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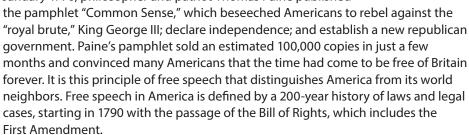
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Providing a FIRST CHOICE community through excellence in public service

From the Director Mike Mabe

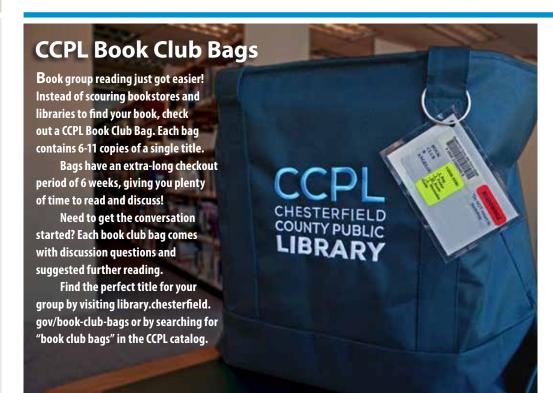
uring the American revolution, "patriots" were those colonists who supported the war against Britain. In January 1776, philosopher and patriot Thomas Paine published



The First Amendment ensures the right to speech, press and assembly. Over time, specific applications of free speech have been challenged by those who find the contents troubling. So it should not be a surprise that every year there are several hundred attempts to remove or limit access to school and public library reading materials challenged as "controversial" or "objectionable."

The American Library Association, who tracks censorship claims nationwide, suggests that "...these actions rise from a view that our national tradition of free expression is no longer valid; that censorship and suppression are needed to counter threats to safety or national security, as well as to avoid the subversion of politics and the corruption of morals."

Today the public library continues to support the modern patriot's First Amendment rights to speak, read and think responsibly. By providing unbiased access to public materials, community facilities and informational programming, libraries encourage engaged and informed communities. This year, CCPL is hosting a series of programs called *Points of View*. These programs focus on topics of concern to many residents. January's topic centers around the mental health system. Please feel free to come and exercise your right to speak, read and listen.



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ENGAGEMENT

CCPL Programs Spark Thought-Provoking Conversation

Is today's world more troubled than it used to be?

Chesterfield County Public Library has invited the community to discuss this and other questions at the library. This fall, CCPL hosted several community engagement programs to allow people to explore issues that impact their personal lives and their community. "Libraries are a place of trust," said James Hudson, Meadowdale branch manager. "We're in a unique position in the community to help solve problems." Meadowdale Library has developed two community engagement programs: Points of View and Making Change Happen.

Points of View, which began in September, centers around issues like education, economic disparities and community unrest. WRIC-TV anchor Juan Conde helped facilitate the first program on unrest, where participants talked about topics such as politics and race relations. "When we discussed the current tension among races, I developed more of an understanding of how people look at things and that their experiences color their interpretation of the current political and racial climate," said Aaron Clay, CCPL program coordinator.



"It was extremely beneficial," said Meadowdale customer Phillip Sharp of the Points of View program. "We're not talking enough about the problems that are occurring – the unrest, the shootings – so that we can come up with solutions."



Making Change Happen, held in October, focused on community activism. Organizers of local grassroots groups discussed the genesis of their organizations and shared how political issues shaped their plans. "When you're looking at developing an organization, you must know who you are and know your attributes and strengths," said Nancy Ross, vice president of Concerned Citizens of Ettrick.

CCPL will continue to offer Points of View in 2018 (see page 3 for more details) and will add additional community discussions as well. Ecoff Elementary School Principal Joshua Cole, who has been nationally recognized for his work in developing equity in education through social, cultural and emotional strategies, will facilitate three community discussions on diversity and cultural awareness, including the program highlighted below.

"The past is still affecting the present for some. There were different perspectives based on ages. Some [people] had no Civil Rights context." - Aaron Clay, CCPL program coordinator

"We had different opinions about the information discussed at my table. If you're not exposed to opportunities like POV, you can develop tunnel vision."

- Phillip Sharp, Meadowdale Library customer

CREATING CULTURAL AWARENESS IN A NEW YEAR

Discuss ways to create a more culturally aware community in this interactive workshop. Explore new ways to talk about our differences and overcome barriers to connecting with others in your community.

Thursday, Jan. 11 6-8 p.m. **LaPrade Library**



CCPL Continues to Push Past the Boundaries

This past summer, CCPL librarians Erica Tucker and Ann de Witt facilitated a book discussion group in the Chesterfield Juvenile Detention Home (CJDH) after the library received a Great Stories Club grant from the American Library Association. The grant gives underserved youth facing significant challenges the opportunity to read, reflect and share ideas that resonate with them.

Erica and Ann led three book discussion meetings with 10 youth, who were sentenced to serve anywhere between 6 months and 3 years in the detention home. During the three-month program, the teens read "It's Kind of a Funny Story," "13 Reasons Why" and a graphic novel about Romeo and Juliet. The books, which focused on suicide and teen violence, were chosen because they highlight issues that have impacted the youth. "Erica and I both are really pleased with the outcome," said Ann. "We really felt like the students were engaged. They were not only reading books but they were offering really insightful comments about the characters and relating them to their own personal lives."

According to CJDH officials, the book group activity served as an outlet to help the teens with socialization and thinking about consequences of behaviors. "We can expose our kids to different experiences and ideas and challenge them to think critically, and [we can] ask those engaging questions that librarians are trained to ask. I think that helps them, when they get out, to be able to look at other experiences in a different way," said Marilyn Brown, CJDH director.

While the grant program has ended, the library continues to work with CJDH to provide programs for underserved youth.



MEADOWDALE LIBRARY

Points of View | Community Conversations

Explore ideas, hear others' opinions and appreciate the diversity of your community. A series of community conversations are held at Meadowdale Library to explore current issues in a safe and honest space. Come prepared to listen critically, express your own thoughts and share human experiences.



