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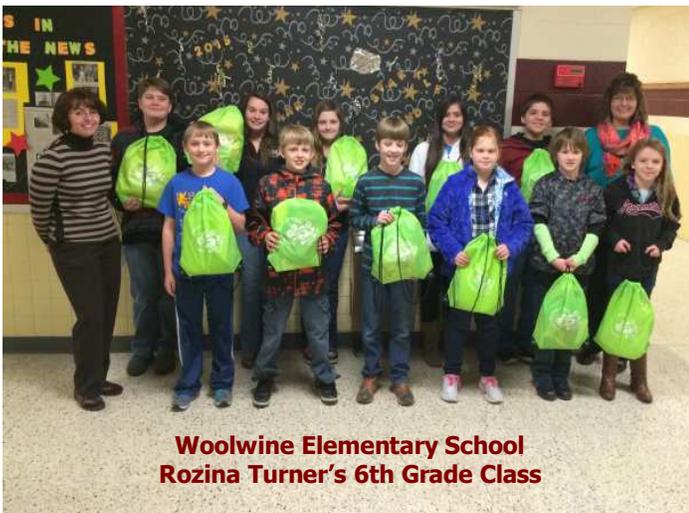
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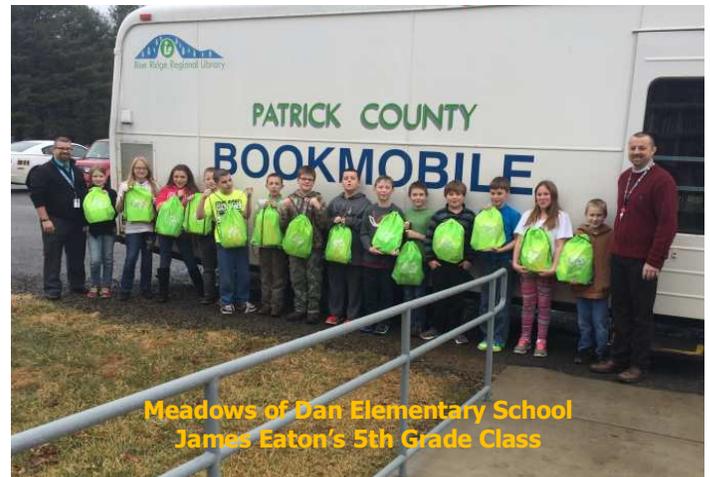
## Blue Ridge Regional Library

### **STEM Backpacks Delivered**

The STEM Backpacks created by the [Science Museum of Virginia](#) and funded by [IMLS](#) through the [Library of Virginia](#) have been delivered to the participating schools in the [Patrick County School System](#).



**Woolwine Elementary School  
Rozina Turner's 6th Grade Class**



**Meadows of Dan Elementary School  
James Eaton's 5th Grade Class**

Submitted by Cecil Holland 

## Williamsburg Regional Library

### **Pete the Cat Storytime**

On January 31, librarians [Morag Willey](#) and [Laurie Ziegler](#) of the Williamsburg Regional Library hosted a Pete the Cat Storytime. Over 120 exuberant children and caregivers participated in crafts, snacks, games and stories about the lovable feline. *See attachment for pictures.*

Some ideas from: Flannel Friday  
<http://flannelfridaystorytime.blogspot.com/>  
And Harper Collins  
<http://www.harpercollins.com/childrens>

Sandy Towers, Youth Services Director 

## Caroline Library, Inc.

### **Caroline Reads**

Welcome to the new website. . . dedicated to the *Caroline Reads March County Wide Event!* Please visit, take note of the events, and tell us what you think!  
<http://carolinelibraryreads.weebly.com/>



Submitted by Maureen Dorosinski. 



