MARCH, APRIL, & MAY 2024

LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

CAROLINE COUNTY LIBRARY'S QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER



Tax Season Underway!

What's in this issue:

Welcome from the Director - 2 Branch Closings- 2 Upcoming Events: Kids- 4 & 5 Adults- 6 & 7 Branch Directory- 8 AARP and United Way tax preparers are coming to the library this spring! The AARP will be at the Bowling Green branch on Mondays and Wednesdays through April 10th. Appointments are REQUIRED and patrons must pick up a packet before their appointment. The United Way will be at the Ladysmith branch on Saturday, March 9th and Saturday, April 13th. Those are first-come, first-served appointments. Contact the library for more information.

Hello and Welcome!

Welcome to the Spring edition of Library Happenings. Warmer weather is on its way and spring programs are blooming! There are digital challenges through Beanstack, Dr. Seuss Day activities at Ladysmith, and even a solar eclipse! The library is working to provide the entire family with entertaining and educational programs. Spring also means National Library week is just around the corner. The theme for National Library Week 2024, "Ready, Set, Library!," promotes the idea that in our always-online world. libraries give us a green light to something truly special: a place to connect with others, learn new skills, and focus on what matters most. No matter where you find yourself on the roadmap through life's journey preparing for a new career, launching a business, or raising a family—your library provides an inclusive and supportive community where everyone belongs.

Megan Upshaw



Branch Closings *Tuesday, March 5th* Presidential Primary- Dawn and Port Royal Branches only

> *Monday, May 27th* Memorial Day



Upcoming

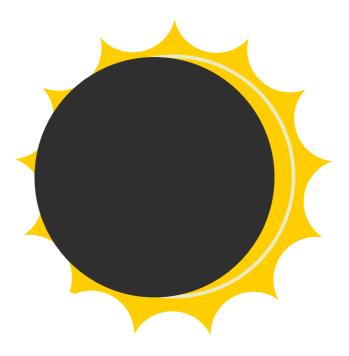
Challenges

March: Spring into Reading April: Read Across America May: The Great Escape



Eclipse Fun!

The Eastern United States will be experiencing a total solar eclipse on Monday, April 8th. Although our county isn't in the path of the totality, we'll experience between 70-80% coverage of the sun! Join the library as we learn more about eclipses! Planning is still underway, so check out our website and Facebook page for more information.



Pocket Solar Systems

Ladysmith Branch Monday, April 8th, 10am

Eclipse Chalk Art

Ladysmith Branch Thursday, April 4th, 10am

There will also be eclipse story times and take-and-make crafts available at other branches.

Ladysmith Library **Mother Goose Story Time**

Ages Birth- 2 years old Tuesdays at 10:00am

Enjoy a variety of stories and songs with your little one! Please call (804) 448- 0357 for more information.

Ladysmith Library Preschool **Story Time**

Ages 3-5 years old Thursdays at 10:00am

Hear stories, sing songs, and create an awesome craft. Call (804) 448- 0357 for more information.



Bowling Green Mother Goose Story Time

Ages Birth- 2 years old Thursdays at 9:30am

Enjoy a variety of stories and songs with your little one! Call (804) 633-5455 for more For more information, call us information.

Bowling Green Preschool **Story Time**

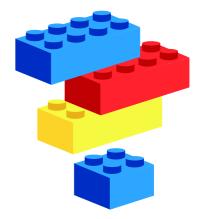
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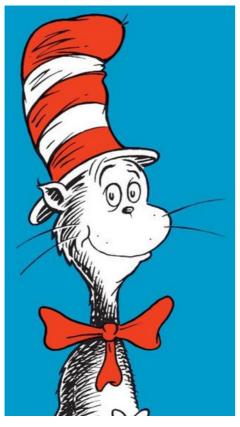
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Kids Programs cont.

Lego Club

Thursdays at 5:00pm Ladysmith Branch Ages 6 and up Contact the branch at (804)448-0357 to sign up.





Dr. Seuss Activities

Wednesday, March 6th, Ages 1- 4 10:00am You could not, would not, want to miss a Dr. Seuss Celebration quite like this! So would you, could you, can you go?

Fine Motor Skills

Second and Fourth Wednesday's , Ages 2-4 10:00am A variety of activities to help with a child's development and independence.



One on One Computer/Phone Classes

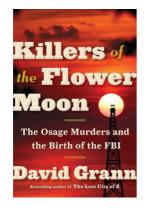


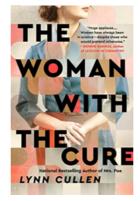
Learn important phone and computer skills with Brandon! Please call the Ladysmith branch at 804-448-0357 to make an appointment.

March- How to scan a document to your phone and email it April - How to reset email passwords May - How to attach files to your email

Adult Programs

Ladysmith Book Club's Picks







Saturday, March 9th Saturday, April 13th 1:00pm 1:00pm Common Grounds Common Grounds Coffee Coffee Saturday, May 11th 1:00pm Ladysmith Branch



Dawn Knitting and Crocheting Group

Wednesdays 2:30- 4:30pm Some basic supplies provided and creations are donated to From the Heart Stitchers.



Ladysmith Creative Hands Group

Wednesdays at 1:00pm Call the Ladysmith Branch at 804-448-0357 for more information.

Craft & Hobby Groups for Adults



Ladysmith Quilting Group *Mondays at 9:00am* Call the Ladysmith Branch at 804-448-0357 for more information.



Ladysmith Adult Writing Group

Regular Meeting 4th Monday of the month 5:30pm Writing Workshop 1st Wednesday of the month 6:00- 8:00pm Economic Development Conference Room



Caroline County Library

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Bowling Green Branch

17202 Richmond Turnpike Milford, VA 22514 804-633-5455 Monday: 9:00am- 6:00pm Tuesday: 9:00am- 6:00pm Wednesday: 9:00am- 8:00pm Thursday: 9:00am- 6:00pm Friday: 9:00am- 6:00pm

Dawn Branch

31046 Richmond Turnpike Hanover, VA 23069 804-632-8341 Monday: 9:00am- 5:00pm Tuesday: 9:00am- 5:00pm Wednesday: 9:00am- 5:00pm Thursday: 9:00am- 5:00pm Friday: 9:00am- 5:00pm

Ladysmith Branch

7199 Clara Smith Drive Ruther Glen, VA 22546 804-448-0357

Monday: 9:00am- 8:00pm Tuesday: 9:00am- 5:00pm Wednesday: 9:00am- 5:00pm Thursday: 9:00am- 8:00pm Friday: 9:00am- 5:00pm 2nd Saturday of the month: 9:00am- 3:00pm

<u>Port Royal Branch</u>

419 King Street Port Royal, VA 22535 804-742-5254 Monday: 9:00am- 2:00pm Tuesday: 9:00am- 2:00pm Wednesday: 12:00pm- 5:00pm Thursday: 12:00pm- 5:00pm