



# WEATHERVANE

Spring/Summer 2009

## **GOOD NEIGHBOR DAY** **SUNDAY, JUNE 7** **1 - 4 pm**



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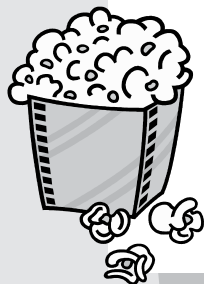
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# Children's Programs

(Please pre-register for all unticketed programs)

## Summer Reading Program: Be Creative @ Your Library!

Beginning on Good Neighbor Day (June 7) and running all summer long, children and teens can win great prizes as they discover the joys of summer reading. Prizes include tickets to Baltimore Orioles baseball games! *Note: We are especially grateful to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring many of our summer reading prizes.*



## Easton

### **CELEBRATE CINCO DE MAYO**

Tuesday, May 5, 3:00 - 4:45 p.m. Come when it is convenient to your school schedule. For all ages, 8 and under with an adult.

### **FIRST STEP STORYTIME**

Tuesdays, June 9 - July 14, 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. for children under 2 with an adult, 10:45 - 11:30 a.m. for 2 - 3 year olds with an adult.

### **PRESCHOOL STORYTIME**

Wednesdays, June 10, 17, 24, and July 8 and 15, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. for 3 - 5 year olds who have not attended kindergarten. No adult required in the program, though one must remain in the library.

### **GREAT ARTISTS!**

Mondays, June 15 and 29, 10:30 - 11:45 a.m., and Wednesday, July 8, 2:00 - 3:15 p.m. Art activities, based on the style of famous artists, for children entering grades 1 - 5.

### **EXPLORING YOUR ENVIRONMENT THROUGH ECOSYSTEMS AND SOILS**

Wednesday, June 17, 2:00 - 3:15 p.m., for 8 - 13 year olds. For kids who like to get their hands dirty and have fun, this is a chance to identify plants and animals that live in the soil. Presented by the University of Maryland Extension-Talbot County 4H program.

### **CREATE YOUR OWN HARDWARE JEWELRY**

Tuesday, June 16, 2:00 p.m., for children 10 and up.

### **WHAT'S THE MATTER? CHEMISTRY WITH FOAM, FIZZ, AND FLASH!**

Thursday, June 18, 10:00 a.m., recommended for ages 5 and up. Free tickets available June 11. Presented by the Maryland Science Center.

### **MAGIC 'N FUN**

With Magician John Donaldson

Monday, June 22, 11:00 a.m. Free tickets available June 15.

### **PAPERMAKING WITH DIANA HASTINGS**

*Note: This is a two-day program. To register, children must be available to attend both days.*

Tuesday, June 23, and Thursday, June 25, 2:00 - 3:15 p.m., for children 10 and up.

### **BOYS ONLY BOOK GROUP WITH BILL PEAK**

Wednesday, June 24, noon - 1:00 p.m., for boys 8 - 10 years old. Bring a favorite book or two and your lunch. The library will supply dessert and beverages.

### **TEEN ARTS AND CRAFTS**

Monday, June 29, 2:00 - 3:15 p.m., for artists entering grades 6 - 12.

### **READ TO THERAPY DOGS**

Bring a book (or choose a library book) and read for 15 minutes to a therapy dog.

Tuesdays, June 30 and August 11, 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. (pre-register for a 15-minute session), for 6 - 12 year olds.

### **SHAKE, RATTLE, AND SPOON—CREATE MUSIC WITH SUZANNE & JIM**

Wednesday, July 1, 10:30 a.m. Free tickets available June 24. Supported with funds from the Talbot County Arts Council.

### **THE PEE WEE PIRATE SHOW WITH MARY ANN JUNG**

Thursday, July 9, 10:30 a.m. Free tickets available July 2. Supported with funds from the Talbot County Arts Council.

### **MAKE YOUR OWN PUPPETS!**

Monday, July 13, 10:30 - 11:45 a.m., for children entering grades 1 - 5.

### **FINE ART IN THE NATURAL WORLD WITH JERRY SCHNEIDER**

Wednesday, July 15, 2:30 p.m., for ages 6 and up. Participants should bring a plain white cotton t-shirt suitable for an art activity. Supported with funds from the Talbot County Arts Council.