**Hardin Reynolds Memorial School  
Mrs. Hutchens Science Class**



# Youth Services Notes

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- ◇ **Cecil Holland**, Blue Ridge Regional Library
- ◇ **Maureen Dorosinski**, Caroline Library, Inc.
- ◇ **Sandy Towers**, Williamsburg Regional Library
- ◇ **And the usual suspects** — Lunar and Planetary Institute, VLA, IMLS



## Dates to Remember

### Virginia Conferences

March 12-14, 2015..... Virginia State Reading Association Conference..... Richmond  
 March 24-26, 2015..... Virginia Head Start Association Conference ..... Abingdon  
 October 21-23, 2015..... Virginia Library Association Annual Conference..... Richmond

### National Conferences

January 30–February 3, 2015 ..... American Library Association Midwinter Conference.....Chicago  
 June 25-30, 2015 ..... American Library Association Annual Conference ..... San Francisco

### Online Courses

January 12, 2015–February 21, 2015 ..... Bilingual Storytime and Library Outreach ( Katie Scherrer ) ..... online

### Training

February 13, 2015..... STEM Workshop with Science Museum of Virginia..... King George  
 February 19, 2015..... Early Reading Instructional Strategies and Resources (VDOE & LVA) Charlottesville  
 February 20, 2015..... STEM Workshop with Science Museum of Virginia..... Fishersville  
 February 26, 2015..... STEM Workshop with Science Museum of Virginia..... Lebanon  
 February 27, 2015..... STEM Workshop with Science Museum of Virginia..... Bedford  
 March 12-14, 2015..... Virginia State Reading Association Conference..... Richmond  
 March 16, 2015..... **Music and Movement Workshop**..... Mechanicsville  
 March 18, 2015..... Early Reading Instructional Strategies and Resources (VDOE & LVA)..... Richmond  
 March 31, 2015..... Storytime Share-n-Tell..... Martinsville

From Enid's desk...

## Music and Movement Workshop, Idea Sharing, Early Literacy Center Exchange — at Mechanicsville

Teresa Cain, Central Rappahannock Regional Library, will present a workshop on Music and Movement at the Pamunkey Regional Library - Mechanicsville Branch Library on **March 16, 2015**. See attached flyer.

Everyone is asked to bring two or three Music and Movement ideas to share. For example, your favorite book, early literacy tip and related activity, craft project with pattern, fingerplay with handout, flannel board with pattern and words; Performers you would recommend. Bring handouts to distribute and/or email [enid.costley@lva.virginia.gov](mailto:enid.costley@lva.virginia.gov) for inclusion in the Youth Services Notes after the event.

You might want to wear comfortable clothes as we will be wiggling and shaking.

### This is also the time for the Regional Early Literacy Activity Center Exchange.

☑ Please bring the items in the your Early Literacy Activity Center to the exchange cleaned, inventoried and in the “blue bags” provided to you.

☑ The plastic shoebox-size containers of the Early Literacy Activity Center have lids; four containers can be stacked in a bag. The puzzle base slides into the inside of the bag.

☑ Label each bag with a tag containing your library name and the name of the unit. If it is a compact – please list “Compact.”

☑ An updated list of contents for the Early Literacy Activity Center may be found on Pinterest. The web address is <http://www.pinterest.com/ldndva/>. The Pinterest board is organized with the themes of the centers in alphabetical order, but the compact units are listed separately near the bottom of the page.

☑ Please report missing or damaged pieces 7 days before the event using the online form at [http://valibraries.lva.virginia.gov/ELAC/missing\\_form.asp](http://valibraries.lva.virginia.gov/ELAC/missing_form.asp)

☑ To register for the workshop, go to: <https://musicandmovementatprlmarch16.eventbrite.com>  
Password: Music



*“Read to the Rhythm!”*  
SUMMER 2015

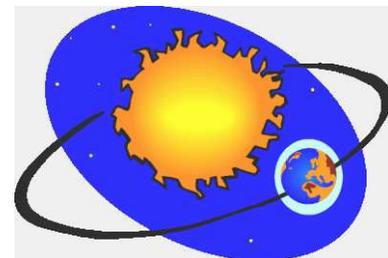
## Lunar and Planetary Institute

### Earth and Space Science News

<http://www.lpi.usra.edu/education/resources/news/>

Included in the January issue of the newsletter:

