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Central Rappahannock Regional Library

WINTER 2019-20
December January February



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welcome

MARTHA HUTZEL ■ DIRECTOR

The new year provides opportunity for reflections and resolutions. Our **Best of CRRL** (pages 11-12) features some of the highlights of our year of providing outstanding library service to the community. Not only did we celebrate our **50th Anniversary** as a library system, but we're opening **IdeaSpace: Making+Media** (back cover). This one-of-a-kind space offers a digital media lab as well as 3D and laser printers, thanks to funding from the **City of Fredericksburg's Economic Development Authority**.

Thanks to sponsorships from **Germonna Community College**, the **University of Mary Washington**, and a donation **in memory of Farzin Sadeghi**, we've also welcomed **Pepper** to our team (page 19). Although Pepper resides at IdeaSpace, the robot will regularly visit branches to help the public become more comfortable with technology, and to teach coding, read stories, and have fun!

I hope that every resident will resolve to get a library card if they don't already have one and that includes children. Each year, we partner with area schools and the **Friends of the Library** on a **Library Card Campaign** to encourage every kindergarten student to get a library card of their very own. One of my annual resolutions is to join the **Winter Reading Challenge** (pages 35-36) for the fun reading incentives and the enthusiastic Facebook group.



In February, we'll be honoring **African American History Month** (pages 5-6). Each branch will host a hands-on exhibit highlighting the accomplishments of African American inventors, and we're partnering with the **Stafford NAACP** for a read-in at our Porter Branch.



In case you missed it, CRRL received national recognition in the September/October issue of the **American Library Association's American Libraries magazine**. Their 2019 Library Design Showcase featured **Spotsylvania Towne Centre Branch!** This triumph recognizes **Spotsylvania County, the Cafaro Company, and CRRL staff** for the hard work and creativity that went into repurposing a vacant store into a unique and dynamic library space.

Please join me in welcoming the Towne Centre's new Branch Manager, **Alisha Barnes**. Alisha formerly worked at Stafford County Schools and was recently the Adult Services Department Head at Fredericksburg Branch.



Martha

behind the scenes

Johnny brings innovative technology to life for CRRL's customers.

How did you get involved with library service?

I started working with the library as a volunteer to set up public-access computer labs in 2001 as part of a Gates Foundation grant.

What has been a favorite responsibility?

I enjoyed supporting our public wifi initiative in the early 2000s, back when freely-available wifi was a novelty. Now I'm excited about the new Digital Media Lab (see back cover), where customers can use audio/video recording and editing tools.

What are your goals for the library's future?

Providing our customers with access to innovative and emerging technology.

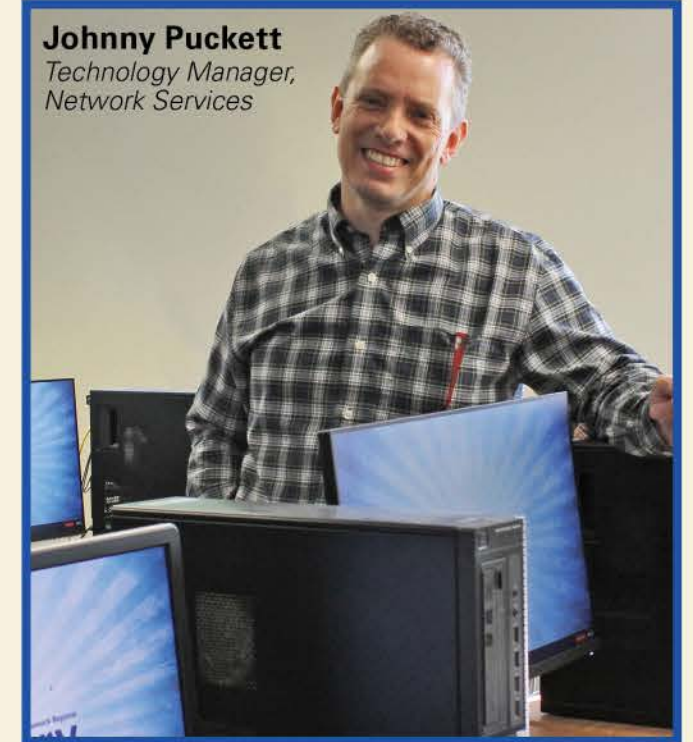
What do you like best about working for the library?

Seeing firsthand how access to technology has improved our customers' lives.

What is one of the best-kept secrets about the library?

The library has a ton of useful databases--everything from looking up your ancestors to consumer reviews on appliances and cars.

Johnny Puckett
Technology Manager,
Network Services

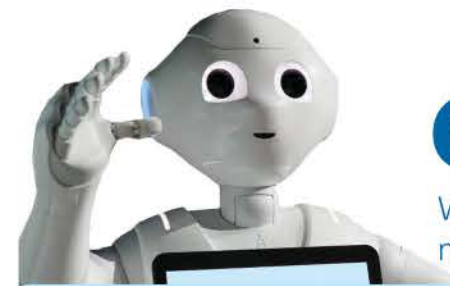


When you're not working, what do you like to do?

Spending time with my wife and four children. I also have a vineyard, so I spend a lot of time pruning vines and chasing away deer.

What are you reading?

I am really enjoying *Never Split The Difference: Negotiating As if Your Life Depended On It* by Christopher Voss and *Virginia Wine: Four Centuries of Change* by Andrew Painter.



Commuter Corner

We let Pepper the Robot pick these artificial intelligence-themed novels for you. Are they truly fiction or eerily close to reality?



All Systems Red
Martha Wells
eBook



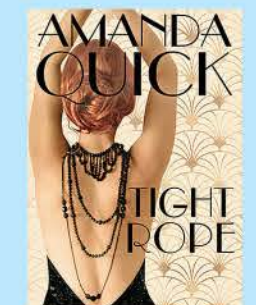
Machines Like Me
Ian McEwan
eBook, eAudio



The Mansion
Ezekiel Boone
eBook, eAudio



Puppet Master
Dale Brown and Jim DeFelice
eBook, eAudio



Tightrope
Amanda Quick
eBook, eAudio

African American History



See more at librarypoint.org/african-american-history.

African American Inventors

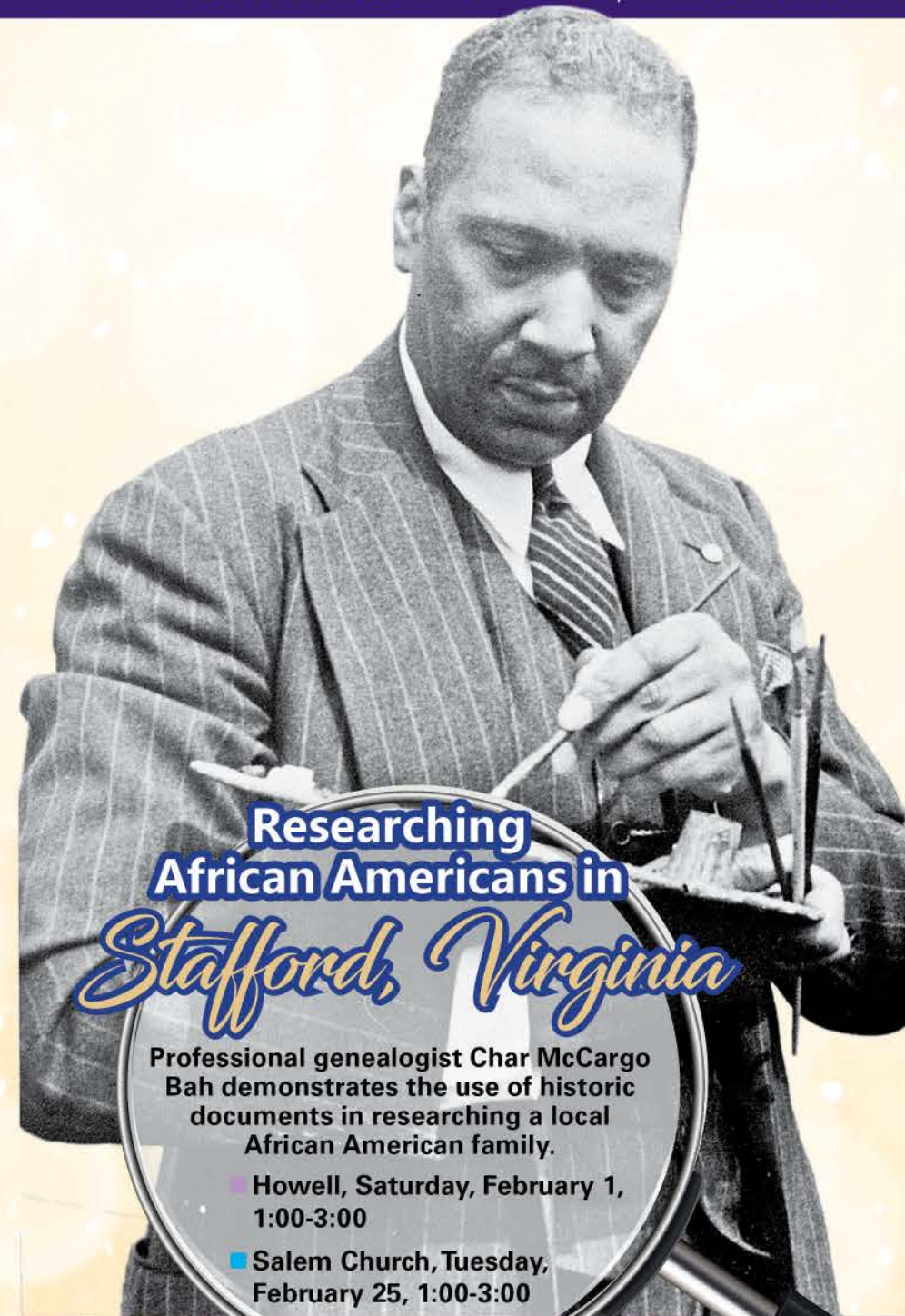
All branches. In February, drop in to explore a rotating series of self-guided activities looking at contributions of African American inventors.
Grades K-6.

