LIBRARY DECEMBER HAPPENINGS

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
NEWS AND EVENTS

DECEMBER 2021, JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2022

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SEE PAGE TWO TO LEARN THE STORY OF OUR NEW LOOK!

Skip Auld, Anne Arundel County Public Library Chief Executive Officer



It's a New Day for Anne Arundel **County Public Library!**

s we wind down our celebration of 100 years of service to the community, we are looking toward the future. What and who do we represent? How does our community see us? How can we continue to evolve to better serve you? These are all questions we grapple with every day.

One important part of our evolution needs to be updating the recognizable images and digital interaction you have with us. Plainly put, we need our logo and website to

accurately reflect who we are now, in 2021, and moving forward.

For decades, the familiar teal dot has adorned our signs, library cards and website. The book and boat images built into our logo attempted to represent what we have to offer and our storied maritime heritage. In 2021, it's obvious to anyone using the library that we are more than books and certainly our county extends beyond the shores of the Chesapeake Bay into rural, suburban and urban neighborhoods.

After an extensive process involving feedback from you, our customers, I'm proud to unveil our new logo and website. We believe this new logo reflects our mission to help foster a connected and inclusive community, built upon the important maritime and agricultural roots of the county. The new website (still *gacpl.net*) is easier to navigate, more modern and allows users to find just what they are looking for with special quick links. We are also excited to introduce bolder colors into our website, publications, signage and beyond.

You will start to see this new branding used in our branches beginning in December. We'll be slowly replacing our brochures, library cards and signage mindful not to waste the hard-earned taxpayer dollars we receive. We are grateful to the Library Foundation and our donors for helping to fund this initiative.

We hope you like our updated look and more user-friendly website. We believe the new logo accurately reflects who we are and where we are going as we move into the second century of serving the residents of Anne Arundel County.



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Science • Technology • Engineering • Math STEM education fosters a love of math and science by encouraging learners to engage in inquiry, logical reasoning, collaboration and investigation. See page 17 for STEM events. Elsewhere in Library Happenings, programs that incorporate STEM principles are designated with this icon:

Celebrating BLACKHISTORY

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A VISIT TO KOFI'S VILLAGE

Explore the sight and sound of various African percussion instruments, through rhythmic drumming patterns, storytelling and movement. Participants will become part of the gathering of a West African community!

Presenter: Kofi Dennis

Brooklun Park Thursday, February 10 **V** Crofton Saturday, February 26

Busch Annapolis

Artivism

Saturday, February 12 at 11 AM Introduction to using art as activism, stencil making and the art of being Black and powerful.

For kids

Deale



The Black History You Don't Know Tuesday, February 22 at 6:30 PM Join us for a lecture presented by Carl O. Snowden. Mr. Snowden is an Anne Arundel County native, civil rights activist and author of the book Some

People Watch Clocks to Tell What Time it Is, I Watch People to Know What Time it Is.

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

GET UP! Music and Black Wellness Concert

Thursday, February 24 at 7 PM Journey with the Coalition for African Americans in the Performing Arts ensemble as they delve into music relating to health, wellness and healing. Participants will explore musical eras in history.

Edgewater

My Grandmother Told Me: A Tribute to African American

Saturday, February 19 at noon Using monologues, poetry and songs, actress Debra Mims leads the audience in this highly interactive walk through an important part of America's history. Presenter: Young Audiences Arts for Learning Maryland

Maryland City at Russett

Black History Live with Culture Oueen

Saturday, February 19 at 2 PM Black History Live with Culture Queen is a 45-minute performance for your royal children that uses original and interactive music, movement and storytelling to teach them to celebrate their history and love themselves. With a spoonful of magic and ancient wisdom, the Queen's soulful alto voice dances across a fusion of festive calypso, afrobeat, jazz, and hip-hop rhythms that celebrate the kings and gueens of African-American history.

Adult Film Fest: Celebrating Black Jou

Saturday, February 26 at 10 AM Join us for a day of film dedicated to the celebration of Black joy. All are welcome, though films may include mature themes.

See also: Teen Film Fest: Celebrating Black Joy, page 19.

Severn



☑ Author Talk: Leslie Grau Streeter Saturday, February 19 at 10:30 AM Author and Baltimore native Leslie Gray Streeter, will discuss her book, Black Widow: A Sad-Funny Journey through Grief for People Who Normally Avoid

Books with Words Like "Journey" in the Title. Her memoir looks at widowhood through the prism of race, mixed marriage and aging.

▼ Virtual Events

Emancipation Proclamation: What They Never Taught You In High School

Thursday, February 3 at 7 PM

Learn more about the history of the Emancipation Proclamation. Learn how Lincoln only freed the slaves in one place and how there were multiple emancipation proclamations, in addition to other facts that should be

Presenter: Pete Hill, Anne Arundel County director of equity, diversity and inclusion

The Story of Mr. Thomas Carney - A Maryland Patriot of the American Revolutionaru War

Wednesday, February 16 at 6 PM As a 50-year-old veteran, Mr. Carney tells his story in reflection, beginning with his family farming on the Eastern Shore and proceeding with his odyssey as an enlisted serviceman fighting through an array of battles during the course of the war. This is a narrative that gives a rare glimpse into the life and times of the Revolutionary War through the lens and military record, of an actual free Black Maryland hero.



Natch Party!

The Ms. V Experience Wednesdav. February 9 at 10 AM

Watch from home or ioin us at a library listed below to see Vanessa Brantley-Newton, award winning children's

author and illustrator of Becoming Vanessa, Just Like Me and Grandma's Purse on the big screen. The author will read from one of her books, share what it's like to be a writer and illustrator and teach children how to create a collage of their own. Art supplies will be provided. Libraries showing this virtual program: Broadneck. Crofton, Eastport-Annapolis Neck, Glen Burnie, Linthicum, Mountain Road and Severn.

Special Events for Adults

Brooklyn Park

Drum Circle

Saturday, December 11 at 3 PM Express yourself through joyful sound, rhythm and positive leadership! No experience necessary and percussion instruments provided.

Busch Annapolis

Language Exchange Group

Intercambio de Idiomas

Wednesdays, January 26 and February 2 at 7 PM Miércoles, 26 de enero y 2 de febrero a las 7 PM English-language learners and Spanish-language learners come together to help each other through conversation practice. Register online or by calling the Busch Annapolis Library at 410-222-1750.

Los que aprenden el inglés y los que aprenden el español se ayudan mutuamente a través de la conversación. Regístrese en línea o llame a la Biblioteca Busch Annapolis al 410-222-1750.

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✓ Cabin Fever Craft

Tuesday, February 22 at 2 PM Get out of the house and make a craft with friends.

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Senior Tea & Social

Thursdays, December 9, January 13 and February 10 at 11 AM

A monthly social event complemented by an activity related to the arts.

December: Create a luminary January: Adult spelling bee February: Color to the music

2022 Vision Boards

Saturday, January 15 at 2 PM Make vision boards using magazines and other supplies

provided.

Online Dating 101 for Seniors

Wednesday, January 19 at 6:30 PM Learn about online dating options, tricks for making a good profile, online and offline safety tips and try your hand at taking a profile picture.

PAINT NIGHTS

We will guide you as you create your very own work of art using acrylic paint on canvas. All materials will be provided.

Broadneck

Wednesday, December 8 at 7 PM

Saturday, December 11 at 2 PM (for beginners) Tuesdays, January 18 and February 15 at 6:30 PM

Edgewater

✓ Meditative Mandala Painting Workshop

Saturday, December 4 at 10 AM Create a mandala rock using the art of dot painting.

✓ Strum Along With Us!

Saturdays, December 4, January 15 and February 26

Novice ukulele players, join UkeAnnapolis for a fun and easy strum along!

Coffee with a Cop

Fridays, December 10, January 21 and February 18 at

Community residents are invited to meet with officers from the Anne Arundel County Police Department's, Southern District. Bring your questions, concerns or just get to know your local officers in an informal library

✓ Antique Talk and Appraisals

Tuesday, January 11 at 6:30 PM

Mike Earnst of Blue Crab Antiques will present a short talk about appraising antiques. Attendees can bring two small items for appraisals.

☑ Recycled Painting Night

Wednesday, January 26 at 6 PM

Recycle old thrift store paintings and create something totally new! We will provide all the materials.

