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“Knowledge makes a
man unfit to be a
slave.”

—Frederick Douglass



SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING
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Festival!

Saturday, November 11

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Easton Library

Paint with light, take a Virtual Reality field trip,
meet live birds of prey, enjoy light refreshments,
music, and more!

Festival made possible by the Friends of the Library.

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From the Director's Desk

In September, the Talbot County Free Library will be joining the county-wide campaign “Talbot Goes Purple” to raise awareness of the Opioid epidemic affecting both our nation and our local area. The library will set up displays, make educational materials on the dangers of opioid use and other forms of substance abuse available, and we will host a program entitled “Adolescence and Substance Abuse: The Times They Are A-Changing” (September 14, 6:30 p.m., Easton branch).

September is also library card sign-up month, so we ask for your help in making sure every child in Talbot County has the most important back-to-school supply of all: a free library card. As the number of families in poverty rises, some two-thirds of the children who live in poverty have *no* books at home. Research shows that children of all ages who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better at school.

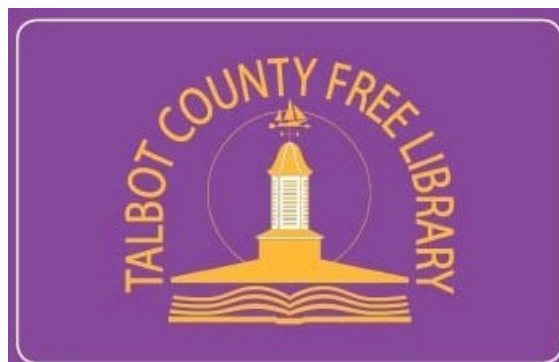
To increase awareness of both “Talbot Goes Purple” and the benefits of having and using a library card, the Talbot County Free Library will be offering *purple* library cards to new library card applicants (while supplies last) throughout the month of September. The library is the people’s university, gateway to a new world of discovery and learning. So please, encourage everyone you know who does not have a library card to come in during the month of September and get one. Just think of the power you offer them!

Speaking of power, Frederick Douglass wisely said, “Once you learn to read, you will be forever free.” Talbot County’s most famous native son understood that basic literacy skills—the ability to read and write effectively—are essential to one’s full participation in society and the great American experiment we call “democracy.” On Saturday, September 23, the Talbot County Free Library will partner with the Frederick Douglass Honor Society, the Town of Easton, and others to sponsor Talbot County’s annual Frederick Douglass Day celebration. Please see the cover of this newsletter for a list of all the wonderful ways in which our community will honor this great man.

Finally, on Saturday, November 11, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., the Friends of the Talbot County Free Library will sponsor a S.T.E.A.M. Festival in our Easton branch that will feature Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, & Mathematics programming. Patrons will have the opportunity to paint with light thanks to Futuremakers, take a Virtual Reality field trip using Google Expeditions, meet live birds of prey from Scales & Tales, and enjoy light refreshments, music, and more!

The library is changing your world. Please join us!

Dana Newman



Children's Programming

Frederick Douglass

When it is finally ours,
 this freedom, this
 liberty, this beautiful
 and terrible thing,
 needful to man as air,
 usable as earth;
 when it belongs at last
 to all,
 when it is truly instinct,
 brain matter,
 diastole, systole,
 reflex action; when it is finally
 won; when it is more
 than the gaudy mumbo jumbo
 of politicians:
 this man, this Douglass,
 this former slave,
 this Negro
 beaten to his knees, exiled,
 visioning a world
 where none is lonely,
 none hunted, alien,
 this man, superb in love
 and logic, this man
 shall be remembered.
 Oh, not with statues'
 rhetoric,
 not with legends and poems
 and wreaths of bronze
 alone,
 but with the lives grown out of
 his life, the lives
 fleshing his dream
 of the beautiful,
 needful thing.

—Robert Hayden—

Easton

Story Time

Tuesdays, September 12 - December 5, 10:00 a.m. For children 5 and under accompanied by an adult.

Futuremakers: Hypnotizers

Monday, September 18, for grades 2 & 3 at 4 p.m.; all ages at 5:30 p.m. Pre-Registration required. This project was made possible in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services

Read with a Certified Therapy Dog.

Tuesdays, September 19, October 17, and November 21, 4:00 p.m. Bring a book or choose a library book and read with Janet Dickey and her dog Latte.