National African American Read-In

■ Porter, Saturday, February 1, 3:00-4:30. Community leaders share literature and music in celebration of African American history. In partnership with the Stafford NAACP.

African American History Month Celebration

■ Montross, Thursday, February 20, 6:30-8:00. This annual celebration features the Westmoreland Storytellers with Daisy Howard-Douglas. Stories, songs, and food in the African tradition. Join us for this popular evening of fellowship.



Researching African Americans in Stafford, Virginia

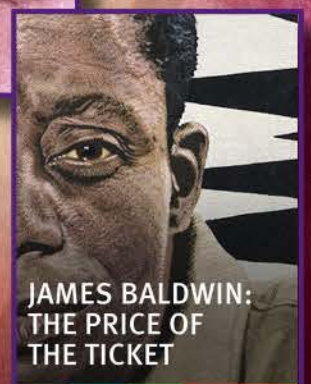
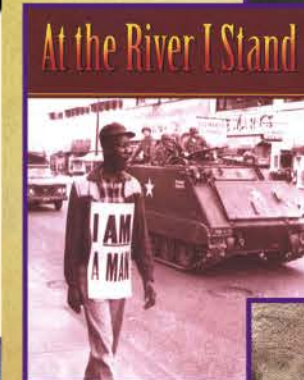
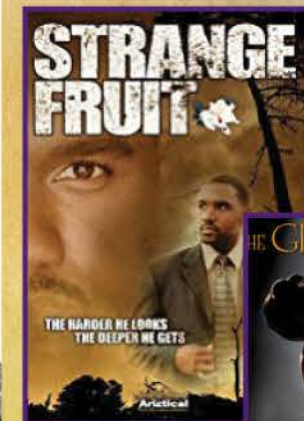
Professional genealogist Char McCargo Bah demonstrates the use of historic documents in researching a local African American family.

- Howell, Saturday, February 1, 1:00-3:00
- Salem Church, Tuesday, February 25, 1:00-3:00

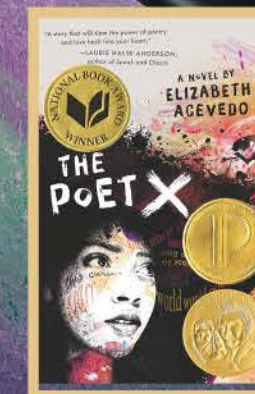
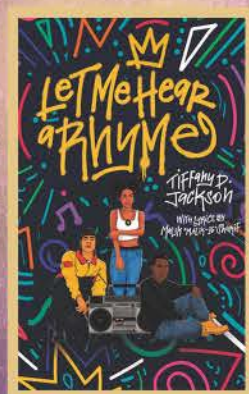
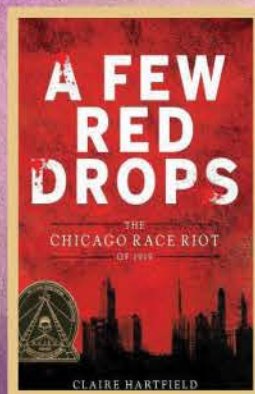
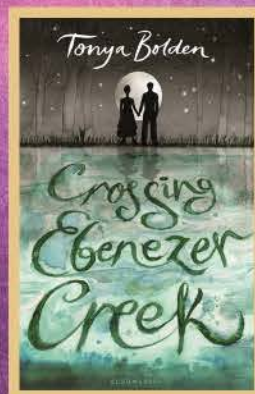
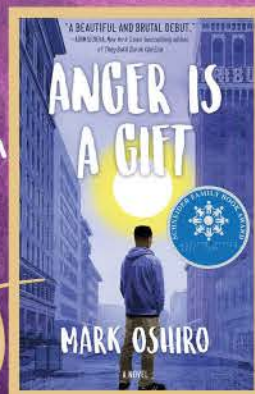
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STREAMING VIDEO

All you need is your library card to get started, at librarypoint.org/kanopy



TEEN READS African American History



HOLIDAY

Crafts and Celebrations

See more at librarypoint.org/holidays.

Grow a Reader Special: Countdown to Christmas

Stories, songs, and activities with a special visit from Santa. **All ages with a caregiver.**

- Montross, Monday, December 9, 6:30-7:00
- Salem Church, Tuesday, December 10, 7:00-7:30
- Porter, Friday, December 13, 9:30-10:00 and 10:30-11:00
- Fredericksburg, Tuesday, December 17, 9:30-10:00
- Howell, Wednesday, December 18, 10:00-10:30 and 11:00-11:30
- Towne Centre, Wednesday, December 18, 10:30-11:00
- Cooper, Friday, December 20, 11:00-11:30

Colonial Christmas OPEN HOUSE

■ Fredericksburg, Wednesday, December 11, 5:30-7:00

Special guests:

Washington Heritage Museums

The George Washington Foundation

James Monroe Museum

Patawomeck Indian Tribe

Rappahannock Colonial Heritage Society

Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park

- **Create Holiday Greeting Cards**
Montross, Thursday, December 5, 3:30-4:30
Sign up at librarypoint.org.
- **Montross Spirit Night**
Friday, December 6, 9:00-5:30
Special extended hours. Holiday stories and light refreshments from 5:00-5:30.
- **Christmas Crafts**
Cooper, Wednesday, December 11, 4:00-5:00. **Grades K-6.**



COOKIE EXCHANGE

- Porter, December 16, 6:00-7:00. Bring two dozen of your favorite cookie and a printed copy of the recipe. Eggnog provided.



Gingerbread House Creations

- Cooper, Wednesday, December 18, 4:00-6:00
- Holiday Open House**
Celebrate the season with crafts, activities, and refreshments. Enjoy a personal visit with Santa.
- Salem Church, Tuesday, December 10, 6:30-8:00
 - Porter, Wednesday, December 11, 6:30-8:00
 - Newton, Monday, December 16, 4:00-6:00
 - Cooper, Wednesday, December 18, 4:00-6:00
 - Montross, Thursday, December 19, 4:00-6:00

Holiday Shopping on Amazon?

Support your library with every purchase!

The Friends of the Library is now registered with **amazon**smile

- 1 Shop through smile.amazon.com
- 2 Select **Friends of the Central Rappahannock Regional Library Inc** as your charity
- 3 The Friends will receive a monetary credit.



great events for all ages

INDOOR SNOWBALL FIGHT

■ Howell, Saturday, December 7
Snowballs provided.
Families: 1:00-2:00
Grades 6-12: 2:00-3:00
Adults: 3:00-4:00

art shows

DEC.

Fredericksburg: 2019 Teen Art Show Winners

Salem Church: Fashion Design Exhibit

JAN.

Fredericksburg: Johnny Johnson's Water Media Workshop

Howell: CRRL Staff Art Show

FEB.

Fredericksburg: Johnny Johnson's Water Media Workshop

Howell: CRRL Staff Art Show

Montross: Photography Contest: Winter Wonderland. Reception is Thursday, February 27, 5:00-6:00. For entry info, see page 31.

movies

LIBRARY ON THE GO

Family Movie Nights

3rd Mondays, 5:00-7:00.
Popcorn served.
Belmont Community Center
7124 Belmont Road, Mineral VA
December 16: *Polar Express*
January 27: *Happy Feet*
February 24: *Lady and the Tramp*



Photography Group

■ Cooper, 2nd Saturdays,
11:00-12:00. **Grade 6-adult.**

RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS WEEK



■ Cooper, February 9-15

Donations accepted all week long: teddy bears for the Colonial Beach Rescue Squad and Police Department, old towels for the Westmoreland County Animal Shelter, toys for Social Services.

Wednesday, February 12, 4:00-5:00
Cards for the military

Thursday, February 13, 4:00-5:00
Bird houses



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Maker Labs

- Howell
Mondays and Wednesdays, 3:30-5:30
except December 25, January 1 and 20, February 17
- Fredericksburg
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30-5:30
except December 24, 26, and 31
- Porter
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30-5:30
except December 24, 26, 31
- Salem Church
Fridays, 3:00-5:00, Saturdays, 10:00-12:00
except December 27 and 28

MakerLab Badging

Fredericksburg, Howell, Porter, Salem Church, Snow, and Towne Centre branches.

Earn the badges, then you can reserve the equipment to work on your own projects in the MakerLab. Sign up at librarypoint.org/makerlabs.

Grade 6-adult: 3D Scanner, 3D Printer, Drawing Tablet

Grade 9-adult: Sewing Machine



1616 Princess Anne Street, Fredericksburg, 22401

For a list of available equipment which will make your media creations soar, visit librarypoint.org/ideaspace.

STEM exploration labs for all ages, including a 3D printer.
librarypoint.org/makerlabs

Mobile MakerLabs

- Snow, Mondays, 3:30-5:30
except December 23, January 20, February 17
- Cooper, 1st Tuesdays, 4:00-6:00
- Newton, 2nd Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30
- Montross, 3rd Tuesdays, 3:00-5:00
- Towne Centre, Wednesdays, 4:00-6:00
except December 25, January 1

LIBRARY ON THE GO Mobile MakerLabs

Belmont Satellite Location

Belmont Community Center
7124 Belmont Road, Mineral, 23117
4th Mondays, 4:00-6:00

Partlow Satellite Location

Partlow Ruritan Club
3229 Partlow Road, Partlow, 22534
2nd Tuesdays, 4:00-6:00

IdeaSpace, CRRL's new space for ideas and making, features an audio/video recording studio.

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BEST OF CRRRL

2019 OUR YEAR IN REVIEW



Summer Lunches

15,000 lunches for kids and teens



Express Checkouts

quick and easy self-checkout option



The Things They Carried
author

Tim O'Brien Visit



Winter Reading Challenge

over 2000 readers participated



New Satellite Location:

PARTLOW
Library services to rural Spotsylvania



Online Fine Payment

through the website or at Express Checkouts



IdeaSpace: Making + Media

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How-To Festival

Hundreds learned new skills from local experts



Friends of the Library

BOOKSHOP
Thousands of gently used books, movies, and audiobooks. Open 5 days a week



CRRRL Turns 50

Fifty years serving the community

Wowbrary

Find out what's coming to your library!

