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"Prose fiction is something you build up from 26 letters and a handful of punctuation marks, and you, and you alone, using your imagination, create a world and people it and look out through other eyes. You get to feel things, visit places and worlds you would never otherwise know. You learn that everyone else out there is a me, as well. You're being someone else, and when you return to your own world, you're going to be slightly changed."

—Neil Gaiman—

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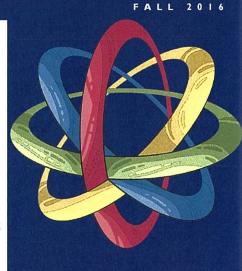
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STEM Festival 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5 Easton Library

Celebrate science, technology, engineering, and math with fun, free activities for the entire family.

All events are free and open to the public.



Maryland Science Center's Skylab Planetarium. Seasonal Stars of the Mid-Atlantic. Locate seasonal constellations and learn when they can be seen. Locate the moon, stars, and planets in the current night sky. Sponsored by the Friends of the Talbot County Free Library. Tickets (available *free* at the library the day of the festival) are required to attend one of the day's five, 50-minute shows.

A hands-on lesson in carving a log canoe from Matt Engel, Shipwright Educator at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum.

A demonstration of solar and wind power from **Chesapeake College**, using a model wind turbine and small solar cells. Make your own circuits and work with the wind turbine to discover the effects of wind speed, number of blades, and blade angles. Also learn how Chesapeake College is reducing energy use and generating its own electricity on its Wye Mills campus.

An exhibit of American, British, and European World War II model airplanes, presented by **Easton/Newman Field Airport**.

Easton Utilities will demonstrate the stages of the Easton Sustainability Campus located at the Wastewater Treatment Facility, and how it maximizes resource conservation and fiscal responsibility.

Phillips Wharf Environmental Center Fishmobile. Touch or hold Horseshoe Crabs and Diamondback Terrapins. Learn how an oyster reef is created, what else lives there, and how oysters help the Chesapeake Bay. Explore the watershed, learn properties of water, water cycles, and river names. Discover distributions, migration, and fish adaptations. Sponsored by the Friends of the Talbot County Free Library.

Displays of current STEM projects at Talbot County Public Schools.















Playaway Launchpad



Online Learning anytime, anywhere... Just a click away with your library card!





Frederick Douglass



From the Director's Desk

With school starting up again, the Talbot County Free Library has a new set of learning tools for children. Playaway Launchpads—Android tablets for children ages 3-7 featuring high quality, preloaded learning apps—will soon be available for checkout. The content supports early literacy, and the devices do *not* permit access to the internet.

For patrons of all ages, the library is now offering the acclaimed language-learning program Rosetta Stone. Patrons wishing to learn a new language can select from 30 languages, including English. These language courses are also helpful for those wishing to learn some conversational phrases before taking a trip abroad. Rosetta Stone can be accessed with a library card on any computer with speakers and a microphone, or from an Android mobile device.

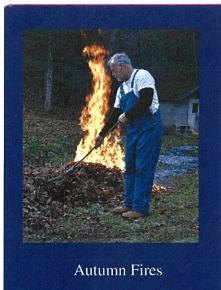
If you are looking to learn new skills in Business, Computer Applications, Healthcare, Arts, Law, Education, Technology, Writing, or other areas, the library's Gale Courses offer a wide range of highly interactive courses that can be taken entirely online. As a library card holder, you can take an unlimited number of courses at no charge. Courses run for six weeks and new sessions begin every month.

From our early literacy programs for babies and preschoolers, to fun school-aged programming, to enriching programs for adults, this will be a busy fall at the library. On Saturday, Sept. 24, we will partner with other community organizations to celebrate Frederick Douglass Day. There will be music, food, a children's village, and speakers from both Yale and Harvard. Also in September, Bill Peak will host discussions of the One Maryland, One Book: *All American Boys*—two here in Easton and two in St. Michaels.

I want to thank you all for the support you have given your library. Planning for the Fiscal Year 2018 budget starts soon and I invite you to share your ideas with me as we plan for the future. I look forward to seeing you at the library!

