your knitting, crocheting, other needlework and enjoy crafting along to a movie!

• **Mama Mia** (PG-13, 2008) June 3

• **Bridges of Madison County** (PG-13, 1995) July 15

• **Chocolat** (PG-13, 2000) August 12

✔ Sewing Basics

Thursdays, June 15, 22 and 29 at 6 PM

Attend all three sessions to complete the project or join one session to learn at your own pace.

✔ Cricut Design Basics

Tuesday, June 27 at 3 PM

Learn how to use Cricut Design Studio software when making designs with our Cricut Maker machine.

Busch Annapolis, continued

✔ Community Story Quilt!

Wednesdays, July 12, 19 and 26 at 6 PM

Lois Findlay will teach you how to use your sewing skills and creative flair to help make a community quilt reflecting this year's Summer @ Your Library theme. Prior experience in sewing is required.

All Together Now Adult Craft

Monday, July 17 at 6:30 PM

✔ Play With 3D Pens!

Tuesday, July 25 at 3 PM

Learn about 3D pens, how to use them safely and create something cool.

✔ Makerspace Tour

Tuesday, August 29 at 3 PM

Take a tour of our most popular items in the Makerspace including our button maker, 3D pens and more!

Deale

✔ S@YL Art Program: All Together Now

Tuesday, June 13 at 6:30 PM

Create All Together Now themed artwork to serve as wall decorations for Summer @ Your Library 2023.

✔ Art From Around The World Parts 1 to 3

Tuesdays, June 20, July 11 and August 8 at 6:30 PM

Deale, continued

✔ Art Night: Spiderman

Tuesday, August 1 at 6:30 PM

Edgewater

Crafty Seniors

Thursdays, June 22, July 27 and August 24 at 3 PM

Glen Burnie

✔ Maker's Night: Famous Artist Series

Wednesdays, June 21, July 19 and August 16 at 6 PM

✔ Glen Burnie Creates: RenFest Accessories

Thursday, August 24 at 6:30 PM

Maryland City at Russett

✔ Mixed Media Paint Night

Tuesday, June 6 at 6:30 PM

Odenton

✔ Art Inspired By Music

Tuesday, July 11 at 6:30 PM

Listen to music from different genres as inspiration for creating pieces of art.

✔ Paint Night

Thursday, August 24 at 6:30 PM

Gardening and Nature

Busch Annapolis Adopt a Houseplant

Saturday, August 12 at 10:30 AM

Share cuttings or a whole plant you no longer need, or come choose a new-to-you plant to take home. Get expert advice and information on how to keep your houseplants alive and thriving!

Glen Burnie

Houseplant Tips and Tricks and Plant Share

Thursday, June 1 at 6:30 PM

Our library plant mom shares her tips to keep plants happy and healthy. Everyone gets a plant to take home!

Odenton

Talking Tr@Sh!

Monday, July 10 at 6 PM

Learn about the harm litter has on the environment and how to conduct a stream clean-up in your own community.

Presenter: Anne Arundel County Watershed Steward Academy

Terrariums

Wednesday, August 30 at 6:30 PM

Create your very own terrarium to take home. Make it a tiny world that a fairy or gnome might like to live in. Supplies provided.



HEALTH AND WELLNESS

✓ BEGINNER LINE DANCING FUN

Learn some beginner line dances and discover a fun, low impact physical activity!

Presenter: Jessie's Soul Line Dancers

Maryland City at Russett

Thursdays, June 15, July 6 and August 17 at 6 PM

Severna Park

Thursdays, June 8, July 13, and August 10 at 6 PM

Brooklyn Park

Tai Chi with the Wulin Institute

Tuesday, June 20 at 11 AM

Enjoy an introduction to Tai chi.

Busch Annapolis

✓ Everyone Eats Cookbook Club: Taste the Rainbow!

Wednesday, June 14 at 6:30 PM

Prepare two grain bowl components at home and bring them ready to share at a potluck.

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Learn to Bellydance

Saturday, August 5 at 2 PM

Join Typhrodesia from Typhrodesia's Bellydance and Beyond Studio of Severna Park for an hour long beginner belly dance class.

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

✓ COOKBOOK CLUB

Choose a recipe that fits the monthly theme from a cookbook of your choice. Prepare the recipe at home and bring it to share.

Summer Picnic Favorites

Wednesday, June 28 at 6:30 PM

Too Hot to Cook

Wednesday, July 26 at 6:30 PM

Desserts & Bring a Friend

Wednesday, August 23 at 6:30 PM

✓ Online Event

Virtual Cookbook Club Mystery Ingredient Challenge

Wednesday, August 9 at 7 PM

Shake up your cooking and reading repertoires with this mystery ingredient virtual program. After registering you will be notified by email when your mystery ingredient and library materials (two random ingredient-related books or movies) are ready for pickup at the Busch Annapolis or Eastport-Annapolis Neck libraries.

Let your creative juices flow while preparing a recipe with the ingredient at home, then solve the materials mystery. Can you identify how the library materials and the ingredient are connected? It might not be so easy! Zoom in to share your dish and experiences with other home chefs.

Glen Burnie

Chair Supported Yoga

Wednesdays, June 21, July 19 and August 16 at 2 PM

Practice gentle movement, breathing and meditation with a chair-supported, beginner-friendly yoga practice.

Demystifying Hearing Aids

Monday, July 24 at 6 PM

Dr. Jareth Bidwell, Au.D., will dive into the differences between amplifiers, over-the-counter hearing aids, "big box" hearing aids and prescription hearing aids.

Maryland City at Russett

Assistive Technology Devices Showcase

Saturday, July 29 at 11 AM

Learn about and get hands-on experience with a variety of assistive devices. These devices can be used to help individuals with various levels of disability improve their quality of life and enhance their independence.

Presenter: Anne Arundel County Department of Aging and Disabilities

Odenton

✓ KISS (Kids in Safety Seats) Car Seat Safety Check

Wednesday, June 7 at 10 AM

Get help from a certified expert and make sure your loved ones are safe in their seats.

Presenter: Maryland Department of Health Kids in Safety Seats



LEARNING AND ENRICHMENT

Busch Annapolis

Grant Research One-on-One Training

Get help searching for grant opportunities for your nonprofit organization or as an individual grant seeker. Schedule an appointment by calling the Busch Annapolis Library.

APPerNoon - Library Apps

Thursday, June 15 at 2 PM

Learn about eBook, eAudiobook, eMagazine and streaming options available free with your library card. Staff will be available to answer questions at the end of the presentation and demonstration. Bring your fully charged mobile device.

Grantseeking Resources Workshop

Wednesday, August 16 at 2 PM

Learn to search for grants for your nonprofit organization and attract funders by using Foundation Directory Online, Candid Learning and GuideStar.

Reading Between the Lines: The Composer's Toolbox

Monday, August 21 at 10:30 AM

Join musicians from the Annapolis Chamber Music Festival and learn about the tools that composers use to change the way music feels. You'll even get to try your hand at some of them yourself!

Brooklyn Park

Language Exchange Intercambio de Idiomas

Wednesdays, June 21, July 19 and August 16 at 6 PM

Los miércoles, 21 de junio, 19 de julio, 16 de agosto a las 6 PM

Join a group of English and Spanish speakers to practice speaking either language in a fun and informal setting. Únase a un grupo de hablantes de inglés y español para practicar hablar cualquiera de los dos idiomas en un ambiente divertido e informal.

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

✓ Sagrario Ortiz: Negocios y Emprendimiento | Sagrario Ortiz: Business and Entrepreneurship

Presentado en español | Presented in Spanish

Martes, 13 de junio a las 6:30 PM

Tuesday, June 13 at 6:30 PM

Sagrario Ortiz, presidente y cofundador del Poder de Ser Mujer, presentara como empezar un negocio, emprendimiento y más.

Sagrario Ortiz, President and Co-founder of El Poder de Ser Mujer, presents how to start a business, entrepreneurship and more.

Edgewater

✓ Series: Making it Last: Retirement Planning

Thursdays, June 15, July 12 and August 9 at 5:30 PM

Join us for a series of three presentations on the ins and outs of the retirement planning process. This program will be offered in-person and on Zoom.