Glen Burnie

☑ Creating a Pollinator Paradise with Native Plants

Monday, January 10 at 6 PM

Master Watershed Steward, gardener and naturalist Alison Milligan will discuss pollinator gardens. You'll learn which plants are best to attract specific pollinators and see beautiful photos of pollinators in action.



Maryland City at Russett

Learn to Solder Workshop

Tuesday, January 11 at 7 PM

Learn the basics of soldering, with an emphasis on safety. Solder a badge that lights up! Children under age 14 must attend with an adult. Minimum age 10, with no one younger allowed in the room for safety reasons.

☑ Tea and Treasures

Monday, January 31 at 2 PM

Bring a small treasured object and share a short history of what makes this special or just come to listen. Enjoy a delightful cup of tea as we enjoy the stories.

☑ Paper Circuit Greeting Cards

Tuesday, February 8 at 7 PM

Using a simple electric circuit, make a greeting card that lights up! Geared towards adults/seniors, but teens are welcome.

Odenton

Appalachian Trail Thru-Hike and Backpacking 101

Saturday, December 4 at 2 PM

Appalachian Trail thru-hiker, Colin Gardner, will share his 2021 experience from Springer Mountain, GA to Mt. Katahdin, ME. Colin will share pictures and stories of trail life as well as talk about thru-hiking gear, learning experiences and how to prepare for a backpacking adventure.

MONTHLY MIXED MEDIA

Art Inspired By Music

Monday, December 13 at 6:30 PM

Listen to music from different genres as inspiration for creating different pieces of art. All art supplies will be provided.

Reimagine Thrift Store Paintings

Monday, January 10 at 6:30 PM

Add to a thrift store find to create your own masterpiece.

Potato Printing

Monday, February 14 at 6:30 PM

Create simple printing blocks from potatoes and make a beautiful piece of wrapping paper and a greeting card.

Severna Park

Bullet Journaling 101

Tuesday, January 11 at 7 PM

Learn the basics of journaling and its applications for your mindfulness practice and productivity. Bring a blank notebook or journal.

See virtual program on opposite page.

Note: Event information is subject to change, especially during times of inclement weather. Check online or call your local branch for event updates.

▼ Virtual Events for Adults

Ask a Lawuer in the Libraru

Haga una pregunta a un abogado en la biblioteca

Wednesdays at 11 AM

Wednesdays, January 19 and February 16 at 4:30 PM Miércoles a las 11 AM

Miércoles 19 de enero y 16 de febrero a las 4:30 PM Talk with a volunteer lawyer for up to 20 minutes about your civil, non-family legal problem for free! Once you have signed up, you will be sent an intake sheet and instructions for meeting with the attorney.

To register for an appointment, visit *circuitcourt.org/ legal-help/lawyer-in-the-library* or call the law library at 410-222-1387.

¡Hable con un abogado voluntario, durante un tiempo máximo de 20 minutos, sobre un asunto legal civil no familiar de forma gratuita! Una vez que se haya registrado, se le enviará una hoja de admisión e instrucciones para reunirse con el abogado.

Registrese para una cita en circuitcourt.org/legal-help/ lawyer-in-the-library o llame a la biblioteca jurídica al 410-222-1387.

Partner: Anne Arundel County Public Law Library Colaborador de la biblioteca: Biblioteca de derecho público del condado de Anne Arundel

The Whys and Whens of Car Maintenance with the **Mechanic Shop Femme**

Monday, December 6 at 6:30 PM Learn when and why to perform specific maintenance tasks, including changing fluids and filters, belts, air conditioning recharges and more.

English Conversation Club Club de conversación en inglés

Mondays, December 6, January 10 and February 7 at 7 PM

Lunes, 6 de diciembre, 10 de enero, 7 de febrero a las 7 PM

Get together to practice speaking English. Únase a nosotros para practicar Inglés.



Chaya Milchtein of the **Mechanic Shop Femme**

Digital Privacy and Scams: Protecting Yourself Online

Learn how to avoid being taken advantage of on the internet in this interactive, informative presentation. Presenter: SOAR Program Director

Classic Rock Talk!

Tuesdays, December 7 and February 8 at 6 PM Join us for a discussion, trivia and the chance to contribute to a playlist of classic rock favorites from the 1950s to 1990s.

Conflict Resolution Workshop

Tuesday, December 7 at 2 PM

Thursday, December 9 at 2 PM

Anxious about tough conversations with people in your life? Join the Anne Arundel Conflict Resolution Center for an interactive and non-judgmental workshop that will challenge you to identify your emotions and to better communicate what you're thinking in order to create a more peaceful and understanding atmosphere.

Anne Arundel Community College Information Sessions

Thursdays, December 9 and January 6 at 6 PM Adult learners are invited to meet with an admissions officer from Anne Arundel Community College to learn about the admissions process for new and returning students, majors offered, transferability of credits and partnerships with four-year institutions, paying for college and student success support services.

Adult Writers' Group

Saturdays, December 11, January 8 and February 12 at 2 PM

Writers of all abilities interested in a read and critique group are welcome. Bring an open mind and a desire to improve your craft.

Language Exchange Group Intercambio de Idiomas

Wednesdays, December 15, January 12 and February 16

Miércoles, 15 de diciembre, 12 de enero y 16 de febrero a

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Every Child Ready to Read: Talking!

Monday, January 10 at 7 PM

Would you like to help the preschool children in your care to have the skills they need to succeed in kindergarten? Join us on Zoom for a series of programs which will gives you tips and tricks for successful parenting and caregiving.

See more Every Child Ready to Read, pages 12-13.

White Feminism, the Karen Discourse, and the **Critical Need for Intersectionality**

Tuesday, January 18 at 7 PM

We will unpack the history of who has been left out of (or intentionally denied access to) feminist movements and women's rights circles throughout history, examining social issues such as reproductive justice, voting and the #MeToo

> movement. We will also discuss the unmarked nature of whiteness and the reality of "safe spaces" for women of multiple marginalized identities.

Presenter: Dr. Dresden Lackey

Virtual Poetry Reading and Open Mic

Tuesday, January 11 at 6 PM Enjoy virtual readings by notable poets and a warm, supportive atmosphere for sharing your own work.

Broadway Music BINGO

Tuesday, January 18 at 6:30 PM

Join us in a fun game of music bingo featuring the musical numbers that you can't get out of your head. An email address is required for this virtual program so that we can send you the bingo game card.

See page 19 for more bingo.

Mondaus are Murder Virtual True Crime Discussion

Mondays, January 24 and February 28 at 7 PM A virtual true crime discussion about famous solved and unsolved murders.

Genealogy & the Census

Thursday, January 27 at 7 PM Wanting to delve deeper into the census? Listen to a talk about genealogy and census records, beyond the decennial census.

Partner: Carol Carman; Anne Arundel Genealogical Society

Bullet Journaling

Tuesday, February 1 at 7 PM This adaptable form of journaling is useful for everything from personal habit-tracking, to breaking down work tasks, to planning a dream vacation or even

See in-person program on opposite page.

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Book Clubs for Adults

▼ Virtual Book Clubs

ARNOLD SENIOR CENTER BOOK CLUB



wild

The Noel Letters by Richard Paul Evans Monday, December 6 at 1 PM

Wild

by Cheryl Strayed Monday, January 3 at 1 PM



Virtual

Cookbook Club

challenge!

aacpl.net/events.

MYSTERY INGREDIENT CHALLENGE

Wednesday, February 9 at 7 PM

Shake up your cooking and

virtual mystery ingredient

Register for the program at

• Pick up your mystery ingredient

from either the Annapolis or

and library materials (two random

Eastport-Annapolis Neck libraries

ingredient-related books or movies)

between January 26 and February 2.

· Prepare a recipe with the ingredient

at home and solve the mystery:

Can you identify how the library

materials and the ingredient are

• Join in via Zoom on February 9 to

share your dish and experiences

with other home chefs.

connected? It might not be so easy!

reading repertoires with this

The 7 1/2 Deaths of Evelyn Hardcastle by Stuart Turton Monday, February 7

CO-CONSPIRATORS BOOK CLUB



Still Life by Louise Penny Tuesday, December 14 at 7 PM



The Stranger Diaries by Elly Griffiths



Tuesday, January 11 at 7 PM



LGBTO VIRTUAL BOOK CLUB

Meets every month to discuss queer fiction and nonfiction titles. All are welcome to attend.