- JANUARY 18 **P.O.V.** | *Mental Health Is the system broken?*
- ► Meet & Greet from 6 6:30 p.m.
- ► Third Thursday of every other month from 6:30 - 8 p.m.



MEADOWDALE LIBRARY

Erica Armstrong Dunbar

Writer, Historian, & Lecturer

"I believe in scholarly accessibility and the importance of sharing history with a larger world."

An Evening with **Erica Armstrong Dunbar**

Dr. Erica Armstrong Dunbar is the author of "Never Caught: The Washingtons' Relentless Pursuit of Their Runaway Slave, Ona Judge." Dr. Dunbar presents a startling and eye-opening look into America's First Family and the powerful narrative of Ona Judge, George and Martha Washington's runaway slave who risked it all to escape the nation's capital and reach freedom. "Never Caught", as of this writing, is a National Book Award shortlist finalist in the category of nonfiction.

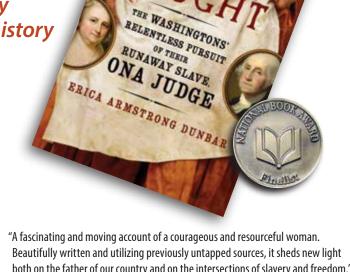
Dr. Dunbar is a professor of Black American Studies and History at the University of Delaware and is the inaugural

director of the Program in African American History at the Library Company of Philadelphia.

A book sale and signing will take place after the event. Registration is required and begins Dec. 30. Please call 804-751-CCPL for more information.

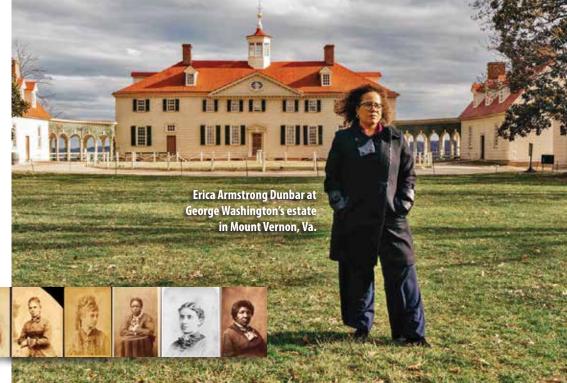
Friends of the Chesterfield County Public Library will have priority seating and are invited to a pre-event reception and book signing that will begin at 6 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 27 7-8:30 p.m. **Meadowdale Library** 4301 Meadowdale Blvd. North Chesterfield, VA 23234



both on the father of our country and on the intersections of slavery and freedom."

Eric Foner, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of The Fiery Trial and Gateway to Freedom









AFRICAN FOLKTALES

Storyteller Charmaine Crowell-White tells traditional African and African American folktales, including tales of High John the Trickster. Registration begins two weeks before each program.

Saturday, Feb. 3 10:30-11:15 a.m. **LaPrade Library** Tuesday, Feb. 6 7:30-8:15 p.m. **Meadowdale Library** Thursday, Feb. 15 7:30-8:15 p.m. **Clover Hill Library** Saturday, Feb. 24 1:30-2:15 p.m. **Enon Library**

AFRICAN AMERICANS IN MIDLOTHIAN, VA

Discover the rich and often-overlooked history of African Americans in the village of Midlothian, Audrey Ross, historian for the First Baptist Church of Midlothian, the oldest African American church in Chesterfield, and member of the Chesterfield Historical Society of Virginia's African American History Committee, will share glimpses gathered from years of research. Registration begins Jan. 25. Thursday, Feb. 8 11 a.m.-noon **Midlothian Library**

AFRICAN AMERICANS IN CHESTERFIELD COUNTY

Audrey Ross, historian for the First Baptist Church of Midlothian and member of the Chesterfield Historical Society of Virginia's African American History Committee, presents a historical overview of the lives, accomplishments and contributions of African Americans in Chesterfield County. Registration begins Jan. 27.

Saturday, Feb. 10 11 a.m.-noon **Chester Library**

JACKIE ROBINSON

Learn about Jackie Robinson as he learns valuable lessons from his mother, then cheer him on as he scores his first home run as a professional baseball player for the Brooklyn Dodgers. For ages 5-10. Registration begins Feb. 3. Saturday, Feb. 17 10:30-11:15 a.m. North Courthouse Road Library

HONORING CHESTERFIELD COUNTY AFRICAN AMERICAN **WORLD WAR I AND II VETERANS**

Hear the stories and history of African Americans who served in World War I and World War II. Through lecture and discussion, learn about conditions of service in the United States and abroad, and honor Chesterfield County servicemen and servicewomen by learning their stories.

11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17

Chesterfield Historical Society of Virginia 10111 Iron Bridge Road Chesterfield, VA 23832

FREEDOM SONGS: THE MUSIC OF BLACK HISTORY

Listen to the songs that impacted American music, from songs of slavery ("Hoe Emma Hoe") and the hymns of the Underground Railroad ("Follow the Drinking Gourd") to the blues of Beale Street and the anthems of the civil rights movement. In this production, actors and singers will tell the stories of famous and forgotten hymns, work songs and music. For ages 8 and up. Registration begins Feb. 3.

Saturday, Feb. 17 2-2:45 p.m. **Meadowdale Library**

FREDERICK DOUGLASS

Nathan M. Richardson reenacts Frederick Douglass' life as a slave, his escape to freedom and his rise as a great writer, orator and abolitionist. Children will hear Douglass' "What to the Slave Is the Fourth of July" speech. For grades K-12. Registration begins Feb. 5.

Monday, Feb. 19 **Ettrick-Matoaca Library** 1-2 p.m.

THE LIFE OF FREDERICK DOUGLASS

Poet, author and spoken word performer Nathan M. Richardson details the life of Frederick Douglass, from his time as a slave to his escape and his rise as a great writer, orator and abolitionist. For all ages. Registration begins Feb. 5. Monday, Feb. 19 **Bon Air Library** 6-7 p.m.