- Link to the Dawn mission’s arrival at Ceres, a total lunar eclipse, the New Horizon’s flight past Pluto, and more in **Calendar**



- Learn about the “Design of Discovery” workshop being held simultaneously at several sites around the US, as well as Houston Earth and space science workshops, McDonald Observatory summer teacher professional development, and NSF summer research experience for pre-service STEM teachers at **Workshops and Courses**
- Check out the free Houston talk by Jill Tarter: SETI–Real v. Reel, an upcoming SkyFest event in Houston, and the i C Ceres events across the US in **Events**
- Participate in the Sally Ride EarthKAM 2015 Winter Mission, join the Informal Educator Heliophysics Ambassador Program, or become an Educator Ambassador and travel to Chile in **Get Involved**
- Apply for a grant for students to invent technological solutions in InvenTeams, and for the ING Unsung Heroes class project awards, in **Grants and Awards**
- Connect to celestial and NASA mission events resources, a new Oceans quiz, a diversity tool on unconscious bias in STEM, guides to resources on eclipses and on science fiction, recordings of presentations on gravity and explaining Earth’s core, and a new global CO2 visualization, in **Resources**
- Read about oceans on super-earths, predictions of undiscovered planets in our solar system, new views on what galaxies are, more planets discovered by Kepler, how 2014 is the warmest year on record, and more in **Mission News and Science**

**“The most important asset of any library goes home at night – the library staff.”**

Father Timothy Healy  
Former president, New York Public Library

## Institute of Museum and Library Services

### **Public Libraries Survey Report Issued**

In 2012, Americans made 1.5 billion trips to public libraries in the United States—the equivalent of more than 4.1 million visits each day, according to new research by the [Institute of Museum and Library Services](#)

(IMLS). The research indicates there is still a high demand for the resources and services of the nation's approximately 9,000 public libraries.

[Last month], IMLS released the report for the **Public Libraries in the United States Survey: Fiscal Year 2012**, an analysis of the most comprehensive annual data collection of U.S. public library statistics.

The report may be found at: [http://www.ims.gov/research/public\\_libraries\\_in\\_the\\_us\\_fy\\_2012\\_report.aspx](http://www.ims.gov/research/public_libraries_in_the_us_fy_2012_report.aspx)

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Ninety-seven percent of public libraries in the 50 states and the District of Columbia contribute data for the survey, which is now in its 26th year. The survey report provides analysis of 13 key indicators of library investments and library use, and profiles for each state, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. Policymakers and practitioners use the report findings to make informed decisions about library support and management.

Fiscal Year 2012 was marked by a stabilization of post-recession declines in revenue, staffing, visitation, and circulation at the nation's public libraries. Measures of public library use and resources remained similar to prior year levels. While revenue has stabilized, a greater share is coming from local governments, and in FY 2012, there was a 13.2 percent increase in revenues from other sources.

**Libraries are offering more public programs, including programs for children, and are seeing greater program attendance than in previous years.** Public libraries are also adding more to their digital holdings, including e-books and downloadable audio and video. Spending on electronic materials has doubled since Fiscal Year 2003. Although libraries continue to provide public access computers and Internet access, use of public access computers has seen a two-year decrease of 7.4 percent. The decrease may be the result of customers' use of their own devices such as laptops, smart phones, and tablets to connect to public libraries' Wi-Fi.

“The public library is adapting to the changing needs of the American people,” said **Maura Marx**, Acting



IMLS Director. “The report describes shifts in funding, as well as changes in the services and programs of public libraries that reflect changes in public demand.”