S.T.E.A.M (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics) Program

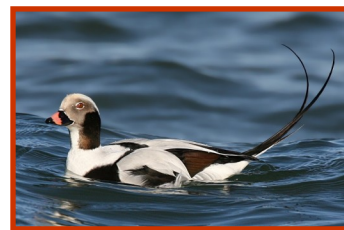
Thursday, September 21, 3:00 - 4:45 p.m. Take a Virtual Reality field trip with Google Expeditions, enjoy Make and Take, Build with LEGOS, Minecraft, and more. For all ages.

We Are Makers

Wednesdays, October 11 - November 15, 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. Create gadgets and gizmos with guided instruction and a fun-box full of supplies. For children 6 and older. Pre-Registration required.

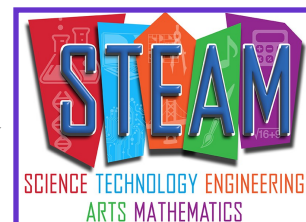
Wonders of Wetland Waterfowl (at Easton Middle School)

Friday, November 10, 11:00 a.m. Environmental Concern staff will test your knowledge of local waterfowl and their relationship with the wetlands they call home. Children will build their own wetland habitats and explore the amazing adaptations that make waterfowl unique. For all ages, families with their children. This program, which takes place at Easton Middle School, is made possible through a partnership between the library and the Waterfowl Festival.



S.T.E.A.M. Fair

Saturday, November 11, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Paint with light, take a Virtual Reality field trip, meet live birds of prey and reptiles, enjoy light refreshments, music, and more! Festival made possible by the Friends of the Library.



St. Michaels

Family Crafts

Tuesday, September 5, 3:30 p.m. Back-to-School Folders and Journals

Family Unplugged Games

Thursdays, September 7, October 5, November 2, 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 need to be accompanied by an adult).



S.T.E.M. Story Time at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum

Wednesday, September 13, 10:30 a.m. Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math story time at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum. Pre-registration required for free admission to the museum. Please call the library at 410-745-5877 to pre-register. For ages 5 and under accompanied by an adult.

Minecraft

Wednesdays, September 13 & 27, October 11 & 25, November 8 & 22, 3:30 p.m. Explore Minecraft on the library's computers. For ages 5 and older.

Story Time

Wednesdays, September 27, October 11 & 25, November 8 & 22, 10:30 a.m. For children age 5 and under accompanied by an adult.

Family Crafts

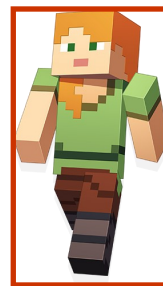
Tuesday, October 3, 3:30 p.m. Treasure Boxes

Halloween Party

Tuesday, October 31, 4:00 p.m. Wear your Halloween costume, listen (if you dare) to some scary and funny Halloween pop-up book stories, create some slime, and eat a healthy fall snack. Pre-Registration is required. For ages 2 to 12 (children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult).

Native American Culture Celebration

Thursday, November 9, 2:00 p.m. JoAnn Brown of Justamere Trading Post will share Native American artifacts, trivia, storytelling, and the opportunity to participate in crafts. Pre-Registration required. For all ages (children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult).



Teen & Adult Programs

Easton

Intelligence in Flux: From the Cold War to the Present

Thursday, September 7, 6:30 p.m. David Hunt will draw on 32 years of experience in CIA's Clandestine Service (including field tours in Vietnam and Somalia) to talk about both Cold War cases and the current world situation. Hunt is a recipient of the Donovan Award for Excellence and the Distinguished Intelligence Medal—the CIA's highest award.

A Room of One's Own: Writer's Retreats & Residencies

Saturday, September 9, 11:00 a.m. Award-winning author Pat Valdata discusses how to select a residency or retreat from the hundreds available, how to use your time productively if you are admitted, and how to find creative alternatives if you aren't. Valdata's talk is sponsored by the Eastern Shore Writers' Association.

Teen Game Board Night

Mondays, September 11 & November 13, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Thursdays, September 28, October 26, & November 30, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Bring your own tabletop card and board games or use the library's. For grades 6-12. Light refreshments.

One Maryland One Book Discussion: *Purple Hibiscus*

Monday, September 11, 6:30 p.m. "Library guy" Bill Peak hosts a discussion of this year's One Maryland One Book, *Purple Hibiscus*. One Maryland One Book is a program of Maryland

Adolescence & Substance Abuse: The Times They Are A-Changing

Thursday, September 14, 6:30 p.m. As part of the library's contribution to Talbot Goes Purple, Jayne Fitzgerald, director of the Talbot Partnership, will talk about adolescence, one of the most extraordinarily positive times in any person's life, and also one of the most risky.



