

PARSONSBURG RELOCATION

MEMORY LAB

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

# Library News

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## HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

- 4/18 - Good Friday
- 4/20 - Easter Sunday
- 5/25 &
- 5/26 - Memorial Day



## From our Director, Seth Hershberger:



### A Record-Breaking Giving Tuesday for Our Library!

We're thrilled to share some incredible news—thanks to our generous community, this year's Shore Gives More campaign was a huge success! Organized by the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore as part of Giving Tuesday, the campaign had an extra boost this year: the Henson Foundation matched every dollar at 50 cents, up to \$50,000.

And guess what? We met our goal! Together, we raised \$50,000 to unlock the full \$25,000 match from the Henson Foundation, bringing our total to an astounding \$91,886. This record-breaking achievement is a testament to the enthusiasm and dedication of our supporters, all working toward the future of the Parsonsburg project and the new Sarbanes Library.

A heartfelt thank you to every donor, including many of our Friends of the Library, who helped make this possible. Your generosity continues to shape the future of our library and community.

Thank you for being part of this amazing milestone!



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National Library Week  
April 6 - 12, 2025

# Check it out!

## Celebrate National Library Week by Sharing Your Love for Libraries

National Library Week is April 6 – 12, 2025, and Wicomico Public Library is excited to join the statewide campaign **"101 Reasons Why I Love My Library."** This initiative highlights the vital role libraries play in our communities through personal stories.

We want to hear from you: **Why do you love the Library?** Share your thoughts and help us show how libraries make a difference. Visit <https://qrco.de/wpl101> to share your story online.

Prefer a paper option? Feedback postcards are available at all library locations. Fill one out and return it to a staff member.

Your story matters. Celebrate National Library Week with us and share why the Library is special to you!



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## DISCOVER YOUR NEXT READ



**"Wild Dark Shore"**  
By Charlotte McConaghy  
Literary Fiction

Her latest, *Wild Dark Shore*, takes a seed bank on an island near Antarctica as its setting, where rising sea levels have driven away all human caretakers except for one man, Dominic Salt, and his children – until a mysterious woman named Rowan washes ashore in a storm.

**"The Cartoonists Club"**  
By Raina Telgemeier, Illustrated by Scott McCloud



Childrens, Middle Grade, Graphic Novel

Raina Telgemeier teams up with Scott McCloud, for this new graphic series, which depicts a group of young comics creators as they learn more about the art form that has enthralled so many of Telgemeier and McCloud's fans.

FRIENDS PREVIEW SALE: THUR, APR. 10; 5–6:30 PM

**APR. 11 & 12**  
**10:00 AM – 4:30 PM**  
**LIBRARY**  
**BOOK**  
**SALE**  
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## Sign up for Wowbrary today!

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

Wowbrary alerts are free and do not require a library card. Go to [www.wowbrary.org](http://www.wowbrary.org) to sign up or learn more.

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BookPage is a discovery tool for readers, highlighting the best new books across all genres. Available for free, courtesy of our Friends Foundation. Pick up a copy at the Bookstore in the Paul S. Sarbanes Branch!

# Parsonsborg Relocation



Excitement is building for the upcoming relocation of the Pittsville Branch to a new location in 2025. This move represents more than just a change of address; it signifies a significant service expansion, designed to create a vibrant hub for the communities of Parsonsborg, Pittsville, Powellville, and Willards.

Imagine a space where children can discover the magic of reading through engaging story times, where teens can collaborate on projects and explore new technologies, and where adults can connect with their community through workshops, lectures, and social gatherings. The new library will foster a sense of community and provide resources and opportunities for everyone.

The ongoing renovations are transforming the space into a modern and dynamic center equipped to meet the diverse needs of the four communities it will serve. The design emphasizes creating dedicated areas for various activities, including:

- **Enhanced Children's Services:** Dedicated spaces for story times, early literacy programs, and interactive learning activities will foster a love of reading in young patrons.
- **Expanded Programming:** The larger space will allow for a wider range of programs for all ages, including author visits, workshops, book clubs, and technology classes.
- **Community Gathering Spaces:** Comfortable and inviting areas will provide opportunities for community members to connect, collaborate, and learn from each other.

This new library will not only house an expanded collection of books and resources but also serve as a vital community center.

It will be a place where residents of Parsonsborg, Pittsville, Powellville, and Willards can come together to learn, connect, and grow. We eagerly anticipate the grand opening in 2025 and look forward to welcoming everyone to this exciting new chapter for eastern Wicomico County.

## How You Can Be Part of This Exciting Journey: Become a member of the Friends Foundation.

As we prepare for this exciting new chapter, we invite you to become a vital part of the library's future by joining the Friends Foundation! The Friends play a crucial role in supporting the library's mission, helping fund special programs, events, and resources that make a real difference in the lives of community members.

By becoming a member, you'll have the chance to:

- **Support innovative programs:** Your membership helps fund programs and resources that serve every age group, from preschoolers to seniors. These programs might include special guest speakers, educational workshops, and community outreach efforts.
- **Participate in special events and volunteer opportunities:** Members of the Friends are invited to volunteer at events, fundraisers, and library programs. It's a wonderful way to meet other like-minded community members and contribute directly to the library's success.