Upright Women Wanted by Sarah Gailey Wednesday, December 15 at 7 PM



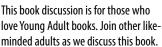
The Song of Achilles by Madeline Miller Wednesday, January 12 at 7 PM



Felix Ever After by Kacen Callendar

Wednesday, February 9 at 7 PM

THEATRE BOOK CLUB



YA BOOK DISCUSSION FOR ADULTS



A Winter's Promise by Christelle Dabos Wednesday, February 23

In this book club, we discuss plays!



Ma Rainev's Black **Bottom** Wednesday, January 19



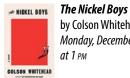
President Barack Obama presented Toni Morrison with the Presidential Medal of Freedom

in 2012. Morrison's works will be discussed at the Crofton Library on February 10 at 2 PM.

In-Person Book Clubs SENIOR CENTER BOOK CLUB

These book discussions are held at local senior centers and led by library staff.

South County Senior Center



by Colson Whitehead Monday, December 13 at 1 PM



The Thursday Murder Club

by Richard Osman Monday, January 24 at 1 PM



The Rose Code by Kate Ouinn Monday, February 28 at 1 PM

☑ Busch Annannlis



The Rose Code by Kate Ouinn Tuesday, January 18



Honey Girl by Morgan Rogers Tuesday, February 15 at 2 PM



Hour of the Witch by Chris Bohialian Thursday, December 9



The Long Call by Ann Cleeves Thursday, January 13



The Works of Toni Morrison Thursday, February 10 at 2 PM

In-Person Book Clubs continued

BOOK LOVERS BOOK CHAT

It's a book club without the book! Chat about a book you've read and hear about great books that others have enjoyed.

Fridays, December 10, January 7 and February 18 at 10 AM

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Mondays, December 13, January 10 and February 14 at 10 AM

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Fantasy Book Club

Six Crimson Cranes by Elizabeth Lim

Monday, December 6 at 6:30 PM



A Song of Wraiths and Ruin

by Roseanne A. Brown Monday, January 3 at 6:30 PM



Empire of Sand by Tasha Suri Monday, February 7 at 6:30 PM

Mountain Road



American Gods bv Neil Gaiman Tuesday, January 25 at 7 pm



Nomadland: Surviving America in the Twentyfirst Century

by Jessica Bruder Tuesday, February 22 at 7 PM

Riviera Beach

All Ages Book Clubs



This One Summer by Mariko and Jillian Tamaki Saturday, January 15 at noon



Kindred by Octavia Butler

Saturday, February 19 at noon

Severna Park

✓ Classics Old and New Book Group

In this book group, we'll aim to read and discuss fresh, unexpected and marvelous books with a mix of traditional "classics" and newer works from a diverse range of voices, from George Eliot to Arundhati Roy, Tolstoy to Ta-Nehisi Coates.



The Dispossesed by Ursula K. Le Guin

Thursday, January 27 at 7 PM



Meet Me in St. Louis by Virginia Woolf (NR, 1944)

Thursday, February 24 at 7 PM

Guys Book Club



Deacon King Kong by James McBride Thursday, December 16



Zero Fail

by Carol Leonnig Thursday, January 13 at 7 PM



The Stranaer in the Woods

by Michael Finkel Thursday, February 17



repeat

Black Orpheus (PG, 1959)

Friday, February 25

MOVIES

Deale

MARVELOUS MOVIES

Enjoy trivia about a musical movie and the era it's set in, before watching the film together.



The Greatest Showman

(PG, 2017) Wednesday, January 26 at 5 PM



Wednesday, February 23 at 5 PM



✓ VIRTUAL EVENTS: THE GREAT MOVIES

Watch the movie on Kanopy beforehand, then join us for a lively Friday evening discussion on Zoom.



Wednesday, December 1

at 5 PM

Holiday (NR, 1953) (NR, 1937) at 7 PM



Friday, January 14 at 7 PM



ROUND



Monsieur Hulot's

Friday, December 3

at 7 PM





Adult Learning

English Basic Skills

Free English classes offered by Anne Arundel Community College (AACC) and taught at various libraries integrate listening, speaking, reading and writing skills for students with minimal English training. For more information and to register, call AACC's ESL office at 410-777-2901 or email esloffice@aacc.edu.

Prepare for the GED/Adult Basic Skills

Improve your basic reading, math and language skills or prepare to take the GED test with the adult basic skills program provided by AACC at various libraries. For more information and to register, call AACC at 410-777-1823 or email *gedprogram@aacc.edu*.

✓ VIRTUAL EVENTS

Intro to Library eBooks and Streaming

Wednesdays, December 8, January 12 and February 9 at

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.



Tech Tuesdaus

Discover valuable library resources that can help you design, write or learn new skills. All programs are at 6:30 PM.

December 14: Canva for Beginners January 11: Building a Blog February 1: LinkedIn Learning For teen and adults

Intro to eLearning Resources

Wednesday, January 18 at 3 PM Learn about resources like Rosetta Stone, Creativebug, LinkedIn Learning, Udemy and live tutoring from Brainfuse.

MD Renters' Tax and Homeowners' Tax Credit Programs Thursday, January 27 at 2 PM

Get ready to take the credit! The Maryland Renters' and Homeowners' Property Tax Credit Program helps renters and homeowners account for the skyrocketing housing associated costs in Maryland. We will discuss how to navigate the application process and successfully submit your application to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation. Application assistance is also provided through the Securing Older Adult Resources (SOAR) Program, a service program within the Maryland

Presenter: SOAR Program Director

Consumer Rights Coalition.

☑ Computer Classes at the Odenton Library

Learn from a computer lab assistant in a group setting with hands-on practice. Prerequisite: basic computer skills, library card with your four-digit PIN and USB flash drive.

Google Docs for Beginners

Saturday, February 5 at 11 AM Prerequisite: Gmail account and

Google Sheets for Beginners

Saturday, February 19 at 11 AM Prerequisite: Gmail account and

Microsoft Excel I

Monday, January 10 at 6 PM

Microsoft Excel II

Monday, January 17 at 6 PM Prerequisite: Microsoft Excel I

Microsoft Excel III

Monday, January 24 at 6 PM Prerequisite: Microsoft Excel I

Microsoft Word I

Monday, December 6 at 6 PM

Microsoft Word II

Monday, December 13 at 6 PM Prerequisite: Microsoft Word I

Microsoft Word III

Monday, December 27 at 6 PM Prerequisite: Microsoft Word I

☑ Foundation Grants Research & Resources at the Busch Annapolis Library

Grant Research One-on-One Training

Would you like help searching for grant opportunities for your nonprofit organization or as an individual grant seeker? Schedule an appointment by calling the Busch Annapolis Library (branch information is on back cover).

Grantseeking Resources Workshop

Thursday, January 13 at 2 PM Learn to search for grants and attract funders by using Foundation Directory Online, Candid Learning and

☑ **>** Email for Beginners in Spanish at Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Correo Electrónico nara Principiantes en Español

Saturday, February 19 at 2 PM

Sábado 19 de febrero a las 2 PM

Aprenda cómo registrarse para obtener una cuenta de correo electrónico de Gmail gratuita y los conceptos básicos de cómo enviar, responder y reenviar mensajes y adjuntar archivos y fotos. Si ya tiene una cuenta de correo electrónico de Gmail, por favor traiga su contraseña. Este programa se llevará a cabo en español y está abierto a adultos y adolescentes. Se proporcionarán computadoras portátiles para su uso durante el programa.

This program will be conducted in Spanish and is open to adults and teens. Learn how to sign up for a free Gmail email account and learn the basic concepts of how to send, reply and forward messages and attach documents and photos. If you already have a Gmail email account, please bring your password. Laptops will be provided for use.

Estate Planning, Administration and Wills

Learn estate planning essentials, including wills and trusts, power of attorney and medical directives. Presenter: Council Baradel

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Saturday, December 18 at 2 PM

✓ Severna Park

Tuesday, January 4 at 7 PM

Virtual

Thursday, February 10 at 7 PM

Intro into College Savings with Maryland 529 at the Severn Library

Wednesday, January 19 at 7 PM

Learn about the features and benefits of the Maryland Prepaid College Trust and the Maryland College Investment Plan, and have your questions answered by a Maryland 529 representative. Parents/guardians are welcome.