SPEAKING OF JAZZ WITH VICTOR HASKINS' SKEIN

Hear how jazz music developed over time in this interactive performance! Learn the basic concepts behind jazz and other music rooted in African American culture, such as improvisation, rhythm and communication. Victor Haskins' Skein will perform music from different eras to demonstrate compositions and stylistic developments from black musicians throughout the history of jazz. Registration begins Feb. 6.

Tuesday, Feb. 20 **North Courthouse Road Library** 7-8 p.m.

BEYOND BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Get a historical perspective on race in the United States and how it has impacted education locally and nationally. Discuss current events in our society impacted by race and learn how to create compassionate, meaningful dialogue that extends beyond Black History Month. Registration begins Feb. 10. Saturday, Feb. 24 10 a.m.-noon **Meadowdale Library**





Chesterfield County and Virginia State University celebrate Black History Month with programs that illustrate the African-American experience.



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ALL bestselling books and audiobooks, for any age group, now have a 14-day loan period.



 \mathbf{W} e learn CPR for heart attacks, but would you know what to do for a bleeding injury? Uncontrolled bleeding can be life-threatening within minutes, so a quick response is critical. Learn proper bleeding control techniques that can save lives in an emergency. Registration is required and begins two weeks before each program.



Bon Air Library Jan. 16, 2018 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

North Courthouse Road Library July 25, 2018 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. LaPrade Library **April 10, 2018** 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Midlothian Library Oct. 16, 2018 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

This program is being presented in partnership with:





Friends Membership: Support the Library You Love!



The Friends of the Chesterfield County Public Library is a vibrant group of volunteers that has focused on supporting library needs and initiatives for more than 40 years. When you join the Friends, your membership dues support the library you love and help the library move from good to great! Friends donations help provide the resources for additional library programs, much-needed equipment, support for children's reading activities, and special events throughout the year.

If you want to help your library continue to expand opportunities for all to engage in the joy of reading and lifelong learning, support the Friends of the Chesterfield County Public Library. Join or renew your membership today by visiting www.chesterfieldfriends.org/join-friends.

Visit chester field friends.org to learn more about the Friends and join today!



Follow the Friends on Facebook at facebook.com/chesterfieldfriends. It's a great way to learn about Friends events and get information!

NCR Book Sale

The North Courthouse Road Friends will host a book sale in December! They will offer books, DVDs, CDs VHS tapes, children's books and magazines. The Saturday sale will be \$5 per bag, and bags will be provided! Contact North Courthouse Library at 804-318-8499 for more information.

Thursday, Dec. 7 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 8 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9 10 a.m.-5 p.m.



CHESTER LIBRARY

A family celebration of the arts in Chester

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Chester Library invites you to connect with the local arts community at A Taste of Art. Explore fine and performing arts with exhibits, demonstrations, performances, crafts for children and hands-on workshops provided by the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts.

This free, family-friendly event celebrates the vibrant arts community in Chester. The library, which regularly hosts exhibits of local artists, is offering itself as a place for artists to share their talents with members of the community at this unique social and educational event.

Local artists will offer demonstrations and work for sale. Chat with artists, find out about their processes and shop for unique, local pieces. Celebrate the culinary arts with two food trucks on site!

A Taste of Art will be held on Saturday, December 2, 2017, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Chester Library.

For a complete list of exhibitors, demonstrations, workshops and performers, visit library.chesterfield.gov/events/taste-of-art

Free hands-on VMFA workshops! Live performance by Castle Rock Party Center

CHESTER LIBRARY ART EXHIBIT



Sponsored by the Chesterfield Cultural Arts Foundation with support from the Woman's Club of Chester.

DECEMBER 1 - JANUARY 31

Thomas Dale High School Students

Talented students at Thomas Dale High School will exhibit a variety of artwork at Chester Library throughout December and January. We are excited to share this special collection, created by students of varying ages and skill levels, as they

put forth their work to the public.

Come by and support these young local artists!

FEBRUARY 1 - MARCH 31

Beauty Everywhere by Roger Walk

"Using photography, I want to share what I find as obvious or 'hidden' beauty around us. And I find beauty everywhere in people, places and 'things'.

With photography, I found a way to create, discover and experience beauty as I imagine, see and feel it. In my digital still photographs I try to capture the beauty of people, places and 'things' and share my discoveries with others.

In this exhibition, I showcase my diverse discoveries of beauty in portraits (studio and street-photography), landscapes, Richmond cityscapes, riverscapes and other fine art pieces. I emphasize the beauty that I see in the image without modifying its basic visual elements."



For more information please contact the Chester Library at (804) 318-8977.

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The RVA Environmental Film Festival

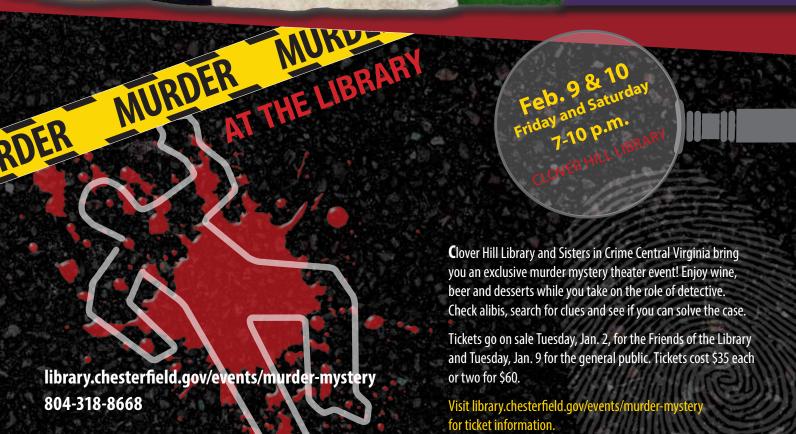
CCPL hosts a screening of the short film "Local Flowers, Local Farmers: A Growing American Movement" and the awardwinning documentary "A Blooming Business."

