



LITERALLY SPEAKING...

The Newsletter of the York County Public Library

The York County Public Library is Growing!

The York County Board of Supervisors recently announced the addition of a third branch to the York County Public Library system. The new library will be located in the Marquis lifestyle center in upper York County near the intersection of Interstate 64 and Route 199. The 21,400 square-foot library is scheduled to open before April 1, 2009.

For the past few years, the Board of Supervisors and Li-

brary Board of Trustees have been evaluating the feasibility of a third library branch to better serve the upper county communities. The Board of Supervisors and Library Board believe that these constituents would be better served by a library which permits them a voice in the programs and services offered.

"The new branch will offer the same high quality services that York County residents

have come to expect and enjoy," said Kevin Smith, Manager of Library Services.

The County is in the process of choosing an architect for the interior design of the library. After the architect has been chosen, the Board of Supervisors and Library Board will hold a public forum to solicit input from citizens. The date, time, and location will be announced in the near future.

Second Saturday at Seven Concerts in March and April

The Library's Second Saturday at Seven Concert Series continues in March and April with delightful evenings of music for listeners of all ages.

On Saturday, March 8, join us for an evening of classic rock with Newport News-based acoustic guitarist Bryan Forrest. Forrest's performance is titled *Songs I Wish I Wrote ... and Some I Did!* An accomplished musician and composer, Forrest has opened shows for artists as diverse as John Hiatt, Adrian Belew, and Ellis Paul. As a composer, his music has been featured on MTV's *The Real World* as well as in theater productions throughout Hampton Roads.

The Second Saturday at Seven Concert Series welcomes

the Emmaus Baptist Church Choir from Poquoson to the Tabb Library on Saturday, April 12. Under the direction of Betty Warren, the choir will perform a variety of gospel music. You will enjoy their rich vocal harmonies.



Bryan Forrest performs March 8

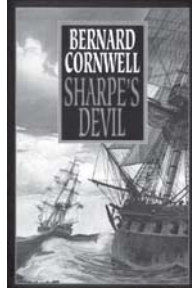
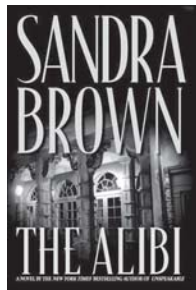
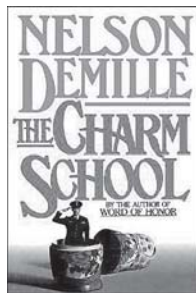
Both concerts begin at 7 p.m. at the Tabb Library. Saturday at Seven performances are free of charge and open to the public. Call the Library at 890-5120 or visit yorkcounty.gov/library for more information.

Literary Competition Reception

The York County Public Library would like to invite the community and competition participants to the Winners' Reception and Public Reading on Thursday, April 17, at 6:30 p.m. in the Tabb Library meeting room. Prizes will be awarded, and the winners in each division will read their entry.

Recent Additions to our eAudiobook Collection

Check out these additions to our eAudiobook library. We've added titles by J. A. Jance, Dean Koontz, Bernard Cornwell, and more. eAudiobooks can be accessed and downloaded through the Library's web site. They can be played on any PC that supports Windows Media Player Version 9 and above. Patrons can also transfer titles to MP3 players and other portable devices that support playback of protected wma files.



Literary Competition

Winners of the Third Annual Literary Competition for Poetry and Short Stories will be announced on March 24, 2008. The results will be posted by 5 p.m. in the Tabb Library and online at yorkcounty.gov/library.

The Library would like to thank the community for participating in the competition and workshops. We received over 100 competition entries. The four workshops held in January had over 100 attendees.

We need your assistance to improve the competition for next year. Let us know if you have any suggestions for workshop topics or other improvements. Enter your suggestions online through the *Ask A Librarian* link on the library's web site, yorkcounty.gov/library.

Ask A Librarian @ Your Library



The York County Public Library is pleased to announce our *Ask A Librarian* online reference service. Via a form on the Library's web site, patrons can ask factual questions and receive a brief answer and/or suggestions of other resources that may be helpful. Our Reference

staff will make every effort to respond to your question by email within three days. All questions and answers are confidential. *Ask A Librarian* is not designed to provide extensive research or answer questions that would require interpretation of legal or medical information. If you need immediate assistance, please call the Reference Department at 890-5120 or visit the Tabb or Yorktown Library.

Wal-Mart Offers A Helping Hand

The Library recently received a generous grant from the Yorktown Wal-Mart. Assistant Manager Jackie Shelby presented the check to Kevin Smith, Manager of Library Services. The grant will be used to purchase a public performance license for the Library to show movies at the York County Senior Center. Thank-you Wal-Mart for your generous support and contributions to the Library and our community.

Photo: Manager of Library Services, Kevin Smith (left), and Wal-Mart Assistant Manager, Jackie Shelby.



Tying the Community Together
Knitting Program for Teens
March 15 & April 19
2-4 p.m. ~ Tabb Library

Story Hours Spring Session I April 22 - May 22

Tiny Tales

Ages 6 to 14 months

Tabb Library

Tues 11:00 - 11:30 AM

Registration begins 10 AM
Monday, April 14, 2008

Toddler Tales

Ages 15 to 30 months

Tabb Library

Tues 10:15 - 10:45 AM

Wed 10:15 - 10:45 AM

Wed 11:00 - 11:30 AM

Yorktown Library

Thur 10:15 - 10:45 AM

Registration begins 10 AM
Monday, April 14, 2008

Preschool Story Time

Tabb

Wed 10:15 AM Ages 2½ - 3½

Wed 1:00 PM Ages 2½ - K

Thur 10:15 AM Ages 2½ - 3½

Thur 11:15 AM Ages 3½ - K

Yorktown

Wed 10:15 AM Ages 2½ - 3½

Wed 11:00 AM Ages 3½ - K

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Tuesday, April 15, 2008

**To register at Tabb
call 890-5110**

**To register at Yorktown
call 890-3236**

Read Across America! at the Tabb Library

Join us for a week of fun as we celebrate the tenth annual National Education Association's Read Across America Day at the Tabb Library. Beginning Monday, March 3, through Friday, March 7, there will be five days of fun activities in the Children's Department. After completing each daily activity, you can enter the drawing for a "Seusstacular" prize! Only one entry per day please. You need not be present to win. This program is for children ages 12 and under. Stop by anytime during the day.