Jayne Fitzgerald

Easton Teen & Adult Programs (continued)

Stitching Time

Mondays, September 18, October 16, November 13, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Patrons are invited to work on their favorite project with a group. Limited instruction will be available for beginners. Newcomers welcome.



Free Screenings by the Chesapeake Film Festival

Saturday, October 28:

10:00 a.m., *Pickle*, directed by Amy Nicholson

10:30 a.m., *Seeing Is Believing, Women Direct*, directed by Cady McClain

Noon, *The Wild Ponies of Chincoteague*, directed by Kurt Kolaja

1:30 p.m., *Tinker*, directed by Tom Bhramayana

3:30 p.m., *The Race of Gentlemen*, directed by Wayne Gibson

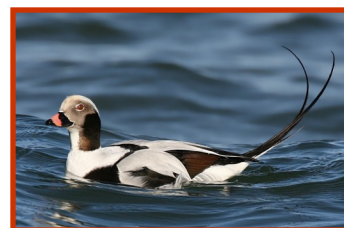


Knights of the Sky: the WWI Aviation Art of Robert T. Horvath

Thursday, November 9, 6:00 p.m. Robert T. Horvath, whose paintings have hung in the Smithsonian's Air & Space Museum among others, will discuss his art and the exploits of men who flew planes that were little better than kites with motors and machine guns attached. Five of Horvath's paintings will be on display.

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Marriage, Metaphor and Mortality: The Poetry of Jane Kenyon

Monday, November 13, 6:00 p.m. Local, Pulitzer Prize-nominated poet Sue Ellen Thompson will discuss the relationship between Jane Kenyon's tragically short life and her poetry. Thompson's lectures are always well-thought-out, well-delivered, and immensely popular. This program is supported with funds from the Talbot County Arts Council and the Maryland State Arts Council.



Sue Ellen Thompson

The Long Walk Home

Thursday, November 16, 6:30 p.m. Local attorney Robert Messick talks about his 2,190 mile hike along the Appalachian Trail from Georgia to Maine as a fundraiser for Easton's Talbot Interfaith Shelter. Using a multi-media presentation, Messick will share the hardships and joys encountered while trekking across 14 states over rising and falling elevations that amounted to 16 ascents and descents of Mt. Everest.



Robert Messick

Book Discussion: *Dancing on My Grave* by Gelsey Kirkland

Monday, November 20, 6:30 p.m.

St. Michaels Teen & Adult Programs

Arts & Crafts

Thursdays, September 7, October 5, and November 2, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Free instruction for knitting, beading, needlework and tatting. Bring your coloring books, Zentangle pens, or anything else that fuels your passion for being creative.



Coloring for Teens & Adults

Tuesdays, September 12, October 10, November 14, 3:30 p.m. Explore the relaxing process of coloring!

Bay Hundred Chess

Wednesdays, September 13 & 27, October 11 & 25, and November 8 & 22, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Learn and play the strategic game of chess. Beginners welcome.

Memoir Writers

Thursdays, September 14 & 28, October 12 & 26, and November 9, 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. Pre-Registration required.



Book Arts for Teens & Adults

Monday, September 25, 3:30 p.m. Fold and Cut Book

Monday, October 30, 3:30 p.m. Accordion Book

Monday, November 27, 3:30 p.m. Japanese Stab Binding Book

Tuesday Movie @ Noon

September 26: *Woman in Gold*

October 31: *Beauty and the Beast*

November 28: *Bridge of Spies*

Brown Bag Lunch: Author of *Vehicles and the Mind of Man* to Speak

Monday, October 2, noon. Robert Higham, author of *Vehicles and the Mind of Man*, presents a pictorial travelogue of the history of man's relationship with the automobile. Highlights will include the first hybrid car (built in 1900), Winged Cleshicles, and Woodies.



Robert Higham

New Film: *Til-Made: Remembering the Tilghman Packing Company*

Saturday, October 7, 2:00 p.m. *Til-Made* explores the history of the Tilghman Packing Company. Founded in 1897 in an oyster-shucking house built on the pilings of a steamboat wharf, the Tilghman Packing Company would become Talbot County's largest business, employing more than 600 people.

Brown Bag Lunch: Don Buxton, Chesapeake Music Director

Monday, November 6, noon. Since its founding 32 years ago, Chesapeake Music has developed into one of the Mid-Atlantic's leading performing arts organizations. Chesapeake Music Director Don Buxton will talk about the organization's history and its effect upon the local music scene.



Don Buxton

Note: The Library may photograph or film patrons for Library promotional purposes. Please notify Library staff if you do not want yourself or your child to be photographed. Thank you.