

YOUTH SERVICES NOTES

Week of February 22, 2016

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Gretna Branch Library - Pittsylvania County Public Library STEAM Activities

STEAM activities followed Debra Thompson's reading of Davy Crockett Saves the World by Rosalyn Schanzer to the Homeschool Connection group at the Gretna Branch Library.

Participants examined several constellations in a PowerPoint slideshow, then created a book illustrating their favorite star formations. The Teacher's Guide Earth, Moon and Stars from Pittsylvania County's STEM Hub proved most helpful to this lesson in astronomy.
Debra M. Thompson, Youth Services Specialist



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Workshops

Mother Goose on the Loose

Springfield

Richard Byrd Library, May 3, 2016

Chesapeake

Greenbrier Library, May 5, 2016

Ashland

Ashland Library, May 6, 2016

Cost: \$10.00

Register at

<http://vpl.virginia.gov/youth-services/> -
follow link to register for the event.

Schedule

9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Registration - coffee and light breakfast

9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. - Workshop

Box lunch will be provided.

We have requested the presenter give a 30-minute break for lunch and conclude at 4:00 p.m.

Mother Goose on the Loose is the award-winning early-literacy program for children from birth to age 3 with their parents or caregivers.

Created by **Mother Goose on the Loose** Executive Director **Dr. Betsy Diamant-Cohen**, this innovative program is based on research, which shows that children learn best through routine and repetition in a nurturing environment.

Mother Goose on the Loose uses a variety of activities, such as rhymes, songs, puppets and instruments to foster speech development, motor coordination, self-confidence, and sensitivity to others. **Mother Goose on the Loose** is different than any other lapsit program. It is composed of ten consecutive sections, utilizing a formula of 80% repetition from week to week. Combined with positive reinforcement and developmental tips for caregivers, this easy-to-plan and easy-to-implement program helps children develop all the skills they need in order to be ready for school.

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The Library of Virginia

Mission

As the Commonwealth's library and archives, the Library of Virginia is a trusted educational institution. We acquire, preserve, and promote access to unique collections of Virginia's history and advance the development of library and records management services statewide.

Vision

The Library of Virginia will inspire learning, ignite imagination, create possibilities, encourage understanding, and engage Virginia's past to empower its future.

Finance

The Library's primary funding source is General Fund appropriations. The majority of the Library's General Fund expenses represent transfer payments to local government for state aid to public libraries. Additionally, the Library earns special nongeneral fund revenue from storage fees charged to agencies and courts for document and records storage and from local circuit court records' preservation fees.

The Library also receives federal grant funding through the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) of 1996. This grant promotes access to learning and information resources of libraries.

Goals

2014-2016

Collections:

Strengthen and Preserve the Library's collections and expand accessibility for the benefit of users.

Service:

Deliver courteous, accurate, and efficient information services to our customers.

Organizational Excellence:

Position the Library to effectively embrace new challenges and increasing responsibilities.

Educational Readiness and Achievement:

Engage and educate parents, teachers, and learners through programming designed to enhance early literacy readiness and to provide access to quality education resources for prekindergarten and K12 children.

This goal is critical in fulfilling the Library's mission to provide Virginians with access to the most comprehensive information resources and to elevate levels of educational preparedness and attainment of Virginia's citizens.

Associated State Goal

Education: Elevate the levels of educational preparedness and attainment of our citizens.

Education Attainment Objectives

- ◆ Increase the number of children who participate in the Winter Reading Program.
- ◆ Increase the number of children and teens who are served by public libraries through out-of-school programs and summer reading programs.
- ◆ Support the parent as a child's first teacher by implementing Early Literacy Activity Centers in public libraries and providing training on their use.

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Through grant making, policy development, and research, IMLS helps communities and individuals thrive through broad public access to knowledge, cultural heritage, and lifelong learning.

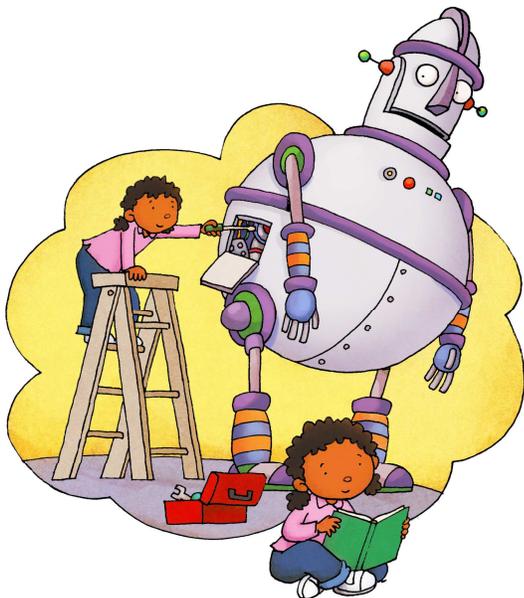
This newsletter project is made possible by a grant from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services.

Lewis Egerton Smoot Memorial Library

Library Display

This is a photo of a recent display I made that I'm proud of. We are tired of the snow here, so I made a spring display using balloons, string, a hula hoop and construction paper for a rainbow suggested by one of our library assistants. I think it turned out really great.