Stay up-to-date on the **NEWEST** books, videos, magazines, and more in CRRL's collection with Wowbrary's weekly eNewsletter!

librarypoint.org/wowbrary

New releases!



To place a hold on any item, just click the **Borrow** button in the eNewsletter. Most items will still be on order and not immediately available, but you'll get a head start on the hold list.

CRRL GROWS

EASIER ACCESS TO MATERIALS

Thanks to Stafford County, lower, wooden, bookstore-style shelving will be installed in the children's and teen areas of Porter Branch by the end of 2019. Similar shelving will be installed at Fredericksburg Branch on the first floor and newly renovated 3rd floor.



ADDITIONAL MEETING SPACES

Thanks to the City, expansion of the Fredericksburg Branch theater allows for even bigger audiences for your play or recital. There will be two additional meeting rooms and, for the first time, study rooms at this branch.

COMING TO YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

It's easier than ever to spot Library on the Go, delivering hot new titles to your nearest branch or library services to your residence. Our newest vehicle expands library services to our community.



INNOVATION FOR YOUR IDEAS

Workforce development and educational opportunities are coming to IdeaSpace at 1616 Princess Anne Street, Fredericksburg.



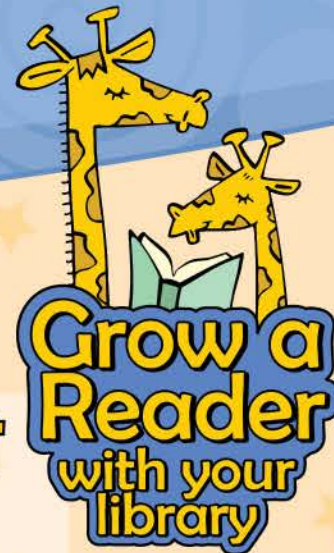
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grow a reader

librarypoint.org/growareader

Educational opportunities for birth-age 5

Specially trained staff present stories, songs, and activities that lay the foundation your child needs to get ready to read.



MOTHER GOOSE

Ages 2 and under with a caregiver.

- Salem Church, Mondays, except December 23 and 30, January 20, February 17, 10:00-10:15
- Porter, Tuesdays, except December 24 and 31, 9:30-9:45
- Fredericksburg, Tuesdays, except December 17, 24, 31, 10:30-10:45
- Fredericksburg, Wednesdays, except December 18 and 25, January 1, 9:30-9:45
- Snow, Wednesdays, except December 25 and January 1, 10:30-10:45
- Towne Centre, Tuesdays, except December 24 and 31, January 14, 10:30-10:45
- Porter, Thursdays, except December 26, January 2, February 13, 10:30-10:45
- Howell, Fridays except December 27, January 3 and 31, 10:00-10:15

Toddler Time

Ages 2-3 with a caregiver.

- Salem Church, Mondays, except December 23 and 30, January 20, February 17, 11:00-11:20
- Howell, Tuesdays except December 24 and 31, 10:00-10:20
- Porter, Tuesdays, except December 24 and 31, 10:30-10:50
- Snow, Tuesdays, except December 24 and 31, 10:30-10:50
- Fredericksburg, Wednesdays, except December 18 and 25, January 1, 10:30-10:50
- Salem Church, Thursdays, except December 26, January 2, February 13, 11:00-11:20
- Fredericksburg, Fridays, except December 20 and 27, 9:30-9:50
- Howell, Fridays except December 27, January 3 and 31, 11:00-11:20

Alphabet SOUP

Ages 2-5 with a caregiver. Daycares welcome.

- Snow, Mondays, except December 16*, 23, 30, January 20, February 10* and 17, 10:30-11:00
- Fredericksburg, Tuesdays, except December 17*, 24, 31, February 11*, 9:30-10:00
- Howell, Wednesdays, except December 18* and 25, January 1, February 12*, 10:00-10:30 and 11:00-11:30
- Towne Centre, Wednesdays, except December 18* and 25, January 1 and 15, February 12, 10:30-11:00
- Porter, Fridays, December 13* and 27, January 3, February 14*, 9:30-10:00 and 10:30-11:00
- Salem Church, Fridays, except December 27, January 3 and 17*, February 14*, 10:00-10:30 and 11:00-11:30
- Cooper, Fridays, except December 20* and February 14*, 11:00-11:30

PRESCHOOL TIME

Ages 3-5 with a caregiver.

- Howell, Tuesdays, except December 24 and 31, 11:00-11:30
- Porter, Thursdays, except December 26, January 2, February 13, 9:30-10:00
- Salem Church, Thursdays, except December 26, January 2, February 13, 10:00-10:30
- Fredericksburg, Fridays, except December 20 and 27, 10:30-11:00

*Special holiday-themed class on this date.

Grow a Reader Specials

Stories, songs, and activities. All ages with a caregiver.

Countdown to Christmas

With a special visit from Santa

- Montross, Monday, December 9, 6:30-7:00
- Salem Church, Tuesday, December 10, 7:00-7:30
- Porter, Friday, December 13, 9:30-10:00 and 10:30-11:00
- Fredericksburg, Tuesday, December 17, 9:30-10:00
- Howell, Wednesday, December 18, 10:00-10:30 and 11:00-11:30
- Towne Centre, Wednesday, December 18, 10:30-11:00
- Cooper, Friday, December 20, 11:00-11:30

Winter Wonder

- Snow, Monday, December 16, 10:30-11:00
- Howell, Wednesday, December 11, 10:00-10:30 and 11:00-11:30
- Salem Church, Friday, January 17, 10:00-10:30 and 11:00-11:30

Be My Valentine

- Newton, Saturday, February 8, 11:00-11:30
- Snow, Monday, February 10, 10:30-11:00
- Montross, Monday, February 10, 6:30-7:30
- Fredericksburg, Tuesday, February 11, 9:30-10:00
- Howell, Wednesday, February 12, 10:00-10:30 and 11:00-11:30
- Porter, Friday, February 14, 9:30-10:00 and 10:30-11:00
- Salem Church, Friday, February 14, 10:00-10:30 and 11:00-11:30
- Cooper, Friday, February 14, 11:00-11:30

BRANCH KEY

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TAKE YOUR CHILD TO THE LIBRARY DAY

Saturday, February 1
All Branches



Celebrate the importance (and fun) of taking your child to the library. Drop by the Youth Services Desk at any branch to enjoy an activity and get a prize!

Sensory Time

- Howell, Thursdays, December 5, January 2, February 6, 4:30-5:00

Stories, songs, and activities to support early literacy practices in an environment that adapts to children on the autism spectrum and with other developmental challenges. Youth of all ages with a caregiver. Sign up at librarypoint.org.



For more classes and events for ages birth to 5, see [pages 7, 9, 17, 18](#).

Evenings & Weekends

Classes and events to work with any schedule. All ages with a caregiver.

BOOKS BEFORE BEDTIME

Pajamas welcome!

- Salem Church, Tuesdays, except December 10*, 24, 31, 7:00-7:30
- Porter, Wednesdays, except December 11 and 25, January 1, 7:00-7:30
- Montross, 2nd Mondays, except December 9* and February 10*, 6:30-7:00

SATURDAY TALES

- Fried, Saturdays, 10:00-10:30
- Howell, 1st Saturdays, 11:00-11:30
- Newton, 2nd Saturdays, except December 14* and February 8*, 11:00-11:30
- Montross, 2nd Saturdays, except December 14*, 2:00-2:30
- Fredericksburg, 3rd Saturdays, 1:00-1:30

*Special holiday-themed class on this date.



learn & grow

Classes and events for grades K-6

Creative Minds

- Salem Church, 2nd Thursdays, 4:00-5:00. Explore self-guided learning stations in a supportive environment especially for children with autism and other special needs. Siblings welcome. In partnership with Paragon Autism Services. **Grades K-6 with a caregiver.**

December: Winter Wonderland
January: Fairy Tales
February: Hearts All Around



Happy Birthday, George Washington!

- Montross, Thursday, February 13, 6:30-7:30
Presented by George Washington's Birthplace.

PAWS FOR READING

Practice your reading with therapy dogs trained to be avid listeners. Sign up at the branch to book your time.

- Towne Center, 1st Thursdays, 6:30-8:00
- Porter, 1st Saturdays, 10:30-12:00
- Cooper, 2nd Wednesdays, 4:00-5:00
- Howell, 2nd Saturdays, 1:30-3:00
- Salem Church, 2nd Saturdays, 1:30-3:00
- Fredericksburg, 3rd Saturdays, except December 21, 2:15-3:45
- Montross, 4th Mondays, 6:30-7:30
- Snow, 4th Saturdays, except December 28, 1:00-2:30



kanopy kids

librarypoint.org/kanopy-kids

Streaming Video for Pre-K and Up!

EDUCATIONAL Movies, TV series, animated storybooks, and more.

EASY Watch on your computer, television, or mobile device.

FREE OF CHARGE All you need is your library card!



FABULOUS FRIDAYS

MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU

- Howell, Friday, January 3, 4:30-5:15
- Porter, Friday, January 17, 4:30-5:15

Chinese New Year

- Fredericksburg, Friday, January 10, 4:30-5:15
- Snow, Friday, January 10, 4:30-5:15
- Salem Church, Friday, January 17, 4:30-5:15



Celebrate Disney

- Howell, Friday, December 6, 4:30-5:15. Costumes welcome.

Who Would Win?

- Salem Church, Friday, December 13, 4:30-5:15. Based on the book series by Jerry Pallotta.

Pets

- Towne Centre, Friday, December 27, 4:30-5:15

Happy Valentine's Day!

- Snow, Friday, February 14, 4:30-5:15

African American Heroes

- Fredericksburg, Friday, February 14, 4:30-5:15. For more African American History, see pages 5-6.

Leap Day

- Towne Centre, Friday, February 28, 4:30-5:15

For more classes and events for grades K-6, see [pages 5, 7, 9, 10, 19, 20](#).

New Readalongs

Encourage reading. Just press play. Rechargeable. No internet needed.

Picture books with audio built right in.

Search "portable readalong" to place a hold today!