Become a member at: [wicomicolibrary.org/friends](http://wicomicolibrary.org/friends)

# Memory Lab at Centre Branch

## Preserving Memories for the Future

The Wicomico Public Library is excited to announce the launch of its new Memory Lab, a service to help community members preserve personal memories. Opened in January 2025, the lab offers a hands-on way to digitize materials like VHS tapes, photos, and more. Currently, the Memory Lab is located only at the Centre Branch in The Centre at Salisbury Mall. However, once the new Parsonsburg location opens, there will be a second lab available.

### How the Lab Works:

Guests should schedule a phone appointment to share details about the materials they wish to digitize and receive instructions on what to bring, such as a flash drive or memory card. During their two-hour appointment, guests will receive guidelines and step-by-step instructions for the self-service lab, with staff available to assist if needed. The lab is free, but a small fee for prints: 20 cents for black-and-white and 50 cents for color. High-quality photo paper will be available soon at an additional cost.

### Digitizing a Variety of Media

The Memory Lab offers tools to digitize 8mm reel-to-reel movies, VHS tapes, cassette tapes, photos, film negatives, slides, floppy discs, vinyl records, and large items like books or oversized pictures. Future upgrades will include digitizing sound recordings on tape and a wider range of visual and audio recordings.

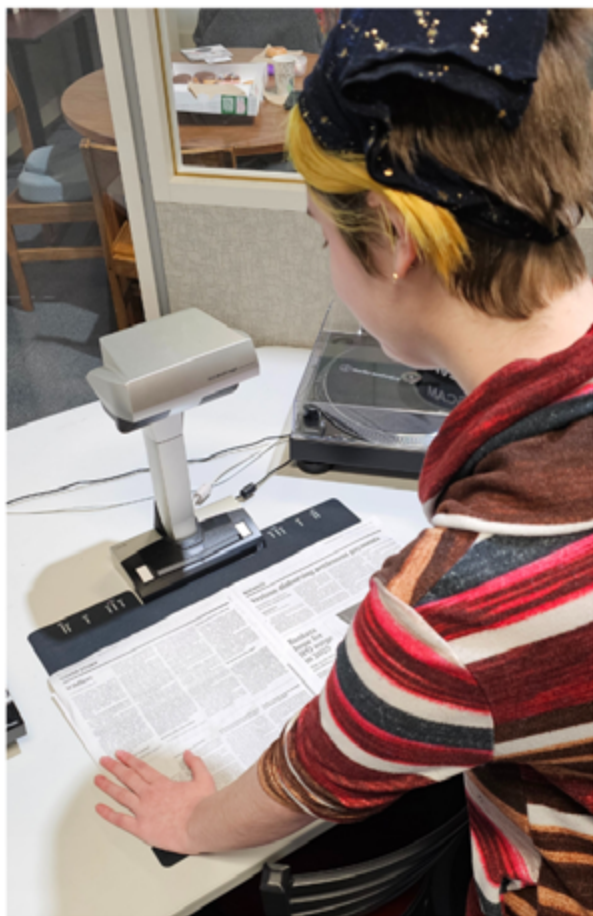
### The Digitization Process

Digitizing materials is a mostly self-service process, allowing guests to work at their own pace. Photos, negatives, and slides are scanned in seconds, while reel-to-reel tapes, cassettes, and vinyl records take as long as the recording's playback time to digitize.

Once the materials are digitized, guests can save the files onto their own storage devices such as a flash drive, external drive, or memory card. If the guest does not have their own storage device, the library will also offer thumb drives and memory cards for sale. While the memory lab ensures files are saved to a physical device, the future sharing and distribution of the media will be the responsibility of the guest. Staff will be available to answer any questions during the appointment.

This project was made possible in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

The Memory Lab is an exciting step forward in preserving the history of Wicomico County. Personal memories such as old photos, family videos, and recordings can be some of the most meaningful connections we have to the past. However, as technology continues to advance and formats change, these memories can be lost forever. The lab ensures that important pieces of personal and family history are digitized, so they can be remembered and enjoyed with formats compatible with current technology. By offering this service, the Wicomico Public Library is helping to preserve living history in our community that can be enjoyed by future generations.



# Community Spotlight – TidalHealth



## REACH for the Future with TidalHealth and the Library

Be on the lookout for upcoming REACH programs hosted by the Wicomico Public Library! TidalHealth and the Wicomico Public Library are partnering to bring tools and resources to help you prevent and control diabetes, high blood pressure, and other chronic health conditions. Enjoy free health programs including screenings, education, and engaging presentations where you can learn how to live a healthier lifestyle. You can find classes and screenings hosted at the Paul S. Sarbanes Branch in Downtown Salisbury and the Centre Branch in the Centre at Salisbury Mall.

