



# KENT COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY



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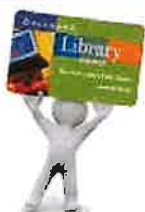
## FALL 2022 PROGRAMS & EVENTS

All programs are free, open to the public, and will be held at the library unless stated differently. **Preregistration is required as noted.** Stop by the circulation desk or call (302) 744-1919 to register. You can also register online at [www.tinyurl.com/KCPLcalendar](http://www.tinyurl.com/KCPLcalendar) (Parent or other responsible adult must be present in the library, including during programs, for any child/youth under the age of 16.)

**The Library reserves the right to adjust program dates, times, enrollment maximums and program/event cancellations.**

*It is the policy of the Kent County Levy Court that all programs be accessible to all qualified handicapped individuals as provided in Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. If you, or the person(s) you are registering, need reasonable accommodation for your program of interest, please contact the Kent County Public Library before registering to discuss the matter with the program coordinator(s).*

The Library may photograph programs and participants for publicity purposes, including posting to social media sites.



### SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH

Your Delaware library card is good at any public library in the state, as well as several academic libraries. Borrow books, audio/visual materials, e-books, audiobooks and more! We also have special cards for children and teens. Stop by the circulation desk or mobile library unit to get your card today. Our goal is ten new cards and/or renewals each day during the month! (Proof of Delaware residency and a photo ID are required. Parent or legal guardian must apply for children/youth under age 18.)

There are several free online resources (<https://co.kent.de.us/kc-library.aspx>) available only to people with cards issued at Kent County Public Library and Mobile Library including:

**Mango Languages** - From Spanish and French to Azerbaijani, English as a second language, or American Sign Language, Mango provides online tutoring in over 70 languages, and is completely self-paced, with an engaging and user-friendly interface with easy, intuitive interactive tools to deliver practical conversational skills and valuable cultural insights for languages.

**HelpNow** - On demand, anytime, anywhere eLearning via Brainfuse. Features include HomeworkHelp, Skills-Building, Personalized eLearning Tools, 24-Hour

Writing Lab, Homework Send Question, Adult Learning Center, and Foreign Language Lab. All services offered in English are also available in Spanish.

**JobNow** - Provides live online job coaching every day from 2-11 p.m., EST. Receive live job coaching, real-time interview practice, full-service resume lab, and 24/7 access to local job resources. Other features include resume assistance, skills-building, and Spanish-speaking support.

**VetNow** - Connects users with an expert to learn more about eligible VA benefits and community resources. Interact with live, real-time Veteran Navigator for job coaching, resume assistance, tutoring and testing support, career resources, skills-building and Spanish-speaking support.

### DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY NOW AVAILABLE TO ALL DELAWARE FAMILIES

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is a book-gifting program that mails a FREE book each month to children from birth to age five, no matter their family's income, in participating communities.

Visit [www.lib.de.us/imagination](http://www.lib.de.us/imagination) for more information.

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## CHILDRENS/FAMILY PROGRAMS

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### FAMILY SUNDAY MATINEE

Have a family day out, and join us for a free, live performance at the library. Limited seating; first come, first served.

#### September 25 - 2:00 p.m.

**Rick Hudson** composes songs that reflect life "below the canal" on the Delmarva Peninsula. His insights are sometimes funny, sometimes serious - but always entertaining.

#### October 23 - 1:30 p.m.

**Jungle John's Jurassic Journey** is an educational and fun show highlighting dinosaur facts and artifacts - including a live demonstration with Dolly the T-Rex and her dinosaur friends.

#### November 27 - 2:00 p.m.

**Ballet Theatre of Dover** with excerpts from *The Nutcracker*. Meet the characters of this beloved holiday classic as dancers perform short scenes from the ballet to live narration.

### PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

**Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.** (No program November 10 & 24)

Ages 6 and under. Miss Robin will have a wonderful line-up of stories, songs, activities and crafts to explore - a new theme each week! (For groups of five or more, please give advance notice of your visit.)