Glen Burnie

Caregiver Connect: Building Positive Relationships and Routines

Saturday, July 15 at 10:30 AM

Nurture your relationship with your child through positive communication. Learn about creating routines and other strategies to manage behavior. Connect with other caregivers and create your own routine chart.

Presenter: TEACH Institute and Parenting Center, Anne Arundel Community College

Conversation Hour for ESL Learners

Saturday, August 19 at 2 PM

Adults can practice their English and have a conversation, or learn about resources available in the county.

Un tiempo para los adultos que quieran practicar su inglés para tener una conversación, o aprender sobre los recursos disponibles en el condado.

Odenton

How to Protect Yourself from Fraud

Wednesday, June 7 at 2 PM

Learn steps you can take to help protect yourself and your loved ones from experiencing fraud.

Presenter: M&T Bank

✓ Online Events

English Conversation Club Club de Conversación en Inglés

Mondays, June 12, July 10 and August 21 at 7 PM

Lunes 12 de junio, 10 de julio y 21 de agosto a las 7 PM

Get together to practice speaking English.

Únase a nosotros para practicar Inglés.

Intro to Library eBooks and Streaming

Wednesdays, June 14, July 12 and August 16 at 3 PM

Learn about eBook, eAudiobook, eMagazine and streaming options available free with your library card.

Intro to Online Learning

Tuesday, July 18 at 3 PM

Learn about resources offered and how to access them. Topics include Rosetta Stone, Creativebug, LinkedIn Learning, Udemy and live tutoring from Brainfuse.

LEARN ABOUT MEDICARE

Discover the details about Medicare, a federal health insurance program for people who are 65 or older, certain younger people with disabilities and people with end-stage renal disease (permanent kidney failure requiring dialysis or a transplant).

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Saturday, June 24 at 2 PM

Online Event

Thursday, July 20 at 6 PM



BOOK CLUBS FOR ADULTS

MOVIES FOR ALL AGES



SENIOR CENTER BOOK CLUBS

Arnold Senior Center
Meets at the Broadneck Library

The Woman in the Library
by Sulari Gentill
Monday, June 5 at 2 PM

The Paris Library
by Janet Skeslien Charles
Monday, August 7 at 2 PM

South County Senior Center
Meets at the Edgewater Library

The Last Romantics
by Tara Conklin
Monday, June 26 at 1 PM

The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry
by Gabrielle Charbonnet Zevin
Monday, August 21 at 1 PM



Broadneck

LGBTQIA+ BOOK CLUB

One Last Stop
by Casey McQuiston
Wednesday, June 21 at 6 PM

This Is How It Always Is
by Laurie Frankel
Wednesday, August 23 at 6 PM

Busch Annapolis

AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

Hidden Valley Road
by Robert Kolker
Tuesday, June 20 at 2 PM

The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo
by Taylor Jenkins Reid
Tuesday, July 18 at 2 PM

The Family Upstairs
by Lisa Jewell
Tuesday, August 15 at 2 PM

Crofton

The Gundle
by Steven Rowley
Thursday, July 13 at 2 PM

The Fortunes of Jaded Women
by Carolyn Huynh
Thursday, August 10 at 2 PM

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

BOOK LOVERS
Mondays, June 12, July 10 and August 14 at 10 AM

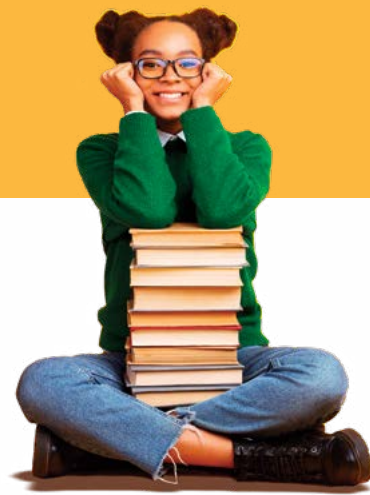
Chat about a book you've read and hear about books that others have enjoyed.

Edgewater

CO-CONSPIRATORS BOOK CLUB
Join us to discuss mysteries and thrillers. Zoom option available.

Killers of a Certain Age
by Deanna Raybourn
Tuesday, June 13 at 7 PM

Ordinary Grace
by William Kent Krueger
Tuesday, August 8 at 7 PM



Odenton

COMICS AND GRAPHIC NOVELS CLUB
Saturdays, June 3 and August 26 at 2 PM
Discuss what you are currently reading and recommend favorite books to others.

Severna Park

GUYS BOOK CLUB

Registration is required only for those participating virtually.

River of the Gods
by Candice Millard
Thursday, June 15 at 7 PM

G-Man: J. Edgar Hoover and the Making of the American Century
by Beverly Gage
Thursday, July 20 at 7 PM

The Splendid and the Vile
by Erik Larson
Thursday, August 17 at 7 PM

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INTO THE WATER by PAULA HAWKINS

eBooks



Busch Annapolis

LEGO® Star Wars Celebration!
Saturday, July 29 from noon to 2 PM
Enjoy several episodes of different LEGO® Star Wars series, build something Star Wars with LEGO® Bricks or make an origami Yoda.

Summer Film Series: Celebrating Movie Musicals

A summer of musical celebration with some of the most popular movie musicals.
Presenter: Ann Glenn

All That Jazz
(R, 1979)
Monday, August 14 at 6 PM

Top Hat
(NR, 1935)
Monday, August 21 at 6 PM

A Star is Born
(PG, 1954)
Monday, August 28 at 6 PM

Brooklyn Park

Coco (PG, 2017)
Miércoles, el 2 de agosto a las 6 PM

Venga con la familia a disfrutar de una noche de película! Estaremos mostrando la película Coco en español. Se proporcionarán bocadillos. Presented in Spanish.

Deale

Spies in Disguise (PG, 2019)
Thursday, June 15 at 6 PM

Wonder (PG, 2017)
Thursday, July 13 at 6 PM

Tarzan (G, 1999)
Thursday, August 17 at 6 PM





SPECIAL EVENTS FOR FAMILIES



KINDNESS ROCKS!

Decorate rocks with inspiring messages and designs for others to enjoy or take home to share with someone special. Materials provided.

Eastport-Annapolis Neck
Monday, August 7 at 11 AM

Glen Burnie
Saturday, June 10 at 11 AM (includes storytime)

Maryland City at Russett
Saturday, July 22 at 1 PM

Busch Annapolis
Making Reef Balls

Team up with the Coastal Conservation Association of Maryland to create artificial reefs for the oysters of the Chesapeake Bay. On day one we will create reef balls and learn about the importance of the reefs to our environment. On day two watch the reefs "hatch" from the molds and see them off! Wear old clothes – things will get messy!

Day 1: Building Artificial Reefs
Friday, June 23 at 10 AM

Day 2: Hatching the Reefs
Saturday, June 24 at 10 AM

The Annapolis Blend Summer Concert
Tuesday, July 11 at 7 PM
The Annapolis Blend chorus will present a concert for all ages.

National Night Out Community Event
Tuesday, August 1 from 6 to 8 PM
Enjoy games, giveaways and free food, courtesy of our community partners. There will be something for everyone so be sure to stop by this fun, outdoor family event!

Deale

Make a Kindness Box
Saturday, August 12 at 2 PM
Decorate and pack a shoebox with items that will brighten someone's day. These boxes will be donated to families in need. Items provided.

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall
Neurodiverse Library Hour
Fridays, June 23, July 21 and August 18 at 9 AM

Enjoy the library during our neurodiverse hour. Lights will be dimmed, activities provided, fidgets available and a limited number of families in the branch.

50 Years of Hip Hop with Dance Solutions
Saturday, June 24 at 2 PM
Dance Solutions returns to celebrate the 50th anniversary of hip-hop!

Neurodiverse Gaming
Saturday, July 22 at 2 PM
Games of all types will be available with adaptations to make them accessible to those with a variety of abilities.

Meet the Past: 250 Years of Libraries in Annapolis
Saturday, July 29 at 2 PM

Learn what libraries were like in colonial Annapolis and compare and contrast them to today's public library system! Living historians from Historic Annapolis will also exhibit items besides books that people could find in a stationer's shop.