These free services are made possible through the REACH (Rural Equity and Access to Community Health) program. The program is funded through a grant provided by the Maryland Community Health Resources Commission – the Health Equity Resource Communities (HERC) grant. The program aims to address health disparities, improve health outcomes, expand access to primary care and prevention services, reduce health care costs, and advance health equity.

REACH services are developed by a diverse coalition of community partners working together to help individuals prevent or control diabetes and high blood pressure. Services include:

- Free health programs and presentations
- Free classes to learn how to live a healthier lifestyle
- Free help connecting to community services and resources like food, housing, and transportation
- Free help finding healthcare providers

Services are designed based on community input and data captured that shows neighborhoods in the most need of improvement for accessing healthcare on the Lower Eastern Shore.

The program also aims to address social drivers of health (SDOH), which have a major impact on people's access to healthcare and their health outcomes. These are non-medical social factors that affect health such as lack of transportation, access to literacy, education, economic stability, neighborhood, and environment. The program addresses these SDOH factors that are causing health disparities in our medically underserved communities by bringing health education programs and opportunities directly to those individuals in the neighborhoods where they live.

The REACH program has many strategies to impact our community. Some include health screenings, educational classes, healthy lifestyle programming, and clinical intervention programs for people with diabetes or high blood pressure. TidalHealth's community health educator, Bobbi McDonald, offers healthy lifestyle programming including education and activities on nutrition, physical activity, stress management, and chronic disease prevention and self-management. The programs offer an opportunity to learn the skills to create a sustainable healthy lifestyle.

TidalHealth and its partners are working in an innovative, hands-on fashion to improve the health outcomes of our community. Social factors should never hinder one's ability to live a healthy life. With the help of our team and supportive partnerships with other community-based organizations, such as the Wicomico Public Library, we hope to expand care and health literacy with a goal of improving the collective health of our communities. The Delmarva Peninsula is a wonderful place to call home and we're working to make it a healthful thriving community for all. We invite you to attend a program, stop in for a health assessment, or say hello when you see us in your neighborhood. At TidalHealth we are Better Together.

# Paul S. Sarbanes Branch

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

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

### PRESCHOOL PLAYGROUP

MON: 3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31, 4/7, 4/14, 4/21, 4/28, 5/5, 5/12 & 5/19;  
10:30AM - 11:30AM

Calling all children ages 0-5 and their caregivers! Join us for Preschool Playgroup every Monday morning for a fun-filled session of free play and social interaction. Young children can explore, learn, and build social skills through play with their peers.



### COZY STORYTIME\*

TUE: 3/4, 4/1 & 5/6; 6PM - 6:30PM

Cozy Storytime is designed to be accessible. We will read gentle stories and sing soothing songs. We'll provide noise-cancelling headphones, fidgets, low lighting, and a quiet corner. Come in your pajamas and bring your favorite snuggly toy.

### STEM TIME\*

WED: 3/5, 3/19, 4/2, 4/16, 5/7 & 5/21;  
4PM - 5:30PM

Bring your curiosity and imagination to play with Sphero Indi and Bolt, Snap Circuits, littleBits, and more! We'll experiment and tinker, using critical thinking, teamwork, and communication skills to code, build, and have fun!

### STORYTIME

THU: 3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10, 4/17, 4/24, 5/1, 5/8, 5/15, 5/22 & 5/29;  
10:30AM - 11:30AM

Join us every Thursday morning for a delightful hour of stories, songs, and interactive fun designed for children ages 0-5 and their caregivers.



### HOMESCHOOL MAKER MONDAY\*

MON: 3/10, 3/24, 4/14, 4/28 & 5/12;  
2PM - 3:30PM

Explore science, technology, engineering, art, and math through fun activities at Homeschool Maker Monday! All homeschool students ages 6 to 11 are invited to join us the second and fourth Monday of each month to learn all about STEM!

### PAWS TO READ

MON: 3/10, 3/24, 4/14, 4/28 & 5/12;  
5:30PM - 6:30PM

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

### MINI-MONTESSORI (2-6 YEAR OLDS)

WED: 3/12, 3/26, 4/9, 4/23, 5/14, & 5/28;  
10AM - 3PM

Montessori play is a purposeful play that mimics real-life tasks. It focuses on mindfulness during activities and focusing on the task at hand. There is no "right way" to interact in a Montessori setting. The goal is for children to independently interact and come up with their own creative solutions using trial and error.

Please ask staff from the children's desk to be let in at anytime during the program.



### SPRING BLOOM CRAFTS

SAT, MAR. 22; 2PM - 3PM

Join us for a fun and creative workshop where you will make beautiful lilies using colorful pipe cleaners! Celebrate the arrival of spring by crafting your own flowers in this hands-on program for all ages.

### SLIME-STRAVAGANZA!\*

SAT, APR. 5; 2PM - 3:30PM

It's not a Saturday, it's a Slime-urday! You'll be able to make three different types of slime: regular, fluffy, or glitter! Make one, make two, or make all three!