### **REPTILE WORLD! MICHAEL SHWEDICK—THE REPTILE MAN—RETURNS!**

Monday, July 20, 10:00 a.m. Free tickets available July 13. Sponsored by The Friends of the Talbot County Free Library.

### **THE MAGIC OF ORIGAMI WITH CHRIS EARECKSON**

Tuesday, July 21, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., for children 8 and up.

### **LITERATURE AND THE GARDEN**

Wednesday, July 22, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m., for children entering grades 1 - 4. Presented by the University of Maryland Extension-Talbot County 4H.

### **WHAT'S IN THE FOREST? SEE WHAT CAN BE FOUND IN OUR MARYLAND FORESTS!**

Monday, July 27, 2:00 - 3:15 p.m., for ages 8 - 13. Presented by the University of Maryland Extension-Talbot County 4H.

### **SONGWRITING FOR UP AND COMING MUSICIANS WITH KENTAVIUS JONES**

Monday, July 27, 6:00 - 7:45 p.m. For songwriters entering grades 9 - 12. **Note: This class is limited to 15 students.** Supported with funds from the Talbot County Arts Council.

### **ART ADVENTURES WITH VAUGHN VOLUNGIS**

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, July 28, 29, and 30, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m., for children entering grades 1 and 2; 11:00 a.m. - noon for children entering grades 3, 4, and 5. Supported with funds from the Talbot County Arts Council.

### **SUMMER FLICKS FOR KIDS**

**(You do not need to pre-register for this program.)**

Free popcorn and movies! Times, dates, and titles to be announced.

## **St. Michaels**

### **TOT TIME**

Mondays, May 4 and 11 and June 1 - July 27, at 10:15 a.m., for children 5 and under accompanied by an adult.

### **AFTER SCHOOL AND SUMMER CRAFTS**

Tuesdays, May 26, June 29, and July 28 at 3:30 p.m., for children 8 and up.

### **GAME DAY AT THE LIBRARY**

Monday, June 1, at 3:30 p.m., ages 12 and up.

### **FANCY NANCY FASHION EXTRAVAGANZA**

Friday, June 19, at 1:00 p.m., children 5 and up. Come dressed in your most fancy attire.

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## **Adult Programs**

**All library programs are free and open to the public.**

### **SUMMER READING PROGRAM FOR ADULTS ... WHY SHOULD KIDS HAVE ALL THE FUN?**

Play Book Bingo this summer at the library! Pick up a bingo card at the library and begin to play. Each "Bingo!" you achieve makes you eligible for weekly drawings and a grand prize at the end of the summer. Also, special this summer: *Write your own book review and have it posted in the library!*

## **Easton**

### **THE ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN PEACE PROCESS, PRESENTED BY MARK CROATTI**

Saturday, May 2, 2:00 p.m. Mark Croatti—who teaches at the University of Maryland and George Washington University—gives an update on two of the world's most resilient peoples, the Israelis and Palestinians. Related by geography and blood, these two groups' claims to land they have both lived on for thousands of years have resulted in a seemingly endless state of conflict. Their inability to come to terms continues to threaten world peace.

### **COOKING ON THE BAY WITH KATIE MOOSE**

Monday, May 11, 6:00 p.m. Celebrate spring with recipes from Katie Moose's three Chesapeake Bay cookbooks—*Chesapeake's Bounty*, *Chesapeake's Bounty II*, and her latest, *God's Bounty: 365 Days of Inspirational Cooking*. May is the time for Eastern Shore asparagus and strawberries. Come taste the flavors of the Bay!

### **STITCHING HOUR**

Mondays, May 18 and June 8, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Bring projects in progress (sewing, knitting, cross-stitch, what-have-you). Limited instruction available for beginners and newcomers.

### **THE LIFE AND MYSTERIOUS DEATH OF JOHN WILKES BOOTH**

Monday, June 22, 6:00 p.m. The head of the Enoch Pratt Library's Maryland Department, Jeff Korman, discusses Lincoln's assassination and its aftermath, including the possibility that Booth actually escaped his pursuers and lived to see the 20th century. A lecture for audiences of all ages, Korman's presentation includes photographs and source materials related to the life and death of America's most notorious assassin.