Grades K-6 CLASSES & EVENTS

FABULOUS FRIDAYS

Journey to the North Pole

- Fredericksburg, Friday, December 13, 4:30-5:15
- Porter, Friday, December 13, 4:30-5:15

Snow

- Towne Centre, January 24, 4:30-5:15

Titanic

- Howell, Friday, February 7, 4:30-5:15

Be an Inventor

- Salem Church, Friday, February 21, 4:30-5:15
- Porter, Friday, February 21, 4:30-5:15

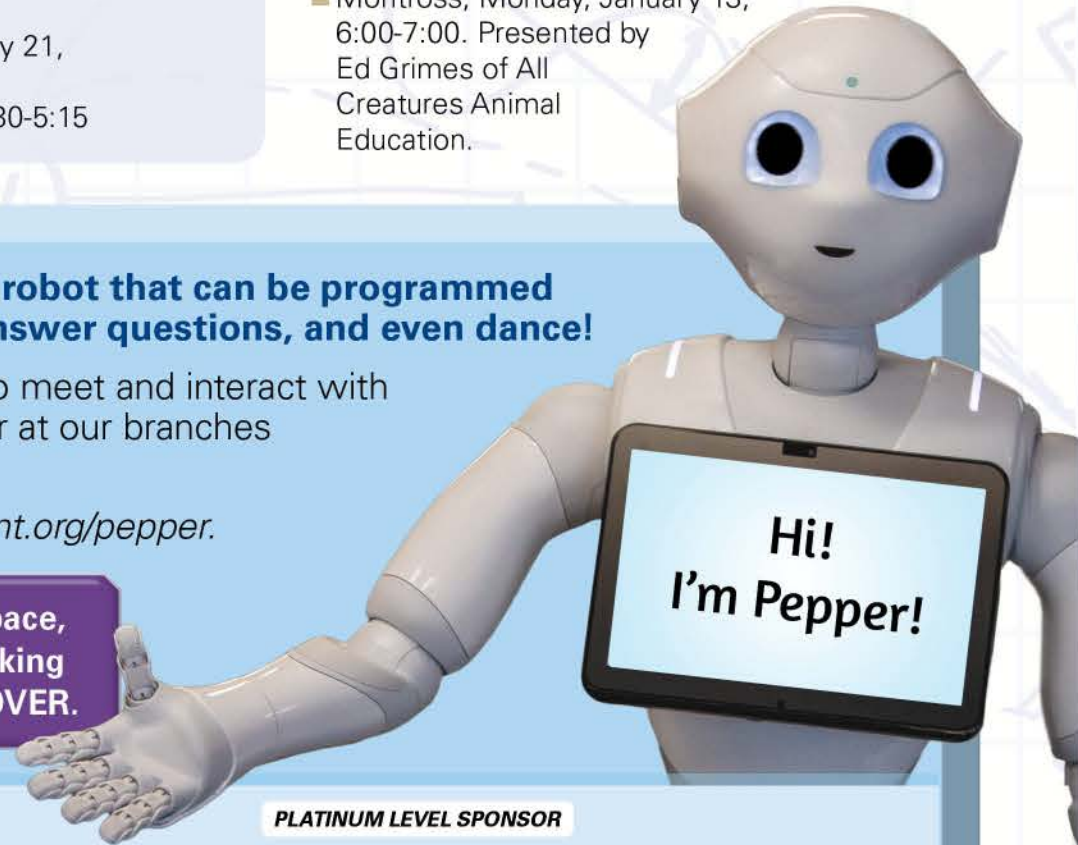
African American Inventors



In February, drop in to explore a rotating series of self-guided activities looking at contributions of African American inventors. For more African American History, see pages 5-6.

Snakes and Other Obscure Pets

- Montross, Monday, January 13, 6:00-7:00. Presented by Ed Grimes of All Creatures Animal Education.



Pepper is a humanoid robot that can be programmed to greet customers, answer questions, and even dance!

The public will be able to meet and interact with this fascinating character at our branches starting in November.

Learn more at librarypoint.org/pepper.

Pepper will live at IdeaSpace, CRRL's new space for making and media. SEE BACK COVER.

PLATINUM LEVEL SPONSOR



CONTINUING AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

PLATINUM LEVEL SPONSOR

In memory of Farzin Sadeghi

GOLD LEVEL SPONSOR



To sponsor a library event, visit librarypoint.org/sponsorship.

Do you have a library card?

It's your all-access pass to everything CRRL has to offer.



Get yours today at librarypoint.org!



What do you get with a library card?

★ ACCESS to over 700,000 print materials, DVDs, music, children's learning tablets, eAudios, eBooks, eMagazines, and streaming video.

★ ANSWERS that even Google doesn't have! Use your library card to access research tools through our website for homework help or personal research.

★ CRRL's MOBILE APP makes it convenient to manage your account, renew books, and place holds on the go.

★ Plus, MUCH MORE!



Kindergarten Library Card Campaign

We partner with area schools to ensure every kindergarten student has a free library card. Between January 13-17, your kindergarten student will bring home a library card application. Simply fill it out, return it to school, and look for your child's library card to arrive in your mailbox.

Bring your kindergartener to the library for a free book January 13-March 31.



teen place

Learning and fun, just for teens in grades 6-12

The CAGE

Play games, create, and hang out with friends.

- Porter, 1st Mondays, 6:00-8:00
- Salem Church, 2nd Mondays, 4:00-6:00
- Howell, 3rd Tuesdays, 3:30-5:00
- Fredericksburg, 4th Fridays, except December 27, 3:30-5:00

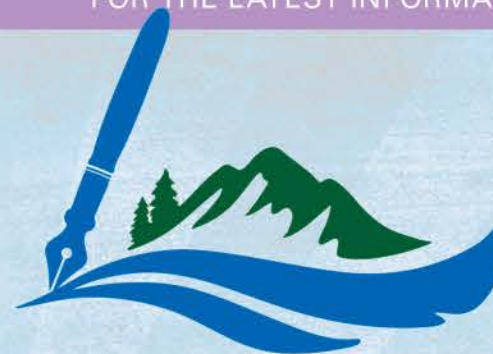
TEEN COUNCIL

Make a difference and earn volunteer hours at your library

- Salem Church, 1st Mondays, 4:00-5:00
- Howell, 1st Wednesdays, except January 1, 5:00-6:00
- Porter, 3rd Mondays, 6:00-7:00
- Fredericksburg, 4th Tuesdays, except December 24, 6:00-7:00

OurSpace

- Salem Church, Monday-Thursday, except December 23-26, January 20, February 17, 3:30-7:30. A teen social space for playing games, doing homework, and getting creative.



Riverside Young Writers

- Salem Church, 1st Saturdays, 1:00-3:00
A chapter of the Virginia Writers Club for middle and high school students.



- Towne Centre, 3rd Saturdays, 4:00-5:00.
Explore something new. **Grades 6 and up.**
December 21: Gift Box Making
January 18: Coding Resources
February 15: Zine Creation

BRANCH KEY	
■ Fredericksburg	■ Towne Centre
■ Howell	■ Fried Center
■ Porter	■ Cooper
■ Salem Church	■ Montross
■ Snow	■ Newton

THE AFTER PARTY!

What happens at the library after dark? Food, swag bags, music, and more. It's invitation only and you're invited!

- Salem Church, January 18, 6:00-8:00 (Snow date February 1)
- Howell, January 24, 6:00-8:00 (Snow date February 7)



TIME WITH A THERAPY DOG

- Howell, 3rd Saturdays, 3:00-5:00
- Salem Church, 4th Thursdays, 3:00-5:00
Read or relax with a furry friend. Sign up at your branch to book your time. For **grade 7-adult** with disabilities, plus their caregiver. In partnership with Blue Gray Therapy Dogs.

For more classes and events for grades 6-12, see [pages 5, 9, and 10](#).

25th Annual

TEEN ART SHOW

Accepting artwork February 19-27 at the Youth Services Desk
Opening Reception: Friday, March 6
Exhibition: March 6-31 at Fredericksburg Branch

CASH PRIZES!

GRADES 9-12

Rules and registration form at librarypoint.org/teenart.

Please bring two registration forms per piece of art already filled out to streamline the acceptance process.

Divisions: Grades 9-10 and 11-12.



Warm by Elena Noll
Teen Art Show 2019



Wrapped in Red by Melia Smith
Teen Art Show 2019



Teen Dating Violence Awareness

In February, stop by the Teen area in any of our branches for information on healthy relationships. Everyone deserves a safe and healthy relationship. Remember, love has many definitions, but abuse isn't one of them.

- If you or someone you know has a question about a relationship, healthy or unhealthy:
- Call Empowerhouse at 540-373-9373
 - Call The Haven at 800-224-2836
 - Text "loveis" to 22522
 - Visit loveisrespect.org



GET OUT & PLAY!

Fredericksburg Parks, Recreation & Events is now registering for all fall classes, sports and events. Be sure to mark your calendars for these special dates:

Lil' Hoopsters Basketball

5yrs – 6yrs
Deadline to register is January 3rd. \$10 late registration fee after January 3rd. Location: Walker Grant Middle School. Saturdays, Times Vary
 January 11th – February 8th
 \$30/\$50 (residents/non-residents)



Youth Basketball

Novice (7yrs – 8yrs)
 Rookie (9yrs – 10yrs)
 Junior (11yrs – 13yrs)
Deadline to register is December 3rd. There is a \$10 late registration fee after December 3rd. Location: Walker-Grant Middle School and Upper Lafayette Middle School. Mondays – Saturdays, Times Vary
 January 6th – March 7th
 \$30/\$60 (residents/non-residents)

Fredericksburg Veterans Day Events

Monday, November 11
 10:00am - Walking Procession beginning at Memorial Park to Fredericksburg Area War Memorial
 10:45am - Veterans Ceremony held at Fredericksburg Area War Memorial
 12:00pm - Veteran Resource Fair held at Hurkamp Park

Children's Christmas Tree Lighting

Saturday, November 16 at 4:00pm
 Hurkamp Park, 500 William Street
 Free admission, public invited



Grandparents Holiday Dance

Ages 4 – 12 yrs
Friday, December 6, 2019 at 6:30pm–8:30pm
 \$6 per person. If space permits at the door: \$8 per person. Pre-registration is required. Held at the Dorothy Hart Community Center

Fredericksburg Christmas Parade

Saturday, December 7, 2019 at 5:30pm
 Held along Caroline and Princess Anne Streets in Downtown Fredericksburg.
 Free admission, public invited



Mistletoe Market at the Fredericksburg Farmers Market

Saturday, December 17 at 9:00am - 1:00pm
 Hurkamp Park, 500 William Street
 Free admission, public invited

Cookies With Santa

Saturday, December 21, 2019 at 2:00pm-3:30pm
 Children 2 yrs-10 yrs
 Pre-register: \$15 for City Residents and \$20 for Non-City Residents. Held at the Dorothy Hart Community Center

Snowball Fight

Saturday, January 25, 2019
3:00pm - 4:30pm
All ages!
 Hurkamp Park, 500 William St.
 Held snow or shine! Admission \$3 per person or \$5 for 2 people at the gate. Matches are approximately every 10 minutes.