### SPRING STEM BOOK CLUB\*

THU, APR. 24; 5PM - 6PM

Join us for our Spring STEM Book Club for ages 7 to 11. We'll be reading "The Fourteenth Goldfish" by Jennifer L Holm. "The Fourteenth Goldfish" begins the story of Ellie and her grandfather Melvin, who have a typical relationship until he shows up at her house one night in a fourteen-year-old's body! Together they navigate middle school and try to find a way to preserve the science that made the impossible possible.



\*Registration is required. For more information or to register, visit the Events Calendar at [www.wicomicolibrary.org/events](http://www.wicomicolibrary.org/events)

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## CHILDREN & TEEN PROGRAMS

### ROBOCODERS\*

MON: 3/3, 3/17, 4/7, 4/21, 5/5 & 5/19;  
4:30PM - 6PM

RoboCoders: a mashup of LEGO and coding. In each session, we'll tackle a LEGO Robotics challenge and then explore coding, with or without LEGO. If you're a kid who loves building or coding, want to learn about either, or want to meet and beat challenges, you can be a RoboCoder!



### HOMESCHOOL SCIENCE FAIR\*

THU, MAY 22; 3PM - 6PM

We are excited to invite homeschool students from elementary through high school to participate in our non-competitive Science Fair! This event is a great opportunity to showcase your love of science, learn from others, and share your projects with the community. Whether you have a passion for biology, physics, chemistry, or engineering, we can't wait to see what you've created!

During the Homeschool Science Fair, we will be hosting a special reception to celebrate all participants in both the Homeschool Art Show and Science Fair. It's a fantastic chance for students, families, and the community to come together and support the hard work and creativity of our homeschoolers.

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## JUST FOR TEENS

### ANIME AND MANGA CLUB

TUE: 3/11, 4/8 & 5/13;

5:30PM - 6:30PM

Anime and Manga Club members meet the second Tuesday of each month to talk about manga and watch a member selected anime movie/show. Open to middle and high school students.

### TEEN ACTION BOARD (TAB) MEETING\*

TUE: 3/18, 4/15 & 5/20;

5:30PM - 6:30PM

All middle and high school students are invited to our TAB meeting. TAB meetings are a forum where students' opinions and suggestions are heard. TAB members earn one service learning hour for each meeting attended.



### ADULTING 101: LIFE SKILLS FOR TEENS\*

WED, MAY 7; 5:30PM - 6:30PM

Adulting 101: Life Skills for Teens is a hands-on program designed to equip teenagers with essential real-world skills—from financial literacy and basic home maintenance to effective communication and decision-making—preparing them for independence and success in adulthood.

This session will be a collaboration with the Wicomico County Health Department focusing on birth control and pregnancy for Sexual Health Awareness Month.

### CROCHET 101\*

TUE: 3/25, 4/22 & 5/27;

5:30PM - 6:30PM

If you'd like to learn to crochet and are in middle or high school, join us on the 4th Tuesday of each month! We'll use tutorials from the library resource, Creativebug, and one-on-one instruction to start you crocheting for fun and to make scarves for our community. Registration is suggested.

## TEEN & ADULT PROGRAMS



### 3D PRINTING POP-UP WORKSHOP\*

SAT: 3/1, 4/5 & 5/3; 10AM - 1PM

Discover the exciting world of 3D printing at this hands-on workshop designed for beginners and enthusiasts alike. Learn how to set up a 3D print, explore ready-to-use designs, and see firsthand what a Makerspace can offer. Whether you're curious about the technology or ready to start your own projects, this session is the perfect way to get inspired and get printing!

This event is free and open to the public, but space is limited, so registration is required.

Ages 12 and up are invited to attend. No experience necessary!

Presented by the Richard Bernstein Makerspace at the Dave and Patsy Rommel Center for Entrepreneurship



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## PAINT A FUTURISTIC PICTURE

SAT, MAR. 1; 10:30AM - 12:30PM

Come out and join our resident experts, Deirdre and Mike, for a fun and educational morning of painting. We will be creating a futuristic masterpiece. We provide the canvas, paint, and brushes. You provide the talent! Registration is strongly suggested. Walk ins taken based on availability.



## LIBRARY PLANT EXCHANGE

THU, APR. 17; 5:30PM - 6:30PM

Plant lovers and plant curious patrons are invited to join us for a Plant Exchange at the Wicomico Public Library! This event is ideal for both experienced gardeners and beginners. Bring your extra live plants, cuttings, or seeds to share with others in the community.

This is a great chance to expand your plant collection while meeting fellow enthusiasts. Feel free to bring a friend and let's grow together!

## ADULT PROGRAMS

### THE SALISBURY SALON

SAT, 3/1, 4/5 & 5/3; 2PM - 4PM

The Salisbury Salon Creative Circle -- A novel take on Enlightenment-period literary & artistic salons, The Salisbury Salon aims to be a welcoming space for ALL to engage in hearty discussion, activities, and share personal creative projects (usually over light refreshments). NO REGISTRATION/PRIOR ATTENDANCE REQUIRED! :)

## COMPUTER TUTOR\*

MON: 3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31, 4/7, 4/14, 4/21, 4/28, 5/5, 5/12 & 5/19; 10:30AM - 11:30AM

Learn the basics in our Computer Tutor series! Self-paced, hands-on learning for just the basics, including: Getting Started with a Computer: the essential functions of a mouse & keyboard, Basic Search: what is a search engine, Navigating a Website, and Intro to Email.