Health and Wellness

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

BOOKS AND BEYOND

Join lively discussions on a wide range of topics selected especially for seniors or individuals living with memory loss and their care partners. During these three interactive programs, you will be encouraged to learn, explore and laugh with others in the group. Partner: The Alzheimer's Association

Cozy Mysteries and Comfort Foods

Thursday, December 2 at 11 AM

New Books and Creating New Habits Thursday, January 6 at 11 AM

Poetry and Lovable Things

Thursday, February 3 at 11 AM

American Red Cross Blood Drive

December 2021, January and February 2022

Thursday, February 10 at

Broadneck

1:30 рм

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Brain Health Across Your Life Span

Saturday, January 22 at 11 AM Join us as we discuss how you can help your brain span match your lifespan.

Presenter: Anne Arundel County Department of Aging

Edgewater

Mind Resilience for Adults

Thursday, January 27 at 6 PM Join a mental/behavioral health expert from Mind Resilience to learn about strategies and techniques that adults can use to develop the strengths, skills and resources that interrupt and prevent downward spirals, and enable and promote upward spirals.

See more resilience programs for young children and teens on pages 14 and 18.

Mountain Road

at 10 AM

Saturday, December 18

Teen Mental Health

VIRTUAL EVENTS

Journaling for Wellness

Thursday, January 20 at 7 PM Join local mental health professionals for a panel discussion about teen mental health issues. Learn how and where to reach out with questions or concerns.

Mondays, December 6, January 3 and February 7 at 6 PM

health and well-being. You'll have the opportunity to

Experience the power of journaling for your mental

journal with guided prompts and gentle structure.

Prediabetes Information Session in Spanish

Sesión de Información Sobre Prediabetes en Español

Wednesday, January 26 at 6:30 PM Miércoles 26 de enero a las 6:30 PM

Are prediabetes and diabetes the same? How is it diagnosed, and can it be reversed? How can you avoid developing diabetes? Get the answers to these questions from an American Association of Diabetes educators master lifestyle coach.

¿La prediabetes y la diabetes son lo mismo? ¿Cómo se diagnostica? ¿Se pueden revertir la prediabetes y la diabetes? ¿Cómo puede evitar desarrollar diabetes? Obtenga las respuestas a estas preguntas de una asesora de estilo de vida maestra de la Asociación estadounidense de educadores en diabetes.

at 10 AM

Thursday, December 30

**THANK YOU!

To our **For the Love of the Library** sponsors:

CR Tony Wheeler

You are eligible to donate if you are 17 or older (16 with written parental consent), weigh a minimum of 110 lbs,

Edgewater

at 10 AM

and are in good health. You may walk in or schedule an appointment by calling 1-800-733-2767.

Busch Annapolis

Fridays, December 3,

January 7 and February 4



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F UNDATION Making your library better

Adult Leisure

Knitting. Crocheting and Crafting

Knitting for Good

A monthly meeting of like-minded individuals who enjoy fiber arts! Come knit and crochet projects with our materials to donate to a good cause.

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Tuesdays, January 18 and February 15 at 6:30 PM

Wednesdays, December 8, January 12 and February 9

Drop In Groups

Feel free to bring in your own projects and come for the conversation and camaraderie.

Tuesdays, December 14, January 18 and February 15 at 7 pm.

Wednesdays, December 15, January 19 and February 16 at 1:30 рм and 6:30 рм

Riviera Beach: Craft and Chat

Wednesdays, December 15, January 19 and February 16 at 7 PM

✓ Virtual Groups

Wednesdays, December 1, January 5 and February 2 at 3:30 PM

✓ Virtual Cooking Events

Instant Pot Cooking: Holiday Fare

Thursday, December 2 at 2 PM Make your holiday entertaining easier by using your Instant Pot. This program will demonstrate recipes.

Air Fruer Virtual Cooking: Appetizers

Tuesday, December 7 at 7 PM Explore appetizers made with the air fryer that can enhance your holiday table.

Virtual Mocktails

Wednesday, December 15 at 6:30 PM Use basic ingredients from around your kitchen to make tasty holiday mocktails. Suggested ingredient list will

be sent to participants a few days before the program.

Simplifu Weeklu Meal Planning Tuesday, January 18 at 7 PM

Vanessa Young, from the Thirsty Radish, will teach you tips, strategies and recipes for delicious weekly meals.

Introduction to Vitamix

Thursday, February 24 at 2 PM This program explores simple and fun uses for the Vitamix including tips, tricks and recipe sharing.

Virtual Cookbook Club

MYSTERY INGREDIENT CHAILENGE

Wednesday, February 9 at 7 PM

Shake up your cooking and reading repertoires with this virtual mystery ingredient challenge!

- Register for the program at *aacpl.net/events*.
- Pick up your mystery ingredient and library materials (two random ingredient-related books or movies) from either the Annapolis or Eastport-Annapolis Neck libraries between January 26 and February 2.
- Prepare a recipe with the ingredient at home and solve the materials mystery: Can you identify how the library materials and the ingredient are connected? It might not be so easy!
- Join in via Zoom on February 9 to share your dish and experiences with other home chefs.











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WINTER HOLIDAY EVENTS

Broadneck

☑ Winter Solstice Family Storytime

Tuesday, December 21 at 10:30 AM Celebrate winter with this special storytime.

Brooklyn Park

Winter Craft Fun!

Monday, December 6 at 4 PM Enjoy some fun, winter themed crafts and explore your creativity!

Happy Chinese New Year!

Saturday, January 22 at 2 PM

Enjoy a story, dancing and dragon mask making. Join us for a special lion dance performed by the Wulin Institute.

Busch Annapolis

✓ Holiday Greeting Cards

Wednesday, December 1 at 6:30 PM Use colorful buttons to create stylish holiday greeting cards. Then write special messages to your friends and loved ones.

☑ Winter Wonders! Holiday Stories

Thursday, December 9 at 6 PM

Many religions have holidays based around this time of year. Come listen to tales of Hanukkah, Christmas, the Winter Solstice and more. There will be a few holiday surprises!

☑ Winter Solstice Family Storytime

Friday, December 17 at 10:30 AM Celebrate winter with this special storytime.

Winter Literary-Themed Diorama Contest

Tuesday, January 18 at 10 AM

Create a freestanding diorama, no larger than 16x16", inspired by your favorite winter book. Dioramas can be dropped off at the Busch Annapolis Library, with completed entry forms, starting Tuesday, January 18. Entries must be received by Saturday, January 22 at 4:30 pm. Prizes will be awarded.

☑ Celebrate the Lunar New Year of the Tiger!

Monday, January 31 at 10:30 AM

Children ages three to five build early literacy skills through lunar new year stories, songs, activities and more!

New Year's Noontime Celebrations

Ring in 2022 with books, music, activities and a countdown to noon.

☑ Broadneck

Thursday, December 30 at 11:30 AM **Brooklun Park**

Thursday, December 30 at 11:30 AM

Deale

Winter Cards and Crafts

Wednesday, December 8 at 2:30 PM Eniov a casual and creative afternoon of card making and Perler/fuse bead projects. All materials will be provided.

For all ages

Monday, December 13 at 6:30 PM Make cookie mix in a jar gifts. We'll provide all dry ingredients, a recipe card, jars and decorating items.

Family Dance Party

Wednesday, December 29 at 11 AM

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Kwanzaa Live With Culture Queen

Monday, December 27 at 10:30 AM

Join Kwanzaa expert Culture Queen as she teaches royal children of all ages a fresh approach to observing the seven principles of Kwanzaa, an African American festival that celebrates culture, family and community.

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Holidau Ornament Workshop

Saturday, December 4 at 2 PM

Celebrate the holiday season with music, cocoa and

☑ Happy Birthday, Dr. King with Culture Queen

Saturday, January 15 at 2 PM

Join teaching artist Culture Queen as she hosts the "Happy Birthday, Dr. Martin Luther King!" party. This family-friendly party will celebrate his life and legacy with a fun and interactive civil rights-themed show and hands-on crafts.

Glen Burnie

New Year's Eve Crafternoon

Wednesday, December 29 at 2 PM

Maruland City at Russett

☑ Niftu Thriftu Holidau Gifts

Wednesday, December 1 at 7 PM

Don't know what to get your friends and family for the holidays? Come make a simple craft that you can give as a gift this season.

For teens and adults

Mountain Road

Polar Express

Wednesday, December 8 at 6:30 PM Be enchanted by a reading of Van Allsburg's book, *The* **Polar Express**, followed by other holiday surprises. Pajamas welcome!