She continued, “We found positive links between investments—particularly in staffing and collections—and public library usage. When a library has more full-time staff members, it is visited more often. When it spends more on electronic materials, it increases its per capita circulation. So, we clearly see a strong connection between investment and usage. At IMLS, we are proud to be the nation's primary source of federal support for public libraries and to know that our investments make a real difference for these essential public institutions.”

*Other highlights of the findings include:*

- There were 1.5 billion in-person visits to public libraries across the United States, similar to FY 2011 levels. This was a 10-year increase of 10.2 percent.
- The public invested over \$11.5 billion in revenue to public libraries. This was similar to FY 2011 levels, after adjusting for inflation. Revenue has declined after a peak in FY 2009, but is up 7.2 percent over 10 years.
- More than 92.6 million people attended the 4.0 million programs at public libraries. Attendance showed a 1-year increase of 5.2 percent and a 10-year increase of 54.4 percent.

## Virginia Library Association

### **Call for Nominations: 2015 VLA Awards**

We know you work with amazing people, and that hundreds of wonderful volunteers help make your library a success year after year. Celebrate those people and their dedication by nominating them for a Virginia Library Association Award (**deadline May 15**). Winners will be honored at the Virginia Library Association Annual Conference at the Richmond Marriott, October 21-23. Nomination Forms and Award Criteria are located here:

<http://www.vla.org/>, find link under “Latest News”

The Awards and Recognition Committee is seeking nominations for the following VLA Awards:

- George Mason Award
- Honorary Life Award
- Trustee Library Award
- Friends of the Library Award



**The deadline for nominations is May 15, 2015.**

Nominations may be submitted electronically to Lisa Varga, VLA Executive Director ([vla.lisav@cox.net](mailto:vla.lisav@cox.net)).

Thank you,  
The Awards and Recognition Committee

## More from Lunar and Planetary Institute

### **Explore! Summer 2015 Celestial/NASA Mission Events**

Good morning! Are you busy preparing for your summer reading program(s)? Needing some suggestions for possible topics/events? Check out the list of solar system/NASA mission milestone events below for inspiration! There are a few events listed that take place before the summer and a few that take place after, but we thought we'd include them anyway.

If you hold a program centered on one (or more) of these events, please let us know! Send us a description of how it went and include pictures if you have them! (Please be sure that you have signed image release forms for pictures with minors.)

The events below are also listed on the Explore! Calendar webpage.

<http://www.lpi.usra.edu/education/explore/events/>

More programming ideas for select events throughout 2015 and 2016 will be available on the Lunar and Planetary Institute's "Look Up!" webpage:

[http://www.lpi.usra.edu/education/look\\_up/](http://www.lpi.usra.edu/education/look_up/)

### **Summer 2015 Celestial/NASA Mission Events**

#### **Hubble Space Telescope 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

<http://www.nasa.gov/content/goddard/a-look-at-the-numbers-as-nasas-hubble-space-telescope-enters-its-25th-year/#.VIInvWMnMmE1>

All Year

2015 marks the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of operations for the Hubble Space Telescope. Hubble's launch and deployment in April 1990 marked the most significant advance in astronomy since Galileo's telescope. Our view of the universe and our place within it has never been the same. Hubble imagery can be viewed in the mission's online gallery <http://hubblesite.org/gallery/> and can be downloaded as part of Hubble's "Visions of the Universe" exhibit.

<http://amazing-space.stsci.edu/visions/>

#### **International Year of Light**

<http://www.light2015.org/Home.html>

All Year

On 20 December 2013, The United Nations (UN) General Assembly 68th Session proclaimed 2015 as the International Year of Light and Light-based Technologies (IYL 2015). The United Nations recognizes the importance of raising global awareness about how light-based technologies promote sustainable development and provide solutions to global challenges in energy, education, agriculture and health. Visit the IYL 2015 "Hands on Involvement" webpage for activity ideas, including ways to use smartphones



to do science!