"Local Flower, Local Farmers" focuses on the growth of the local cut flower movement. "A Blooming Business" depicts the lives of Kenyans imprisoned by the global flower industry.

Lisa Ziegler, a cut flower gardener from Newport News, will participate in a Q&A after the films are shown.

Wednesday, Feb. 7 6:30-8 p.m. **North Courthouse Road Library**







Bon Air For Kids and Families

■ Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of Dec. 11 and begin the week of Jan. 8.

Wednesdays 10:30 a.m.

Mother Goose Story Times

Learn and play with stories, songs and movement. For babies up to two years old. Registration begins two weeks before each program. Mondays 10:30-11 a.m.

Jan. 22 and 29, Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26

Day Care Story Times

Large-group story times designed for childcare providers.

10:30 a.m. Second Tuesdays Dec. 12, Jan. 9, Feb. 13

■ LEGO® Club

We'll provide the building bricks – kids supply the imagination! Creations will be displayed in the library. For ages 6-11.

First Saturdays 1-3 p.m. Dec. 2, Jan. 6, Feb. 3

Paws to R.E.A.D.®

Improve the literacy skills of your children through the assistance of registered therapy dogs. Sign up at the desk for a 20-minute session.

First Tuesdays 6-7:40 p.m. Dec. 5, Jan. 2, Feb. 6

Tweet Treats

Discover the types of winter birds in Chesterfield, learn what foods they need and create your own small bird feeder. For ages 6-12. Registration begins Dec. 5. Tuesday, Dec. 19 10:30-11:30 a.m.

■ The Backpack Storyteller: **Tall Tales for Short Days**

What's in her backpack? Why, stories, of course! Enjoy tall tales about winter presented by Deborah Alsko.

10:30-11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 28

■ The Backpack Storyteller:

What's in her backpack? Why, stories, of course! Hear stories about ice presented by Deborah Alsko.

Saturday, Jan. 20 10:30-11 a.m.

Little Red and the Gingerbread Man

Join Little Red as she pursues a mischievous Gingerbread cookie through the woods of Grandma's house in this fairy

tale puppet show. For ages 2-8. Registration begins Jan. 20. Saturday, Feb. 3 10:30-11:15 a.m.

The Backpack Storyteller: Cold Hands, Warm Tales

What's in her backpack? Why, stories, of course! Enjoy stories about cold weather presented by Deborah Alsko.

Saturday, Feb. 17 10:30-11 a.m.

Mad Science: Spin, Pop, Boom

Let us take you on a journey around and around as we examine centrifugal force, create eerie sounds and make giant bursts of foam. For ages 5-10. Registration begins Dec. 7.

Thursday, Dec. 21 10:30-11:15 a.m.

For Teens

Teen Boss

Teens, create a job you love by starting your own business! Come to all three sessions to develop your plan from start to finish. Registration begins two weeks before each program.

Second Saturdays 10 a.m.-noon Dec. 9, Jan. 13, Feb. 10

For Adults

Bon Air Bookies

Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance Wednesday, Dec. 20 7-8 p.m.

Nightwoods by Charles Frazier Wednesday, Jan. 17 7-8 p.m.

LaRose by Louise Erdrich Wednesday, Feb. 21 7-8 p.m.

Hammered Dulcimer Concert

Enjoy traditional carols that span countries and centuries, performed by Robert Wadsworth.

Saturday, Dec. 16 11 a.m.-noon

Introduction to Watercolor

Learn the basics of watercolor painting as well as tips, tricks and techniques. Registration begins Jan. 13.

Saturday, Jan. 27 1-3 p.m.

STOP the Bleed

Learn proper bleeding control techniques that can save lives in an emergency. Registration begins Jan. 2. See page 6 for details.

Tuesday, Jan. 16 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Central

Central Library is closed for renovations and will reopen in Spring 2018.

Library programs are held at our other nine locations. Here's where you can find some of your favorites:

- Story Times: all locations
- Read 2 Rover: Chester Library, Clover Hill Library, North Courthouse Road Library
- 3-D Printing: LaPrade Library, Meadowdale Library
- Acoustic Concert Series: North Courthouse Road Library
- Between the Covers Book Discussion **Group:** Chester Library
- Lunchtime Jam Sessions: Chester Library
- Online Genealogy: LaPrade Library, Meadowdale Library

Chester For Kids and Families

Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of Dec. 11 and begin the week of Jan. 8.

Tuesdays 10:30-11:15 a.m. 10:30-11:15 a.m. Wednesdays

Day Care Story Times

Large-group story times designed for childcare providers.

First Fridays 10:30 a.m. Dec. 1, Jan. 5, Feb. 2

Read 2 Rover

Reading to a therapy dog provides comfort and motivation for early or struggling readers. No appointment needed.

Fourth Mondays 6-7 p.m.

Jan. 22, Feb. 26 (No program Dec. 25)

Little Red and the Gingerbread Man

Join Little Red as she pursues a mischievous Gingerbread cookie through the woods of Grandma's house in this fairy tale puppet show. For ages 2-8. Registration begins Nov. 25.

Saturday, Dec. 9 10:30-11:15 a.m.

Draw and Paint Animals

Draw and paint your favorite animal with Art Adventures! Registration begins Dec. 23.

Saturday, Jan. 6 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.



For Teens

Teen Art Club

Share your love of creativity and selfexpression! Bring your own project and supplies. Ages 12-18.

Third Saturdays 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Dec. 16, Jan. 20, Feb. 17

Contemporary Story Lanterns *

Teens, work with paper and various mixed media materials to create a unique handmade lantern that reflects your thoughts and feelings. Registration begins Feb. 3. Saturday, Feb. 17 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

For All Ages

A Taste of Art

Celebrate the arts with fun for all ages! See page 7 for details.

