

BERLIN ADULT PROGRAMS

THE BIG READ

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Identity Theft

Identity thieves are working every day trying to steal social security numbers, bank account numbers, or PINs from unsuspecting people. Find out if you are taking unnecessary risks with your identity and learn how to take preventative measures to protect yourself. This class is sponsored by PNC Bank.

Monday, January 11 at 1 pm

Eat Like A Wild Man!

Wild Game

Cooking Demo

Join us for an engaging series of cooking demonstrations featuring local, award winning chefs and culinary experts. Preparing certified farm raised products, chefs will demonstrate the art and skill of cooking wild game species with an exotic culinary touch. This demo will include Duck Confit served with

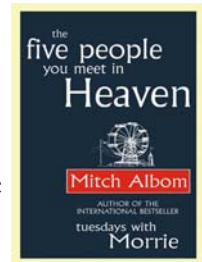


grilled Duck Sausage and fresh local seasonal vegetables. Presented by Brian Julian, graduate of Johnson and Wales culinary school and chef/owner of Waterman's Restaurant, Crisfield.

Wednesday, January 13 at 7 pm

Book of the Month

The Five People you meet in Heaven by Mitch Albom



Eddie's story "begins at the end, with Eddie dying in the sun"--at Ruby Pier, an amusement park by the sea. He dies on his eighty-third birthday trying to save a little girl from an accident. Eddie wakes up in heaven, where he is informed that "there are five people you meet in heaven. Each . . . was in your life for a reason. You may not have known life for a reason. You may not have known the reason at the time, and that is what heaven is for. For understanding your life on earth."

Friday, January 22 at 1 pm

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Celebrity in America: Distortion of our Culture and Politics

A culture of celebrity shapes the behavior of Americans today. The Horatio Alger heroes of the 19th century who achieved success through hard work have given way to celebrities admired for their images instead of their accomplishments. A pleasing personality and attractive image are considered vital in the competition for success. This presentation by Donald Whaley of Salisbury University will examine how and why the Horatio Alger heroes were replaced by celebrities and its effect on our art, literature, popular culture, politics, and child rearing.

Wednesday, January 27 at 1 pm

Fireside Chat

Join staff, friends, and fellow book lovers to discuss and recommend your favorite books while sipping a cup of coffee by the fire.



Thursday, January 28 at 3 pm

WBOC'S Kelley Rouse Moments in Life

Journalist, mother, friend, Kelley Rouse presents "Moments in Life," a collection of short stories based on those moments in all of our lives that help define who we are. Stories include selections from pieces about how flying home from assignment in Iraq leads to the discovery of sacrifice and patriotism in a cargo bay, how words can sometimes be the most powerful medicine for a terminally ill friend, and the 'idea' of possessing something may be more rewarding than the real thing.



Monday, February 1 at 2:30 pm

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Antique Silver Appraisal

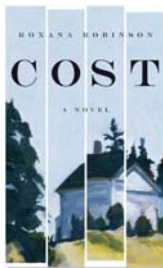
John Gallagher will be on site to appraise your most treasured antique silver. Coins are not included as they have a different value system. Please limit to three pieces.



Thursday, February 4 at 1 pm

Book of the Month *Cost* by

Roxana Robinson
This is the story of a family - three generations - who have long been separated emotionally by misunderstandings. They are brought together in an attempt to deal with Jack's problems and in the process find some emotional healing with each other.



Friday, February 19 at 1 pm

Beauty And The Beast Ballet See page 3

Fireside Chat

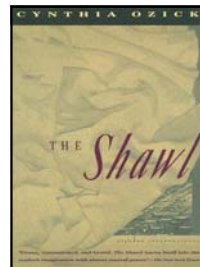
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Thursday, February 25 at 3 pm

Book of the Month *The Shawl* by Cynthia Ozick

This month's selection celebrates THE BIG READ as we join our community in discussing this award winning novel based on the Holocaust. Lunch will be provided.



Friday, March 19 at 1 pm

Fireside Chat

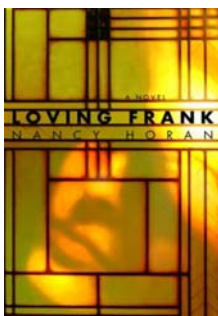
Thursday, March 25 at 3 pm

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Book of the Month

Loving Frank by Nancy Horan

"Loving Frank" details the period of Frank Lloyd Wright's life when he leaves his wife for one of his clients, Mamah Borthwick Cheney. Per Horan's intention, the star of the book is really Mamah. During the time period of this book, the early 1900s, she is ahead of her time in terms of her views on motherhood, women's rights and women working.