## COFFEE CLUB

FRI: 3/7, 3/21, 4/4, 5/2 & 5/16; 10:30AM - 11:30AM

Let's talk books! Join us for coffee and discussion. Coffee and cups provided, but feel free to bring your own. We will be meeting on the main floor.

## ADULT TRIVIA NIGHT\*

THU: 3/13, 4/10 & 5/8; 7PM - 9PM

At the Brick Room

Think you know it all? Come prove it at The Brick Room, where an adult trivia night will be hosted! For twenty-one and up. Drinks will be available for purchase. Registration is highly recommended.

## "FOR THE RECORD" MUSIC CLUB

SAT, MAR. 15; 3PM - 4:30PM

Sarbanes is alive with the sound of music! Update your music library at our new monthly music listening club, "For the Record," where attendees will share songs and albums to play. Feel free to bring your own CDs and/or playlists.

## BEGINNER CROCHET CLUB

SAT: 3/29, 4/26 & 5/31; 2PM - 3PM

Whether you're picking up a hook for the first time or looking to brush up on your skills, come crochet with us! Crochet hook and yarn will be provided to help you get started. Located in Meeting Room 3.

Stay healthy



## FOOD CONNECTS US\*

WED, MAR. 5; 3PM - 4PM

During the month of March, everyone is invited to learn about making informed food choices and developing healthful eating and physical activity habits. Join us in celebrating national nutrition month and how "Food Connects Us."

This program is presented by Tidal Health.

## ADULT YOGA WITH SOUL YOGA\*

WED: 3/5, 3/19, 4/2, 4/16, 5/7 & 5/21; 4:30PM - 5:30PM

Come join Soul Yoga's instructor Lauren Gilmore for a free adult yoga class! Participants will learn the fundamentals of yoga while exploring how it can benefit them. Grab a friend or family member to experience and learn together. \*Participants are to bring their own towel or yoga mat.\*

## MOVE FOR YOUR FUTURE\*

WED, APR. 30; 3PM - 4PM

Join us for an all-levels gentle chair yoga class. Learn how to use yoga to connect to your body and manage stress. Participants will be given a handout with yoga poses and instructions.

This program is presented by Tidal Health.

# Centre Branch

(410) 546-5397

Monday - Thursday: 10am - 7pm

Friday - Saturday: 10am - 5pm

Sunday: CLOSED

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

### SKETCHBOOK SOCIAL\*

TUE: 3/4, 4/1 & 5/6; 5PM - 6PM

A social art club just for teens and tweens! Bring your current art project and chat with others as you work!

### LET'S MAKE MINI ZINES!\*

FRI, MAR. 7; 4PM - 5PM

Lets get creative and learn the art of making Zines - a homemade magazine, often specialized and unique to its creator.

### WATER FILTRATION SCIENCE CHALLENGE\*

TUE, MAR. 25; 4PM - 5PM

The water filtration challenge gives individuals the chance to design and test solutions for filtering water, combining hands on learning and real world problem solving.

### RAIN CLOUD IN A JAR\*

WED, APR. 2; 4PM - 5PM

This rain cloud in a jar experiment gives children an opportunity to experiment and learn more about clouds and rain in an engaging way!

### MAKE YOUR OWN FLASHLIGHT HUNT\*

FRI, APR. 4; 4PM - 5PM

Come make a super neat flashlight hunt in a bag that can be switched out any time you want with any picture!



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### SPRING SALT PAINTING\*

TUE, MAY 6; 4PM - 5PM

In the Spring Salt Painting Program, kids will create colorful spring-themed paintings using watercolors and salt, watching their artwork come to life!



### THUMBPRINT HEART MAGNETS\*

FRI, MAY 9; 4PM - 4:45PM

Make a super fun magnet for your fridge, or for a super special gift! Easy, simple, and fun for all.

### BUILD YOUR OWN I SPY TUBE!\*

SAT, MAY 17; 2PM - 3:30PM

A fun game? In a portable tube? Say no more! Make a fun I Spy Challenge for you and your friends in this super neat craft!

### MINI STRAW PAINTING\*

WED, MAY 28; 5:30PM - 6PM

Make your very own mini painting you can take home and proudly display! Explore what you can do with only some paint and a straw (or two).

## JUST FOR TEENS

### A D&D ADVENTURE: SONGS OF THE ESTRANGED

SAT, APR. 26; 2PM - 4PM

Looking for a short fantasy adventure? Or looking to dip your toes into the world of Dungeons and Dragons? This one session adventure is the perfect place to come! Just bring yourself, and a keen eye for adventure! Drop Ins are welcome!