Saturday, Dec. 2 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

For Adults

Between the Covers

The Woman in Cabin 10 by Ruth Ware Monday, Dec. 18 1-2 p.m.

The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah Monday, Jan. 22 1-2 p.m.

Miller's Valley by Anna Quindlen Monday, Feb. 26 1-2 p.m.

Chester Choices

A Week in Winter by Maeve Binchy Wednesday, Dec. 6 10:30 a.m.-noon

I Am Malala by Malala Yousafzai with Christina Lamb

10:30 a.m.-noon Wednesday, Jan. 3

The Girls of August by Anne Rivers Siddons

Wednesday, Feb. 7 10:30 a.m.-noon

Chesterfield Needlework Friends

Knit, crochet, socialize and share your techniques. All skill levels welcome.

Second and Fourth Wednesdays 1-2:30 p.m.

Lunchtime Jam Sessions

Informal old-time music jam. Bring your instrument and play along!

Second and Fourth Tuesdays (No session Dec. 26) Noon-1:30 p.m.

Professional Practices for Artists *

Learn how to document, market, exhibit and sell your art in a professional manner. Registration begins Jan. 13.

Saturday, Jan. 27 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Growing a Great Container Garden

Almost any plant can thrive in a container – learn how from a Chesterfield Master Gardener. Registration begins Feb. 5.

Monday, Feb. 19 1-3 p.m.

Clover Hill For Kids and Families

Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of Dec. 11 and begin the week of Jan. 8.

Mondays 6:30 p.m. (pajama story time, wear your pjs) Wednesdays 10:15 a.m. Wednesdays 11:15 a.m.

Mother Goose Story Times

Learn and play with stories, songs and movement. For babies up to two years old. Story times end the week of Dec. 11 and begin the week of Jan. 8. Registration begins two weeks before each program. Tuesdays 10:30-11 a.m.

Day Care Story Times

Large-group story times designed for childcare providers.

Fourth Tuesdays 10:30 a.m. Jan. 23, Feb. 27 (No story time Dec. 26)

Paws to R.E.A.D.®

Improve the literacy skills of your children through the assistance of registered therapy dogs. Registration begins two weeks before each program.

Second Tuesdays 6-7:40 p.m. Third Tuesdays 6-7:40 p.m. **Fourth Tuesdays** 6-7:40 p.m.

Read 2 Rover

Reading to a therapy dog provides comfort and motivation for early or struggling readers. No appointment necessary. Fourth Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Jan. 24, Feb. 28 (No program Dec. 27)

Play Smart with Toddlers

Learn how play is important to your toddler's healthy development. For ages 0-3. Registration begins two weeks before each program.

10:30-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 25 10:30-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 22

Music & Movement for **Preschoolers**

Let your preschooler shake, rattle and roll their way to mastering early literacy skills. Registration begins two weeks before each program.

Second Thursdays 10:30-11 a.m. Dec. 14, Jan. 11, Feb. 8

LEGO® Club

We'll provide the building bricks – kids supply the imagination. Ages 6 and up. Second Tuesdays 3-5 p.m. Dec. 12, Jan. 9, Feb. 13

Little Red and the Gingerbread

Join Little Red as she pursues a mischievous Gingerbread cookie through the woods of Grandma's house in this fairy tale puppet show. For ages 2-8. Registration begins Dec. 30.

Saturday, Jan. 13 10:30-11:15 a.m.

Tiny Tales

Enjoy the story of Leonardo the Terrible Monster by Mo Willems, told through drama. For ages 3-6. Registration begins Jan. 4. Thursday, Jan. 18 10:30 a.m.

Children's Museum of Richmond – **Junior Engineers**

Young engineers create, tinker and explore the six simple machines. For grades 1-3. Registration begins Jan. 6.

Saturday, Jan. 20 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Chinese New Year Story Time

Listen to stories, enjoy a fortune cookie and make a dragon puppet to celebrate Chinese New Year. Registration begins Feb. 1.

Thursday, Feb. 15 10:30-11:15 a.m.

For Teens

Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

Develop leadership skills, earn volunteer hours, meet new people and get involved with library programming. Contact Barbara Gumulak at gumulakb@chesterfield.gov for more details.

First Tuesdays 6:30-8 p.m. Dec. 5, Jan. 9, Feb. 6

Young Adult Writers Workshop

Join fellow writers for creative writing exercises and fun discussions. For ages 15-21.

Second Tuesdays 6-7:30 p.m. Dec. 12, Feb. 13

Teen Creative Writing with Mary Miley

Get insight on the creative process, tips to improve your writing and information about getting published. For ages 15-21. Wednesday, Jan. 10 5-6:30 p.m.

(Clover Hill Library, continued next page)



For Adults

Clover Hill Critics

A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman 11 a.m.-noon

Friday, Dec. 15

Killing Floor by Lee Child

Friday, Jan. 19 11 a.m.-noon

The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie

by Alan Bradley Friday, Feb. 16

11 a.m.-noon

Murder at the Library

Solve the case at this exclusive event! See page 8 for details.

Friday, Feb. 9 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10 7-10 p.m.

Nifty Knitters

Bring your own project and meet others who enjoy knitting or crocheting. All skill levels welcome.

First Thursdays 11 a.m.-noon Dec. 7, Jan. 4, Feb. 1

Celebrate a Gilded Age Christmas with Maymont

Lively commentary along with lavish images of the decorated Maymont Mansion reveal the history behind beloved Christmas customs. Registration begins Nov. 30.

Thursday, Dec. 14 2-3 p.m.

Enon

For Kids and Families

Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of Dec. 11 and begin the week of Jan. 8. Wednesdays 10:30 a.m.

Mother Goose Story Times

Learn and play with stories, songs and movement. For babies up to two years old. Registration begins two weeks before each program.