Friday, April 23 at 1 pm

Fireside Chat

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Thursday, April 29 at 3 pm

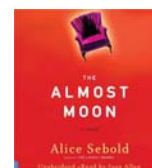
Thursday, May 27 at 3 pm

Infamous Marylanders

We are fortunate to live in a state that has so many well known historical figures and celebrities. But what about those from Maryland whose actions we would rather forget? Quiz based 90 minute program asks participants to identify Maryland personalities who live in infamy. This program is present by Jeff Korman of the State Library Resource Center.

Thursday, May 13 at 1 pm

Book of the Month *The Almost Moon* By Alice Sebold



For years Helen Knightly has given her life to others: to her haunted mother, to her enigmatic father, to her husband and now grown children. When she finally crosses a terrible boundary, her life comes rushing in at her in a way she never could have imagined. Unfolding over a period of twenty-four hours, this searing, fast-paced novel explores the complex ties between mothers and daughters, wives and lovers, the meaning of devotion, and the line between love and hate.

Friday, May 21 at 1 pm

BERLIN YOUTH PROGRAMS

Story Time

Stories, rhymes, finger plays, music and crafts. A different theme each week. Please call the Berlin Branch Library for more information. Program begins at 10:30 am.

Tuesdays, January 5, 12, 19, & 26
Tuesdays, March 16, 23, & 30
Tuesdays, April 6 & 13

Play Time Baby

Foster creativity and confidence with age appropriate toys, games and activities for children ages 0-3.



Develop cognitive, physical and social skills while meeting new friends through this wonderful, interactive, free play program. Both parents and children will be delighted as they build strong bonds that will last a lifetime! Program begins at 10:30 am.

Friday, January 15
Friday, February 12
Friday, March 12
Friday, April 16
Friday, May 14

Teen Night

Unlimited computer access, video games, food and more! Program begins at 6 pm.

Wednesday, January 27
Monday, February 22
Wednesday, March 31
Wednesday, April 21
Wednesday, May 19

Toddlers and Tykes Yoga

Developmentally enriched yoga for babies, toddlers and their caregivers. Under the instruction of a certified instructor, learn the many benefits of yoga while bonding with your child and meeting new people!

Friday, January 29 at 10:30 am
Friday, April 30 at 10:30 am

The Break Up

Are you sick of all the chocolate hearts and roses? Tired of all the sappy love poems and cards? If you are, then join the anti-valentines day revolution! Write and submit your best break up letter to your Berlin branch between February 1st -10th and be entered into the "I Hate Valentines Day" writing contest. Each branch will announce a winner on Tuesday, February 16th.

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Author Visit: Laura Vaccaro Seeger

Please join Worcester County Library and the Eastern Shore Regional Library as we celebrate Read Across America / Read Across Maryland Week with a very special event for students, educators and parents. Author Laura Vaccaro Seeger will visit the Ocean Pines Branch of the Worcester County Library. Ms. Seeger's highly praised concept books have introduced children to colors, opposites, emotions and the alphabet. With one of her most popular books, "*Dog and Bear*", Ms. Seeger guided children on their first steps into reading with three sweet and funny stories about a stuffed bear and a dachshund who are best friends. Ms. Seeger will explain how she came to create *Dog and Bear*. Join in the fun as she teaches audience members how to draw her adorable character Bear!

Wednesday, March 3 at 1:30 pm
Ocean Pines Branch

Text Message Competition

Celebrate Teen Tech week at the Worcester County Library. Think you have the fastest fingers in the county? Come to the Berlin Branch Library and text your way to victory. *Ages 12-18.*

Friday, March 12 at 4 pm

The Magic of "The Great Pauldini"

Get ready for magic, talking animals, ventriloquism and balloon animals!

Join The Great Pauldini at the Berlin Branch library and be prepared to be amazed. This program is lots of laughs and lots of fun! Perfect for the whole family!

Friday, March 26 at 10:30 am

Costume Party Special Event

Join local artist, Barbara Schmid as she unveils her mural specially created for the Berlin Branch Library children's area. The mural will feature children enjoying the town of Berlin and it's friendly library. Children are invited to come dressed as their favorite storybook character. Refreshments will be served.

Friday, April 16 at 2:30 pm

Lap Time

Join us for finger plays, songs, music and movement. This program is for children ages 0-2 and their parents/caregivers. Program begins at 10:30 am.

Tuesdays, April 20 & 27

Tuesdays, May 4, 11, 18 & 25