Fredericksburg Parks, Recreation & Events
 Dorothy Hart Community Center, 408 Canal Street, Fredericksburg, VA 22401

FredParksRec.com 540-372-1086



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STAFFORD COUNTY 55+ ACTIVE ADULTS

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LEISURE PROGRAMS at SPOTSYLVANIA PARKS & REC!

Spotsylvania Parks & Recreation offers a multitude of programs year round! Leisure programs are fun, affordable and open to all skill levels! Check our seasonal Play by Play Brochures for details on days, times and when to register!

Call 540-507-7529 or visit www.spotsylvania.va.ua/parksandrec

Grow & Giggle

Intro
to the
Sparkettes

Gymnastics

Soo Bahk Do

Tae Kwon Do

Move Yo Brush N Booty



Artists
in Bloom

Tai Chi &
QiGong

Horseback
Riding

Dog Obedience

partners

We partner with more than one hundred local organizations and experts to offer services to our customers and to expand the reach of educational, social, and community-building causes.

To explore a CRRL partnership, contact Sean Bonney, CRRL's Community Engagement Manager, at sean.bonney@crrl.org. To sponsor CRRL classes or events in return for recognition and promotional consideration, visit librarypoint.org/sponsorship.

**Belmont Ruritan Club and
the Belmont Club of Women**
7124 Belmont Road, Mineral, 23117

Satellite Location Hours
Mondays, 4:00-7:00
except January 20 and February 17

The Belmont Ruritan Club (BCC) and the Belmont Club of Women have co-sponsored CRRL's use of our jointly owned community center, as the library has expanded its rural outreach to Spotsylvania County. Coordination between the BCC, CRRL, and the County has allowed us to add wifi internet access, which greatly enhances CRRL's offerings at the center.

*"We consider providing
this space to support
the library's mission as
a key service contribution
our club makes to our
community."*

Our community covers parts of Spotsylvania, Louisa, and Orange counties, and certainly includes BCC members and their families who are taking advantage of the opportunity to check out materials and enjoy family movies shown at the center!

We couldn't have done it without Caryl Mathieu, President of the Belmont Club of Women, and her members. They've long been great supporters of the community and a big part of the success of this satellite library location.



Gary Jackson
Building Maintenance Lead
Joint IT Committee Chairperson
Belmont Ruritan Club

Partlow Ruritan Club
3229 Partlow Rd, Partlow, 22534

Satellite Location Hours
Tuesdays, 4:00-7:00, except December 24

The Partlow Ruritan Club's partnership with the library started when Jennifer Maddox, Spotsylvania Planning Commissioner and local teacher, asked about having CRRL present some options to the Ruritan Club about expanding library services to the area.

Library Director Martha Hutzal gave a presentation about what CRRL could offer that made our decision to bring the library to Partlow regularly a pretty easy one. They have been able to use the wifi at the Ruritan Club and library laptops to offer access to the internet, including library databases and streaming video, to many residents who otherwise have limited access.

The library provides children in the area with easy access to books. This is something the community has never had so it was a no brainer to bring the library out here.

*"We have
found that the
library helps
our community
greatly."*



Dale Hord
President, Partlow Ruritan
Club

for adults

Tea Time

■ Cooper, 2nd Wednesdays, 3:00-4:00

Cinema Night

■ Cooper, 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, except December 24, 5:00-7:00

Eliminate Those Employment Barriers Now

■ Salem Church, Saturday, February 8, 1:00-3:00. Presented by the Virginia Career Works Fredericksburg Center.

Small Business Networking

Fridays, 9:00-10:00. Presented by the University of Mary Washington Small Business Development Center. Drop in.
 ■ Porter: December 13
 ■ Salem Church: January 10
 ■ Howell: February 14

Story Hour for Adults

■ Fredericksburg, 3rd Fridays, 12:00-1:00. Short stories read by library staff. Bring your lunch if you like.

Skill Builders

■ Towne Centre, 3rd Saturdays, 4:00-5:00. Explore something new. **Grades 6 and up.**
 December 21: Gift Box Making
 January 18: Coding Resources
 February 15: Zine Creation

Ask a Lawyer

■ Montross, Monday, January 6, 5:00-6:00. Presented by lawyer George Townsend.

SPEED FRIENDING
 2ND THURSDAYS
 7:00-9:00
 ■ Katora Coffee
 615 Caroline St., Fredericksburg
 Meet new people with quick conversations in a fun, casual atmosphere.

Developing a PERSONAL GROWTH PLAN

Presented by executive coach and author Barbara Gustavson.
 ■ Howell, Saturday, January 11, 9:30-11:00
 ■ Fredericksburg, Wednesday, January 22, 10:00-11:30
 ■ Porter, Saturday, February 1, 10:00-11:30
 ■ Salem Church, Saturday, February 22, 10-11:30



seniors

Senior Exercise Class

■ Porter, Thursdays, 9:30-10:30. Presented by Gigi Del Rosa. Seated exercise, 55+.

Alzheimer's Association Support Group for Caregivers

■ Howell, 4th Mondays, 11:00-12:30

Preventing Slips, Trips, and Falls in Your Home

Presented by Derek York of Mary Washington Healthcare Home Health Services.
 ■ Fredericksburg, Wednesday, December 11, 11:00-12:00
 ■ Towne Centre, Thursday, January 30, 11:00-12:00
 ■ Salem Church, Tuesday, February 4, 11:00-12:00
 ■ Porter, Wednesday, February 19, 11:00-12:00

De-Stressing for the Holidays

■ Cooper, Thursday, December 5, 2:00-3:00
 Presented by Lori Myers of the Alzheimer's Association. Practical tips for carers of those with dementia and Alzheimer's.

Memory Cafe: Relax and Reminisc

■ Salem Church, Friday, January 10, 10:30-12:00
 Share conversation, nostalgia, and refreshments in a relaxed atmosphere. In partnership with the Alzheimer's Association. For adults with early memory loss and their care partners.



DECOMPRESS with DOGS

Boost well-being and unwind with canines. In partnership with Blue Gray Therapy Dogs.

■ Fried, Monday, December 9, 4:00-6:00, and Thursday, December 12, 11:00-1:00

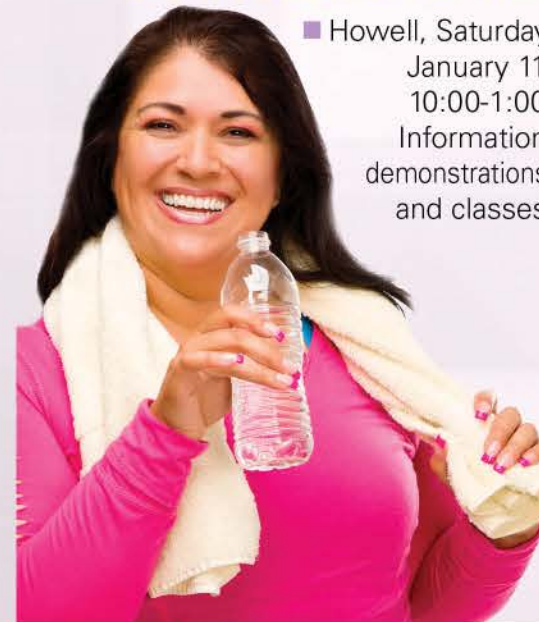
health & fitness

Chair Yoga

■ Montross, Tuesdays, except December 24, 12:00-1:00. Presented by certified instructor Kay Hawkins.

HEALTH & FITNESS DAY

■ Howell, Saturday, January 11, 10:00-1:00
 Information, demonstrations, and classes.



tech savvy

Tech Tuesdays

■ Snow, Tuesdays, 10:00-12:00
 One-on-one assistance with mobile tech. Call ahead for an appointment.

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■ Howell, 4th Saturdays, 9:00-12:00

Get to Know Google

■ Porter, Thursday, January 23, 11:00-12:00. Learn the basics of Google services, including Gmail, G Suite, and Chrome.

Voice Assistants for Beginners

■ Snow, Friday, February 7, 2:00-4:00.
 Learn the basics of Siri, Alexa, Google Assistant, and Cortana.

music & poetry

Fireside Concerts

■ Howell, 2nd Sundays, 2:00-3:00
 Enjoy a variety of music in our cozy living room.

Soup & Sound

■ Porter, Tuesday, February 18, 6:00-8:00. Warm up with soup and live entertainment by a local performer.

Poetry Reading

■ Fredericksburg, Wednesday, February 19, 6:30-8:00. Presented by local poets Carolyn Kreiter-Foronda, former Poet Laureate of Virginia, and local poet Earl Simpson.

BRANCH KEY

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genealogy & history

FASHION

in Film:



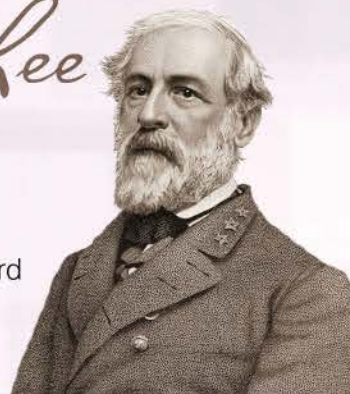
■ Salem Church, Saturday, January 4, 2:00-3:30
Presented by Kevin McCluskey, costume designer at the University of Mary Washington. Investigate the historical accuracy of costumes in famous films and television.