Monday, March 3: *The Cat in the Hat*

Wear your silliest (or just your favorite) hat to the library!

Tuesday, March 4: *One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish*

Guess how many goldfish crackers are in our fishbowl!

Wednesday, March 5: *Fox in Socks*

Decorate the silly sock picture!

Thursday, March 6: *Hop on Pop*

Have fun hopscotching at the library!

Friday, March 7:

There's a Wocket in my Pocket

Using rhyming clues, guess what's in the pocket!



Spring Break Fun @ Your Library

Celebrate Spring Break at the Library! During the week of April 7-11, join us daily at 2 p.m. for fun activities in the Tabb Library meeting room. Enjoy a Nancy Drew movie on Monday, April 7. On Tuesday, April 8, use paper towel rolls to create a space craft for display during the Library's summer reading program for adults, *Blast Off to Reading*. Make one to take home, too. Wednesday, April 9, will be a surprise event. On Thursday, April 10, make a craft from a variety of craft kits including bird feeders, dream catchers, and more. Argh maties! Pirate Extravaganza is on Friday, April 11.

Reading is a Real TREAT During National Library Week!

Check out a book between April 14 and 18, and pick a lollipop off our treat tree! Fifty "lucky" lollipops will be marked with red. If you choose a winner, bring your lollipop to the Youth Services desk to claim your prize. Lollipop trees will be at the Circulation Desks at both the Tabb and Yorktown Libraries. Lollipop treats are for ages 12 and under.



Educational Workshops Rescheduled

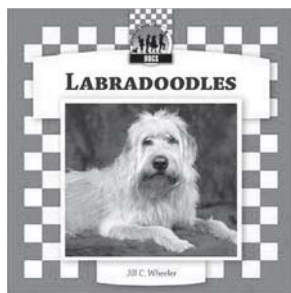
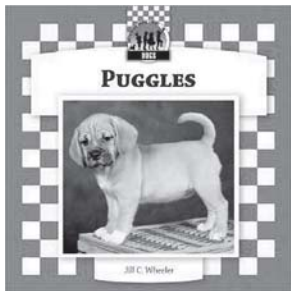
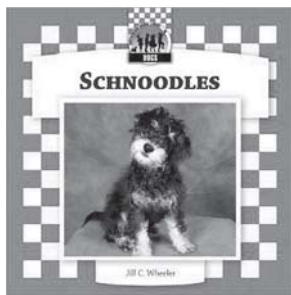
The Youth Services Department has rescheduled the free educational workshops with Dr. Ellen Fithian, a college planning consultant and founder of Hampton Roads Educational Consulting, LLC. These workshops are for the parents of middle and high school students. Dr. Fithian will discuss *Comparing Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, Dual Enrollment, and Governor's Schools* on Tuesday, March 4; *How to Help Your Teenager Discover and Nurture His or Her Interests and Talents* on Tuesday, March 11; and *How to Build Critical Reading Skills for the SAT and College* on Tuesday, March 25. For a description of the workshops, visit the Library's web site, yorkcounty.gov/children. All workshops begin at 7 p.m. and last one hour. Registration is not required.



Battle of the Books

Come cheer for your team as the York County Public Library hosts the County Battle of the Books competitions. Students in grades 4-8 have read 20 books, attended practices at the Library, and competed at their school for a chance to participate in the County Battles. Yorktown Middle School and Grafton Middle School will compete on Wednesday, March 5, at 7 p.m. in the Tabb Library meeting room. The following elementary schools will meet for their County Battle on Thursday, March 6, at 7 p.m. at Coventry Elementary School: Bethel Manor, Coventry, Grafton-Bethel, Holloman, Mount Vernon, Seaford, Tabb, and Yorktown. The winning teams will advance to the regional competition in Williamsburg on Saturday, March 8. Good luck to all!

New Children's Books



Beginning Non-Fict.
Call Number 636.7
for ages 5-11

Musical Extravaganza

Calling all middle and high school aged teens! Join us on Saturday, March 22, from 2-4 p.m. in the Tabb Library meeting room for an afternoon of music and fun. Play Guitar Hero, sing karaoke, and test your knowledge with music trivia games. Teens are invited to bring their instruments for a jam session, too.



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HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday—Thursday	10 AM–9 PM
Friday	10 AM–6 PM
Saturday	10 AM–5 PM
Sunday	1 PM–5 PM

Visit the Library's web site
<http://www.yorkcounty.gov/library>

Enjoy story time at home...FREE!
DIAL-A-STORY 890-5111

The Library will be closed
Sunday, March 23,
for Easter

Tabb Library

100 Long Green Boulevard
 Yorktown, VA 23693
 (at Hampton Hwy. & Long Green Blvd.)

Library Information	890-5100
Administration	890-5105
Circulation Desk	890-5130
Adult Services Desk	890-5120
Youth Services Desk	890-5110

Yorktown Library

8500 George Washington Mem. Highway
 Yorktown, VA 23692
 (at US Rt. 17 & Battle Rd.)

Library Information	890-3377
Circulation Desk	890-5209
Adult Services Desk	890-5207
Youth Services Desk	890-3236