Dana Newman

Children's Programming

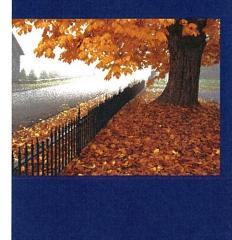


In the other gardens
And all up the vale,
From the autumn bonfires
See the smoke trail!

Pleasant summer over
And all the summer flowers,
The red fire blazes,
The grey smoke towers.

Sing a song of seasons! Something bright in all! Flowers in the summer, Fires in the fall!

—Robert Louis Stevenson—



Easton

Story Time

Tuesdays, September 13- December 6, 10:00 a.m. For children 5 and under accompanied by an adult. No program November 1.

Judy Center 0-3 Playgroups

Fridays, September 16 & 30, October 14 & 28, and November 18, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Meet the Creatures of Pickering Creek

Mondays, October 3 & December 5, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Discover Your World through Books, Art and Science Wednesdays, October 12 - November 16, 2:00 p.m. For children 3-5 accompanied by an adult.

Welcome Fall with Crafts

Thursday, September 22, 3:00 - 4:45 p.m. For all ages.

Young Gardeners Club

Sponsored by the Talbot County Garden Club

Thursday, October 6, 3:45 - 4:45 p.m. Vegetable Creatures.

Friday, October 21, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Fall Bulbs.

Thursday, November 3, 3:45 - 4:45 p.m. Celebrate Nature at Christmas

Thursday, November 17, 3:45 - 4:45 p.m. Topic to be announced. For grades 1 - 4. Registration is required.

Halloween Crafts

Thursday, October 27, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. For all ages.

St. Michaels

Family Unplugged Games

Thursdays, September 8, October 6, & November 10, 3:30 p.m. Bring the whole family to the library for an afternoon of board games and fun educational children's games. For all ages (children 5 and under must be accompanied by

an adult).

Family Crafts, Mondays at 3:00 p.m., for ages 3 and up.

September 12: School Folders & Journals.

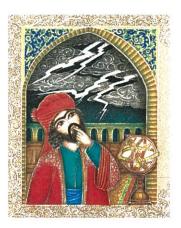
October 24: Halloween and Fall Crafts.

November 14: Thanksgiving and Fall Crafts.

Story Time (often joined by "Canine Companions for Independence" dog Vail with Miss Kate)

Wednesdays, September 14 - 28, October 12 - 26, & November 9 - 16, 10:30 a.m. For children 5 and under accompanied by an adult.







St. Michaels Children's Programs (continued)

Book Arts for Teens & Adults

Monday, October 17, 3:00 p.m. Accordion Book. Monday, November 7, 3:00 p.m. Japanese Stab Binding Book. Explore the fascinating process of creating a personal journal!



Puppet Shows with Ms. Carla

Thursday, October 13, 4:00 p.m. Teeny Tiny Woman. An old lady and her dog find a teeny tiny bone in a graveyard and trouble follows them home.

Thursday, November 17, 3:30 p.m. Turkey Surprise. Find out what happens when turkeys go on strike at Thanksgiving!

For ages 3 and older.

Tales for "Pets on Wheels" dog Wally with Miss Maggie Gowe

Mondays, October 3 and November 21, 3:00 p.m. Bring your own reading material or pick out a book from the library to read to Wally in one of the 10-15 minute sessions. For ages 5 and older.



Native American Celebration

Tuesday, October 4, 3:30 p.m. Native American storytelling, trivia, music, and create your own beaded necklace with Ms. JoAnn Brown. For all ages. Registration is required.

Hogwarts Halloween

Thursday, October 27, 6:00 p.m. Celebrate Halloween the Hogwarts Way with a costume contest, fun games, yucky experiments, and dancing! Come dressed as your favorite Hogwarts character, witch, wizard, vampire, werewolf, or any magical creature! For ages 5 and older. Registration is required.

Story Time at the Hooper Strait Lighthouse, (Location: Chesapeake Bay **Maritime Museum**)

Wednesday, November 9, 10:30 a.m. Explore a real lighthouse with stories, crafts, and technology! For children 7 and under accompanied by an adult. Registration required; space limited so register early. To register, please call the St. Michaels library at 410-745-5877.



