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A Message from the Library's New Director

On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!—the theme of this year's Summer Reading Program is all about inspiring people of all ages to discover new worlds and keep their minds engaged through reading. The Talbot County Free Library is on the starter block and is set to begin a program of fun summer reading events that will challenge participants to exercise their minds and keep them fit and healthy through reading and learning. This summer, we have 7 weeks of exciting events planned around the theme of keeping your mind fit, including free programs on Red Cross training, tea parties, book arts, coding, magic, origami, reptiles, fishing, Harry Potter and more!

This year's performers include the magic and mayhem of Joe Romano and Joe Dodge, the captivating Blue Sky Puppet Theatre and Little Red Hen puppet shows, Ventriloquist Matthew McCowan, the incredible Reptile Wonders, and the powerful Sciencetellers. Children may also read to Latte a certified therapy dog that will be at Easton or read to Wally at St. Michaels. Last but certainly not least, families are invited to enjoy "The Wizard of Oz" presented by the Hampstead Stage Company. Tweens 8-12 can come in and enjoy participating in Minecraft Mondays.

Are you looking for just the right book for a child, tween, or teen in your life, or even yourself to read this summer? Have you ever finished a great book and wanted to find more just like it? The library offers NoveList Plus, a resource that helps readers match up with the books that are right for them. NoveList Plus connects readers to their next book by making recommendations for what to read next. One of the most popular features is read-alikes, which suggests titles and authors similar to your favorite books when you're trying to decide what to read next. It covers both fiction and nonfiction titles for all ages and also has reviews and book discussion guides.

Participating in the Summer Reading Program and reading throughout the summer is not only great fun, it is a critical component in literacy and educational success for students, helping to prevent the loss in reading skills known as "summer slide." Families are encouraged to come in, register for and attend Summer Reading programs, and check out books to read and enjoy.

Remember that the Summer Reading Program is for adults too—why should kids have all the fun? Kids really enjoy summer reading and prizes—and adults can too! Adults are encouraged to read a book and complete the book review form for each book read. For more information about the Summer Reading programs, registration, prizes and more, please visit <http://www.tcfl.org/> or come by the library. Keep your mind healthy, happy, and engaged through the joy of reading this summer!

Dana Newman

Children's Programming



The Swing

How do you like to go up in a
swing,
Up in the air so blue?
Oh, I do think it the pleasantest
thing
Ever a child can do!

Up in the air and over the
wall,
Till I can see so wide,
River and trees and cattle and
all
Over the countryside--

Till I look down on the garden
green,
Down on the roof so brown--
Up in the air I go flying again,
Up in the air and down!

—Robert Louis Stevenson—



Easton

Story Time

Mondays, June 6-27, July 11 & 25, and Tuesdays, May 17- July 26, 10:00 a.m. For children 5 and under accompanied by an adult.

Minecraft Mondays

Mondays, June 20-27, July 11- August 8, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Beginners and experienced builders, aged 8-12, build in creative mode on our MinecraftEdu server. A new challenge each week. No registration necessary, but space is limited.

Read to Latte, a Certified Therapy Dog

Wednesdays, June 22 & July 20, and Monday, August 8, 11:00 a.m.-noon.

Red Cross Training: The Pillowcase Project

Thursday, June 23, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. For children entering grades 3 and up. Learn the importance of disaster preparedness. Each participant receives a pillowcase and activity book to start a disaster kit and preparedness plan. Sponsored by the American Red Cross. Pre-registration required.

Adventures in Coding

Friday, June 24, 10:00 - 11:15 a.m. Learn the basics of computer coding with hands-on and virtual activities. For ages 6-10. Pre-registration required.

Craft Explorers

Wednesday, June 29, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. See what you can create from a variety of art and craft materials.

Hour of Code Workshop

Thursday, June 30, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

The Magic of Joe Romano

Thursday, July 7, 10:00 a.m. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Origami! Origami!

Wednesday, July 13, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. For ages 10-adult. Led by Chris Eareckson. Registration required.

"Bananas" presented by Blue Sky Puppet Theatre

Friday, July 15, 10:30 a.m. Supported with funds from the Talbot County Arts Council.

Reptile Wonders

Monday, July 18, 11:00 a.m. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

LEGO Free Build

Tuesday, July 26, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. For ages 6 and up.



Joe Romano



Easton Children's Programs (continued)

Learn to Fish!

Wednesday, July 27, 10:00 a.m. – noon. For ages 8 – 15. Representatives from the DNR and the library will take a group of young people fishing at the Bay Street ponds. No experience necessary, no fishing gear required. DNR will supply all the fishing poles and tackle; the library will supply the bait. In-person pre-registration beginning July 1 required. Class size limited, so sign up early.



"Power & Energy" with Sciencetellers

Thursday, July 28, 10:30 a.m. Sponsored by the Eastern Shore Regional Library.

"The Wizard of Oz" presented by the Hamsptead Stage Company

Tuesday, August 2, 10:30 a.m. Supported with funds from the Talbot County Arts Council.



Fabulous You!

Thursday, August 4, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. For ages 10-14. Fashion advice, crafts, refreshments.

Make-It Workshop

Tuesday, August 9, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Summer Reading Celebration

Wednesday, August 10, 10:30 - 11:45 a.m. Music program and ice cream social with Mister Don. Registration required.

St. Michaels

Story Time (often joined by Miss Kate & "Canine Companions" dog Vail)

Wednesdays, June 8 – 29, July 20 – 27, & August 17 – 31, 10:30 a.m. For children 5 and under accompanied by an adult.



Family Unplugged Games

Thursdays, June 9, July 7, & August 11, 4:00 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).