Researching African Americans in Stafford, Virginia

- Howell, Saturday, February 1, 1:00-3:00
- Salem Church, Tuesday, February 25, 1:00-3:00
Professional genealogist Char McCargo Bah demonstrates the use of historic documents in researching a local African American family. For more African American History, see pages 5-6.

ANNUAL Reading Fee LECTURE SERIES

- Fredericksburg, Friday, January 24, 7:00-9:00
In partnership with Stratford Hall and the Lee-Jackson Education Foundation.



get involved

Learn About Becoming a Foster Parent

- Salem Church, 2nd Tuesdays, 6:00-7:30. Presented by the Embrace Foster Care Team.

Volunteer Fair

- Salem Church, Saturday, February 15, 1:00-4:00. Explore volunteer opportunities with local organizations in our community.

DMV Connect

- DMV portable office will process drivers licenses, ID cards, titles, and registration.
- Salem Church, Tuesday, December 17, 10:00-2:00
 - Howell, Monday, January 13, 10:00-2:00
 - Fredericksburg, Wednesday, February 5, 10:00-2:00
 - Snow, Friday, February 21, 10:00-2:00

CIVIC LAB

Talking about Public Health

- Porter, Wednesday, January 15, 6:00-7:00
Explore resources and join a conversation about public health in our community.

Social Media and Viral News

- Salem Church, Friday, January 31, 10:00-11:30
With so many conflicting headlines, finding credible news sources to share can be difficult. Explore resources and join a discussion on social media and viral news.

Let's Talk Taxes

- Porter, Saturday, February 22, 3:00-4:00. Explore resources and join a discussion on taxes.



money smart

Financial Seminar Series

- Fredericksburg. Presented by Jim McCaffery of Edward Jones. Sign up at librarypoint.org.
December 5, 6:30-7:30: Outlook and Opportunities
January 9, 6:30-7:30: Simplify Your Spending and Savings Strategies
February 6, 6:30-7:30: Tax-Free Investing: It's Not What You Make, It's What You Keep

Preparing for Tax Season

- Snow, Thursday, January 9, 2:00-4:00
Get all the information you'll need to be ready for the 2020 tax season.

Retiring: Making Your Money Last

- Salem Church, Thursday, January 16, 1:00-2:00. Presented by Jim McCaffery of Edward Jones Investments. Build a reasonable and sustainable strategy for managing income and expenses during retirement.

Retirement Income Primer

- Salem Church, Thursday, February 20, 1:00-2:00. Presented by Jim McCaffery of Edward Jones Investments. Budget for retirement expenses, identify potential sources of retirement income, and address risks to your retirement income.

travel & language

French Conversation Group

- Porter, 3rd Fridays, 4:00-5:00
All levels welcome.

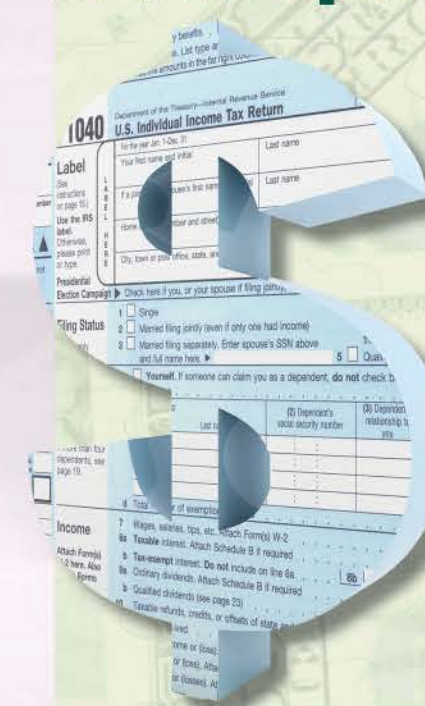
Japanese Cultural Classes

- Fredericksburg, Thursdays, December 5, January 23, and February 6, 2:00-3:00. Presented by Minae Uehara, Japan Language and Cultural Coordinator at the University of Mary Washington. Materials provided. Sign up at librarypoint.org.
December 5: Origami
January 23: Calligraphy
February 6: Events/Holidays (Setsubun)

Travel Talk: India

- Salem Church, Tuesday, January 14, 7:00-8:00

Free Tax Preparation Clinics



IRS-trained volunteers will help prepare simple tax returns. Bring:

- Photo IDs
- Social Security cards for all names on tax returns
- Last year's return
- All forms and receipts (W2, 1099, 1095-A, etc.)
- Childcare provider's ID number
- Amount of any other income or economic stimulus payments if received
- Bank routing and account numbers if requesting direct deposit

Rappahannock United Way Tax Clinics

Eligibility: Maximum income of \$66,000 regardless of family size. No appointment necessary. For more information on eligibility, visit rappahannockunitedway.org or call 540-373-0041.

- Cooper, Monday, February 17 and March 9, 9:00-3:00

Please visit librarypoint.org/tax-answers for the schedule of tax clinics held at Fredericksburg, Howell, and Porter branches.

AARP Tax Aid Clinics

Appointment required, but some limited walk-ins may be accepted. Call the branch for an appointment.

- Howell, Mondays and Saturdays, February 1-April 13 except February 17 and March 7, 9:00-2:00
- Salem Church, Wednesdays and Fridays, 10:00-2:00, January 29-April 15
- Snow, Saturdays, February 1-April 11, 9:30-1:30



crafts

Craft Social

- Bring your current project.
- Cooper, 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 2:00-4:00
- Towne Centre, 2nd Mondays, 2:00-4:00
- Newton, 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 10:00-2:00
- Porter, Fridays, 10:00-12:00

Create Rubber Stamp Cards

- Porter, 2nd Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30. Presented by Monica Giberti. Materials provided. Sign up at librarypoint.org.

Photography Group

- Cooper, 2nd Saturdays, 11:00-12:00. **Grade 6-adult.**

Beginner Crafts

- Fredericksburg, 4th Fridays, 10:00-12:00. Materials provided. Sign up at librarypoint.org

Coloring Social

- Salem Church, Friday, December 13, 2:00-4:00. Take a break from holiday stress with grown-up coloring.

Canvas and Coffee

- Sign up at librarypoint.org.
- Newton, 10:00-12:00. Bring your own canvas.
 - December 14: Winter Night
 - February 8: Love Birds
- Porter, Monday, February 3, 10:00-12:00. Learn the basics of mixing colors. Materials provided.

Photography Contest: Winter Wonderland

- Montross
 - Entry deadline: Saturday, February 15
 - Judging: February 26
 - Reception: Thursday, February 27, 5:00-6:00



Create a LUMINARIA

- Porter, Saturday, December 7, 10:00-2:00. Celebrate the winter solstice by creating a lantern from decorative paper bags.

going green

Backyard Composting 101

- Porter, Tuesday, December 10, 7:00-8:00
- Fredericksburg, Tuesday, January 14, 7:00-8:00
- Porter, Tuesday, February 4, 7:00-8:00. Presented by the R-Board and Virginia Master Gardener Association. Sign up at librarypoint.org.

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

- Newton, Monday, January 6, 5:30-6:30. Learn ways to reduce waste and clutter.

Veggie Gardens for Beginners

- Salem Church, Saturday, January 18, 2:00-4:00. Learn to grow your own food, which starts with planning in winter.

needlework

A Loosely Knit Group

- Snow, Tuesdays, 1:00-3:00
- Salem Church, 1st Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30
- Montross, 2nd and 4th Thursdays, except November 28, 6:00-7:00. Presented by Linda Dee Baker
- Porter, 1st Thursdays, 6:30-8:30, and 3rd Thursdays, 3:30-5:30
- Howell, 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 7:00-8:30. Bring your current project and enjoy the company of fellow crafters.

Fredericksburg Area Needlework Group

- Salem Church, last Thursdays, 6:00-8:30. Bring a project to work on.

Sewing for Beginners

- Salem Church, Monday, January 27, 2:00-4:00. Learn to sew a drawstring bag by hand. Materials provided.



games

Brain Break

- Fried Center, Mondays, 4:00-6:00. Relax your mind with puzzles and games in the lounge.

Mahjong Players Group

- Porter, Wednesdays, 1:00 - 5:00. Experienced and beginner players welcome.

Game Night

- Towne Centre, Saturdays, 5:00-9:00. Play games with friends.

Expert Bridge

- Salem Church, every Wednesday but the 3rd, 12:00-4:00
- Snow, 3rd Wednesdays except December 25 and January 1, 12:00-4:00

Bridge

- Salem Church, 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 12:30-4:00. Novice to mid-level players with basic knowledge of bidding and the play of the hand.

Board and Card Games Cafe

- Fredericksburg, 1st Wednesdays, 2:00-4:00. Light refreshments available.



Test your pop culture knowledge with a pub-style trivia contest.

Fantasy

- Fredericksburg, Monday, January 20, 6:30-8:30
- Salem Church, Wednesday, February 12, 6:30-8:30

70s Night

- Cooper, Thursday, January 23, 3:30-4:30

Board Game Night

- Porter, 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 6:30-8:30
- Salem Church, 4th Mondays, 7:00-8:30. Play one of ours or bring your own.

Queens United Chess Club

- Salem Church, 3rd Thursdays, 6:00-8:00. For all levels, beginner to advanced.

Canasta Players

- Salem Church, Mondays, December 2, 30, January 6, February 3, 12:00-4:00. Beginners welcome.

Family Bingo Night

- Cooper, Wednesday, December 4, 6:00-7:00



cooking corner



Latkes (Potato Pancakes)

- Howell, Thursday, December 5, 2:00-3:00

Tea

- Salem Church, Saturday, February 1, 1:30-3:00. Learn about different types of tea, sample tea, and get tips for brewing tea.

Molten Chocolate Lava Cakes

- Porter, Tuesday, February 11, 7:00-8:00

book groups

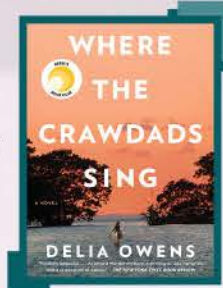
More information at librarypoint.org/bookgroups.