Adult Programs

Easton

Stitching Time

Mondays, September 12, October 17, & November 14, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Bring projects in progress (sewing, knitting, cross-stitch, what-have-you). Limited instruction available for beginners. Newcomers welcome!



One Maryland One Book Discussion: All American Boys

Monday, September 12, 6:00 p.m. Bill Peak hosts a discussion of this year's One Maryland One Book, All American Boys by Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely.



Thursday, September 15, noon. Mikaela Boley, Urban Horticulture/Master

Gardener Coordinator, will talk about different landscaping issues related to the environment, insects, plant diseases, and other issues of interest.



Adult Programs

Easton (continued)

Poetry Open Mike Night at the Library

Thursday, September 15, 6:30 p.m. Read and/or perform your own or your favorite poem in front of an audience of your peers. This program is open to all ages.

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Book Discussion: All American Boys

Monday, September 19, 6:30 p.m. The library book group discusses this year's One Maryland One Book, *All American Boys* by Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely.

Frederick Douglass Day

Saturday, September 24, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. A children's village, speakers from Yale (David Blight) and Harvard (John Stauffer), Gospel choirs, historic artifacts, food and art vendors, historic reënactor, a scavenger hunt, and more ... all in honor of Talbot County's most famous native son!



Gilbert Byron: Sole Survivor

Monday, September 26, 6:00 p.m. Author Jacques Baker discusses Chesapeake writer Gilbert Byron's work, *Sole Survivor*.

Friends of the Talbot County Free Library Annual Meeting

Monday, October 3, 5:00 p.m. The Friends are especially pleased to have Dana Newman, our new Library Director, as guest speaker. Ms. Newman will discuss the library's upcoming strategic planning—scheduled for the next year—future plans for the St. Michaels addition and renovation, community partnerships, and other items of interest to library patrons.

Delmarva's Best Ghost Stories

Thursday, October 13, 6:00 p.m. Author and storyteller Ed Okonowicz shares ghost stories and legends of our area, including Bigg Lizz, Patty Cannon, Delaware's haunted governor's mansion, Fiddler's Bridge, Fort Delaware, phantoms at the Cape May-Lewes Ferry, and more.

Book Discussion: The Tsar of Love and Techno: Stories by Anthony Marra Monday, October 17, 6:30 p.m. The library book group discusses this acclaimed of

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Ed Okonowicz

Brown Bag: Severe Weather Preparation for Individuals and their Animals

Thursday, October 20, noon. Carol Vandrey and Christopher Anderson will show you how to make your home and community better prepared and more resilient when bad weather strikes.

Saturday, October 29, The Chesapeake Film Festival and the Library Present:

9:00 a.m. Karate Workshop

9:45 a.m. Screening of Karate Kid

Noon Karate Presentation for John Avildsen, director of *Karate Kid*

12:45 p.m. Screening of Cardboard Dreams

1:15 p.m. Screening of *Black Captains of the Chesapeake*



Kermit Robt. Lee Travers Skipjack Captain

Adult Programs

Easton (continued)



Gigantic Book Sale

November 3-5. The Friends of the Library's annual sale of loved and gently used books. All proceeds to benefit library programming.

Maryland STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math) Festival

Saturday, November 5, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Celebrate science, technology, engineering, and math with fun, free activities for the entire family. Please see front page for a complete listing of the day's program offerings.

Preserving an Historic Bugeye: the Edna E. Lockwood

Monday, November 7, 6:00 p.m. As part of the week's STEM Festival, Mike Gorman of the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum gives a talk entitled "Old Technologies, New Technologies: A Stewardship Strategy for the *Edna E. Lockwood*."

Cuba: The Forbidden Country

Thursday, November 10, 6:30 p.m. Herbert Rogers of the Eddie and Sylvia Brown African American Department of the Enoch Pratt Free Library will discuss aspects of Cuban culture and society in a slide-illustrated presentation. A scholar of Latin American studies, Rogers is particularly interested in the African Diaspora in the Caribbean.

Brown Bag: A Trip Into the Amazon Basin

Thursday, November 17, noon. Marine zoologist and evolutionary biologist Greg Farley shares stories and pictures from his recent trip to the Peruvian portion of the Amazon River Basin.