<http://www.light2015.org/Home/HandsOnInvolvement.html>

#### **i C Ceres Celebration**

[http://dawn.jpl.nasa.gov/news/i\\_c\\_ceres.asp](http://dawn.jpl.nasa.gov/news/i_c_ceres.asp)

May 9, 2015

After more than seven years cruising at stunning speeds (including a glorious year exploring protoplanet Vesta), Dawn will begin its exploration of Ceres. Join the celebration by hosting an event with your community! Activity ideas can be found on the Dawn mission's education webpage.

<http://dawn.jpl.nasa.gov/education/>

#### **New Horizons Spacecraft Encounters Pluto**

<http://pluto.jhuapl.edu/>

July 2015

After more than nine years of spaceflight, the New Horizons spacecraft will fly-by the dwarf planet Pluto in July 2015. This encounter with Pluto will give the world its first ever close-up views of this mysterious, icy body. "Strange New Planet" in the Explore! Beyond Earth module is a fantastic activity that demonstrates the robotic exploration of planets.

<http://www.lpi.usra.edu/education/explore/beyondEarth/activities/>

#### **International Observe the Moon Night**

<http://observethemoonnight.org/>

September 19, 2015

International Observe the Moon Night (InOMN) is an annual event that is dedicated to encouraging people to 'look up' and take notice of our nearest neighbor, the Moon. From looking at the Moon with a naked eye to using the most sensitive telescope, every year on the same day, people from around the world hold events and activities that celebrate our Moon. Activity ideas can be found in the Explore! Marvel Moon module.

<http://www.lpi.usra.edu/education/explore/marvelMoon/activities/>

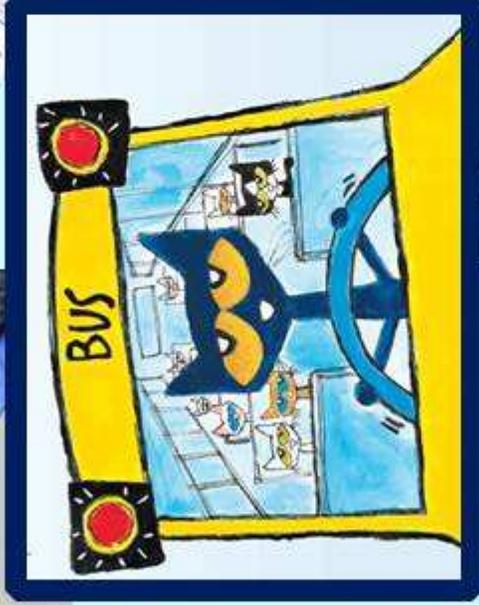
#### **Total Lunar Eclipse**

<http://www.mreclipse.com/Special/LEprimer.html>

September 27-28, 2015

This total lunar eclipse will be visible from all 50 U.S. states, however, only the eastern half of the continental U.S. (states along the Mississippi River and eastward) will see the eclipse in its entirety. The eclipse begins about 8:10pm Eastern Time, September 27 and ends about 1:20am Eastern Time, September 28.

*Email dated January 28, 2015 from Andrew Shaner, Lunar and Planetary Institute* 



**Pete the Cat Storytime**  
**Williamsburg Regional Library**

# Music & Movement Workshop

with Teresa Cain, Central Rappahannock Regional Library

**Monday March 16**  
**1:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

Mechanicsville Branch Library  
7461 Sherwood Crossing Place  
Mechanicsville, VA 23111

Need ideas for **music**

**Storytimes** or the **Summer**

**Reading Program?**

Bring your ideas to share  
& learn some new ones!

**Region IV Early Activity Center**

**Spring Exchange** will take place  
here.



Questions? Contact Linda Gosnell,  
804-365-6074 or [lgosnell@pamunkeylibrary.org](mailto:lgosnell@pamunkeylibrary.org)

Register at <http://musicandmovementatprlmarch16.eventbrite.com> (password: Music)