Echoes of Nature: Animals of Kung Fu
Wednesday, August 2 at 10:30 AM
Meet the live animals of Echoes of Nature and learn how their movements have inspired traditional Kung Fu styles.

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Open Mic Night
Mondays, June 26, July 17 and August 21 at 7 PM
Join us as an audience member or a performer for a night of songs, dancing and poetry! Family-friendly acts only.

Learn to Fish
Saturday, July 22 at 2 PM
Learn how to fish with the Department of Natural Resources. Tie knots, create crafts and practice with fishing poles.

Sing Together with Mr. Lilo
Tuesday, August 8 at 10:30 AM
Lilo Gonzalez uses music to build community, find our common human threads, instill hope and fight for justice. ¡Venga a cantar con Mr. Lilo! Lilo González usa la música para construir una comunidad, encontrar los hilos humanos comunes, inculcar esperanza, y luchar para la esperanza.

Edgewater
Family Camp-Out Storytime
Thursday, August 10 at 6:30 PM
Enjoy s'mores and camping songs by the indoor "campfire." Some blankets will be available, but bring your own pillows, flashlights or other indoor camping supplies!

Glen Burnie
Hands of Harmony
Thursday, July 27 at 6:30 PM
Hear the songs you've enjoyed throughout the decades and see the words in sign language!
Presenter: Hands of Harmony

Odenton

Family Art Project: Gelli Printing
Tuesday, June 20 at 2 PM
Use Gelli printing to make collaborative art! Feel free to submit art created at the event for our Pride Art Show.

Family Hangout: Fairy Tale STEM
Wednesday, June 28 at 1 PM
Can you build a house strong enough to protect the three little pigs from the big bad wolf? Try your hand at this engineering design challenge.

Family Hangout: STEM Free Play
Wednesday, July 26 at 2 PM
Drop in and play with an exciting mix of STEM gadgets and gizmos.

Community Festival
Saturday, August 12 at 11 AM
Join us for a day of fun, crafts and activities while getting a chance to meet your neighbors and visit activity and information tables from organizations within our community.

Board Game and Puzzle Swap
Saturday, August 19 at 1 PM
Bring in puzzles or games for all ages that you'd like to swap and try out new games to take home!

Homeschool Hangout:
Puzzle & Game Swap
Wednesday, August 30 at 1 PM
Homeschoolers of all ages can drop in to hang out for games, arts and crafts, music and more! Bring in any puzzles or games you'd like to swap.

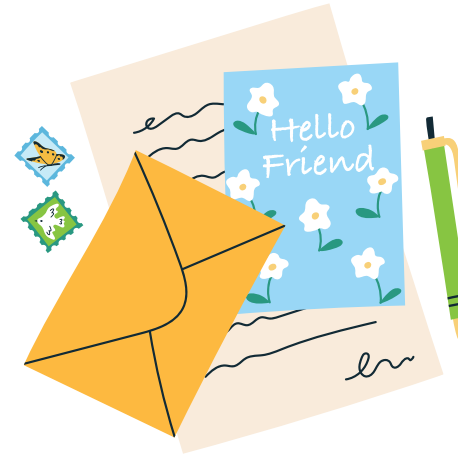
Seyvern
 Paired Program: Crafting Kindness
Saturday, June 24 at 2 PM
Caregivers, come out for some low-key socializing and snacks while coloring in bookmarks to donate to our community of readers. Children will enjoy a kindness storytime and craft on the other side of the room.



Kitty and Canine Help Hangout!
Friday, July 7 at 2 PM
Help out our furry friends by making toys and other goods for those in animal shelters.



SPECIAL EVENTS FOR KIDS 6-10



Pen Pals Project at the Edgewater Library

Make a new friend this summer! We'll match you with a pen pal of similar age. Share letters about what you're reading, your favorite summertime activities and more.

Sign up at the Edgewater Library June 1 to 17, or visit aacpl.net/event/pen-pals-project. On June 20, check your email for information about your new pen pal. Drop by the Edgewater Library to pick up a pen pals kit (as supplies last) with stationery and suggested conversation starters. From June 20 through August 31, write letters to your pen pal and drop them off at the Edgewater Library. We'll send your letters via snail mail to your new friend.

Broadneck

Summer Cookie Decorating Workshop
Thursday, August 10 at 5:30 and 7 PM
Decorate sugar cookies inspired by summer!

Brooklyn Park

Whimsical Wednesdays
Wednesdays in July at 1 PM
Science, math, reading and activities for summer all rolled into fun!

Mindfulness in Nature
Thursday, July 13 at 3 PM
We'll use our senses to experience nature in a new and meaningful way as we explore the library's green spaces and the sensory garden.
Presenter: Anne Arundel Watershed Stewards Academy

Busch Annapolis

Crafternoon
Thursday, June 8 at 4 PM
Join us for a fun and easy craft program with a different project each month.

Get Groovy with Original "Pete the Cat" Author Eric Litwin
Thursday, August 10 at 1 PM
Sing, dance and move along to captivating musical stories during this interactive performance by Eric Litwin, the *New York Times* bestselling author of the original four *Pete the Cat* books.

Crofton

All Together Now! Reading Circle
Thursdays, June 22 and August 17 and Saturday, July 15 at 2 PM
Practice reading books and stories out loud and all together in the library's reading circle!

Deale

Nature Explorers Club At Deale
Monday, June 12 at 3:30 PM
Each month we'll investigate an aspect of the ecosystem through presentations, conversations, active games and hands on activities.
Young Authors' Writing Club
Tuesday, June 13 at 3:30 PM
Join us for an afternoon full of interesting writing prompts. We'll write stories individually and together as a group.

S@YL Art Program: All Together Now
Wednesday, June 14 at 3 PM
Create **All Together Now** themed artwork to serve as wall decorations for Summer @Your Library 2023. Supplies provided.

Crafternoon: Friendship
Wednesday, August 23 at 4 PM
Create something unique using an assortment of materials.

For kids and teens
Discoveries: The Library at the Mall
Time Tours

Young historians will have the opportunity to drop in and get up close and personal with historical people and cultures in this hands-on program.
The American West
Monday, June 12 from 4 to 7 PM
Space Race
Monday, July 17 from 4 to 7 PM
Dinosaur Age
Monday, August 21 from 4 to 7 PM

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Chalk the Walk and Ice Cream Social
Tuesday, June 20 at 2 PM
Rain Date will be Thursday, June 22
Decorate our sidewalks with chalk and share some ice cream.

Edgewater
Stuffed Animal Portrait Paint Day
Monday, August 14 at 3 PM
Let your inner artist shine by creating a portrait of your favorite stuffed animal. Art supplies provided. Event held outside, weather permitting.

Glen Burnie
School's Out Dance Party
Friday, June 16 at 2:30 PM
Celebrate the end of the school year and the start of summer with a dance party!

Independence Day Dance Party
Monday, July 3 at 2 PM
Celebrate Independence Day with amazing music and a guided dance party.

Sweet Summer Bingo
Wednesday, July 5 at 2 PM
Play for small prizes or candy snacks.

Line Dancing for Kids
Monday, August 7 at 2 PM
Hop in line, learn coordination and a few fun dances for kids!

Odenton
American Girl Celebration with Author Valerie Tripp!
Saturday, July 22 at 2 PM
Celebrate the *American Girl* book series and dolls with author Valerie Tripp! Enjoy a presentation and crafts.



KIDS BOOK CLUBS

Early Reader Book Club
Club de Lectura Temprana

Children in grades K-2 can practice their reading skills through group reading, activities and games based on popular beginner reader books. Presented in English.

Los niños en los grados K-2 podrán practicar sus habilidades de leer por medio de lectura en grupo, actividades, y juegos basados en libros populares para principiantes. Presentado en inglés.

Eastport-Annapolis Neck
Thursdays, June 29, July 27 and August 31 at 4 PM

Odenton
Wednesdays, June 14, July 12 and August 9 at 4 PM

Crofton Book Buddies

What Is Juneteenth?
by Kirsti Jewel
Thursday, June 15 at 4:15 PM



Wishtree
by Katherine Applegate
Thursday, July 20 at 4:15 PM



Paws to Read
Children in elementary school improve their reading skills while enjoying the rapt attention of canine tutors.