Fredericksburg

- 2nd Mondays, 7:30-9:00
December: *The Wednesday Wars* by Gary D. Schmidt
January: *Okay for Now* by Gary D. Schmidt
February: *Lost Girls in Paris* by Pam Jenoff

Howell

- 4th Tuesdays except December 24, 7:00-8:00
January: *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens
February: *The Dry* by Jane Harper



Porter

- 1st Thursdays, 7:30-8:45
December: *Unsheltered* by Barbara Kingsolver
January: *The Moonstone* by Wilkie Collins
February: *East of Eden* by John Steinbeck

Salem Church

- 4th Tuesdays except December 24, 7:00-9:00
January: *The Library Book* by Susan Orlean
February: *Defending Jacob* by William Landay

Snow

- 3rd Tuesdays, 11:00-12:00
December: *The 100-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared* by Jonas Jonasson
January: *Another Brooklyn* by Jacqueline Woodson
February: *Girl Waits With Gun* by Amy Stewart

Montross

- 2nd Fridays, 11:00-12:00
December: *A Christmas Grace* by Anne Perry
January: *Magpie Murders* by Anthony Horowitz
February: *The Little Coffee Shop of Kabul* by Deborah Rodriguez

Cooper

- 3rd Tuesdays, 3:00-5:00
December: Holiday Reads
January: Free Read
February: Fall in Love with a Book



Newton

- 3rd Wednesdays, 5:30-6:30
Ask branch for offsite location.
December: *Sometimes I Lie* by Alice Feeney
January: *The Boy in the Black Suit* by Jason Reynolds
February: *Sugar Run* by Mesha Maren

Classics Book Group

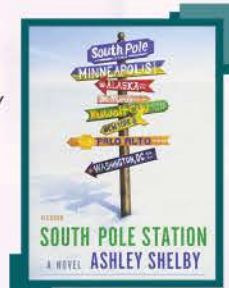
- Fredericksburg, Mondays, 6:00-7:30
December 16: *One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich* by Alexander Solzhenitsyn
January 27: *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain
February 24: *Wuthering Heights* by Charlotte Brontë

Books and Coffee

- Katora, 615 Caroline St, Fredericksburg 22401
3rd Wednesdays, 7:30-8:30 a.m.
December: *Circe* by Madeline Miller
January: *Uncommon Reader* by Alan Bennett
February: *Bellewether* by Susanna Kearsley

Books & Wine

- Zibibbo 73, 2757 Jefferson Davis Highway, Stafford
2nd Tuesdays, 7:00-9:00
December: *Animal Farm* by George Orwell
January: *The Family Romanov Murder* by Candace Fleming
February: *South Pole Station* by Ashley Shelby

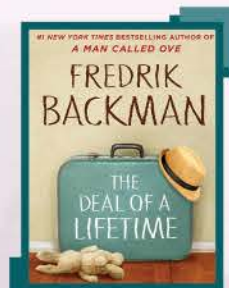


Book Chat

- Read what you like, then chat about your favorite books.
- Towne Centre, 1st Tuesdays, 10:30-11:30
Discussion held at Starbucks.
- Howell, 2nd Thursdays, 3:00-4:00
- Salem Church, 4th Tuesdays except December 24, 10:00-11:00.
February 25: Favorites written by African American authors.

The Hague Winery Book Group

- The Hague Winery, 8268 Cople Hwy., Hague
1st Thursdays, 6:00-7:00
December: *Deal of a Lifetime* by Fredrik Backman
January: Favorite 2019 Read
February: *Maisie Dobbs* by Jacqueline Winspear



Books by the River

- Amy's Cafe, 103 W. Cambridge Street, Fredericksburg,
Mondays, 1:00-2:00. Chat about your current reads or favorite books.

New members are always welcome!

Books & Beer

- Adventure Brewing, 33 Perchwood Drive, Fredericksburg, 3rd Thursdays, 6:30-7:30
December 19: *The Dry* by Jane Harper
January 16: *Killers of the Flower Moon* by David Grann
February 20: *Circe* by Madeline Miller

Share a Good Read

- Cooper, Monday, February 3, 1:00-2:00
Come read to the residents of Westmoreland Rehabilitation and Healthcare.



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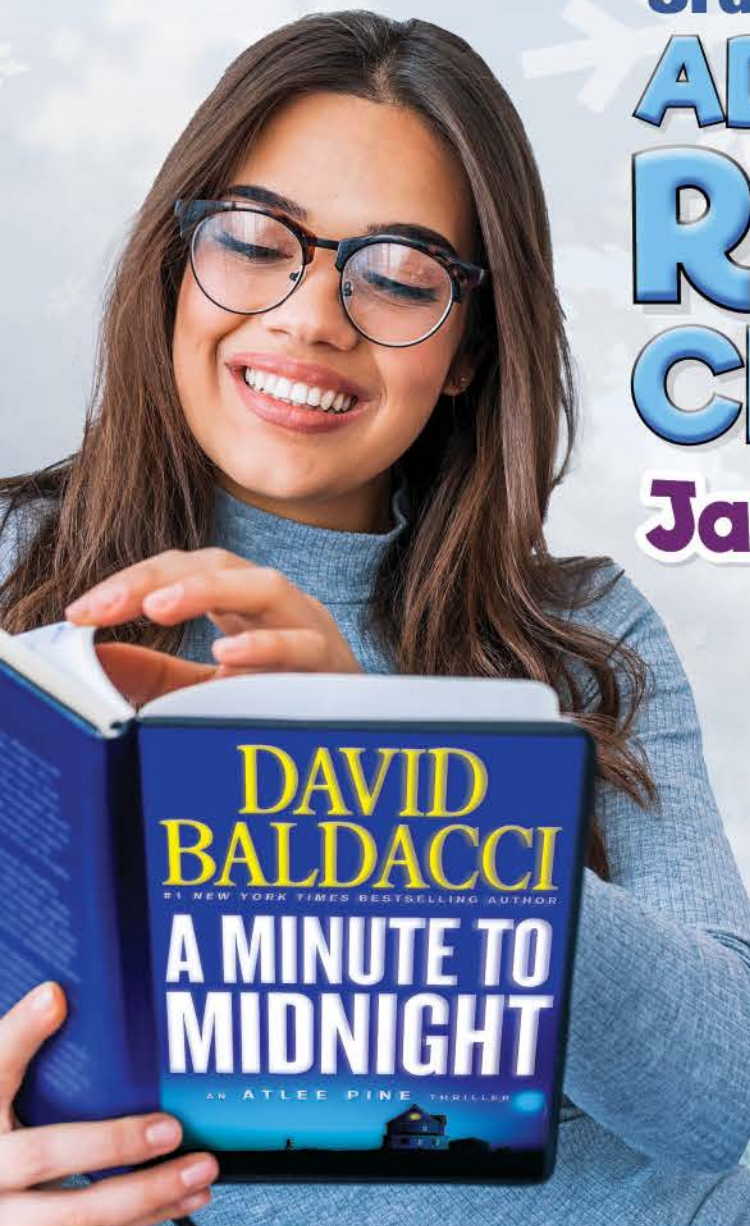
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3rd Annual ADULT WINTER READING CHALLENGE

January 1-March 31

Sign up at librarypoint.org/winter.

The cold winter months are perfect for curling up with a good book.

Challenge yourself to read four or more this winter and earn an exclusive, limited-edition CRRL mug for participating. Log your books online or use a paper log from your branch.

Claim your mug by April 15--while supplies last.

WINTER READING CHALLENGE SOCIAL

Claim your Winter Reading Challenge mug, enjoy hot beverages, and chat with other readers.

- Newton, Monday, January 13, 4:00-5:00
- Montross, Monday, January 27, 4:00-5:00
- Cooper, Tuesday, February 18, 3:00-5:00
- Howell, Saturday, February 22, 2:00-3:00
- Porter, Friday, February 28, 4:00-5:00



Complete library missions to earn digital badges and chances to win a bag of books.

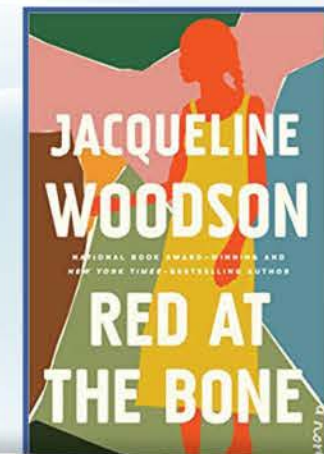
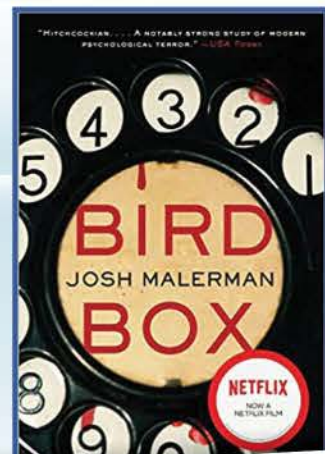
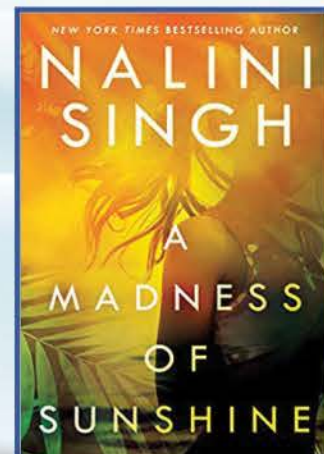
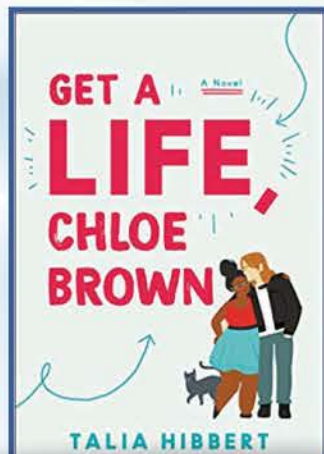
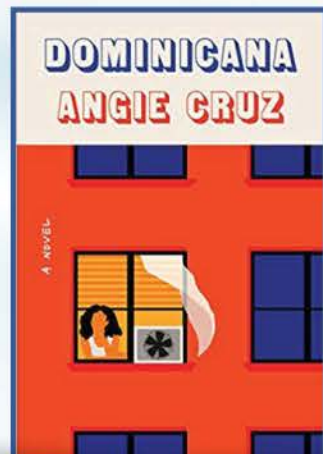
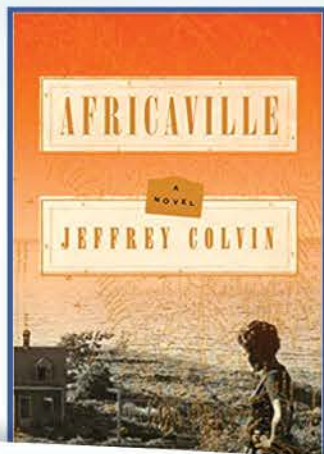


Join our Facebook Group!

facebook.com/groups/crrlbookchat

Chat about the challenge, share reading suggestions, and participate in weekly giveaways.

