



## **Paws to Read at your library**

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### **FOR RELEASE AT WILL**

Children ages 6 to 12 are invited to the Tabb Library at 2 p.m. on Feb. 28 for Paws to Read, a program in which children and dogs bond over a shared story and readers gain confidence by reading aloud to a great listener. A signed parental permission slip will be required.

The dogs and their owners are members of Therapy Dogs International, Inc. (TDI). All dogs are tested and evaluated for therapy dog work by Certified TDI Evaluators. The dogs have passed temperament evaluations, the American Kennel Club's Canine Good Citizen Test, and have been evaluated around people who use some type of service equipment.

For more information contact the Youth Services Department at the Tabb Library at 890-5110 or the Yorktown Library at 890-5207, or visit our Web site, [www.yorkcounty.gov/children](http://www.yorkcounty.gov/children). The Tabb Library is located at the intersection of Hampton Highway (VA Rt. 134) and Long Green Boulevard, across from the Victory YMCA.



Dixie, a 3-year-old Labrador Retriever, listens intently to Allison Dynan, age 11, read.



Alexander Lawson, age 6, reads to Alex, a Samoyed.



Baily, a mixed breed; Charlie, a Labrador Retriever; and their owner and handler Richard Pettyjohn listen as Emma Van Riper, age 6, reads a book about dogs.

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