▼ Virtual Events

Holidau Songs from Around the World

Saturday, December 11 at 2 PM

Enjoy music from around the world as we discover how other countries celebrate the holidays!

Virtual Winter Scavenger Hunt

Tuesday, December 21 at 5:30 PM

Virtual scavenger hunts challenge players to find specified items according to the answer to a puzzle or riddle. You'll have 30 seconds to answer the riddle and retrieve the item before any other team.

New Year's Origami!

Tuesday, January 4 at 4:30 PM

Join us to practice different origami shapes in real time and learn how the New Year is celebrated in Japan! Stop by the Busch Annapolis Library for a Take and Make full of origami paper and instructions.

Every Child Ready to Read

Anne Arundel County Public Library is committed to providing parents and caregivers with the tools to help their young children get ready to read. Through the nationally-renowned Every Child Ready to Read (ECRR) initiative, libraries can have an even greater impact on early literacy through an approach that focuses on educating parents and caregivers.

Please note: There will be no ECRR classes Monday, December 20, 2021, through Saturday, January 1, 2022, This includes Babies in Bloom, Toddler Time, Preschool Storytime, Family Storytime and Music and Movement.

Bahies in Bloom

For babies from birth to 18 months

Mondays at 10:30 AM

☑ Busch Annapolis

Thursdays at 10:30 AM

☑ Crofton

Tuesdays at 10 AM

Deale

Thursdays at 10 AM

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Tuesdays at 10:30 AM

✓ Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Wednesdays at 10 AM, except February 9

✓ Edgewater

Thursdays at 10:30 AM

Glen Burnie

Wednesdays at 9:30 AM, except February 9

Linthicum

Wednesdays at 11:30 AM

Maryland City at Russett

Mondays at 10:30 AM

Mondays at 10:15 AM

Riviera Beach

Mondays at 9:30 AM

Severn

Wednesdays at 10:30 AM,

except February 9 **▼** Severna Park

Tuesdays at 10:30 AM

Toddler Time

For children ages 18-36 months

Broadneck

Mondays at 11:30 AM

Brooklun Park

Mondays at 10:30 AM

▼ Busch Annanolis

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Tuesdays at 11:30 AM

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Mondays at 10:30 AM

▼ Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Thursdays at 10 AM

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Tuesdays at 10:30 AM Glen Burnie

Wednesdays at 10:30 AM. except February 9

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except February 9

Maruland City at Russett

Tuesdays at 10:30 AM

Mountain Road Tuesdays at 10 AM

Odenton

Tuesdays at 10:15 AM

Riviera Beach

Tuesdays at 9:30 AM

Severn

Thursdays at 10:30 AM

✓ Severna Park

Wednesdays at 10:30 AM

Preschool Storutime

For children ages three to five

Broadneck

Tuesdays at 10:30 and 11:30 AM

Brooklun Park

Thursdays at 11 AM

☑ Busch Annapolis

Wednesdays at 10:30 AM

▼ Crofton

Thursdays at 10 AM

Deale

Tuesdays at 10:30 AM

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall Wednesdays at 10:30 AM

✓ Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Tuesdays at 10 AM

✓ Edgewater Wednesdays at 10:30 AM

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Tuesdays at 1:30 PM

Maruland City at Russett

Tuesdays at 11:30 AM

Mountain Road

Thursdays at 2 PM

Odenton

Thursdays at 10:15 AM

Riviera Beach

Thursdays at 9:30 AM

Severn

Tuesdays at 10:30 AM

▼ Severna Park

Thursdays at 10:30 AM

Family Storytime

For families with children ages 5 and younger

V Crofton

Wednesdays at 10 AM, except February 9

Saturdays at 10:30 AM, December 18 and January 29

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Tuesdays at 6:30 PM and Saturdays at

Music and Movement

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

▼ Broadneck

Friday, February 25 at 10:30 AM

Brooklun Park

Saturdays, December 4, 18, January 15, 29 and February 26 at 11:30 AM Mondays, December 6, January 3, 17 and 31 at 11:30 AM

*OUTDOORS

Rusch Annanolis

Saturdays, December 18, January 22 and February 26 at 10:30 AM

Saturday, February 12 at 10:30 AM

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Fridays, December 10, January 7 and February 4 at 10:30 AM

Saturdays, December 4 and February 5 at 10 AM

Glen Burnie

Thursdays at 9:30 AM except January 13

Mountain Road

Tuesdays at 2 PM

▼ Virtual Events

Fridays, December 10 and January 7



➡ Bilingual Storytime / Hora del Cuento Bilingüe

Los niños pequeños disfrutarán de historias, canciones, rimas y actividades

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

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Fridays, December 17, January 28 and

Spanish Bilingual Storytime

La Hora del Cuento Bilingüe

February 25 at 10:30 AM

mientras desarrollan habilidades de lectura en inglés y en español.

Busch Annapolis Spanish Bilingual Storytime La Hora del Cuento Bilingüe

Friday, February 11 at 10:30 AM

French-English Bilingual Storytime Tuesday, January 18 at 10:30 AM

Arabic-English Bilingual Storutime Tuesday, February 15 at 10:30 AM

▼ Virtual Event

Spanish Bilingual Storutime / La Hora del Cuento Bilingüe Thursday, December 9 at 4:30 PM

Sensoru Storutime

✓ Sensory Storytime

Saturdays, January 29 and February 26 at 2 PM

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Specifically designed for children ages 3 to 7 years with autism spectrum disorders, sensory processing issues or other disabilities. Limited capacity event. Siblings welcome.



Busch Annapolis

✓ Winter Craft Fun!

Friday, January 21 at 10:30 AM Beat the January doldrums and make a winter-themed craft to bring a smile to your face!

Deale

Babies at Play

Mondays, December 6, January 3 and February 7 at 10 AM Join us for this unstructured time for babies and caregivers to socialize and

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Seasonal Babies Craft

Tuesdays, December 14, January 11 and February 15 at 11:15 AM Enjoy a seasonal art project with your little one!

Babu. It's Cold Outside

Thursdays, December 16, January 20 and February 17 at 2 PM

Bundle up your baby and join Discoveries library staff at a different local park each month to stroll, socialize, sing songs and read stories together! Call Discoveries for locations.

Preschool Dance Partu

Friday, January 21 at 10:30 AM Jump up, turn around, clap your hands and stomp around at this high energy preschool palooza.

Baby Olympics

Saturday, February 12 at 2 PM Crawl, walk, run or jump over to Discoveries and go for the gold! Show off your little one's amazing athletic abilities at the baby Olympics.

Pretend Plau: Construction Zone Friday, February 18 at 10:30 AM

Children can use their imagination and have fun building in our pretend construction zone. Supplies provided. Dress up if you'd like!

Edgewater

✓ Storutime with a Social Worker

Mondays, December 6, January 3 and February 7 at 10:30 am Join us for a special storytime with a social worker that will focus on socialemotional learning.

Glen Burnie

Wellness Week: Zumbini at the Libraru

Presenter: Anne Arundel County

Department of Social Services

Thursday, January 13 at 9:30 AM Zumbini© program combines music, dance and educational tools for 45 minutes of learning and fun! Presenter: Totsville

Art @ Your Library

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

Saturdays, December 11, January 8 and

February 5 at 10 AM

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall Fridays, December 3, January 14 and

February 11 at 10:30 AM Edgewater

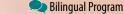
Tuesday, December 21 at 10:30 AM (babies and toddlers) and 2:30 PM (preschoolers)

▼ Virtual Event

Backuard Bird Count Virtual Storutime

Saturday, February 19 at 10:30 AM Join us for a special storytime all about the Great Backyard Bird Count! We'll read stories about birds and learn about counting birds in our own backyard. Grab a Take and Make kit from the Busch Annapolis Library for this virtual storytime.





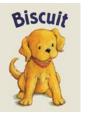
SPECIAL EVENTS FOR KIDS 6 to 10

Book Clubs

Kids can talk about books, enjoy games, activities and more. For third, fourth and fifth grade students unless indicated.



















The Last Kids on Earth: Thrilling Tales from the Tree House by Max Brallier Thursday, January 20 at 4:15 PM

Who Was Jackie Robinson by Gail Herman Thursday, February 17 at 4:15 PM

Severna Park -

Early Reader Book Club

Children in K-2 can practice their reading skills through group reading, activities and games based on popular beginner reader series. Each meeting will use titles from a particular series.