### **HOT SUMMER FLICKS AT SIX**

Selected Monday nights. New releases and old summer favorites. Check the library website ([www.tcfl.org](http://www.tcfl.org)) for dates and titles.

## **St. Michaels**

### **STITCH & CHAT**

Thursdays, May 7, June 4, and July 2, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Bring your projects and stitch with a group.

### **STROKE SUPPORT**

Wednesdays, May 27, June 24, and July 22, at 2:00 p.m.

### **BASIC COMPUTER CLASS**

*(Pre-registration required)*

Wednesdays, June 3 and 10, and July 1 and 8, from 10:00 a.m. - noon. A two-session class for basic computer use. Class size is limited to 7, so register early.

### **MONDAY FAMILY MOVIE MATINÉE**

Mondays, July 6 - August 3, and August 17 at noon. Movie titles to be announced.

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# Friends of the Talbot County Free Library

## 19th Annual Poetry Contest a Success!

The 2009 Poetry Contest received more than 250 entries. Poems came in from all over the county. A large number of poems came from local public and private schools, where it would seem a whole new generation of poets is blooming. Out of the 250+ entries, 22 were selected by our judges for special recognition. The names of these 22 and their poems are posted on the library's website, [www.tcfl.org](http://www.tcfl.org).

## The Townsends' Membership Drive is a Family Affair

Linda Townsend and her 7-year-old daughter, Sophia, have been spending Thursday afternoons at the main library making new Friends. If you've visited the Easton Branch between 4 and 6 p.m. on a Thursday, you've probably seen them signing people up for the Friends of the Library.

One recent afternoon, Sophia, a budding artist of considerable promise, created a great poster about joining the Friends. If you haven't seen it already, please check it out in the lobby of the Easton Branch.

If you've not yet joined the Friends,

it's never too late. As you can see from the application below, annual membership for the whole family is only \$10. If you join with the Townsends in Easton on a Thursday or in St. Michaels on the first Wednesday of the month, each member of your family will receive a gently used book. We know how to treat our Friends!

## Brown Bag Lunch Lectures

*(No pre-registration required.)*

### Easton

#### PETE HOWELL DISCUSSES WODEHOUSE

Thursday, May 21, at noon, Pete Howell offers a lighthearted discussion of that quintessential British author, P. G. Wodehouse. Wodehouse's take on the antics and eccentricities of upper-class English society has delighted readers since the early 1900s. Mr. Howell will discuss Wodehouse's life and works.

### St. Michaels

#### LOCAL AUTHOR DON PARKS

Monday, May 4, at noon, Don Parks, author of *Chesapeake Winds and Tides*, talks about the book that developed out of his journeys aboard the *Yankee Rover* to ten Eastern Shore rivers and two island groups. *Chesapeake Winds and Tides* describes a traditional culture in danger of disappearing.



## BE A FRIEND OF THE LIBRARY!

Please enroll me as a member of Friends of the Talbot County Free Library

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### DUES

\$10.00 per household \$ \_\_\_\_\_ extra donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_ total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Both dues and donations are tax deductible. Make checks payable to: Friends of the Talbot County Free Library. Please send check and completed form to: Friends of the Library, c/o The Talbot County Free Library, 100 West Dover Street, Easton, MD 21601, or you can just give them to the folks behind the desk at the library.

## Talbot County Free Library

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## One Maryland One Book

James McBride's novel *Song Yet Sung* has been selected to be the book people all across the state will be reading and discussing as the focus of this year's One Maryland One Book program.

Set on Maryland's Eastern Shore in the 1850s, *Song Yet Sung* tells a gripping story of escaped slaves, free blacks, and slave-catchers. The protagonist is an enslaved woman whose gift for prophetic vision

reaches mythic proportions following her escape from a local plantation.

James McBride is an award-winning novelist, composer, and screenwriter. Author of *The New York Times* best-selling memoir *The Color of Water*, McBride's first novel, *Miracle at St. Anna*, was made into a 2008 film directed by Spike Lee (available on DVD at the library).

*Watch for One MD One Book-related programs in our next newsletter and on our website!*

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