Broadneck
Saturdays, June 10, July 8 and August 12 at 10:30 AM

Busch Annapolis
Saturdays, June 10, July 8 and August 12 at 10 AM

Edgewater
Saturdays, June 3, July 1 and August 5 at 10 AM

Odenton
Saturdays, June 3, July 1 and August 5 at 10 AM



All Together Now!

Summer @ Your Library Kickoff Events

Enjoy activities, crafts and refreshments to welcome the season and register for S@YL.

- Broadneck** | Thursday, June 29 at 3 PM
- Busch Annapolis** | Wednesday, June 21 at 1 PM
- Deale** | Wednesday, June 21 at 2 PM
- Glen Burnie** | Thursday, June 29 at 2 PM
- Severn** | Friday, June 23 at 10:30 AM

¡Hola, Amigo!

123 Andrés brings a multilingual celebration of friendship and community, where we work together, share ideas and help each other. The program incorporates songs in Spanish and English, and a variety of genres and rhythms from across Latin America.

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| Broadneck
Tuesday, July 25 at 10:30 AM and 1 PM | Edgewater
Monday, July 24 at 10:30 AM and 1 PM |
| Brooklyn Park
Friday, July 21 at 11:30 AM | Glen Burnie
Thursday, July 20 at 10:30 AM |
| Busch Annapolis
Monday, June 26 at 10:30 AM and 1 PM | Linthicum
Tuesday, August 1 at 1:30 PM |
| Crofton
Wednesday, June 28 at 10:30 AM and 1 PM | Maryland City at Russett
Tuesday, June 27 at 11:30 AM and 1:30 PM |
| Deale
Wednesday, August 2 at 10:30 AM and 1 PM | Odenton
Friday, July 28 at 11 AM and 1 PM |
| Discoveries: The Library at the Mall
Thursday, August 3 at 10:30 AM and 1 PM | Severn
Tuesday, August 1 at 10:30 AM |
| Eastport-Annapolis Neck
Tuesday, July 18 at 10:30 AM | Severna Park
Thursday, June 29 at 10:30 AM and 1 PM |

Annapolis Opera Presents: Stories through Music

Every song tells a story. Learn the meanings behind classical and popular music favorites through a fun and interactive concert for all ages.

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| Broadneck
Wednesday, June 28 at 6 PM | Edgewater
Tuesday, June 27 at 6 PM |
| Brooklyn Park
Thursday, August 3 at 6 PM | Glen Burnie
Wednesday, August 2 at 6 PM |
| Busch Annapolis
Thursday, July 6 at 6 PM | Linthicum
Tuesday, July 25 at 6 PM |
| Crofton
Monday, July 3 at 6 PM | Maryland City at Russett
Monday, July 24 at 6 PM |
| Deale
Wednesday, July 5 at 6 PM | Odenton
Thursday, June 29 at 6 PM |
| Discoveries: The Library at the Mall
Monday, June 26 at 6 PM | Severn
Wednesday, July 26 at 6 PM |
| Eastport-Annapolis Neck
Tuesday, August 1 at 6 PM | Severna Park
Monday, July 31 at 6 PM |

Sign up for the Summer@Your Library challenge at any branch or online and pick up a gameboard to earn prizes along the way. Use the Beanstack Tracker app or sign up at aacpl.beanstack.org. Enjoy fun events and activities planned to encourage you. This year, we are proud to partner with Kindness Grows Here to share stories from kids in our county who foster kindness and friendship every day. Learn more at aacpl.net/summer.

Books! The Magic is Real!

Magician Joe Romano's show celebrates this summer's theme by weaving magic with stories about kindness, unity and friendship!

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| Broadneck
Monday, July 3 at 2, 4 and 6 PM | Edgewater
Saturday, July 8 at 1 and 3 PM |
| Brooklyn Park
Saturday, July 1 at 11 AM | Glen Burnie
Thursday, July 6 at 11 AM |
| Busch Annapolis
Thursday, July 27 at 2, 4 and 6 PM | Linthicum
Thursday, July 6 at 2 PM |
| Crofton
Monday, July 24 at 11 AM and 1 PM | Maryland City at Russett
Thursday, August 3 at 2 and 4 PM |
| Deale
Friday, June 30 at 11 AM and 1 PM | Odenton
Wednesday, July 5 at 2, 4, and 6 PM |
| Discoveries: The Library at the Mall
Thursday, July 20 at 3 and 5 PM | Severn
Monday, July 3 at 11 AM |
| Eastport-Annapolis Neck
Tuesday, July 25 at 2 PM | Severna Park
Monday, July 17 at 11 AM, 1 and 3 PM |

Eco Adventures: Calling All Animal Rescuers!

There is an animal in trouble and it needs our help. Work together and test our kindness, teamwork and devotion to help save our animal friends. Learn about what it takes to make a rescue operation succeed and meet some LIVE rescued animals!

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| Broadneck
Tuesday, August 1 at 2 and 4 PM | Edgewater
Monday, July 17 at 11 AM and 1 PM |
| Brooklyn Park
Thursday, July 6 at 2 PM | Maryland City at Russett
Thursday, July 6 at 11 AM |
| Busch Annapolis
Saturday, July 22 at 11 AM and 1 PM | Odenton
Wednesday, August 2 at 11 AM and 1 PM |
| Eastport-Annapolis Neck
Monday, July 3 at 11 AM | |

Juggling Funny Stories

You'll be laughing out loud as nationally-known family entertainer Chris Fascione brings children's stories to life with his high-spirited and innovative performances. Full of energy, humor and imagination, Chris creates colorful characters through his unique combination of acting, storytelling, comedy and juggling. Everyone will have fun.

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| Broadneck
Friday, July 21 at 11 AM and 2 PM | Linthicum
Thursday, July 20 at 11 AM |
| Crofton
Monday, July 17 at 11 AM and 1 PM | Maryland City at Russett
Tuesday, July 18 at 2 and 4 PM |
| Deale
Wednesday, July 19 at 1 and 3 PM | Severn
Thursday, July 20 at 2 PM |

SUMMER @ YOUR LIBRARY



Rock and Rhyme with Mr. Jon and Friends

Join multiple Parents' Choice Award winner Mr. Jon for a concert for the whole family. Using songs, rhymes, books and puppets, Mr. Jon and his silly friend George the Monkey will entertain you with a show for all ages.

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall
Thursday, July 27 at 10:30 AM

Edgewater
Monday, July 31 at 10:30 AM

The ABCs of Hip-Hop

Baba Bomani's program uses rhythm and rhyme to explain basic reading and math concepts. Students have fun breaking and learning how to rap the alphabet backward while building crucial active listening skills and discovering Black history.

Eastport-Annapolis Neck
Tuesday, June 27 at 2 PM

Severn
Thursday, June 29 at 2 PM

Linthicum
Wednesday, June 28 at 2 PM

When I Stepped on a LEGO®, a Mermaid Discovered a Chicken Sandwich

A poetic monologue of dreams and rainbows unfolds as Mr. Regie discovers a magical LEGO® Bricks block of poetry and a kaleidoscopic array of poetic devices and magical creatures emerge. The solo play connects generations of Filipino warriors and wordsmiths to the art of creative language and rhythm.

Brooklyn Park
Tuesday, July 25 at 2 PM
Glen Burnie
Monday, July 24 at 11 AM

Odenton
Wednesday, July 19 at 11 AM
Severna Park
Wednesday, July 26 at 2 PM

Summer @ Your Library Grand Finales!

Come out and celebrate the end of the Summer @ Your Library reading challenge!

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall
Wednesday, August 16 at 10 AM

Come to this family-friendly touch-a-truck event that offers children a hands-on opportunity to explore the large trucks and machines they see but never get to touch!

Edgewater
Wednesday, August 16 at 2 PM

Severn
Friday, August 11 at 10:30 AM

Summer @ Your Library Midway Celebrations

Come together to celebrate the halfway point of your summer reading journey with crafts and other fun activities!