Erica Testani, Youth Services Librarian 



Read for the Win!

Summer 2016

Forest Library - Bedford Public Library System

Successful STEM Night at the Forest Library

These are photos of our "Robot Rally" Event.

The kids loved learning with the Ozobots. They loved all of the STEM equipment! The iPad helped a lot with this activity, as well!

Mary Pavalonis, Youth Services, Forest Library



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STEAM Activities

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Mother Goose on the Loose

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The program integrates best practices from baby storytime and includes developmental tips for adults. Musical activities are patterned after “Your Baby Needs Music” using the “Listen, Like, Learn” approach. Developed by the late Barbara Cass-Beggs, a true visionary of children’s learning, this method helps children learn music in a very effective way, creating an optimal learning environment.

The workshop will be the traditional **Mother Goose on the Loose** and include ways to make the Mother Goose on the Loose program welcoming to children with special needs.

Contact Enid if you have questions:

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Storytime Share-n-Tell

Martinsville Blue Ridge Regional Library,

April 19, 2016

Cost Free

Register at:

<http://vpl.virginia.gov/youth-services/>

follow link to event - use password
Storytime”

The Blue Ridge Regional Library is hosting a ‘Storytime Share-n-Tell’ program on April 19 for all interested children’s librarians and programmers.

Each person who attends should bring one programming idea to share with the others. It could be a song, an action rhyme, a board story, an activity/ game, etc. that has been used in storytime successfully – in other words, the kids loved it! Bring copies (words and patterns, if possible) of their “Share-n-Tell” item for the other participants. We will have a magnet/flannel board available for participants to use. In addition, the Blue Ridge Regional Library has a nice collection of Ellison Dies and will make the dies readily available to any who wish to use them. **Just remember to bring your own paper...or foam sheets or wallpaper or cardstock or whatever else you might choose to use!**

Agenda:

9:30 a.m. Nibbles

10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

With lunch (sandwiches and chips) at 12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m.

And by all means, if you have any questions about the event, just holler!

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Questions about registration? Contact Enid at

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Science Museum of Virginia

Toys from Trash

This 6-week session of outreach programming in the Boys and Girls Clubs has been geared towards environment, energy, and the community.

We've been engaging the kids in some fun projects and I wanted to share this website with you in case other librarians would be interested. Hundreds (well, at least dozens) of hands-on projects that are made from "trash" or any items that could be recycled can be found at this link. The projects are sorted by topic at the top of the site...enjoy!

<http://www.arvindguptatoys.com/amazing-astronomy.php>

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Lunar and Planetary Institute Celebration of the Moon

Postage Stamp

On February 22, 2016, the United States Postal Service will release a new, one-ounce, international-rate stamp: *The Moon Forever* (http://about.usps.com/postal-bulletin/2016/pb22435/html/info_008.htm).

The Moon is a fitting choice for a Global Forever commemorative stamp, because exploration of the Moon has always been an international endeavor. Even though the Apollo program was led by the United States, analyses of its valuable lunar samples involved scientists from around the world from the first day they were returned to Houston. The spirit of that international endeavor has continued over the past half century, during which a growing number of nations have reached lunar orbit and landed on the lunar surface.



Exploration of the Moon

There is a growing realization that the Moon is the best and most accessible place to explore the origin and evolution of the Solar System.

As capabilities, such as NASA's Orion crew vehicle, it's Space Launch System, and ESA's Orion service module, are being constructed for flights beyond low-Earth

orbit, mission concepts that utilize those capabilities are being developed. In support of the multi-agency International Space Exploration Coordination Group, which has been pursuing a Global Exploration Roadmap, human-assisted robotic sample return missions are being studied.



One of those concepts, called HERACLES, could return to Earth exciting new samples that test fundamentally important concepts, such as an early globally-magmatic phase for the Earth and Moon and a subsequent period of severe asteroid and comet bombardment that completely resurfaced the Earth and Moon immediately prior to our earliest evidence of life on Earth.

An international group of students recently helped design two potential traverses for the rover in the HERACLES mission concept and will be presenting those results at the upcoming international Lunar and Planetary Science Conference (Martin et al., 2016; McDonald et al., 2016). The Moon remains a guiding light of space exploration

A Global Celebration of the Moon

For one day a year, the global community is invited to look up and take notice of Earth's nearest neighbor in space.

International Observe the Moon Night (InOMN)

(<http://observethemoonnight.org/>) is an annual worldwide public event that encourages observation, appreciation, and understanding of our Moon. The 2016 event will take place October 8th. If you are wondering what the Moon might look like in other parts of the world, take a look:

(<http://www.lpi.usra.edu/exploration/training/illustrations/earthMoon/hiRes/05.jpg>).



Email from Andrew Shaner, February 19, 2015, to Universities Space Research Association Explore distribution list.

Excellent Resources!

Organizations Working to Fight Teen Violence

To support you in your work with young people, below is a list of organizations fighting violence in teens and women. Take some time to see what others are doing!