10:30-11 a.m. **Thursdays** Dec. 7, Jan. 4 and 18, Feb. 1 and 15

Little Red and the Gingerbread Man

Join Little Red as she pursues a mischievous Gingerbread cookie through the woods of Grandma's house in this fairy tale puppet show. For ages 2-8. Registration begins Nov. 25.

Saturday, Dec. 9 2-2:45 p.m.

Mapping Ancient Egypt

Work your way up the Nile as you go back in time to Ancient Egypt. For ages 7-9. Registration begins Dec. 30.

Saturday, Jan. 13 2-3 p.m.

Mad Science: Radical Robots

Enter the world of robotics! Make a soccer robot score a goal and meet a snuggly robotic seal pup! For grades K-6. Registration begins Feb. 3.

Saturday, Feb. 17 1-2 p.m.

For Teens

Terrariums for Teens

Make and decorate your own terrarium with cactus plants, and learn how to keep them healthy after you take them home! Registration begins Jan. 27. Saturday, Feb. 10 1-2:30 p.m.

For Adults

■ Enon Editions — New book discussion group! Code Name Verity by Elizabeth Wein 10:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 23

Behind the Beautiful Forevers by Katherine Boo

Tuesday, Feb. 20 10:30-11:30 a.m.

How Does My Garden Grow?

In this three-class series, learn gardening basics for safety and comfort, as well as how to prune and compost. Registration begins two weeks before each program. **Pruning Confidence**

Thursday, Jan. 18 6-7:30 p.m.

Rich Earth Through Composting Thursday, Jan. 25 6-7:30 p.m.

Toxins and Critters and Ouchies, Oh My! Thursday, Feb. 1 6-7:30 p.m.

Ettrick-Matoaca For Kids and Families

Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of Dec. 11 and begin the week of Jan. 8. 10:30 a.m.

Tuesdays Mother Goose Story Times

Learn and play with stories, songs and movement. For babies up to two years old. Registration begins two weeks before each program.

Thursdays 10:30-11 a.m. Dec. 14, Jan. 11 and 25, Feb. 8 and 22

Little Red and the Gingerbread

Join Little Red as she pursues a mischievous Gingerbread cookie through the woods of Grandma's house in this fairy tale puppet show. For ages 2-8. Registration begins Jan. 13.

Saturday, Jan. 27 10:30-11:15 a.m.

Mad Science: Harnessing Heat

Boil liquid with your hands, see an underwater volcano and get a taste of what happens to sugar when it's heated and cooled! For grades K-6. Registration begins Jan. 13.

Saturday, Jan. 27 1-2 p.m.

For Teens

Makey Makey® Classic Video Games

Build game controllers out of everyday objects like bananas or modeling clay, using Makey Makey® kits. See if you can become an expert in classic video games! Registration begins Jan. 20.

Saturday, Feb. 3 2-3 p.m.

For Adults

Lights, Camera, Action!

Learn how to easily create high quality videos with One Button Studio. No experience needed. Registration begins Nov. 18. Saturday, Dec. 2 11 a.m.-noon

Holiday Needle Felting

Create a Santa or elf ornament using sheep wool and a special felting needle. Artist Janice Stegall-Seibert will show you how. Registration begins Nov. 28.

Tuesday, Dec. 12 6-8 p.m.

Grant Workshop

Learn about grants given by the Self-Development of People group. Presenters will introduce their group and explain the process of obtaining a grant. Registration begins Feb. 1.

Thursday, Feb. 15 7-8:30 p.m.

LaPrade **For Kids and Families**

Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of Dec. 11 and begin the week of Jan. 8. Mondays 10:30 a.m.

Mother Goose Story Times

Learn and play with stories, songs and movement. For babies up to two years old. Registration begins two weeks before each program.

10:30-11 a.m. Wednesdays Dec. 13, Jan. 3 and 17, Feb. 7 and 21

Baby Signs Story Times

Learn sign language through stories, songs, rhymes and play. Ages 0-23 months. Registration begins two weeks before each program.

Wednesdays 10:30-11 a.m.

Dec. 6, Jan. 10, Feb. 14



Day Care Story Times

Large-group story times designed for childcare providers.

Fourth Wednesdays 10:30 a.m. Dec. 27, Jan. 24, Feb. 28

■ Paws to R.E.A.D.®

Improve the literacy skills of children through the assistance of registered therapy dogs. Registration begins two weeks before each program. Second Saturdays 10-11:40 a.m. Dec. 9, Jan. 13, Feb. 10

Mad Science: Detective Science

Solve a cookie crime using science! Examine clues like fingerprints and ink samples, then analyze the evidence. For grades 1-3. Registration begins Nov. 25. Saturday, Dec. 9 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Little Red and the Gingerbread Man

Join Little Red as she pursues a mischievous Gingerbread cookie through the woods of Grandma's house in this fairy tale puppet show. For ages 2-8. Registration begins Dec. 30.

Saturday, Jan. 13 2-2:45 p.m.

For Teens

Crochet for Teens

Learn how to crochet basic stitches to make a hat. All materials provided. Ages 12-17. Registration begins Nov. 30. Thursday, Dec. 14 3:30-5 p.m.

Doing Scholarly Research

You've been assigned a research project and the teacher wants scholarly sources. How do you find them? Access dozens of academic journals for free. Registration begins Jan. 23.

Tuesday, Feb. 6 5-6 p.m.

For All Ages

Family Game Night

Scrabble®, chess, puzzles, Wii gaming and more! Bring the whole family to LaPrade for weekly game night.

Tuesdays 5-8 p.m.

American Sign Language Chat

Practice, meet new friends and learn new signs. All skill levels welcome. Registration begins two weeks before each program. **Thursdays** 6:30-8 p.m.

Dec. 21, Jan. 25, Feb. 22

Intro to 3-D Printing

Learn how to bring 3-D digital models into the real world, from finding or creating your model to slicing and supporting your print. Registration begins two weeks before each program.