Book Discussion: Trail of Broken Wings by Sejal Badani

Monday, November 21, 6:30 p.m. The library book group discusses this novel by Sejal Badani.

St. Michaels

Arts & Crafts Group

Thursdays, September 1, October 6, & November 3, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Free instruction for knitting, beading, needlework, and tatting. Bring your coloring book, Zentangle pens, or anything else that fuels your passion for being creative. You may also bring a lunch.



Memoir Writing

Thursdays, September 8 & 22, October 13 & 27, & November 10, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Record and share your memories of life and family with a group of friendly, like-minded people. Participants are invited to bring their lunch. Patrons are asked to pre-register for this program.



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Book Discussion: All American Boys

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Adult Programs

St. Michaels (continued)

Tuesday Movie@noon

October 25: The Finest Hours November 29: Monuments Men

Brown Bag Lunch: Chesapeake Oysters, The Bay's Foundation and Future

Monday, October 3, noon. Local author Kate Livie of the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum tells the dynamic story of the Chesapeake's keystone species, the oyster.

Haunted Lighthouse Tales and Sea Superstitions!

Ed Okonowicz, Author and Storyteller

Thursday, October 13, 2:00 p.m. Author and storyteller Ed Okonowicz shares tales of shipwrecks, shouted warnings, deaths at sea, mysterious piano music, apparitions, and the effects of deadly storms in and around our nation's lighthouses.

Book Discussion: The Circle by Dave Eggers

Wednesday, October 19, 3:30 p.m. The St. Michaels book group discusses Dave Eggers' *The Circle*.

Author Talk: The Freudian Desires of Dashiell Hammett, Raymond Chandler, Ross Macdonald, and Their Detectives

Thursday, October 20, 2:00 p.m. Author Karen Karydes talks about the work of three of America's greatest writers of detective fiction.

Brown Bag: More Tales of the Deep from Jay Harford

Monday, November 7, noon. Jay Harford, a designer of marine instrumentation, talks about the difficulty of finding, photographing, and even rescuing lost submarines.

Book Discussion: Spoils of Poynton by Henry James

Wednesday, November 16, 3:30 p.m. The St. Michaels book group discusses Henry James's Spoils of Poynton.



The Finest Hours

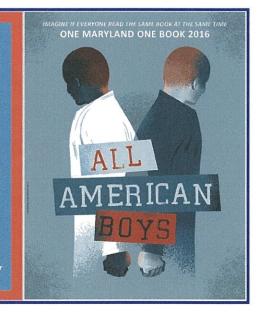


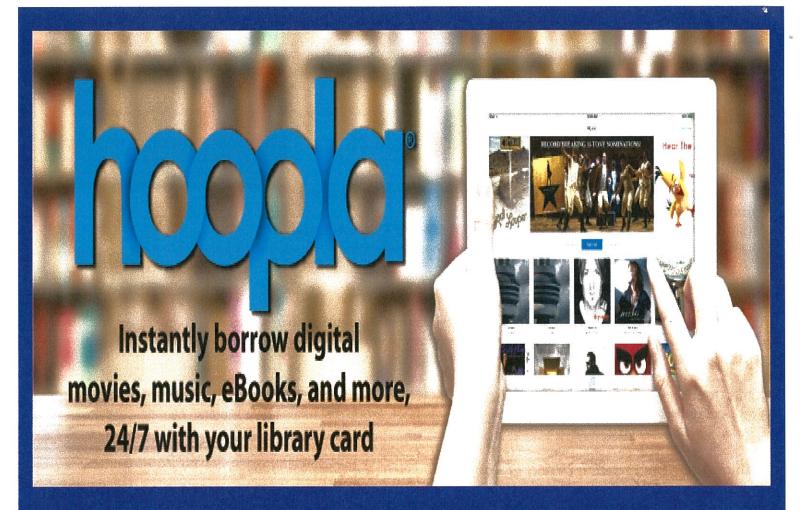
Ed Okonowicz



Karen Karydes

Read the Book All Maryland Is Reading Bill Peak Hosts Discussions Mon., Sept. 12, 6 p.m., Easton Library & Fri., Sept. 16, 3 p.m., St. Michaels Library





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