



Main Library
Northampton Free Library
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From the Director's Desk

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Director's Report
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.Circulation for September 2018: forthcoming. ESPL -; NFL -; CIL -; CCM -

Recommendation: None.

• **Library Services & Patron Relations**

- Sat. 10/6 – Parksley Festival
- Sat. 10/6 – Northampton Ag Fair
- Sat. 10/6 – Blues Fest (Exmore)
- Sat. 10/20 – CIL Showcase, Nandua
- **Passive Programs:** Basket drawings will continue.
- **Hurricane Florence** – Scheduled closing for September 13 and 14, following Accomack County's plans. Reopened Friday September 14 as weather was clear. Operated normal hours on Saturday, September 15. Kudos to the staff able to re-open the library on short notice to meet our patrons' needs!
- **"Funding Information Network Partner,"** a.k.a. FIN. Planning for 2019 services are taking place.

New FindItVa Databases Launched on Oct. 1. Staff are doing self-training which includes additional hours for hourly employees for the next six weeks. Access links are being added to the espl.org website. Publicity and training for the public will be forthcoming. Several databases were dropped including Homework Help, Gale reference databases, and CREDO. Databases available through the LVA website with a LVA library card have not changed.

- ❖ Ebsco: MasterFILE
- ❖ Ebsco: Read It! on Read It! interface
- ❖ Explora Public Libraries
- ❖ Explora Secondary Schools
- ❖ Novelist: NoveList K-8 Plus
- ❖ NoveList Plus
- ❖ Rocket Languages
- ❖ Gale Cengage: Career Transitions
- ❖ Gale LegalForms
- ❖ Kids Infobits
- ❖ Universal Class
- **Youth Services (Janice Felker):**
 - Completed report for YALSA Teen Intern Grant and had interns complete exit questionnaires. (Sept. 6)
 - Continued to work on improving the setup of the three iPad tables that were purchased by Friends of the Eastern Shore Public Library with funds from the United Way of the Eastern Shore.
 - Conducted Outreach Story Times at Migrant Head Start in Parksley. (Sept. 6 & 20)
 - Prepped books for give away and other items for outreach to include on the van at Nadua High School's Touch a Truck event. (Sept. 8)
 - Continued to work on collection development (purchasing and discarding) for Children's and YA collections.
 - Conducted Youth Garden Club meetings and workdays at Northampton Free Library. (Sept. 9 & 21)
 - At Nassawadox and Accomac libraries, continued to promote teen involvement in Teen Read Week and YALSA's Teens' Top 10 event. "The Teens' Top Ten is a "teen choice" list, where teens nominate and choose their favorite books of the previous year! Nominators are members of teen book

groups in fifteen school and public libraries around the country. Nominations are posted on the Thursday of National Library Week, and teens across the country vote on their favorite titles each year. Readers ages twelve to eighteen will vote online between August 15 and Teen Read Week™ (October 7-13, 2018) ...”

- Attended ESPL Board of Trustees meeting in Accomac. (Sept. 11)
- Prepared a written piece on Teen Read Week for submission to our monthly “Off the Shelf” section in the Eastern Shore Post. (Sept. 15)
- Began to compile Summer Reading, as well year-round, Youth Services statistics for Library of Virginia Bibliostat report.
- Met with Sharon Silvey at Cape Charles Memorial Library to discuss results of 2018 Summer Reading program and begin to plan for the fall, winter, and next year’s youth programs. (Sept. 17)
- Viewed ManageEngine (iPads management system) webinars. (Sept. 19 & 20)
- Created and distributed a flyer to promote a Teen Night event to be held during Teen Read Week. The event is designed to be a kick off for creating a teen advisory group. (Sept. 24)
- Created promotion for and scheduled Story Times for Accomac and Nassawadox library locations. (Sept. 25)
- Attended and reported at Friends of the Eastern Shore Public Library meeting. (Sept. 26)
- Attended the 2018 VLA Conference in Williamsburg, VA with Charle Ricci. (Sept. 27 & 28)
- **Technical Services (Charle Ricci):** forthcoming
- **Eastern Shore Room (Stacia Childers):** forthcoming
- Meetings:
 - 9/11 Heritage Center Campaign Committee
 - 9/13 TGD conference call with Edmonds and Hall regarding HC Case for Support design
 - 9/18 Nurse Family Partnership
 - 9/19 Design Committee
 - 9/19 Latimer project committee
 - 9/19 Accomack BoS
 - 9/20 ESPL Foundation in Cheriton
 - 9/20 Staff meeting
 - 9/20 Kollias
 - 9/21 Literacy Coalition ED and GED Director with Janice Felker and Wells Gregoire
 - 9/24 Museum Network, in Cape Charles Museum
 - 9/24 Construction Committee and Steering Committee joint meeting
- Outreach:
 - 9/8 Touch a Truck. At Nandua High School as Class of 2019 fundraiser. Kids could climb into the library van and pick-out a book. Targeted age: preschoolers and parents.
 - 10/6 Childers and Gregoire demonstrated the Countryside Transformed database at the Parksley Railroad Festival.
 - 10/6 Rogers and Ricci held a pop-up library at the Northampton Agricultural Fair
 - 10/6 Collins and Karen Hatch tabled at Soul Fest in Exmore, re: Latimer Collection
- Facility:
 - No issues.
 - The County has changed oil vendor to: Petroleum Traders Corporation (was Dime Oil). The library uses this contract.
- Marketing & Communications:
 - ES Post monthly article: Friends celebration of 60th and YS: teen reading.
 - The Foundation is designing a Case for Support for the Heritage Center, with TGD design pro bono.
- Technology
 - Sonicwall setup being completed which includes filtering settings.
 - New computers set-up, including adult services specialist’s laptop.
 - The Nelsons donated a flat screen TV.
- Continuing Education
 - Staff are self-training to use new FindItVa databases
 - Felker and Ricci attended VLA
- Personnel
 - No news.
- Library Associations & Library of Virginia: *see FindItVa news above.*

- Other
 - The ESPL Foundation held a 60th anniversary reception for directors, trustees, and staff.
 - A draft revision to the library services agreement with Chincoteague Island Library is under review and will be presented to the library BoT, hopefully in November.

Upcoming:

- Sat. 10/20 - CIL Showcase, Nandua
 - Tuesday, 10/23, 2-8 pm National Friends of Library 60th Birthday Party with booksale
- November - Children's "Library Birthday" Party
2019 - ODU Big Read: Claudia Rankine's Citizen