Third Tuesdays 6-7 p.m. Dec. 19, Jan. 16, Feb. 20

For Adults

LaPrade Bookthink

Boomsday by Christopher Buckley 10:30-11:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 8

Wolf Hall by Hilary Mantel

Friday, Jan. 19 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Look Me in the Eye by John Elder Robison Friday, Feb. 9 10:30-11:30 a.m.

First Friday Coloring Club

Drop in to color Johanna Basford's Secret Garden prints and relax over coffee. Materials provided, or bring your own. **First Fridays**

Dec. 1, Jan. 5, Feb. 2

3-5 p.m.

Introduction to Online Genealogy

Learn how to conduct, verify and organize your own genealogical research using free online tools like Ancestry.com. Registration begins two weeks before each program. First Thursdays 11 a.m.-noon

Dec. 7, Jan 4, Feb. 1

■ Doc & Dine: Planet Yoga

Enjoy a documentary and free pizza! "Planet Yoga" examines the lure of Eastern philosophy for Western seekers. Registration begins Nov. 18.

Saturday, Dec. 2 12:30-2:30 p.m.

3-D Printed Gift Card Holders

Make your gifts more personal! Learn to use a 3-D printer to make your own unique gift card envelope for the holidays.

Registration begins Nov. 27. Monday, Dec. 11

Pysanky Workshop

Design and color your own decorative Ukrainian eggs with local artist Ann Bosch. Registration begins two weeks before each program.

Saturday, Dec. 16 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Doc & Dine: Golden Saddles, Silver Spurs

Enjoy a documentary and free pizza! "Golden Saddles, Silver Spurs: The History of Western Cinema" recounts the history of the B-Western from its heyday to its demise in the 1950s. Registration begins Dec. 23.

Saturday, Jan. 6 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Doc & Dine: Alice's Ordinary People

Enjoy a documentary and free pizza! "Alice's Ordinary People" features the story of civil rights activist Alice Tregay and how she dedicated her life to civic responsibility. Registration begins Jan. 20.

Saturday, Feb. 3 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Meadowdale **For Kids and Families**

Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of Dec. 11 and begin the week of Jan. 8. Tuesdays 10:30 a.m.

Day Care Story Times

Large-group story times designed for childcare providers.

Third Thursdays 10:30 a.m. Dec. 21, Jan. 18, Feb. 15

Pre-Coding for Preschoolers

Fun, screen-free games can teach children the simple, logical thinking they will need to learn computer programming. For children in preschool-kindergarten. Registration begins two weeks before each program.

Wednesday, Dec. 13 10:30-11:30 a.m. 10:30-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 25 Monday, Feb. 12 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Little Red and the Gingerbread

Join Little Red as she pursues a mischievous Gingerbread cookie through the woods of Grandma's house in this fairy tale puppet show. For ages 2-8. Registration begins Jan 20.

Saturday, Feb. 3 2-2:45 p.m.

Drawing Faces

Add character to your drawings! Learn how to draw a character's face from many angles using shape, proportion, and exaggeration. For ages 8-12. Registration begins Jan. 27.

Saturday, Feb. 10 10:30 a.m.-noon

For Teens

Japanese Tie-Dye for Teens

Teens, learn about the science behind pigments and dyes while creating your own "shibori" or Japanese tie-dye shirt and silk scarf. Registration begins Nov. 25. Saturday, Dec. 9 1-4 p.m.

(Meadowdale Library, continued next page)



3-D Print Yourself

Teens, print a 3-D statue of yourself and learn about the art of photogrammetry at this two-part program. Registration begins Dec. 30.

Attend both sessions:

10:30 a.m.-noon Saturday, Jan. 13 10:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 20

For All Ages

Meadowdale Meditation Hour

Fight the Mondays with an hour of uninterrupted quiet time and peace of mind. Space, mats and ambience provided.

Mondays 3-4 p.m.

CCPL Chess Club

Play the beautiful game of chess in a relaxed environment, and meet others who enjoy the game.

Tuesdays 6-8 p.m.

For Adults

Business Before Hours: Networking

Learn the basics of this essential skill, including lead generation, paid networking groups, chamber membership and social networking. Registration begins Nov. 22.

Wednesday, Dec. 6 8-9 a.m.

Meadowdale Tales Book Club

The Twelve Tribes of Hattie by Ayana Mathis

Thursday, Dec. 14 7-8 p.m.

Grant Workshop

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Thursday, Dec. 15 7-8:30 p.m.

Introduction to Online Genealogy Research

Learn how to conduct and organize your genealogical research using free online tools, including Ancestry Library Edition. Registration begins two weeks before each program.

Wednesday, Jan. 24 7-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Resume Workshop

Learn how to create a successful, concise and effective résumé. Registration begins Dec. 25.

Monday, Jan. 8 11 a.m.-noon

Midlothian **For Kids and Families**

Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of Dec. 11 and begin the week of Jan. 8.

10:30 a.m. Mondays Tuesdays 10:30 a.m.

Day Care Story Times

Large-group story times designed for childcare providers.

Fourth Mondays 10 a.m. Jan. 22, Feb. 26 (No program Dec. 25)

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Improve the literacy skills of your children through the assistance of registered therapy dogs. Registration begins two weeks before each program.

Second Tuesdays 6-7:40 p.m.

Fourth Saturdays 10:30 a.m.-12:10 p.m. (No session Dec. 23)

Little Red and the Gingerbread Man

Join Little Red as she pursues a mischievous Gingerbread cookie through the woods of Grandma's house in this fairy tale puppet show. For ages 2-8. Registration begins Dec. 2.

Saturday, Dec. 16 10:30-11:15 a.m.

Random Acts of Kindness with No-Sew Pillows

Learn how to make a pillow, no sewing required! Learn about Random Acts of Kindness Day and how you can make an impact. For ages 8-12. Registration begins Feb. 3. Saturday, Feb. 17 10:30-11:30 a.m.