### PAWS FOR READING

**Thursdays, September 1 & 15, October 6 & 20, November 3 & 17, December 1 - 6:30 p.m.**

Bring your child to the library to read aloud for 10 minutes to a friendly therapy dog provided by PAWS for People. Studies have shown that reading aloud to animals can actually help children improve their reading skills. This is a great opportunity for beginner, reluctant and even beginning English learners to practice in a non-judgmental environment. Teens and adults are welcome to read too! One reader per dog, per 10-minute reading session. Complete 5 sessions and receive a free PAWS t-shirt! First come, first served.



### FIRST CHAPTER CLUB

**Tuesdays, September 13, October 11, November 15 - 4:00 p.m.**

Best suited for Grades 1 - 3. Each month we will explore a new beginning reader series. Select any book from this month's series (we will have a shelf of the books at the circulation desk), and join us for discussion, activities and fun! Preregistration is encouraged.

### CHOOSE YOUR OWN ENDING

**Tuesdays, September 27, October 25, November 22 - 4:00 p.m.**

Ages 7-12. Share activities and fun while you help our storyteller by making choices that drive the plot and determine how the story ends! Preregistration is encouraged.

### FLASHLIGHT FRIDAYS

**Fridays, September 30, October 14, November 4 - 7:45 - 8:30 p.m.**

Ages 7-12. Bring a book and a flashlight! Participants will read silently by flashlight for 15 minutes, then enjoy an after-hours, after dark story time! **Limited space; preregistration is required.** (Program held after normal library business hours. Only those who have preregistered permitted.)



### GREAT (LITERARY) PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST

**October 1 - 22**

Ages 5-17. Decorate a small to medium craft pumpkin (no real pumpkins) to look like your favorite book character. Drop off your masterpiece by Saturday, October 22 along with a 3 x 5 index card with your name, age, phone number and the title/character/author of the book you immortalized. Pumpkins will displayed in the library until October 27. All entries will receive a certificate of participation and a small goodie bag. (Library does not supply craft pumpkins or decorating supplies.)

### DELMARVA INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

**Monday, October 10 - 4:00 p.m.**

Ages 6-12. Explore the culture of the early inhabitants of Delmarva with an educator from historic Abbott's Mill. Follow a day in the life of the coastal plain Native Americans, and discover how they lived in harmony with the world around them. **Limited space; preregistration is required.**

### ILLUSIONS BY VICK

**Wednesday, October 19 - 6:30 p.m.**

Enter a world where nothing is impossible, and the seemingly ordinary becomes the incredible. Amaze at the beautiful, original illusions, astounding feats of mentalism, and engaging classics of magic. Limited seating; first come, first served.



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## DINO-VEMBER AT KCPL

Dinosaurs will be taking over our children's department during the month of November!

**Weekly scavenger hunt** - Each week, staff will scatter dinosaurs throughout the children's library. Each dinosaur will contain a clue to a hidden message. Solve the message to receive a small token of participation, and be entered into both that week's raffle drawing AND a one-time grand prize drawing for a pass to the Delaware Museum of Natural History - home to PaleoZone, the only permanent dinosaur display in the state of Delaware. (*Grand prize drawing held on November 30. Winner will be notified; need not be present to win.*)

## DINO-DRAW

**Tuesdays - November 1, 15 & 22 (3-week session) - 6:30 p.m.**  
Ages 7-15. Published illustrator Christy Shaffer will lead young artists, step-by-step, in learning to draw a different dinosaur each week. All supplies included. Limited space; reregistration is required.

**Dino-art gallery** - Share some of your original "rawr"some dinosaur-themed art with us for display in our children's library through the month of November - or pick-up one of our coloring pages to complete and return for this showcase.