Book Arts for Teens & Adults

Monday, June 13, 2:00 p.m. Fold and Cut Book

Monday, July 11, 2:00 p.m. Accordion Book

Monday, August 8, 2:00 p.m. Japanese Stab Binding Book

Explore the fascinating process of creating a personal journal.

Puppet Show: *The Little Red Hen*

Thursday, June 16, 3:00 p.m. Enjoy the adventures of Little Red Hen and her friends Cat and Dog in this story brought to life by our own Ms. Carla. For ages 3 and older.



Adventures in Computer Coding with Matthew McCowan

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St. Michaels Children's Programs (continued)

Free Movies at Noon for the Entire Family!

Monday, June 27: *Annie* (2014 version)

Monday, July 11: *Yogi Bear*

Monday, July 18: *Inside Out*

Monday, July 25: *The Adventures of Huck Finn*

Monday, August 8: *Brother Bear* (Disney)



Minecraft Mondays

Mondays, June 27 & July 18- August 1, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Beginners and experienced builders, aged 8-12, get the chance to build in creative mode on our MinecraftEdu server. A new challenge each week. No registration necessary, but space is limited.

Entertainment with Ventriloquist Tom Crowl

Thursday, June 30, 2:00 p.m. For all ages. Free tickets are required and may be picked up 1 week prior to the performance.

Hour of Code Workshop

Thursdays, July 14, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., & August 4, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Harry Potter Party

Thursday, July 21, 2:00 p.m. Celebrate the release of the new Harry Potter book: *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child* and J. K. Rowling's birthday. Come in costume - prizes awarded! Games, crafts, and party! For ages 6-12.



Irish Tea Party

Monday, August 1, 1:00 p.m. Celebrate this Irish Bank Holiday with all things Irish! Create your own "lucky charms," learn about traditional Irish dance with Irish dancer Miss Elise McGovern, and end with an Irish tea party! For ages 5-105! Registration is required.

Magician John Dodge

Tuesday, August 9, 11:00 a.m. Enjoy a magic performance full of surprises! For all ages. Free tickets are required and may be picked up 1 week prior to the performance.



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

Thursday, August 18, 2:00 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.

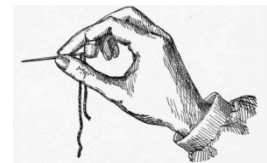


Adult Programs

Easton

Stitching Time

Mondays, June 13, July 11, August 15, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Bring projects in progress (sewing, knitting, cross-stitch, what-have-you). Limited instruction available for beginners. Newcomers welcome!



Book Discussion: *A Thousand Acres* by Jane Smiley

Monday, June 20, 6:30 p.m. The Easton library book group will discuss Jane Smiley's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel, *A Thousand Acres*.

"The Library Guy" Hosts a Discussion of *After This* by Alice McDermott

Monday, June 27, 6:00 p.m. Join "library guy" Bill Peak for a discussion of National Book Award-winner Alice McDermott's great American novel, *After This*.

Brown Bag: *Robert Day for President, An Embellished Campaign Autobiography*

Thursday, June 30, noon. Author Robert Day discusses his comic political memoir, which begins "I want to be President because I don't want anyone else to be President. Many must feel the same way." The Book-of-the-Month-Club author provides the inside scoop on—among others—Jeb Bush, William Kristol, Peggy Noonan, Anne Coulter, Fox News, Donald Trump, Ben Carson, Everett Dirksen, and Hillary Clinton.

Hunger in Talbot County?

Monday, July 11, 6:00 p.m. 43.5% of the children in Talbot County Public Schools qualify for free or reduced-price meals. Every night, one in five children in Talbot County goes to bed hungry. Catherine Poe, chair of the Talbot County Hunger Coalition, talks about hunger in one of our nation's wealthiest counties.



EXERCISE
your mind.
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Kids enjoy summer reading and prizes—and adults can too!



Read a book and complete the book review form.

Enter as often as you like!

All entries eligible for a \$50.00 Gift Card drawing!

Forms can be found at each branch from July 1 – August 31.



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410-822-1626 or tcfl.org

Adult Programs

Easton (continued)

Book Discussion: *Angle of Repose* by Wallace Stegner

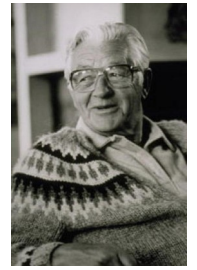
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Book Club Meet-Up

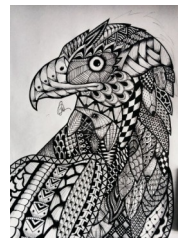
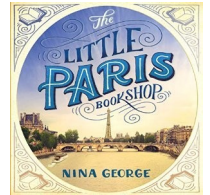
Monday, August 8, 6:00 p.m. Belong to a book club? This is your chance to meet with folks from area book clubs and cross-pollinate. Which were the books that generated great discussions; which were the ones that died on the vine? Hosted by Pat Bates, Karen Karydes, and Bill Peak.

Book Discussion: *A Little Paris Bookshop* by Nina George

Monday, August 15, 6:30 p.m. The Easton library book group will discuss Nina George's international bestseller, *A Little Paris Bookshop*.



Wallace Stegner



St. Michaels

Arts & Crafts Group

Thursdays, June 2, July 7, & August 4, 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, June 9 – August 25 (always excepting the first Thursday of each month), 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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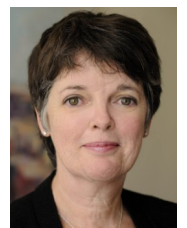


St. Michaels Branch 35th Anniversary Book Sale

Saturday, June 25, 9:00 a.m. till they're all gone! The St. Michaels library celebrates its 35th anniversary with a huge book sale and light refreshments. The sale will run through July 1.

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Alice McDermott