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| Brooklyn Park
Tuesday, July 18 at 2 PM | Maryland City at Russett
Tuesday, July 25 at 4 PM |
| Crofton
Wednesday, July 26 at 5 PM (teens) | Severn
Thursday, July 20 at 3 PM |
| Eastport-Annapolis Neck
Tuesday, July 18 at 11:30 AM | |

The Paperback Writers - A Beatles Singalong

Join library staff band *The Paperback Writers* on a magical mystery tour! We need a little help from our friends to perform our favorite Beatles songs. In case of inclement weather, please check our website for location changes.

Busch Annapolis
Thursday, July 6 at 2:30 PM

Glen Burnie
Thursday, June 8 at 2:30 PM

Odenton
Thursday, August 3 at 2 PM

Stevens Puppets: The Sleeping Beauty

Hand carved, beautifully costumed marionettes enact the play with the help of skilled manipulators. Accented by Tchaikovsky's music, the dramatic and humorous script by Peabody Award winner Martin Stevens and the gorgeous costumes by the internationally acclaimed Margie, make this familiar tale live again.

- Broadneck**
Thursday, July 13 at 11 AM
- Brooklyn Park**
Tuesday, July 11 at 11 AM
- Busch Annapolis**
Monday, July 10 at 2 PM
- Crofton**
Tuesday, July 11 at 6 PM
- Deale**
Wednesday, July 12 at 2 PM
- Discoveries: The Library at the Mall**
Friday, July 14 at 2 PM
- Eastport-Annapolis Neck**
Wednesday, July 12 at 11 AM

- Edgewater**
Monday, July 10 at 6 PM
- Glen Burnie**
Monday, July 10 at 11 AM
- Linthicum**
Thursday, July 13 at 2 PM
- Maryland City at Russett**
Thursday, July 13 at 6 PM
- Odenton**
Friday, July 14 at 11 AM
- Severn**
Tuesday, July 11 at 2 PM
- Severna Park**
Wednesday, July 12 at 6 PM



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KINDERGARTEN

The library has long been committed to kindergarten readiness through its adoption of the nationally renowned Every Child Ready to Read initiative which provides parents and caregivers with tools to help their young child get ready to read. More recently, AACPL has taken a broader approach to helping prepare children for school. Recognizing that the needs of the entire family must be addressed to ensure future academic success, the library is proud to work with our partners to offer a variety of wrap around services including job training assistance and skill building classes at all libraries, social workers and social service staff at six libraries, community pantries at three branches and parenting classes throughout the year. Learn more at aacpl.net/kindergarten.

Note: There will be no Every Child Ready to Read classes Monday, August 21 – Monday, September 4. This includes Babies in Bloom, Toddler Time, Preschool Storytime, Family Storytime and Music and Movement (designated with gold headings below).

Babies in Bloom

For babies from birth to 18 months

- Broadneck**
Mondays at 10:30 AM
- Brooklyn Park**
Mondays at 11:30 AM
- Busch Annapolis**
Thursdays at 10:15 AM
- Crofton**
Tuesdays at 10 AM
- Deale**
Thursdays at 10:30 AM
- Discoveries: The Library at the Mall**
Tuesdays at 10:30 AM
- Eastport-Annapolis Neck**
Wednesdays at 10 AM, except July 12
- Edgewater**
Thursdays at 10:30 AM
- Glen Burnie**
Mondays at 10:30 AM, except July 10 and 24
- Linthicum**
Wednesdays at 10:15 AM
- Maryland City at Russett**
Mondays at 10:30 AM
- Odenton**
Mondays at 10:15 AM
- Riviera Beach**
Mondays at 10:30 AM
- Severn**
Wednesdays at 10:30 AM
- Severna Park**
Tuesdays at 10 and 11 AM

Toddler Time

For children ages 18-36 months

- Broadneck**
Mondays at 11:30 AM
- Brooklyn Park**
Mondays at 10:30 AM
- Busch Annapolis**
Tuesdays at 10:15 AM
- Crofton**
Wednesdays at 10 and 11 AM
- Deale**
Wednesdays at 10:30 AM
- Discoveries: The Library at the Mall**
Mondays at 10:30 and 11:30 AM
- Eastport-Annapolis Neck**
Thursdays at 10 AM
- Edgewater**
Tuesdays at 10:30 AM
- Glen Burnie**
Wednesdays at 10 and 11 AM
- Linthicum**
Wednesdays at 11:30 AM
- Maryland City at Russett**
Tuesdays at 10:30 AM
- Odenton**
Tuesdays at 10:15 and 11:15 AM
- Riviera Beach**
Thursdays at 10:30 AM
- Severn**
Thursdays at 10:30 AM
- Severna Park**
Wednesdays at 10 and 11 AM

Preschool Storytime

For children ages three to five

- Broadneck**
Tuesdays at 10:30 and 11:30 AM, except August 8
- Brooklyn Park**
Thursdays at 10:30 AM
- Busch Annapolis**
Wednesdays at 10:15 AM
- Crofton**
Thursdays at 10 and 11 AM
- Deale**
Tuesdays at 10:30 AM
- Discoveries: The Library at the Mall**
Thursdays at 10:30 AM
- Eastport-Annapolis Neck**
Tuesdays at 10 AM, except July 18 and August 8
- Edgewater**
Wednesdays at 10:30 AM
- Maryland City at Russett**
Tuesdays at 11:30 AM
- Odenton**
Thursdays at 10:15 and 11:15 AM
- Riviera Beach**
Saturdays at 10:30 AM
- Severn**
Tuesdays at 10:30 AM
- Severna Park**
Thursdays at 10 and 11 AM

Family Storytime

For families with children ages five and younger

- Discoveries: The Library at the Mall**
Saturdays at 10:30 AM
- Eastport-Annapolis Neck**
Thursdays, June 1, 15 and 29, July 13 and 27, August 10 and 24 at 6 PM
- Linthicum**
Tuesdays, at 10:30 AM
Storytime will be held at Linthicum Park. In case of inclement weather or a heat index over 95 degrees, please join us at the Linthicum Library.



1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

Reading aloud to children from birth helps strengthen language skills and build vocabulary – two important tools for learning to read.

Register your child for this program at any library or use the Beanstack Tracker app. Children receive a free book and tote bag at registration.

Visit any library to select a new book for your home library for every 100 books you log and receive a special prize for reading 1,000 books!

For more information visit us in person or online at aacpl.net/kindergarten.

READINESS



Music and Movement

Sing, chant, play instruments and dance while exploring sounds, rhythms and patterns that make up our language.

*Programa bilingüe en español e inglés.

- Broadneck**
Friday, June 23 at 10:30 and 11:30 AM
- Brooklyn Park**
Fridays at 11:30 AM, except July 21 and August 25
- Busch Annapolis**
Saturdays, June 24, July 29, August 5* and 26 at 10:30 AM
- Deale**
Saturdays, June 24, July 29 and August 19 at 11 AM
- Discoveries: The Library at the Mall**
Fridays, June 23, July 21, and August 18 at 10:30 and 11:30 AM
- Eastport-Annapolis Neck**
Saturdays, June 3, July 1 and August 5 at 10 AM
- Edgewater**
Saturdays, June 10, July 22 and August 19 at 10:30 AM
- Glen Burnie**
Thursdays in June, July 13 and 27, August 3 and 10 at 10 AM
Fridays, June 2 and 30, July 14 and 28, August 11 at 11 AM
- Severn**
Fridays, June 16 and August 18 and Saturday, July 15 at 10:30 AM

Bilingual Storytime | Hora del Cuento Bilingüe

Young children will enjoy stories, songs, rhymes and activities while building ready-to-read skills in English and a variety of languages.

Los niños pequeños disfrutarán de historias, canciones, rimas y actividades mientras desarrollan habilidades de lectura en inglés y en español.

- Brooklyn Park**
Wednesdays, June 28, July 26 and August 23 at 4 PM
Los miércoles, 28 de junio, 26 de julio, y 23 de agosto a las 4 PM
- Discoveries: The Library at the Mall**
Fridays, June 2 and August 11 at 10:30 AM
Los viernes, 2 de junio y 11 de agosto a las 10:30 AM
- Eastport-Annapolis Neck**
Saturdays, June 17, July 15 and August 26 at 10:30 AM
Los sábados, 17 de junio, 15 de julio, y 26 de agosto a las 10:30 AM
- Severn**
Friday, August 25 at 10:30 AM
Viernes, 25 de agosto a las 10:30 AM

More Kindergarten Readiness Events

ART @ YOUR LIBRARY

Preschoolers will enjoy using different art media to learn through play. Wear clothing that is mess friendly. Visit aacpl.net/events for more details on each program.