## MAKE A 3-D DINOSAUR MASK

**Tuesday, November 29 - 6:30 p.m.**  
Ages 8-17. Christy Shaffer, illustrator of *Cut and Make Dinosaur Masks and Prehistoric Animals: Punch-out Masks*, will lead this program to create and personalize a dinosaur mask for participants to take home. All supplies included. **Limited space; preregistration is required.**

## KCPL YOUNG WRITERS CONFERENCE

**Saturday, November 19**

Published writers and illustrators will lead workshops geared to various age groups, while parents receive tips on encouraging creativity and writing in their youngsters. **Limited space; preregistration is required.**

**9:30 - 11:00 a.m.** - Ages 6 - 9

**1:00 - 2:30 p.m.** - Ages 10 - 13

**3:00 - 4:30 p.m.** - Ages 14 - 18

**THE LIBRARY AND MOBILE LIBRARY  
WILL BE CLOSED SEPTEMBER 5,  
NOVEMBER 8, 11, 24 & 25.  
THE MOBILE LIBRARY WILL BE  
OFF-ROAD THE WEEK OF  
NOVEMBER 21 - NOVEMBER 25.**

## TWEEN/TEEN PROGRAMS

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### CRAFTERNOON

**Sundays - 2:00 p.m.**

Ages 10 - 17. Join us for a fun, monthly craft. All supplies provided. **Limited space; preregistration for each session is required.**

**October 9** - Zom-Beanies: Use polar fleece and embellishments to create a unique seasonal hat.

**November 13** - Morse code jewelry: Send a message via a necklace or bracelet - we'll show you how!

### DELAWARE ANIME SOCIETY

**Saturdays, September 10, November 12 - 1:00 - 4:30 p.m.**

(*No meeting in October or December*)

Ages 13 and up. The Delaware Anime Society is for those with an interest in Japanese anime (animation), manga (graphic novels), cosplay, music and pop culture to meet in a fun and relaxed atmosphere.

### MAD SCIENTIST'S LABORATORY

**Wednesdays - 4:00 p.m.**

Ages 9 - 14 (firm). Join us for some crazy fun STEAM activities each Wednesday during October. All supplies included.

**Limited space; preregistration for each session is required.**

**October 5** - UFO-like spinning saucers

**October 12** - Binary-coded keychain or bracelet

**October 19** - DNA helixes

**October 26** - "Robotic" hand

## ADULT PROGRAMS

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### WRITERS EDITING GROUP

**Thursdays - 5:30 p.m.**

(*No meeting November 10 & 24*)

Weekly meet-up of writers focused on achieving publication. Bring your work-in-progress (WIP) for constructive critique, tips, and support as you hone your skills. Our group is led by published local authors, Phoenix Grimm and Christy Shaffer.

### SILENT READING SUNDAYS

**September 4, October 2, November 6 - 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.**

Believe it or not, libraries are not very quiet places. On the first Sunday of each month, KCPL will offer our atrium as a retreat from the ambient sound created in the public area of our library. Select or bring a book and relax with other readers. We can't guarantee library-wide silence, but participants will be asked not to speak while in the room and to be mindful of others while taking advantage of the space on these days.



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## INTRODUCTION TO YOGA

**Mondays, September 12, October 3 or November 7 - 12:00 p.m.**

Ages 16 and up. Join us for a one-hour introduction to yoga that includes stretches and basic postures designed for beginners. Participants need to bring a yoga mat or large towel. (Program is the same for each session.) **Limited space; preregistration for each session is required.**

## CARDIO DRUMMING

**Wednesdays, September 7, October 5 or November 2 - 6:30 p.m.**

Ages 16 and up. Enjoy a workout that includes lots of music, along with a set of physical exercises using drumsticks, balls and ball stands. Instruction by "Coach D" from Valiantly U Total Nutrition. **Limited space & equipment; preregistration is required -- no walk-ins.** (As with any physical activity, please consult your medical provider before attempting a new activity.)

## KENT COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS: PUTTING YOUR GARDEN TO BED (VIRTUAL PRESENTATION)

**Monday, September 26 - 10:00 a.m.**

The Kent County Master Gardeners will give tips on preparing your garden for winter and next years' growing season. Program conducted via Zoom, a free online meeting platform. Attendees can join the session via computer or telephone. **Preregistration with an email address is required.** Registrants will receive the meeting ID and passcode with their registration confirmation.

## CELEBRATING THE PRINCESS BRIDE

Ages 16 and up. Join us as we celebrate the 35th anniversary of *The Princess Bride* movie, based on the William Goldman novel of the same name.