## TEEN & ADULT PROGRAMS

### TERRACOTTA MUSHIES!\*

WED, MAR. 12; 5:30PM - 6:45PM

Add a bit of whimsy and wonder to your garden this year with these super fun and easy terracotta mushrooms.

### SEASONAL SCRAPBOOKERS\*

TUE: 3/18, 4/22 & 5/20; 5PM - 6:30PM

Join us every month as we create a seasonal scrapbook layout together based on that month!

### STAINED GLASS BIRTH FLOWERS: SECONDARIES\*

THU, MAR. 27; 5PM - 6:30PM

Continuing on our birth flowers journey, let's take a look at the secondary birth flower of each month while turning them into beautiful faux stained glass artworks!

### MAKE YOUR OWN MINI BOOKS\*

THU, APR. 10; 5PM - 6PM

This week is National Library Week, so why not celebrate and support your local library by making a miniature book! Your finished creation will stand at just under 2" tall!

### MAKE YOUR OWN INTRIGUE EASTER CARD\*

THU, APR. 15; 5PM - 6PM

Come make an intrigue and beautiful Easter or Spring card to give to a loved one!

### SOCK BUNNIES\*

WED, APR. 16; 5:30PM - 6:30PM

This adorable bunny buddy will be the perfect addition to your displays this holiday! Join us as we make our own totally unique Bunny with common household items!

# Pittsville Branch

(410) 835-2353

Monday - Thursday: 10am - 7pm

Friday - Saturday: 10am - 5pm

Sunday: CLOSED

## CENTRE BRANCH PROGRAMS

### MOTHER'S DAY CARD CRAFT\*

THU, MAY 1; 5PM - 6:30PM

This 3D paper card not only makes a gorgeous Mother's Day gift, but it can also double as a table topper! Perfect for any mother in your life. We'll teach you step by step how to assemble it.

### PROGRAMS FOR EVERYONE

### VIRTUAL REALITY EXPLORATION\*

THU, MAR. 13; 3PM - 4PM

This virtual reality program offers a fun, hands on way to learn with realistic simulations and interactive experiences for all ages.

### TOLKIEN DOOR HANGER\*

TUE, MAR. 25; 4PM - 5PM

Celebrate Tolkien Day with this Lord of the Rings inspired door hanger! Supplies will be limited, and it will be first come first served.

### PIXEL ART WITH PERLER BEADS\*

THU, APR. 24; 4PM - 5PM

Join us as we take meltable perler beads and use them to create our own pixel art masterpieces! You don't have to have pixel art skills to participate, everyone at any level is welcome.

### DESIGN YOUR OWN COFFEE MUG\*

WED, MAY 20; 5PM - 6PM

Lets get creative and put together our own coffee mug designs! Pick out pre-cut vinyl shapes themed around coffee, tea, hot chocolate, or whatever else you might want on a mug and carefully attach them to your mug!

### ADULT PROGRAMS

### THE BRICK COLLECTIVE - CENTRE BRANCH ADULT LEGO CLUB\*

MON: 3/3, 3/17, 3/31, 4/14, 4/28 & 5/12; 5PM - 7PM

Are you a blockhead? Do you love all things Lego? Whether you're a seasoned builder or just starting your Lego journey, this is the perfect space to unleash your creativity. Throughout the season we will also be working collaboratively on large new and exciting Lego project kits to be displayed in our library. Refreshments and good vibes will be provided.

### COFFEE CLUB

THU: 3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10, 4/17, 4/24, 5/1, 5/8, 5/15, 5/22 & 5/29; 10:30AM - 12PM

Stop by Centre Branch on Thursday mornings and join the Coffee Club. Enjoy coffee, tea, or hot chocolate, meet new friends, and chat with others to start your day right! Help us save waste; bring a mug!

### SO YOU BOUGHT YOURSELF A CRICUT, NOW WHAT?\*

TUE, MAY 27; 5PM - 6:30PM

A cricut machine can be a wonderful tool, but getting started can be very intimidating. Not to worry, we'll go over all the basics you need to start building crafts and confidence! Starting from right out of the box, we'll talk about set up, tools, the design space, and finish by making our first cut together.

## PITTSVILLE BRANCH PROGRAMS

### LET'S PLAY RUMMIKUB!

WED: 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26, 4/2, 4/9, 4/16, 4/23 & 4/30; 4PM - 5PM

Come to the Library to meet new friends and learn to play Rummikub!

This tile-based game is easy to learn, good for your brain, and fun for all!

Beginners are welcome and no registration is required.

### ORIGAMI FLOWERS WITH KRISTIE\*

WED, MAY 7; 5PM - 6:45PM

Come make your own flowers with Kristie. They don't need to be watered and they would make a great gift for someone special.



### MOTHER'S DAY CARD CRAFT\*

THU, MAY 8; 5PM - 6:45PM

Come make a beautiful Mother's Day card to give to a loved one! We will also have a small craft to give as a gift with the card.



## COMMUNITY COMPUTER LAB

Need a place to study or do some work? Just need to use a computer for a short task? Stop by the Mobile Learning Lab!