- Busch Annapolis**
Thursday, August 24 at 10:30 AM
- Deale**
Fridays, June 16 (Kindness theme)
July 14 at 10 AM (Around the world theme)
- Discoveries: The Library at the Mall**
Fridays, June 30, July 28 and August 25 at 10:30 AM
- Glen Burnie**
Tuesdays, June 6 and 20, July 11 and 25, August 8 and 22 at 10:30 AM

STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER

Wear your pajamas and bring a stuffed friend to the library. Tuck them in after storytime and say goodnight. Come back the next day to see what mischief they got into overnight!

- Glen Burnie**
Tuesday, July 25 at 6 PM
- Odenton**
Wednesday, August 2 at 6:30 PM

YOUNG CHILD AT PLAY

Young children may enjoy books, music and a variety of developmentally-appropriate toys during this hour of unstructured social time.

- Broadneck**
Fridays, June 9, July 7 and August 4 at 10:30 AM
- Deale**
Fridays, June 23, July 21, and August 18 at 10:30 AM
- Eastport-Annapolis Neck**
Wednesdays at 10:30 AM, except July 12 (birth to 18 months)
- Edgewater**
Fridays at 10:30 AM, except July 7 (birth to 18 months)
- Odenton**
Thursdays, June 1, July 6 and August 3 at 3:30 PM (18 months to 3 years)
Fridays, June 2, July 7 and August 4 at 10:15 AM (birth to 18 months)
- Severna Park**
Fridays, June 16, July 14 and August 11 at 11 AM (birth to 18 months)



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More Kindergarten Readiness Programs

Broadneck

Yoga Flow Storytime

Tuesday, August 8 at 10:30 and 11:30 AM

Listen to stories all about yoga and movement as we follow along together and practice the yoga poses featured in the books.

Pirate Storytime

Saturday, August 19 at 10:30 and 11:30 AM

Learn how to talk and dance like a pirate while also enjoying some nautical tales of treasure, adventure and sailing the seven seas!

Brooklyn Park

Storytime and Nature Walk at Masonville Cove

Saturday, August 5 at 11 AM

Join us for a special storytime at Masonville Cove, followed by a 60-minute guided nature walk led by outdoor educators.

Busch Annapolis

Bounces and Rhymes Storytimes

Fridays at 10:15 AM

We will introduce a diverse collection of developmentally-appropriate activities for pre-walking children with a 20 minute free playtime at the end.

Family Pajama Storytimes

Monday, June 12, Thursday, July 20 and Tuesday, August 15 at 6:30 PM

Wear your pajamas and enjoy evening stories, songs and activities.

Shape it Up!

Thursday, July 13 at 2 PM

Explore shapes by creating shape monsters, doing shape printing, building vehicles with shapes and more!

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Bubble Wrap Dance Party

Tuesday, August 22 at 10:30 AM

Join us for a dance party and pop the morning away with music and dancing. Sign up your child for the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program and take home a free book and bag.

Crofton

Campfire Storytime

Saturday, June 3 at 10 AM

Join us for campfire stories, learn about camping safety and enjoy some fun nature activities.

Stuffed Animal Storytime: Get Ready for School

Saturday, August 19 at 10 AM

Enjoy a storytime with fun books and songs. Get your stuffed toy ready for the school day with games and activities.

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Kanopy Kids Movie Marathon

Friday, June 16 at 10:30 AM

Enjoy a marathon of animated children's classics and learn more about using Kanopy Kids with your library card!

Camping Pretend Play

Friday, July 7 at 10:30 AM

Join us for a pretend play camping trip! We'll explore colors, numbers, shapes and more while enjoying some of our favorite camping activities.

Let's Dance! / ¡Bailemos!

Friday, July 14 at 10:30 AM

Viernes, 15 de julio a las 10:30 AM

Enjoy the rhythm of Latin music and learn some new moves with your baby, toddler or preschooler/ kindergartener.

¡Es hora de una fiesta de baile de música latina! Disfrute del ritmo de la música latina y aprenda nuevos pasos con su bebé, niño pequeño o niño preescolar/kinder.

Healthy Snack Storytime

Friday, August 4 at 10:30 AM

Stories and songs celebrating fruits, vegetables and healthy foods. Bring a towel or blanket to enjoy a healthy "picnic" snack after storytime.

Ballet Storytime and Preview

Saturday, August 12 at 2 PM

The Ballet Theater of Maryland will share how ballet and movement can tell a story and take us on adventures, just like a book!

Edgewater

Butterfly Release Storytime

Monday, August 14 at 10:30 AM

Learn about the butterfly life cycle, sing songs, listen to a story and watch as our library butterflies take wing!

Glen Burnie

Pre-K Learn and Play!

Thursdays at 11 AM, except July 6, 20, August 17, 24 and 31

Children ages 3-5 explore weekly themes while developing early literacy skills for school readiness through stories, songs, movement and hands-on creative play activities!

Welcome the Summer Storytime

Friday, June 16 at 11 AM

Brighten your day at our special storytime embracing the beginning of summer.

Sunflower Yoga

Fridays, June 23, July 21, and August 18 at 11 AM

Little yogis will practice mindfulness and movement with yoga songs and games in this family-friendly yoga practice.

You Choose: An Interactive Storytime

Saturday, July 8 at 11 AM

Think you've heard the story of the *Three Little Pigs*? Think again! You choose which way the story will go in this interactive family storytime.

Are You Ready for Kindergarten?

Thursday, August 17 at 10:30 AM

Get ready to go to kindergarten with a fun school-themed storytime. Meet a kindergarten teacher who will discuss all of the things to expect on the first day!

Linthicum

Tape Town

Monday, August 21 at 6 PM and Tuesday, August 22 at 10 AM

Drive your vehicle through Tape Town and explore fun areas along the way as we learn through play.

Severna Park

Unicorn Storytime

Saturday, August 5 at 11 AM

Join us for a magical storytime as we celebrate unicorns with stories, songs and a craft. Costumes encouraged!



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ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION

Your Gifts in Action: SMARTBoards

Donations to the Anne Arundel County Public Library Foundation enhance the offerings and services that would be impossible under limited library funding. Recently, the library introduced SMARTBoards at a few branches. Donors like you made it possible to equip even more branches with this exciting technology.

The SMARTBoard is a collaborative learning instrument that offers high-quality interactive displays. Essentially it is a state-of-the-art touchscreen computer and a whiteboard in one. In the library, the SMARTBoard is used as a dynamic tool to promote kindergarten readiness. A digital version of the book displayed during storytime:

- allows the enlarged images and text to be viewed by all,
- helps increase vocabulary, attention and reading comprehension and
- encourages interactive play, where children can have "magic fingers" as they turn the page or highlight a word with their touch.



A SMARTBoard showing pages from *Pete the Cat* at a children's storytime, at left, and illustrating detailed instructions at a craft event for adults, above.



Save the date for our biggest fundraiser of the year:

*For the love
of the library!*

Friday, September 22, 2023

AT THE MICHAEL E. BUSCH ANNAPOLIS LIBRARY
Tickets will go on sale in August at aacpl.net/librarylove.



Supporting your library
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You helped scoop our way to a \$2,563 donation! Thank you Always Ice Cream for being a fantastic community partner and helping to make the library better!



Email foundation@aacpl.net if you think the ice cream flavor *If You Give A Moose A Cookie* should make a comeback.



**MAKING
YOUR
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BETTER**



ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION

A gift to the library foundation is a gift to your library and benefits the entire Anne Arundel County community. From crayons to large projects, the foundation works to make your library better. We help **support** the library's early literacy programs, **create** collaborative spaces, **connect** county residents to technology, **foster** community engagement and **ensure** school readiness for students.

MAKING YOUR LIBRARY BETTER



CHEERS TO AACPL!

Back for a third year — Raise a pint to AACPL!

