

# CAROLINE COUNTY LIBRARY

## LIBRARY NEWS

### WINTER AT THE LIBRARY

- Meet and Greet Local Author's at Dawn Jan. 11th 11-2
- Libraries closing at 5pm December 23rd through January 3rd.
- Winter Closings:  
Dec. 24th - 25th  
Jan. 1st  
Jan. 17th  
Jan. 20th  
Feb. 17th
- Facebook Class at Ladysmith Jan. 29th call 448-0357 to sign-up.

### WORLD WAR I: LESSONS AND LEGACIES

The Dawn Library invites you to a special exhibition exploring how the lessons and legacies of World War I continue to affect the United States today.

World War I: Lessons and Legacies explores the history of the war and its lasting impact on American life. Sparked by the assassination of one man, the war eventually included the forces of the world's major industrial powers (over 18 countries in all) and ended with millions dead. But beyond the countries involved and the people affected, World War I

gave rise to significant and enduring changes in America. Wartime technologies and medical advances resulted in new industries and novel ways to both fight disease and treat disability. The critical roles that women and minorities played in the war led to the right to vote for women and a raised consciousness of civil rights issues throughout society.

From the Great Migration to the 1918 flu pandemic and from the unionization movement to women's suffrage, World War I led to pivotal

changes in America's culture, technology, economy, and role in the world. It redefined how we saw ourselves as Americans and its legacy continues today.

World War I: Lessons and Legacies is organized by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service and the National Museum of American History, with funding from The United States World War I Centennial Commission and the Smithsonian Women's Committee.

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### 2020 WINTER READING CHALLENGE

What would winter be without a reading challenge from your library? We are changing it up again this year and hope you will enjoy what we have planned.

Throughout the months of January and February we are challenging our adult and school aged patrons to see how many books you can read

and/or library activities you can participate in over those 2 months. During the first week in March turn in your record and receive a coupon for either jumping to the head of the hold list on one book or getting a book sale book for free.

For our preschool aged patrons you just need to complete one sheet in your 1000 Things Be-

fore Kindergarten packet. Turn in that sheet and receive a free book! If you would like to make it even more challenging try to complete two 1000 Things Before Kindergarten sheets!

Good luck!

## AARP FREE TAX PREPARATION

The library is happy to partner with AARP to provide FREE tax preparation at our Bowling Green, Dawn, and Ladysmith branches. This service is available for anyone regardless of age and/or income. This service is by appointment only so please call your favorite branch to make your appointment.

The following materials need to be brought to your appointment.

- All year-end tax statements

- Last year's tax return
- Driver's license or other form of government-issued photo ID
- Social security card for yourself and each family member
- If you purchased health insurance through the Marketplace under the Affordable Care Act, your 1095A form. However, even if you didn't buy insurance through the Marketplace, you may

receive a 1095B or 1095C. You should bring that as well.

- If you bought or sold your home, bring your final closing papers
- If you think you might itemize your expenses, bring all information.
- If you plan to have your refund or amount due paid directly to/from your bank account, you will need to have your bank's routing

number and your account number. For checking accounts, this can usually be found at the bottom of the check.

**Please note** tax preparers will **NOT** be available everyday at each of the branches. You must make an appointment to use this service.

## HOLIDAY PROGRAMS AT BOWLING GREEN



### Kids

*Help the Bowling Green Branch librarians hide the Gingerbread Man this December!*

The Gingerbread Man needs your help in crafting the perfect disguise to keep him from ending up in the dreaded cookie jar. Using fun, crafty materials like felt, colored paper, markers, feathers, and more, make your gingerbread man template look like your favorite character. Prizes for the most

creative disguise will be awarded in the 0-5 year old, the 6-11 year old, and the 12 and up age categories. Entries must be turned in at the BG branch by December 19<sup>th</sup> and winners will be announced on December 20<sup>th</sup>.

### Adults

*Craft your own salt shaker snowman!*

Looking to create a last-minute gift or need an extra snowman

for your holiday display? Join us at the Bowling Green Branch for an evening of crafting and good cheer on Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Enjoy hot cocoa and cookies while you work. All supplies are provided, but space is limited, so please RSVP by visiting or calling the branch at (804) 633-5455.

## LADYSMITH BOOK CLUB'S WINTER READS

**December 14<sup>th</sup>, 1:30pm**  
***Pride & Prejudice & Mistletoe***  
**by Melissa de la Cruz**

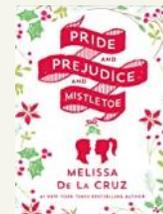
Get into the Christmas spirit as we read this modern-day, gender-swapped retelling of Jane Austen's classic novel! This meeting will also include a white elephant gift exchange of the best gifts ever-BOOKS! So please bring a wrapped book to swap (limit of \$15 value).

**January 11<sup>th</sup>, 1:30pm**  
**Read Your Gift Books!**

Did you participate in our gift exchange or get a book as a Christmas gift this year? Our January meeting will give you the perfect excuse to read them right away! Read a book you received as a gift and be prepared to talk about it. You may even get some ideas for next year's Christmas list!