- **Girls Inc.;** <http://www.girlsinc.org>
- **Futures Without Violence;** <http://www.futureswithoutviolence.org>
- **Know Your IX;** <http://knowyourix.org>
- **Break the Cycle;** <http://www.breakthecycle.org>
- **Idaho Coalition Against Sexual & Domestic Violence;** <http://www.idvsa.org>
- **VAWnet National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women;** <http://www.vawnet.org>
- **Stop Sexual Assault in Schools;** <http://stopsexualassaultinschools.org>
- **Yes All Daughters;** <https://www.facebook.com/yesalldaughters>
- **Safe BAE;** <http://www.safebae.org>
- **End Rape on Campus;** <http://endrapeoncampus.org>
- **National Coalition to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation;** <http://www.preventtogether.org>
- **Stop It Now!;** <http://www.stopitnow.org>
- **California Coalition Against Sexual Assault (CALCASA);** <http://www.calcasa.org>
- **Sensibilities Prevention Services;** <http://www.cordeliaanderson.com>
- **Stop Abuse Campaign;** <https://stopabusecampaign.com>
- **Greater Richmond SCAN;** <http://grscan.com>
- **National Sexual Violence Resource Center (NSVRC);** <http://www.nsvrc.org>

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Summer Learning will be the focus of the Library of Virginia's Youth Services Workshop this fall!

Library of Congress NEWS

2016 Library of Congress National Book Festival Slated for September 24

The Library of Congress continues its annual celebration of authors and readers, the National Book Festival, for its 16th year on Saturday, September 24, 2016, at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington, D.C., from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. All programs will be free of charge.

Many authors have already accepted the festival's invitations this year, and they include:

- **Kwame Alexander**, Newbery Medal winner
- **Douglas Brinkley**, prize-winning historian
- **Christopher Buckley**, author of such satirical works as "Thank You for Smoking"
- **Newt Gingrich**, former Speaker of the House and author
- **Philip Glass**, Pulitzer Prize-winning composer
- **Annette Gordon-Reed**, Pulitzer Prize winner
- **Winston Groom**, author of "Forrest Gump"
- **Stephen King**, best-selling, prize-winning author and literacy advocate
- **James McBride**, National Book Award winner
- **Jon Meacham**, Pulitzer Prize-winning historian
- **Joyce Carol Oates**, prize-winning author of more than 70 books
- **Ed Piskor**, alternative comics artist
- **Michael Ramirez**, two-time Pulitzer Prize winner
- **Diane Rehm**, NPR host and author
- **Salman Rushdie**, Man Booker Prize winner
- **Stacy Schiff**, Pulitzer Prize winner
- **Bob Woodward**, Pulitzer prize winner and author of 17 No. 1 best-sellers
- **Luis Alberto Urrea**, prize-winning author of "The Devil's Highway"
- **Gene Luen Yang**, Library of Congress National Ambassador for Young People's Literature

Additional authors will be announced in the coming months.

The festival will feature more than 100 distinguished authors across many fields and in all genres of writing, with audiences ranging from young readers to adults. The festival will continue to feature its popular offerings dedicated to Children, Teens, Contemporary Life, History & Biography, Fiction & Mystery, Graphic Novels, Picture Books, Science, Poetry & Prose and Culinary Arts.

Press Release, January 21, 2016 



Dates to Remember

Virginia Conferences

March 16-20, 2016.....	Virginia Festival of the Book 2016.....	Charlottesville
May 2, 2016.....	VLA Professional Associates Annual Conference.....	Williamsburg
October 26-28, 2016.....	VLA Annual Conference.....	Hot Springs

National Conferences

April 5-9, 2016.....	Public Library Association 2016 Conference.....	Denver
June 23-28, 2016.....	American Library Association Annual Conference.....	Orlando
September 15-17, 2016.....	ALSC National Institute 2016.....	Charlotte
October 27-29, 2016.....	Association for Rural & Small Libraries Conference.....	Fargo
November 4-6, 2016.....	YALSA's 2016 YA Services Symposium.....	Pittsburgh

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Library Observances, Celebration Weeks & Promotional Events

March

American Red Cross Month.....	http://www.redcross.org
Irish-American Heritage Month.....	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Irish-American_Heritage_Month
National Women's History Month.....	http://womenshistorymonth.gov
Youth Art Month.....	http://www.arteducators.org/news/yam

March 2.....	Read Across America Day
March 6-12.....	Teen Tech Week
March 9.....	No Smoking Day
March 13.....	Daylight Savings Time Begins
March 16.....	Freedom of Information Day
March 23-29.....	Arthritis Awareness Week

Thanks for the photos and information!

- ◇ **Mary Pavalonis & Lauren Harper, Bedford Public Library System**
- ◇ **Janet Boucher & Karen Barley, Blue Ridge Regional Library**
- ◇ **Erica Testani, Lewis Egerton Smoot Memorial Library**
- ◇ **Debra Thompson, Pittsylvania County Public Library**
- ◇ **Sarah Waldrop, Science Museum of Virginia**
- ◇ **The usual resources - Library of Congress, Lunar and Planetary Institute**