



Youth Services Fall Programs

Watch for the kick-off of some new early literacy programs at the library this fall. **Stork Storytime** is a program for families expecting a new baby, and 1000 Things Before Kindergarten encourages the development of pre-reading and early reading skills in children from birth to age five. Both programs will include support materials, incentives, and rewards! Let our Youth Services Librarian, Janice Felker, know if you are interested (youthservices@espl.org) and she will send you an email when the programs are about to start.



**Request upcoming releases
by these popular authors now!**



Call or visit any of our four libraries to put your name on the list to read these hot titles as soon as they're released! You can also place holds from home with your library card and a PIN number.

Don't have a PIN? No problem! Give us a call and we can set one up for you.

Show me the list!

"Count Me In!" basket drawing benefits new Regional Library and ESVA Heritage Center

Win one of twenty-five gift baskets in the Eastern Shore Public Library Foundation's "Count Me In!" basket drawing fundraiser beginning October 1st. Funds are still needed for construction, technology, and other valuable materials for the new Regional Library and ESVA Heritage Center to be built in Parksley.

Ticket packs of five are \$10. The baskets will be displayed and tickets can be bought from October 1 to

November 21. The drawings will take place on November 21 at the ESPL Foundation office at Four Corner Plaza.

Count Me In!



Mallard's gift basket donation for the library's fundraiser.

Find adventures at your library by signing up for a library card!

This September Eastern Shore Public Library is joining the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries nationwide for Library Card Sign-Up Month, a time to remind parents, caregivers and students that a library card is the first step towards academic achievement and lifelong learning. Studies show that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifetime learning.



Since 1987, Library Card Sign-up Month has been held each September to mark the beginning of the school year. During the month, the ALA and libraries unite in a national effort to ensure every child signs up for their own library card. If you would like to have a **group library card sign-up event**, contact Library Director Cara Burton at (757) 787-3400. For more information about **how to sign up for a library card**, please visit your local public library in person or call ESPL at (757) 787-3400.

Come see us at these pop-up libraries!

September 13: Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce Surf & Turf, Wachapreague

September 14: [Touch a Truck](#), Nandua High School

September 28: [Music and Soul Food Festival](#), Exmore

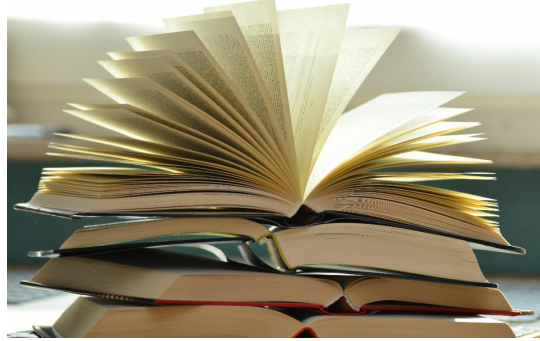
October 5 - [Northampton Agricultural Fair](#), Machipongo

October 5 - [Parksley Golden Spike Festival](#), Parksley

Friends of ESPL Book Club

The **Friends of ESPL Book Club** is starting up again this Fall!

You do not need to be a member of the Friends to participate -- all are welcome. If you are interested in joining, please give your contact information to staff at the circulation desk in Accomac. Dates and times to be determined.



[Learn more about the Friends here.](#)

There's always something happening at your local library!

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Eastern Shore Public Library System



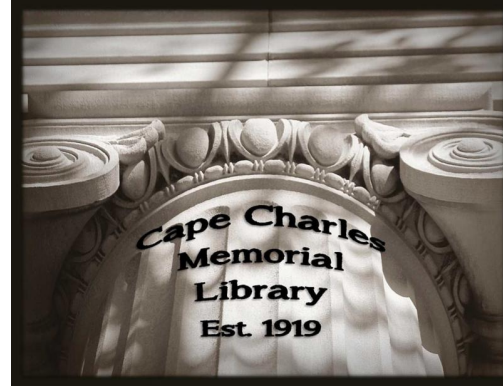
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