**February 8<sup>th</sup>, 1:30pm**  
***The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane***  
**by Lisa See**

This book is a powerful story depicting the love between a mother and her daughter separated by distance as well as culture and circumstance. Join us as we discuss this gripping novel and explore the history and flavors of tea with our own tea tasting.



## HOLIDAY HOURS AND INCLEMENT WEATHER CLOSINGS

We would like to remind you that in case of inclement weather, the library system follows the Caroline County Government for late opening or closings. This information will be listed as Caroline County Government Offices on local TV stations and sent out on Caroline Alert. We will also post this information on our Facebook page. If you are not sure if the library is open please give us a call before you head out in unpleasant weather.

Winter also has many holidays which

the library observes. Notices about library closings will be posted on our Facebook page and on entrance doors to the branches. Additionally, the library will be closing at 5pm from Monday December 23rd through Friday January 3rd.

### Observed Holidays:

- Tues., Dec. 24th - Christmas Eve
- Wed., Dec. 25th - Christmas Day
- Wed., Jan. 1st - New Years Day

Have a very happy holiday season!



## THE UNCOMMON WEALTH! THE NEW BLOG OF THE LIBRARY OF VIRGINIA

As the Library of Virginia approaches its 200th birthday in 2023, it seemed like a good time to take stock of our online presence and the stories we share with the public. The Library wears many hats in service to the state. As the state archive it organizes and provides access to official records of the commonwealth, its counties, and independent cities along with a significant collection of private papers. The Library also provides assis-

tance to state officials, state and local government agencies, and Virginia's public libraries. We administer numerous grant programs, provide educational programs and resources on Virginia history and culture for students and teachers, and offer the public a wide array of exhibitions, lectures, book-signings, and other programs. As they exist, our blogs *Fit to Print* and *Out of the Box* capture only a fraction of

all that the Library has and does. In *The Uncommon Wealth: Voices from the Library of Virginia*, we aim to expand our scope to help you learn more about what we do, why we do it, and how our efforts relate to current issues and events. We

also plan to tell you more about your fellow Virginians who work here at the Library, spotlighting staff members, specialized professions, and public libraries.



## HAPPENING AT LADYSMITH THIS WINTER

Just some of the many things happening at the Ladysmith Library this winter. To ensure we have enough supplies please RSVP to let us know if you plan on attending any of these events, 804-448-0357.

### Holiday Ornament Workshop

Design a classic holiday foil shaped ornament. December 7th, 1-3 pm, Ages 7-11, Light refreshments will be served.

### Holiday Village Workshop

Design a festive holiday village display to show your holiday spirit. December 14th, 10:30-12:30, Ages 7-11, Light refreshments will be served.

### Winter STEM Activities

Ages 6-11  
Please change the ski lift chair to Skiing Challenge

Build the tallest snowman using different materials for each layer. Design a ski slope and a skier, then race down the slope. 2nd Tuesday in January & February, 4:30-5:30pm.

### Winter STEM Activities

Ages 3-5  
A snowball game of addition and subtraction to develop math skills. Design a symmetrical snowflake using only the

materials provided. 3rd Wednesday in January & February, Ages 3-5, 10-11 am.



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Our Mission:

To educate, entertain, and empower all people of Caroline County through dynamic collections, state-of-the-art services, and innovative programming.

The Caroline Library strives to connect people with information via our collections, services and programs.

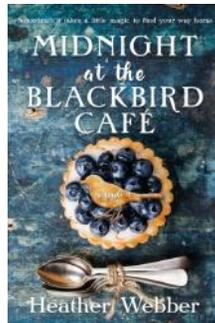
Visit one of our 4 branches: Bowling Green, Dawn, Ladysmith and Port Royal.

## NEW TITLES COMING THIS SUMMER

### Coming in December

Beating About the Bush by MC Beaton  
Genesis by Robin Cook  
The Peppermint Tea Chronicles by Alexander McCall Smith  
Olive, Again by Elizabeth Stout  
The Wicked Redhead by Beatriz Williams  
Children of Virtue and Vengeance by Tomi Adeyemi  
Alzheimer's Through the Stages by Mary Moller

### Coming in January



### Coming in February

The Warsaw Protocol by Steve Berry  
Coconut Layer Cake Murder by Joanne Fluke  
The Big Lie by James Grippando  
The Museum of Desire by Jonathan Kellerman  
Sisters by Choice by Susan Mallery  
Trouble Is What I Do by Walter Mosley  
Blindside by James Patterson  
Crooked River by Douglas Preston  
Golden in Death by JD Robb  
Master of Disaster by James Patterson



Lady Clementine by Marie Benedict  
The Secret Chapter by Genevieve Cogman  
When You See Me by Lisa Gardner  
Hindsight by Iris Johansen  
The River Murders by James Patterson  
Lost by James Patterson  
Moral Compass by Danielle Steel  
Hunter Killer by Brad Taylor  
Treason by Stuart Woods