Biscuit by Alyssa Satin Capucilli Wednesday, December 1 at 4 PM

Elephant and Piggie Like Reading! by various authors

Wednesday, January 5 at 4 PM

Amelia Bedelia by Peggy Parish Wednesday, February 2 at 4 PM

RAD Readers Book Club

Fish in a Tree by Linda Mullaly Hunt

Saturday, December 11 at 10:30 AM

Save Me a Seat by Sarah Weeks

Saturday, January 8 at 10:30 AM

Saturday, February 5 at 10:30 AM

✓ VIRTUAL EVENTS

Kids in third through fifth grades will enjoy a book discussion, playing games and fun activities.

Last Gate of the Emperor by Kwame Mbalia

Ways to Make "Sunshine" by Renee Watson Saturday, December 11 at 10:30 AM

Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library by Chris

Saturday, January 22 at 10:30 AM

The Twits by Roald Dahl Saturday, February 19 at 10:30 AM



Paws to Read

Children in elementary school improve reading skills with the rapt attention of canine tutors.

Saturdays, December 4, January 15 and February 12 at 10:30 AM

Edgewater

Saturdays, December 18, January 15 and February 19 at 10 AM

Branch Events

Broadneck

☑ Friendship Fun Craft-Along

Friday, February 11 at 4 PM

Make a friendship bracelet, weave with yarn, create a DIY card, read stories, play games and much more.

Busch Annapolis

Thursdays, January 6 and February 3 at 4 PM Join us for a fun and easy craft program with a different project each month. We'll supply the materials and you supply the creativity!

✓ Olympic Games Craft

Wednesday, February 9 at 3:30 PM Celebrate the Winter Olympics with a themed craft!

Young Authors Writing Club

Wednesdays, January 12 and February 9 at 4:30 PM Join us for an afternoon full of creative writing prompts. We'll write stories individually and together as a group.

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Sunflower Yoga

Mondays, December 13, January 10 and February 14 at 6 PM An energetic practice of movement and mindfulness with yoga stories, games and songs for little yogis of all abilities. Bring an exercise mat if you have one.

This Little Piggie Got Paid

Saturday, January 22 at 2 PM

Bring your little bankers to learn the basics of money and leave with your very own piggy bank.

Edgewater

Mind Resilience for Young Children

Thursday, February 17 at 6 PM

Join a mental/behavioral health expert from Mind Resilience to learn about strategies and techniques that young children can use to develop the strengths, skills and resources that interrupt and prevent downward spirals, and enable and promote upward spirals.

See more resilience programs for adults and teens on pages 9 and 18.

Glen Burnie

Paint like an Impressionist

Tuesday, January 18 at 11 AM

Learn about the impressionist art movement and some of its great artists and paint your very own impressionist masterpiece. Dress for mess!

Odenton

Stencil Art Paint Party

Monday, January 24 at 6 PM

Create a masterpiece using stencils and paint. All supplies provided.

FAMILY EVENTS

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Winter Olympic Challenge

Saturday, February 5 at 2 PM

Celebrate the start of the Winter Olympics by joining opening ceremony

games. Take home and complete the Winter Olympics challenge for the ultimate prize. Pickup between February 5-12.

Glen Burnie

Down the Rabbit Hole

Saturday, January 15 at 2 PM Join us for a fun afternoon of crafts and games inspired by Alice in Wonderland.

Maruland City at Russett

✓

Morse Code Fun!

Tuesday, December 7 at 7 PM

Learn about Morse code and then try it out with our Morse code transmitter keys and receivers.



Stuffed Animal Sleepovers

Wear your jammies and bring a stuffed animal for a library sleepover. After storytime, tuck in the animals for the night. Come back to see the mischief they got into overnight!

Tuesday, February 22 at 7 PM (Pick up February 25)

Edgewater

Thursday, December 9 at 6 PM (Pick up December 10)

✓ Maruland City at Russett

Thursday, January 6 at 6:30 PM (Pick up January 8)

VALENTINE'S DAY

Valentine's Day Preschool Storytime

Tuesday, February 8 at 10:30 AM Children ages three to five will build early literacy skills with stories and songs about love and Valentine's Day! All children will receive a craft kit to make a Valentine's Day card at home.

Valentine's Day Toddler Storytime

Tuesday, February 8 at 11:30 AM Children ages 18-36 months will build early literacy skills with stories and songs about love and Valentine's

Hugs and Kisses Babies Storutime

Thursday, February 10 at 10 AM Celebrate love with songs and movement for Valentine's Day. Dress your little one in a festive outfit if you'd like!

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Crafterdau

Saturday, February 12 at 10 AM Make something fun for Valentine's Day! We'll supply the materials; you bring the creativity.

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Maruland City at Russett

Valentine Storutime and Craft

Saturday, February 12 at 2 PM Get ready for Valentine's Day with books. rhymes and music. Make a valentine card for someone special.

Mountain Road

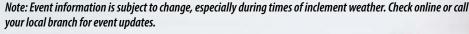
Valentine's Dau Bingo

Monday, February 14 at 6:30 PM Enjoy playing bingo with family and friends and win prizes!

▼ Virtual Event

Virtual Scavenger Hunt: Valentine's Day

Monday, February 14 at 5:30 PM Virtual scavenger hunts challenge players to find specified items according to the answer to a puzzle or riddle. You'll have 30 seconds to answer the riddle and retrieve the item before any other team.

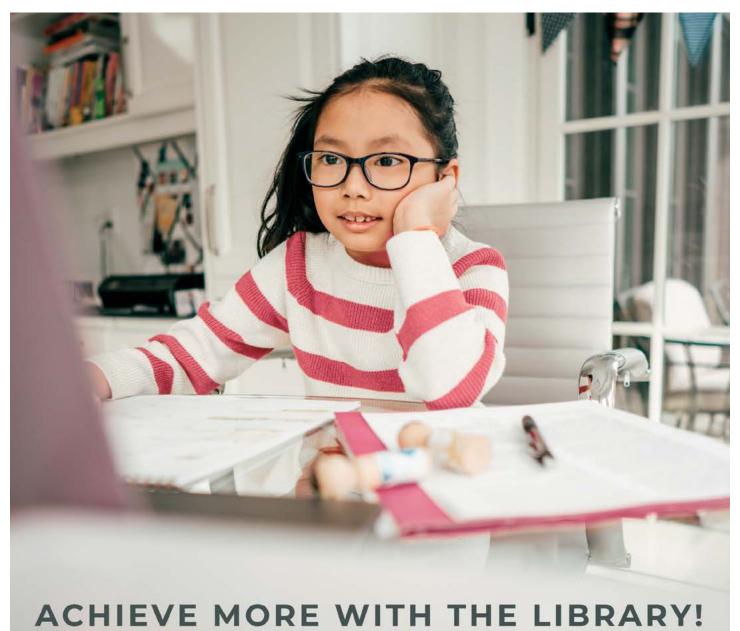












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TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS





Brooklun Park

Crafternoon

Wednesdays, December 8, January 5 and 19, February 2 and 16 at 3:45 PM

Drop in for an afternoon of crafts and fun!

Busch Annanolis

☑ Frosty Winter Chemistry Fun!

Wednesday, January 12 at 4 PM Wear some old clothes as we have fun experimenting

with winter-themed chemistry! Create fake snow, experiment with the properties of ice and play with an oobleck snowman!

✓ Make Music with Makey Makeys

Wednesday, February 23 at 4 PM

Create a DIY instrument with cardboard! Use Makey Makey to connect your creation to a computer and play real music.

Crofton

☑ Nature Explorers Club

Wednesdays, December 8, January 12 and February 9 during branch hours

Each month we'll investigate an aspect of the ecosystem through either an activity or scavenger hunt.

Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

MakerDay: Tinker Time

Saturday, January 8 at 2 PM

Tinker with all things big and small

Sea Turtles with Black in Marine Science

Thursday, January 27 at 4 PM

Jump into learning about sea turtles with expert Alexis Cooper from Black in Marine Science. Learn how to identify parts of a sea turtle and different species. Create a sea turtle craft.

Eastport-Annapolis Neck

Crafterday

Saturdays, December 11, January 8 and February 12

Make something fun! We'll supply the materials — you bring the creativity.

What is a Watershed?