Current stops available:

- Hebron - 3/7, 4/4 & 5/2; 10AM - 12PM
- Willards Lions Community Center - 3/14, 4/11 & 5/9; 10AM - 12PM
- Sharptown Town Hall - 3/21 & 5/16; 10AM - 12PM
- Fruitland - 3/28, 4/25 & 5/23; 10AM - 12PM

View the current schedule at:  
[tinyurl.com/wplmobilelab](http://tinyurl.com/wplmobilelab)



## FAMILY LAW HELP SERVICES

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

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

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

Current stops available:

- Willards Lions Lion Club - 3/12 & 5/14; 1PM - 4PM
- Sharptown Town Hall - 3/26 & 5/28; 1PM - 4PM
- Billy Gene Jackson Sr. Park - 4/9; 1PM - 4PM
- YMCA - 4/23; 1PM - 4PM

## TABLETOP GAME CLUB

WED: 3/5, 3/19, 4/2 & 4/30;  
3:30PM - 5:30PM

Parkside High parking lot

Do you like Scrabble, Uno, etc.? Come join us in playing tabletop games with your friends. All middle & high schoolers are welcome!

## STEM FREE PLAY

SAT, MAR. 8; 1PM - 2PM  
Westside Community Center

Join us for some STEM exploration. We will have out our Spheros, Osmos, STEM games, and Magnatiles. Try out one or try out them all! Ages 6-11.

## SOARING INTO THE FUTURE WITH KITES\*

SAT, MAR. 29; 10AM - 12PM  
Winterplace Park

Join us while we read about flying kites and launching lanterns like in Chinese lantern festivals. We will decorate kites with our wishes for the future and fly them.

## STORYTIME AND CRAFT @ KILBIRNIE

WED, APR. 16; 10AM - 11:30AM  
Kilbirnie Neighborhood Playground

Come out and join us at our Storywalk for some extra stories, singing, and a craft. Afterwards, take a walk along our storywalk path to read "How to Catch a Garden Fairy."

## NAME THAT SONG!

THU, APR. 17; 11AM - 12PM  
Westside Community Center

Bring your family out to the Westside Community Center and see who can name the most songs! We will have tunes for all ages.

## INTRO TO MAGIC THE GATHERING\*

MON, APR. 21; 1PM - 3PM  
YMCA's side parking lot

Come and join us to learn the game. All registrants will go home with some free game cards!

## PERSONALIZE YOUR WATER BOTTLE!\*

SAT, MAY 3; 10AM - 11AM

Westside Community Center

Decorate a reusable water bottle using our Cricut machine. We provide the materials you provide the imagination.

## STORYTIME AND CRAFT @ HUMANE SOCIETY

WED, MAY 14; 10AM - 11:30AM  
Humane Society

Come out and join us at our Storywalk at the Humane Society for some extra stories, singing, and a craft. Afterwards, take a pup for a walk along our storywalk path to read "Grumpy Monkey: Spring Fever."

## LIFE SKILLS SERIES\*

Is the idea of being an adult scary? The library's Life Skills series can help you out! This will be held on our Mobile Learning Lab in the parking lot of the Salisbury YMCA.

- Bank Accounts/Balancing a Checkbook - Sat, Mar. 8; 10AM - 11AM
- Loans/Credit Cards - Sat, Mar. 8; 11AM - 12PM
- Making a Budget - Sat, Mar. 22; 10AM - 10:45AM
- Taxes - Sat, Mar. 22; 11AM - 11:45AM
- How to Care for and Train your Dog - Sat, Apr. 12; 10:30AM - 11:30AM
- Resumes/Job Interviews - Sat, Apr. 26; 10AM - 11:30AM
- Household Maintenance - Sat, May 10; 10AM - 11AM
- Automobile Care - Sat, May 10; 11AM - 12PM
- Buying a House - Sat, May 17; 10AM - 11AM

# Services and Support



## COMMUNITY SUPPORT CENTER Supporting Bright Futures

At Wicomico Public Library, the Community Support Center is here to help you take the next step in your journey. Located at our Paul S. Sarbanes Branch, the Center offers access to essential resources and services, including assistance with job searches, government programs, and connections to housing and healthcare. Our donation area is stocked with clothing and non-perishable food items to support neighbors in need.

This spring, we're excited to introduce new programs that aim to empower and uplift our community:

- **Free Phone Program:** We've partnered with HBNewLife Management LLC to provide free phones. Call 347-971-5802 for more information on the 2025 schedule.
- **"How to Tech" Series:** Beginning March 26th, this weekly bilingual program (English and French) will teach computer basics and website navigation every Tuesday from 11 am to 12 pm.

At the Community Support Center, we believe in the power of connection and the promise of brighter futures. Together, we can make a difference.

For more information on the Community Support Center, visit [wicomicolibrary.org/community](http://wicomicolibrary.org/community) or call 410-749-3612 ext: 161.