For Teens

Chuck Close Self-Portraits for Teens

Learn about artist Chuck Close and create your own mixed media self-portrait in his iconic style. Registration begins Feb. 10.

Saturday, Feb. 24 1-4 p.m.

For All Ages

Fairy and Gnome Abodes

Use moss, rocks, shells, plants and other natural materials to create a mini landscaped indoor container garden perfect for fairies, gnomes and elves. Registration begins Jan. 6. Register one person per family.

Saturday, Jan. 20 10:30-11:30 a.m.

For Adults

Midlothian Book Discussion Group

Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly Wednesday, Dec. 20 10:30-11:30 a.m.

How the Light Gets In by Louise Penny Wednesday, Jan. 24 10:30-11:30 a.m.

The Sun Is Also a Star by Nicola Yoon Wednesday, Feb. 28 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Gym Guyz Free Fitness Class

Come in your workout gear for a discussion on fitness and learn to exercise like the pros. Registration begins Jan. 20.

Saturday, Feb. 3 10:30-11:30 a.m.

North Courthouse Road For Kids and Families

Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of Dec. 11 and begin the week of Jan. 8.

Tuesdays 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays 10:30 a.m.

Day Care Story Times

Large-group story times designed for child care providers.

Fourth Tuesdays 10 a.m. Jan. 23, Feb. 27 (No session Dec. 26)

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Third Saturdays 10:30 a.m.-12:10 p.m. Dec. 16, Jan. 20, Feb. 17

Read 2 Rover

Reading to a therapy dog provides comfort and motivation for early or struggling readers. No appointments necessary. Third Wednesdays 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Dec. 20, Jan. 17, Feb. 21

Parents and Tweens Book Group

Parents and kids ages 9-12 read together. Registration begins one month before each program.

Story Thieves by James Riley Monday, Dec. 4 6:30-7:30 p.m.

The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett

Monday, Jan. 8 6:30-7:30 p.m.

James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl Monday, Feb. 5 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Movement Workshop with Stavna Ballet

Get moving with simple, upbeat exercises! No dance experience necessary. For elementary school age children. Registration begins Dec. 2.

Saturday, Dec. 16 11-11:45 a.m.



Little Red and the Gingerbread Man

Join Little Red as she pursues a mischievous Gingerbread cookie through the woods of Grandma's house in this fairy tale puppet show. For ages 2-8. Registration begins Dec. 2.

Saturday, Dec. 16 2-2:45 p.m.

For Teens

Chess for Tweens and Teens

Want to rule a battlefield? Learn the basics of chess from a coach with thirty years of experience! Registration begins Nov. 18. Saturday, Dec. 2 1-3 p.m.

For All Ages

Acoustic Concert Series

Monthly concerts featuring traditional, folk and Virginia roots music. See page 8 for more information.

Tabletop Thursdays

Drop in to play board and card games! **Thursdays** All day

North Courthouse Fiber Artists

Drop in to knit, crochet, socialize and share tips and tricks with others! Beginners welcome.

Every Tuesday 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Alternating Wednesdays 6-7 p.m. Dec. 13, Dec. 27, Jan. 10, Jan. 24, Feb. 7, Feb. 21

For Adults

North Courthouse Road Book **Discussion Group**

The Old Man and the Sea by Ernest Hemingway

Thursday, Dec. 14 1-2 p.m.

Intruder in the Dust by William Faulkner Thursday, Jan. 11 1-2 p.m.

Can't We Talk About Something More Pleasant? by Roz Chast Thursday, Feb. 8 1-2 p.m.

Needle Felting

Learn to sculpt in wool, the hottest craze in wool crafting! You will learn to needle felt a 3-D ornament using sheep wool and a special felting needle. Registration begins Nov. 21. Tuesday, Dec. 5 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Painting with the Possibilities Artist

Paint your version of a bridge at sunset. No experience required for this beginner acrylics class! Registration begins Dec. 23. Saturday, Jan. 6 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Grant Workshop

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Chesterfield County Public Library Locations

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Bon Air Library

9103 Rattlesnake Road North Chesterfield, VA 23235-2939 (804) 318-8966

Central Library

9501 Lori Road Chesterfield, VA 23832-6631 Closed for renovation -**Reopens Spring 2018**

Chester Library

11800 Centre St. Chester, VA 23831-1781 (804) 318-8977

Clover Hill Library

6701 Deer Run Drive Midlothian, VA 23112-1901 (804) 318-8668

Enon Library

1801 Enon Church Road Chester, VA 23836-6164 (804) 318-8911

Ettrick-Matoaca Library

4501 River Road South Chesterfield, VA 23803-1732 (804) 318-8688

LaPrade Library

9000 Hull Street Road North Chesterfield, VA 23236-1304 (804) 318-8988

Meadowdale Library

4301 Meadowdale Blvd. North Chesterfield, VA 23234-5467 (804) 318-8778

Midlothian Library

521 Coalfield Road Midlothian, VA 23114-4406 (804) 768-7907

North Courthouse Road Library

325 Courthouse Road Richmond (North Chesterfield), VA 23236 (804) 318-8499

LIBRARY HOURS:

MONDAY - THURSDAY 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. **SUNDAY CLOSED**

Central Library is closed for renovations.

WILL REOPEN IN SPRING 2018!

The following collections have been temporarily

moved to other locations:

Keep Calm,

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and

Read Books

Central's new materials - Chester Library Law Library collection - Chester Library Local History collection - LaPrade Library Local Author collection - Midlothian Library

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Chesterfield Comic Con SATURDAY, MARCH 17 Meadowdale Library

Victorian Day SATURDAY, MAY 5 Bon Air Library

Train Day SATURDAY, MAY 19 Ettrick-Matoaca Library

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HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The library will be closed in observance of:

CHRISTMAS

Monday, Dec. 25 Tuesday, Dec. 26

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Monday, Jan. 1

LEE-JACKSON DAY

Friday, Jan. 12

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY

Monday, Jan. 15

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