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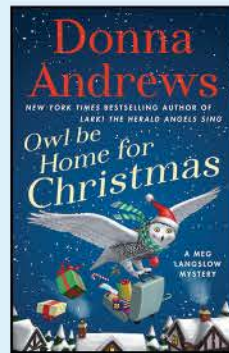
Regularly contributing to the Friends of the Library is now even easier! You can now contribute via AmazonSmile (page 8). I look forward to seeing you all at our Annual Meeting with our special guests.

Your FOL President, *Candace*

Annual Meeting

Monday, December 2, 6:00-7:30
Fredericksburg Branch

Business meeting will be followed by Donna Andrews, author of the Meg Langslow Mystery series, and recent release *Owl Be Home for Christmas*. Refreshments provided.



BOOKSHOP BOOK SALE

Friday, January 31, 5:30-7:30
Members Only
(Not a Friend? You can join at the door!)

Saturday, February 1 and Monday, February 3, 10:00-2:00
1/2 price day for all items

Tuesday, February 4, 10:00-2:00
1/2 price in the Bookshop and \$1/bag day in the warehouse

MONTHLY BOOK SALES

Fredericksburg Branch
January 9-13, February 13-18
Saturdays & Sundays: 1/2 price, Mondays: \$1/bag

Salem Church Branch
January 17-21, February 21-25
Sundays & Mondays: 1/2 price, Tuesdays: \$1/bag

Howell Branch
January 23-27, February 27-March 2
Saturdays & Sundays: 1/2 price, Mondays: \$1/bag

Porter Branch
December 6-10, January 3-7, February 7-11
Sundays and Mondays: 1/2 price, Tuesdays: \$1/bag

Visit the Friends of the Library Bookshop and Center

Monday-Friday, 10:00-2:00. 125 Olde Greenwich Drive, Suite 150, Fredericksburg, 22408
Bargains on books, videos, and more--plus pickup of library holds.

Thank you Friends of the Library for:

- Refreshments at our annual Meet the Moon event
- Prizes and the reception for the Uniquely Spotsylvania Art Show
- Publishing *Curriculum Connections*, the teacher resource guide with a sweet treat attached



To join the Friends of CRRL or to renew your membership, go online to crrlfriends.org. Or mail this form to Friends of CRRL, 125 Olde Greenwich Drive, Suite 150, Fredericksburg, VA 22408.

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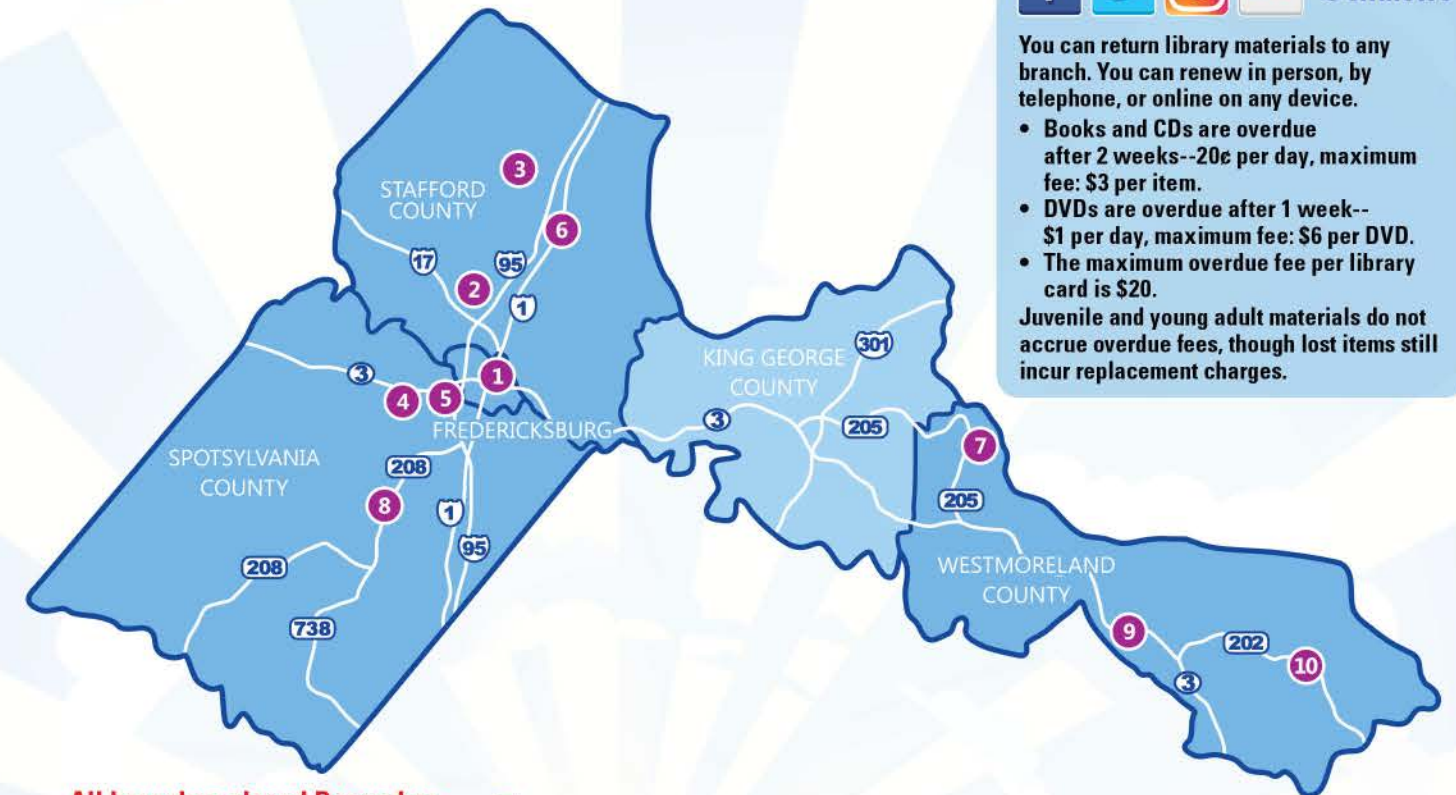
- Individual, \$10
- Family, \$20
- Tobin Society, \$25
- Wallace Society, \$50
- Cote Society, \$100

I would like to help the Friends by:

- Sorting Books
- Book Sale Preparation
- Book Sale Cashier
- Volunteer at:
 - Fredericksburg Branch
 - Salem Church Branch
 - Newton Branch
- Porter Branch
- Snow Branch
- Montross Branch
- Howell Branch
- Cooper Branch
- *NEW* Bookshop



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All branches closed December 24 and 25, January 1 and 20, and February 17. All branches close at 3:00 on December 31.

1 Fredericksburg Branch
1201 Caroline Street
Fredericksburg, VA 22401

2 William J. Howell Branch
806 Lyons Boulevard
Fredericksburg, VA 22406

3 John Musante Porter Memorial Branch
2001 Parkway Boulevard
Stafford, VA 22554

4 Salem Church Branch
2607 Salem Church Road
Fredericksburg, VA 22407
Monday-Thursday 9:00-9:00
Friday, Saturday 9:00-5:30
Sunday 1:00-5:30

5 Spotsylvania Towne Centre Branch
390 Spotsylvania Mall
Fredericksburg, VA 22407
Monday-Saturday 10:00-9:00
Sunday 11:00-6:00

6 Barbara J. Fried Center Joint Use Branch
Germanna Community College
124 Old Potomac Church Road,
Stafford, VA 22554
Monday-Thursday 4:00-8:00
Saturday 9:00-5:00

7 Abraham and William Cooper Memorial Branch
20 Washington Avenue
Colonial Beach, VA 22443
Monday 9:00-1:00
Tuesday 1:00-9:00
Wednesday 1:00-9:00
Thursday 1:00-5:00
Friday 9:00-1:00
Saturday 9:00-1:00

8 C. Melvin Snow Memorial Branch
8740 Courthouse Road
Spotsylvania, VA 22553
Monday-Thursday 9:00-9:00
Friday, Saturday 9:00-5:30

9 Montross Branch
56 Polk Street, Montross, VA 22520
Monday 1:00-9:00
Tuesday 1:00-5:00
Wednesday 9:00-1:00
Thursday 1:00-9:00
Friday 9:00-1:00
Saturday 1:00-5:00

10 Blake T. Newton Memorial Branch
22 Coles Point Rd Hague, VA 22469
Monday 1:00-9:00
Tuesday 9:00-1:00
Wednesday 1:00-5:00
Thursday 9:00-1:00
Friday 9:00-5:00
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- Books and CDs are overdue after 2 weeks--20¢ per day, maximum fee: \$3 per item.
- DVDs are overdue after 1 week--\$1 per day, maximum fee: \$6 per DVD.
- The maximum overdue fee per library card is \$20.

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This project was made possible due to the generous support of the Fredericksburg Economic Development Authority and the Fredericksburg Cable Commission. IdeaSpace is a part of the Canal Quarter Creative Maker District in downtown Fredericksburg.

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