## MEETING ROOMS

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

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



## Volunteer Appreciation Month

Many of the volunteers at the Wicomico Public Library wear many different hats and come from all walks of life. The fact that many of our volunteers take time out of their busy schedules as doctors, lawyers, teachers, mothers, and entrepreneurs is amazing and it speaks to the dedication they have to our library system. Our volunteers love what they do and make a great difference in how our library supports our community. We appreciate our volunteer's service every day but we want to celebrate them this month for all they do!!! Thank you to all our volunteers from all branches. We could not do what we do without your hard work and dedication every day from working the bookstore, book sales, circulation, summer reading, and the list could go on and on. So, we say thank you and Happy Volunteer Appreciation Month!

Interested in becoming a library volunteer? Visit our website at: [wicomicolibrary.org/volunteer](http://wicomicolibrary.org/volunteer) for more information!

# Virtual Programs and Online Services

## VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALKS

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

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

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER:



### MORE VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

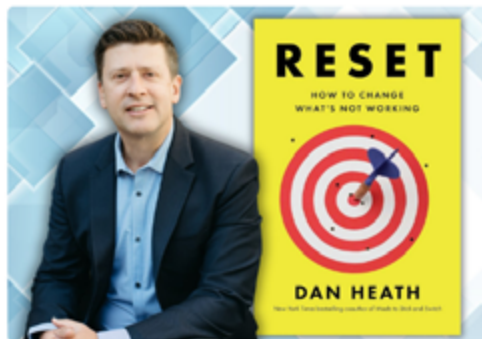
#### VIRTUAL BOOK DISCUSSION

TUE: 3/18, 4/15 & 5/20;  
5:30PM - 6:30PM

Please join the Virtual Book Club from the comfort of your home for a relaxed discussion. Come prepared to share book(s) that you're reading or have recently read. Registration is required.



#### POWER OF RESET WITH AUTHOR DAN HEATH



WED, MARCH 12TH  
AT 2 PM

#### AN AUTHOR TALK WITH JENNIFER WEINER



WED, MARCH 26TH  
AT 7 PM

#### THE TREE BOOK SMITHSONIAN GARDENS



TUE, APRIL 8TH  
AT 2 PM

#### HOW WOMEN'S LIBERATION TRANSFORMED AMERICA



THU, MARCH 20TH  
AT 2 PM

#### AN AUTHOR TALK WITH JODI PICOULT



WED, APRIL 2ND  
AT 7 PM

#### AN AUTHOR TALK WITH GREGG HURWITZ



THU, APRIL 24TH  
AT 7 PM

# Friends Foundation



## A Warm Welcome to Our New Board Members!

The Library is thrilled to welcome the newest members to the Friends Foundation of Wicomico Public Library Board of Directors. We are incredibly fortunate to have such a talented and dedicated group of individuals join us in our mission to support and enhance the vital resources and services offered by our library.

This is an especially exciting time for the library, with the future opening of the new Sarbanes Library at Schumaker Pond. Our new board members join us with a shared enthusiasm for this project and a commitment to ensuring its success as a vibrant community hub. Their support will be instrumental in promoting the new library and connecting it with the wider community.

These new board members bring a wealth of experience and diverse perspectives that will undoubtedly strengthen our organization. Their expertise in various fields, combined with their passion for literacy and community engagement will be invaluable as we work to further the library's impact on Wicomico County.

We are excited to embark on this new chapter with their support and look forward to the fresh ideas and energy they will bring to the table.

Together, we will continue to champion the library system, including the new Sarbanes Library, as a cornerstone of our community, providing access to knowledge, fostering lifelong learning, and enriching lives.

Please join us in extending a warm welcome to our newest board members. We are confident that their contributions will make a significant difference in the lives of those we serve.

Welcome aboard!

*Board Members Pictured: Tony Sarbanes, Eric Johnston, Chip Dashiell, Seth Hershberger, Scott Duncan, Marty Neat, Ray Hoy, BJ Summers, Bill McCain, Steve Farrow, Jack Long, Audrey Orr*

*Not in Photo: Megan Outten, Mike Wigley, Britta Holloway.*



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Wicomico Public Library

## FRIENDS FOUNDATION OF THE WICOMICO PUBLIC LIBRARY

### SAVE THE DATE

**SPRING BOOK SALE  
FRIENDS PREVIEW NIGHT  
APRIL 10**

**APRIL 11 - 12  
10 AM - 4:30 PM**

### BECOME A MEMBER!

The Friends of Wicomico Public Library provides support for this necessary public institution.

Being a Friend shows your commitment to the Library, its resources, services, and educational opportunities.

**Visit our Friends of the Library website for the current membership levels and perks available!**

To join securely online, visit [qrco.de/wplfriends](http://qrco.de/wplfriends) or scan the QR code:



**SCAN THE QR CODE  
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## Paul S. Sarbanes Branch Downtown Salisbury

(410) 749-3612

Monday - Thursday: 10am - 7pm  
Friday - Saturday: 10am - 5pm  
Sunday: 1pm - 5pm

## Centre Branch Centre At Salisbury

(410) 546-5397

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

## Pittsville Branch 34372 Old Ocean City Rd

(410) 835-2353

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

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mobileservices@wicomico.org

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