During the month of August, some of our favorite breweries will create an exclusive libation themed around banned books to celebrate the library and the freedom to read. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of these creations and profits from their release events will be donated to the library. Stay up to date with the details of the events by visiting aacpl.net/cheers.



Our public libraries are essential to democracy. We use the Eastport-Annapolis branch and find the staff SO helpful and pleasant. They are such assets! ♥ From your #1 fan, Vera, age 4 ♥ Happy Library Giving Day! ♥ Hi All! Happy Giving Day! ♥ Please remember to ping me if you ever need volunteers for events. ♥ Thanks for all of the wonderful books! ♥ Thanks for supporting learning in our community! ♥ Happy to support reading!!! ♥ I am especially thankful for the Broadneck Library and its cheerful, helpful staff! ♥ Love our libraries!!! ♥ We love the library! ♥ The library is a wonderful benefit for all of us.

Library Giving Day 2023

Many thanks to the more than 320 community donors who have ensured that Summer@Your Library and similar programming will continue to be successful! Here a few comments from our supporters.

Libraries are a national treasure ♥ Love all that you do ♥ Thanks! ♥ I pray that this Summer@Your Library will be even better than last year! ♥ Great community services... thank you ! ♥ Thanks to our wonderful Linthicum Library staff! ♥ Thank you for such great work. We enjoy weekly Storytime and monthly events. ♥ Be well, behave, believe ♥ Thanks for all you do! ♥ I love my library. You kept me sane during Covid ♥ We appreciate you, Russett library! ♥ I am thankful for libraries like AACPL! ♥ Love the Crofton Library! ♥ I truly do love my library! ♥ Thank YOU ♥ Love the Library – especially the Deale Branch and all the wonderful people there! ♥ Love libraries and my local branch. Thanks for all you do ♥ Love my Odenton library! ♥ We are so excited for another awesome summer with you! ♥ Thank you all for your hard work and creativity ♥ Donating is a way to support the teams in my area. I so appreciate their dedication, creativity and passion for serving our communities ♥ Spreading joy to everyone. God Bless you all. ♥ Genial prestan un buen servicio (Great that you provide a good service).

Thank You Sam Brown and DeDe Duncan-White

Sam Brown



Sam began his term on the Library Foundation's Board of Directors in 2015 after then-board members Lisa Hillman and Tom Marquardt recognized his tremendous leadership as a volunteer and donor in the community. Sam demonstrated that commitment serving as a core member of the campaign leadership committee for the library's first asset building campaign in 2016 and then as president of the board from 2017-2020. For Sam, it is also about the staff. He enjoyed meeting the great librarians throughout the county and hearing their enthusiastic stories about their branches.

DeDe Duncan-White



DeDe joined the Library Foundation Board of Directors in 2015. She was inspired to serve on the board because "the library saved my life." DeDe grew up on a sugar cane plantation in Thibodaux, LA. During the summer, the library sent a bookmobile every two weeks to the plantation where she checked out up to 10 books at a time. Through reading books and magazines, she was able to see that life outside of a plantation was possible for her. DeDe says, "It gave me a chance to dream big!" While she loved everything about her years of service on the board, the opportunities to meet wonderful people and raise funds for the library proved especially important.



Sam Brown and Sneaks, the Library Cat at the grand opening celebration of the Michael E. Busch Annapolis Library in 2020.

SUMMER LIBRARY LOVIN'

Fall in love with your library this summer and show us how you really feel...

- ✿ Share on social media why you love the library. Tag @aacpl!
- ✿ Bring a friend to sign up for a library card.
- ✿ Ask a librarian about DipJar.
- ✿ Advocate for your library by calling your elected officials.
- ✿ Write a love note to your library.
- ✿ Make your library better! Visit aacpl.net/donate.

LIBRARIES MAKE A BETTER WORLD



CLUB 1117 FOR TWEENS & TEENS



✓ Crofton Teen Book Club

Pocket Change Collective Series by various authors
 Wednesday, June 21 at 4:30 PM
Summer Reading List
 Wednesday, July 19 at 4:30 PM

MOVIE FOR TEENS

Busch Annapolis
Spider-Man: No Way Home
 (PG-13, 2021)
 Saturday, August 26 at 2 PM



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Brooklyn Park

Be Kind to Yourself
 Thursday, June 1 at 4 PM
 Learn recipes to pamper yourself inside and out!

Teen Action Group

Saturdays, June 10, July 8 and August 5 at 2 PM
 Take part in planning and executing your own community service hours.

Tabletop Game Fun!

Wednesdays, June 14, July 12 and August 9 at 6 PM
 Bring your friends and try a new tabletop RPG!

June: One Night Ultimate Werewolf
July: Animal Adventures: Tales of Dungeons & Doggies
August: Pathfinder Second Edition One Shot

Best Friends Crafts

Thursday, August 10 at 3 PM
 Make beautiful bracelets with your friends, celebrating summer and friendship.

Mindfulness for Teens

Wednesday, August 16 at 2 PM
 Prepare for the new school year with a lesson in mindfulness, learning its benefits and how you can use it every day.

Presenter: Dr. Colby Peterson

Busch Annapolis

Dungeons & Dragons

Saturdays June 10, July 8 and August 12 at 2 PM
 Brave heroes wanted! Join forces with other daring adventurers and fight deadly monsters, meet strange foes, and search for fame and fortune!

✓ Teen Lock-In

Friday, June 16 at 6 PM
 Celebrate the end of school and the start of summer at an after-hours party! Enjoy sweet treats, colorful crafts, games and more.

Anime & Manga Clubs

Share in the love of Japanese animation and comics! Join your fellow Otaku and enjoy anime watching, manga discussions, games and more. Cosplay is always welcome!

Deale | Mondays, June 5 and 26, July 10 and 24, August 7 and 21 at 6 PM
Glen Burnie | Tuesdays, June 20, July 18 and August 15 at 6 PM
Odenton | Tuesdays, June 13, July 11 and August 8 at 4:30 PM
Severn | Wednesdays, June 7, July 5 and August 2 at 6 PM

Crofton

Zine Workshop
 Wednesday, July 12 at 2 PM
 Want to get all of your ideas out of your head and onto the page? Learn about the fascinating, subversive history of zines and make one yourself!

Deale

Pokémon Card Swap & Trivia
 Wednesday, July 26 at 4 PM
 Bring your Pokémon cards, trade with other participants, and test your knowledge with Pokémon trivia.

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Create Your Own Back-to-School Swag
 Saturday, August 26 at 2 PM
 Craft customized school supplies and locker swag to start the school year with style!

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

✓ **Teen Art Night**
 Thursdays, June 22 and August 17 at 6:30 PM
 Hang out and socialize while completing an art project. Materials provided.

Edgewater

✓ **Teen "Selfie" Portrait Paint Day**
 Monday, August 14 at 5 PM
 Let your inner artist shine by creating a "selfie" portrait. We will provide paint and a canvas. This event will be held outside, weather permitting.

Linthicum

Teen Gaming Afternoon
 Come for gaming sessions with our new Nintendo Switch!
 Tuesday, July 20 at 2:30 PM
 Tuesday, July 11 at 2:30 PM (Super Smash Bros. Tournament)
 Tuesday, August 8 at 2:30 PM (Mario Kart Tournament)

Maryland City at Russett

Illustrate a Story
 Wednesday, June 21 at 2 PM
 Challenge yourself to tell a story using just illustrations. You'll construct your own Crankie Contraption to present and share your story.

Odenton

Craft for a Cause: Handmade Greeting Cards
 Saturday, July 8 at 2 PM
 Drop in to make handmade greeting cards with uplifting messages that will be sent to cancer patients and earn service hours.

✓ Fun with Paper Clay!

Thursday, July 27 at 6 PM
 Join us for a fun evening playing with paper clay – a light, versatile air-dry clay.

Craft for a Cause: Paracord Lanyards

Monday, August 7 at 2 PM
 Drop in to make paracord lanyards for military and first responders and earn service hours.

MORE →

GAMES FOR ALL AGES

Check out our entire lineup of games including bingo, chess, LEGO® Bricks and D20 programs at aacpl.net/events.