Monday, January 31 at 2 PM

Learn about our local watershed and participate in a hands-on activity about impervious vs. pervious

Presenter: Watershed Stewards Academy

▼ Ozobot Maze Challenge

Saturday, February 19 at 10 AM

Find your way through the maze by learning to code with Ozobots.

Edgewater

✓ Family STEM Night

Thursday, January 20 at 5:30 PM

We're going to make blizzards in a bottle, test the best recipe for fake snow and string up some sticky ice. Dress for the weather - if it's cold enough outside, we'll blow some freezing bubbles!

Glen Burnie

Rainforests of South America

Saturday, January 29 at 11 AM

Join the National Aquarium education team to learn about how plant and animal species interact and adapt for survival in the South American Rainforest. Discover the importance of this unique habitat, threats to its survival and how you can influence its future.

Science of Flight: Paper Airplane Rally

Monday, January 31 at 2 PM

Learn about the science of flight by folding your own paper airplanes and testing how far they fly.

Art Meets STEM: Wacky Sculpture Building

Monday, February 21 at 2 PM

Embrace both creativity and engineering in this art project that challenges you to build 3D sculptures out of common craft items without using any glue or tape!

Maruland City at Russett

✓ Fast or Slow ... Chemistry Makes It Go!

Saturday, December 4 at 11 AM

Join a chemist from the Army Research Laboratory and the American Chemical Society and participate in hands-on experiments exploring the chemistry of reaction rates.

For ages 7 and up

Let's Explore Wind

Wednesday, January 5 at 6:30 PM Learn about the power of wind and discover its power by doing several fun experiments.

☑ Explore Animal Skulls with a Ranger

Saturday, January 22 at 10 AM

With the help of rangers from the Patuxent Research Refuge, learn to see the clues hidden in the anatomy of our local animal skulls.

For ages 7 and up

☑ Familu Building Extravaganza

Saturday, February 5 at 2 PM

Get creative as a family and build structures out of a variety of objects.

Mountain Road

✓ LEGO® Bricks Mindstorms - Play with a Robot!

Monday, February 21 at 2 PM

Learn to use computer coding to maneuver the Mindstorms Robots!

Odenton

☑ Breakerspace

Monday, February 7 at 6 PM

Take apart computers, toys, radios and other items to see what's inside! Tools, safety gloves and safety goggles provided.

Riviera Beach

LEGO® Bricks Create Challenge

Saturdays, December 11, January 8 and February 5 at 10:30 AM

Test out your creative problem solving skills by solving our monthly challenges.

FOR TWEENS & TEENS

BOOK CLUBS

Talk books, enjoy activities and more! **Busch Annapolis**

☑ Comic Book Club



War Bringer by Louise Simonson and Leigh Bardugo Thursday, December 16 at 6 PM



I Am Not Starfire by Mariko Tamaki Thursday, January 13



Ms. Marvel Vol. 1 Destined by Saladin Ahmed Thursday, February 10



by Amy McCulloch Wednesday, January 26 at 4:15 PM



Tales of the Talented Tenth by Joel Christian Gill Wednesday, February 23 at 4:15 PM

Broadneck

Wednesday, January 19 at 4:30 PM

Get together for an afternoon of relaxed crochet and conversation. All levels of experience are welcome. Materials provided.

☑ Bath Bombs Workshop

Tuesday, February 8 at 6:30 PM

Learn to create your own bath bombs using simple items you can find at home. We will provide the supplies and recipe.

Discoveries: The Libraru at the Mall

Wednesday, December 8 at 3 PM and Monday, February 21

Sign up for a Mario Kart Tournament to prove your skills. Winners get both bragging rights and a gift card!

Cosplay Q&A

Saturday, February 5 at 2 PM Cosplay enthusiasts will hear from a panel of costume professionals and experienced hobbyists. Learn about how to get ideas, plan your cosplay and essential tips and techniques for success. Glue guns and sewing machines available (no prop weapons, please).

Celebrate. Period.

Monday, February 21 at 3 PM Socialize with friends and take time to appreciate your period by making your own menstruation self-care kit.

Edgewater

Mind Resilience for Tweens and Teens

Wednesday, December 8 at 6 PM

Join a mental/behavioral health expert from Mind Resilience to learn about strategies and techniques that tweens and teens can use to develop the strengths, skills and resources that interrupt and prevent downward spirals, and enable and promote upward spirals.

See more mind resilience programs for adults and kids on pages 9 and 14.

✓ After Hours Lock-In Party

Friday, February 11 at 6 PM

Teens take over the library in this after-hours party with activities, games, prizes and more! Signed permission slip required.

✓ DIY Bath Bombs and Body Scrubs

Saturday, February 26 at 10 AM

Make homemade bath bombs and body scrubs using natural materials and essential oils.

Glen Rurnie

☑ After Hours Winter Cosplay Party!

Saturday, January 15 at 6 PM

A special after-hours event for anime and manga fans! Cosplay is the name of the game for this event, so be creative and have fun. Permission slips signed by a parent/guardian are required and will be sent prior to the event to the emails used at registration.

Odenton

at 3:30 PM

Poetry and Art Club

library to express yourself!

STEAM Tuesdays

D20 Gamers Club

Teen Time!

at 6:30 PM

Mondays, December 6, January 3 and February 7

Create, write, remix and relax! Use materials supplied by the

Tuesdays, December 14, January 11 and February 8 at 4 PM

Embrace your inner scientist and artist to create through

December 15, January 19 and February 16 at 3:30 PM

Thursdays, December 16, January 20 and February 17

Enjoy the role-playing and adventures of Dungeons and

Dragons! Recommended to bring a character sheet, dice set

Join us for a day of film dedicated to the celebration of Black

joy. All are welcome (films will be rated PG-13 or lower).

Take College Courses while in High School with

High school students are invited to meet with an admissions

officer from AACC to learn about the Early College Access

reduction and the \$200 per semester ECAP grant.

Program (ECAP) enrollment process, the 50 percent tuition

Tuesdays, December 7, January 4 and 18, February 1 and 15

favorite anime and/or manga with others. Artwork sharing

Join your fellow Otaku online and enjoy discussing your

Join us for an interactive class on the basics of saving for

short and long-term goals as well as investing in your future.

Learn how to develop a blog by using free online software.

friends to refresh, relax and remix after school!

and your imagination! Beginners welcome.

Saturday, February 19 at 10 AM

Teen Film Fest: Celebrating Black Jov

See also: Adult Black Joy Film Fest, page 3.

Anne Arundel Community College

▼ Virtual Teen Events

Virtual Anime & Manga Club!

and cosplay is always welcome!

Tuesday, December 14 at 7 PM

Presenter: Crusaders for Change, LLC

Tuesday, January 11 at 6:30 PM

▼ Tech Tuesday: Building A Blog

Saving & Investing 101 for Teens

at 6 PM

Thursday, December 2 at 5 PM

building, taking apart and repurposing everyday materials.

Play board games, create art, perform music ...whatever!

No registration required. Drop in to meet with old and new

✓ Lady Brion: Art of the Spoken Word Tuesday, February 8 at 6 PM

Lady Brion is a local, award-winning and international spoken word artist, poetry coach, activist, organizer, and educator. She will be running a spoken word workshop for teens - teaching them what spoken word (any poetry recited aloud) is all about. She will also be performing a piece of her own!

Maruland City at Russett

✓ Nifty Thrifty Holiday Gifts

Wednesday, December 1 at 7 PM

Don't know what to get your friends and family for the holidays? Come make a simple craft that you can give as a gift this season.

For teens and adults

Mountain Road

Game Night

Tuesday, December 7 at 4 PM Come in from the cold for some hot chocolate and some great games — classics and new favorites!

MasQUEERade

Saturday, January 15 at 4 PM Celebrate the new year with Pride! Music, dancing, crafts and more with your LGBTQ+ fam and ally friends! Prizes for best (family-safe) costumes! All ages welcome!



Lady Brion

Games for Everyone!

Brooklun Park

Pokémon Go Pokéstop & Gym Tour!

Wednesdays, December 1 and 15, January 12 and 26, February 9 and 23 at 3:45 PM

Walk with library staff and search for elusive Pokémon in the Pokémon Go game! Visit several Pokéstops and PokéGyms in Brooklyn Park. Pokémon Go App required.