BOARD & CARD GAMES

Bring your own game or play a selection of ours.

Crofton

Monday, August 21 at 6 PM

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Wednesdays, July 26 at 3 PM and August 30 at 4 PM

Odenton

Saturday, July 1 at 2 PM

TRIVIA CHALLENGES

Show your smarts at our trivia night!

Deale

Tuesdays, June 27, July 18 and August 15 at 6:30 PM

For teens and adults

✓ **Online Events**

Wednesday, June 14 at 7 PM

Wednesday, August 23 at 6:30 PM (movies)

Broadneck

Family Puzzle and Game Afternoon

Saturday, July 22 at 1 PM

Bring your old puzzles and games to swap out for new ones then stay to play with new friends!

Brooklyn Park

Party with Nintendo Switch!

Tuesdays, June 13, July 11, and August 8 at 4 PM

Play games and have fun with fellow fans of the Nintendo Switch video game system!

✓ Parking Lot Pickleball

Saturday, July 22 at 10:30 AM

Learn to play pickleball! Members of the Annapolis Pickleball Club will teach you the basics.

Deale

✓ Harry Potter Escape Room

Friday, August 25 1 to 4 PM

Saturday, August 26 10 AM to 4 PM

Help Harry, Ron and Hermione save the day by solving puzzles and finding clues. Feel free to come dressed up as your favorite Harry Potter character. Call the Deale Library to register your group.

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

✓ Welcome to Warhammer

Saturday, July 8 at 2 PM

Have you ever wanted to play Warhammer, but not sure where to start? Learn with us as we explore this strategy wargame together!

Edgewater

✓ Storybook Escape Room

Friday, June 23 and Saturday, June 24 from 10 AM to 5 PM

Can you work together to find the last page of your storybook and escape? Call the Edgewater Library to sign up for a 45-minute time-slot.



MORE CLUB 1117



Riviera Beach

Teen Writers' Club

Tuesdays, June 13 and 27 and July 11 at 6 PM

Explore the craft of writing with the help of a volunteer from the Maryland Writers' Association. A completed permission form is required for regular attendees.

Severna Park

Gratitude Journal

Tuesday, August 1 at 2 PM

Create a unique journal with custom-made stamps using Silhouette Mint.

✓ Online Events

Virtual: How to Drive a Nuclear Reactor

Tuesday, June 6 at 6:30 PM

Join us online for an information session with a staff instructor with the Navy's Nuclear Propulsion Program who will share information on joining the Navy, the nuclear program and nuclear reactors.

Teen Writing Club

Thursdays, June 8, July 13 and August 10 at 6:30 PM

Explore the craft of writing through writing prompts, discussion and feedback. Young writers are welcome to bring something they've already written to share, or just listen.



FYI...

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Memorial Day:

Sunday and Monday, May 28 and 29

Juneteenth: Monday, June 19

Independence Day: Tuesday, July 4

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Deale

Science Saturday - The BFFs of Nature

Saturday, July 8 at 3 PM

Dive into the wonderful world of the ecosystem around you as we take a look at how different organisms in our environment help each other!

Presenter: Dr. Martin Connaughton, Ph.D., associate professor of biology



Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Summer STEAM Club

Explore an afternoon of STEAM challenges and activities.

Tinker Time!

Tuesday, June 20 at 3 PM

Shark Week

Tuesday, July 18 at 3 PM

Mad Science Lab

Tuesday, August 15 at 3 PM

Edgewater

Family STEM Night: Pollinator Party!

Thursday, June 29 at 5:30 PM

Examine the parts of different flowers and match them to their pollinators, learn how insects help with pollination and build bee hotels that you can keep!

Glen Burnie

Summer Math Club

Fridays, June 9 and 23, July 7 and 21, and August 4 and 18 at 2 PM

Build your math skills this summer with art, games and puzzles!

Junior LEGO Masters Build-A-Thon

Wednesday, July 12 at 2 PM

Join Mel Brown, local retired police officer and contestant on the Fox Television competition, *LEGO Masters*, for a build-a-thon challenge!

Oobleck Adventures

Wednesday, July 19 at 4 PM

Young scientists can enjoy learning about the states of matter and the curious exceptions by creating their own non-Newtonian fluid!

Linthicum

STEAM Wednesday

Come with your imaginations ready to create.

Pipe Cleaner Palooza

Wednesday, June 21 at 3:30 PM

Kindness Sidewalk Chalk Party

Wednesday, July 19 at 3:30 PM

Rainbow Suncatchers

Wednesday, August 16 at 3:30 PM

Maryland City at Russett

Science Saturdays

Explore a different science topic the second Saturday of each month.

It's Turtle Time!

Saturday, June 10 at 10:30 AM

Presenter: Smithsonian

Environmental Resource Center

LEGO® Challenge

Saturday, July 8 at 10:30 AM

Bristlebots

Saturday, August 12 at 10:30 AM

Odenton

Tie Dye Party

Saturday, June 10 at 1 PM

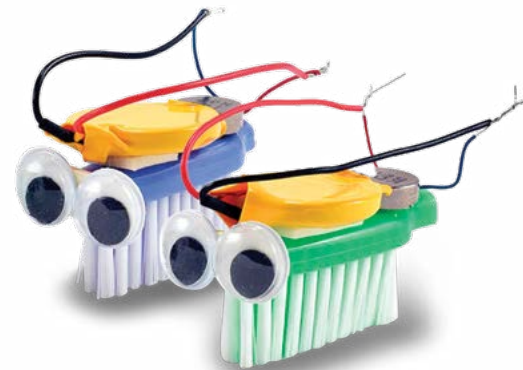
Tie dye an article of clothing to wear! Feel free to bring your own item from home.

Fairy Tale STEM - Three Billy Goats Gruff

Saturday, July 15 at 2 PM

Can you build a bridge strong enough to protect the three billy goats from the troll? Try your hand at this engineering design challenge and see if you have what it takes!

See also Family STEM events, page 10



Anne Arundel County Public Library Branch Locations

All libraries are open Monday through Thursday: 10 AM to 9 PM and Friday and Saturday: 10 AM to 5 PM (except where noted below)
Highlighted branches are open on Sundays, September through May, from 1 to 5 PM

*Discoveries hours: Monday through Thursday: 10 AM to 8 PM and Friday and Saturday: 10 AM to 5 PM (Sunday hours as above)

Broadneck

1275 Green Holly Dr., Annapolis, MD 21409
410-222-1905

Brooklyn Park

1 East 11th Ave., Baltimore, MD 21225
410-222-6260

Michael E. Busch Annapolis

1410 West St., Annapolis, MD 21401
410-222-1750

Crofton

1681 Riedel Rd., Crofton, MD 21114
410-222-7915

Deale

5940 Deale-Churchton Rd, Deale, MD 20751
410-222-1925 and 410-867-4164

***Discoveries: The Library at the Mall**

2550 Annapolis Mall Rd., Annapolis MD 21401
410-222-0133

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

269 Hillsmere Dr., Annapolis, MD 21403
410-222-1770

Edgewater

25 Stepneys Ln., Edgewater, MD 21037
410-222-1538

Glen Burnie (& Library by Mail)

1010 Eastway, Glen Burnie, MD 21060
410-222-6270

Linthicum

400 Shipley Rd., Linthicum, MD 21090
410-222-6265

Maryland City at Russett

3501 Russett Common, Laurel, MD 20724
410-222-1070

Mountain Road*

4730 Mountain Rd., Pasadena, MD 21122
410-222-6699

Odenton

1325 Annapolis Rd., Odenton, MD 21113
410-222-6277

Riviera Beach - closing 7/2, see pg 2

8485A Ft. Smallwood Rd., Pasadena, MD 21122
410-222-6285

Severn

2624 Annapolis Rd., Severn, MD 21144
410-222-6280

Severna Park

45 W. McKinsey Rd., Severna Park, MD 21146
410-222-6290

*The Mountain Road Library is closing in its current location June 2. We will be moving to 4115 Mountain Road (Lake Shore Plaza) this summer.



Anyone needing special accommodations should contact the appropriate library branch at least seven days in advance of the event. TTY users, please call via Maryland Relay 7-1-1. All materials are available in an alternative format upon request.