Edgewater

☑ Wings of Fire Escape Room

Saturday, January 22 from 10 AM to 5 PM Show off your Wings of Fire knowledge in this fun escape room for kids and families! Call the Edgewater Library to register your group for a 45-minute appointment.

☑ Pokemon Partu!

Wednesday, February 16 at 5:30 PM Make your own Pokeballs, play Pokemon trivia and catch the Pokemon hiding in the library! Feel free to bring your own Pokemon cards and devices to play Pokemon Go.

Severna Park

Beyond Monopoly: Board Game Club

Wednesdays, December 29 and January 26 at 6 PM Bring your friends or make some new ones while playing games and discover the variety of experiences modern tabletop gaming has to offer you!

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Crofton

Wednesday, February 23 at 6:30 PM For adults

✓ Discoveries: The Library at the Mall

Thursdays, December 16, January 13 and February 17 at 4 PM Take on building challenges.

Linthicum

Thursdays, January 27 and February 24 at 6:30 PM

Saturdays, January 15 and February 19 at 2 PM

Broadneck

Mondays, December 6, January 3 and February 7 at 6:30 PM

Linthicum

Thursdays, January 13 and February 10 at 6:30 PM

Riviera Beach

Animal Crossing Bingo Tuesday, December 28

at 2 PM

☑ Dungeons & Dragons Workshops at the Severna Park Library

Learn to play DnD in this round of workshops and game sessions. Over the three sessions below, we'll provide everything you need to get guesting! Partner: Third Eye Comics

Character Building Workshop

Tuesday, December 7 at 6:30 PM

Gamenlau

Tuesday, January 18 at 6:30 PM

Campaign Plau Tuesday, February 15 at 6:30 PM



☑ Virtual Trivia Nights and Bingo

Trivia Night with New Castle County Libraries

Wednesday, December 8 at 7 PM For teens and adults

Legend of Korra Trivia Night Monday, December 13 at 7 PM

Tolkien Virtual Trivia Night Monday, January 3 at 6:30 PM

Broadway Music BINGO Tuesday, January 18 at 6:30 PM Disney Virtual Trivia Night Wednesday, January 19 at 7 PM Superhero Trivia: Villain Edition

Thursday, January 27 at 7 PM Musical Monday Virtual Trivia Monday, February 7 at 6:30 рм

Parks and Rec Trivia: Galentine's Day Edition

Tuesday, February 8 at 6:30 PM

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A Note from our Foundation President. Karen W. Smith



As our event-filled 100th anniversary year wraps up, we are excited to move into our 101st year of incredible library programs and services. Our \$100 for 100 Campaign was tremendously successful, with over 1,370 community members donating to the library in honor of their own branch. Thank you for being part of this important recognition of 100 years of service — be sure to watch for the \$100 for 100 recognition plague that will be displayed on our new foundation kiosks in our branches in spring 2022.

> We are thrilled to announce that Martha O. Blaxall and Stacy L. Korbelak recently joined the Library Foundation Board of Directors. Both come to us with a wealth of community experience, knowledge and passion for our

libraries. Their complete biographies are on the opposite page.

For the Love of the Library went virtual this year and, while we missed being together in person, we were pleased we could celebrate with all of you from the comfort and safety of our homes. Please be sure to thank our sponsors listed on page 9 who, like you, support our library with their donations. Together we raised over \$53,000, which will enhance early literacy, technology needs, outreach activities and library programs. Thank you to everyone who attended the event – it was a fabulous tribute to our incredible libraries and the donors who make it better.

Giving to the library is easier than ever with our new branch "DipJars" located near information desks. (See opposite page.) So when you are visiting your favorite branch, you can "dip" your credit card and donate to make your library better. Every dollar given helps your branch staff connect with you through programming, events, outreach and creating comfortable library spaces to enhance your library

My sincere thanks to each of you for your generous and ongoing support of the library. Together we are making your library even better!

Thanks to All Participants of \$100 for 100



We are grateful to all who took part in the \$100 for 100 years campaign. All expectations were exceeded when we raised more than \$137,000. Our community's outpouring of generosity provides critical funding to ensure all 16 library branches can serve customers in person or virtually.

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For the Love of the Library 2021



From left to riaht: Chris Halev. Abbev Boudreau. Julie Kizer Ball. Cathleen Sparrow. Gina Grove, Alison Harbaugh and Julien Jacques celebrating the successful event.

Thank YOU for making the virtual 2021 For the **Love of the Library** a success! We raised more than \$53,000 to support essential programs and services that engage life-long learning at all **16 branches** of the library. We look forward to sharing our love of the library together with you



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Meet Our New Foundation Board **Members**



Martha O. Blaxall

Martha is a retired economist and community volunteer who has served on the boards of the Annapolis Symphony, the Community Foundation of Anne Arundel County, the YWCA of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County and the Arts Council of Anne Arundel County. She is an avid reader and looks forward to being a member of the Library Foundation Board and in a position to help strengthen the Anne Arundel County Public Library.



Stacy L. Korbelak

Stacy has been a community college educator since 2005 and is currently the Assistant Dean of Business, Economics and Entrepreneurial Studies at Anne Arundel Community College. She previously served on the Anne Arundel County School Board as an appointed member and chaired the County Executive's Educated Communities Transition Team, where she learned all about the wonderful initiatives at AACPL and how the foundation helps to

fund the library! Stacy and her husband live in Annapolis where she enjoys boating and reading by the river.

"I miss coming into the library, but the library is so important to our community even online and especially during COVID. Thanks to all the libraries' staff for all that they do."



You can now find **DipJars** at every AACPL library.

These machines are a simple way you can donate \$5 to make your library better.

Thanks for Joining Us at Cheers to 100 Years



We had a great time celebrating our 100th anniversary with you at Forward Brewing, Crooked Crab Brewing, Pherm Brewing and Hysteria Taphouse! Photos, from left: Maryland Senator Sarah Elfreth (third from left) and library lovers from across the county supporting AACPL at Forward Brewing. Special pint glass designed for the brewery events.

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Summer @ Your Library

The foundation funds \$45,000 a year to support **Summer** @ **Your Library** (S@YL). S@YL is a time-honored, family tradition and this year did not disappoint. This popular program engages readers of all ages, with a focus on preventing "summer slide" in school-aged children with an emphasis on fun. Nearly 5,400 people registered for the program. Summer readers were treated to incredible educators and entertainers including Latin Grammy-winning music duo 123 Andrés, Eco Adventures, Illstyle (history of hip hop), Stevens Puppets, Crofton Yoga, the magic of Joe Romano, Baby Beats with Beat Box Dads and more! There was something for everyone! More than 125 online programs were attended by a total of 3,736 people. Library branches held 615 in-person programs and hosted 21,807 people. The four-month program culminated with grand prizes, also funded by donors, including: a Chromebook, Yeti gift sets and NASA Lego kits.

100th Anniversary Coasters

Have you seen these fun and informative coasters around the county? To celebrate the library's 100th anniversary, the foundation funded these creative coasters that were placed in local bars and restaurants. The coasters were a whimsical way to inform county residents, along with customers, about the many wonderful services the library provides.



WAYS TO GIVE

—Glen Burnie customer

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\$25 A STEM kit for outreach

\$50 Take and Make kits

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\$250 A month of program supplies at a branch

\$500 A musical performance

\$1,000 Bilingual vocabulary-building books for

\$2,500 Summer @ Your Library program presenters and supplies for a branch

\$5,000 15 Chromebooks for lending

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Did you know that you can support the foundation year-round by simply logging in through Amazon Smile? Search for Anne Arundel County Public Library Foundation Inc when using Amazon Smile and Amazon makes a donation to the library equal to 0.5% of your eligible purchases. Your **prices and shopping experience remain the same**, and the proceeds will support initiatives of the Anne Arundel County Public Library that are beyond the reach of county and state funding.







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All branches will close at 5 PM:

November 22 through 24, 2021 December 20 through 22, 2021

All branches will be closed:

November 25 and 26, 2021

December 23 through 26, 2021 December 31, 2021 through January 2, 2022 January 17, 2022

Library Board Meetings

Board of Trustees meetings are aired on our AACPL YouTube Channel.

Thursday, December 16, 2021 at 4 PM Broadneck Library

Thursday, January 20, 2022 at 4 PM Michael E. Busch Annapolis Library

Thursday, February 17, 2022 at 4 PM Eastport-Annapolis Neck Library

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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

*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 TEMPORARY LOCATION

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



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