**Tuesday, October 4 - 6:30 p.m.**

Join a discussion of the original *The Princess Bride* novel that inspired the movie screenplay.

**Friday, October 7 - 7:00 p.m.**

Enjoy a free screening of the 1987 movie. **Limited space; preregistration is required.** (The screening will be canceled if less than 10 people have preregistered by noon on Wednesday, October 5.)

## THE LEGEND OF SLEEPY HOLLOW

**Tuesday, October 11 - 6:30 p.m.**

Ages 16 and up. Historical presenter Alisa DuPuy will portray a confidante of Marie Antoinette - reflecting on the American Revolution in America, England and France, before performing a dramatic reading of Washington Irving's *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*. **Limited space; preregistration is required.**

## BOOK DISCUSSION: THE FOUR AGREEMENTS

**Wednesday, October 12 - 6:30 p.m.**

Ages 16 and up. A New York Times bestseller for over a decade, Don Miguel Ruiz's *The Four Agreements* offers a powerful code of conduct that realigns how readers may think and act in every encounter. Join us for a discussion of this inspiring book that distills tenets of ancient Toltec wisdom for the modern world. KCPL will have limited copies of the book available for checkout (while they last). Call the library or stop by the circulation desk to reserve a copy. You can also request copies through the Delaware Libraries online catalog at [www.lib.de.us](http://www.lib.de.us) with your library card and 4-digit PIN. The book may also be available in large print, e-book or audiobook formats.

## KCPL MONTHLY MUSIC BOX

**Fridays - 6:30 p.m.**

Join us for an evening of laid-back, free live music featuring local artists. Seating is limited; first come, first served.

**October 21** - Ossi and George (Eclectic mix of folk/Americana/pop/country)

**November 18** - Fazes featuring Greg Taylor (R&B/jazz)

## "COLD READS" READER'S THEATER: RADIO PLAYS

**Mondays - 6:00 p.m.**

Ages 16 and up. A Reader's Theater is like a table reading - the script is read aloud, without rehearsal, in company. Join us as we recreate old-time radio plays, complete with narration and sound effects. Participants assume roles regardless of age, sex or type, and swap-off or double up, depending on the character to reader ratio. **Limited space; preregistration for each session is required.**

**September 19** - *The Maltese Falcon*

**October 24** - *War of the Worlds*

**November 21** - *Arsenic and Old Lace*

## SPOTLIGHT ON DELAWARE HISTORY

**6:30 p.m.**

Ages 14 and up. The "Blue Diamond" state may be small, but it's packed with fascinating stories from history. Join us for a unique look at the history of the First State. **Limited space; preregistration for each session is required.**

**Monday, October 10** - *The Kalmar Nyckel*

The *Kalmar Nyckel* is celebrating 25 years! Find out more about the history of Delaware's own unique tall ship.

**Wednesday, November 16** - *My Dear Douglass*

KCPL will screen the recent documentary *My Dear Douglass*, an overview of Delaware native Eldridge R. Johnson and Leon F. Douglass' historic partnership that led to the development of the Victrola machine. A discussion with the film's director, Christopher Hall, will follow.



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## NATIONAL NOVEL WRITINGMONTH EVENTS (NaNoWriMo)

NaNoWriMo is an annual world-wide challenge to complete a novel in 30 days, beginning November 1st.

### KCPL AUTHORS SHOWCASE

**Saturday, November 5 - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**  
Meet two dozen local/regional authors and illustrators to learn more about their work, purchase copies of their books, and support/encourage their efforts - including Yakira Goldsberry, a successfully published local NaNoWriMo author.

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## HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

November 1 - 12

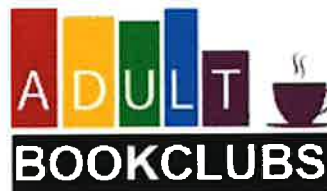
Help us "pack the paramedic truck" with the Kent County Emergency Services Division and their annual holiday food drive. Drop off non-perishable, non-expired food items/canned goods in the designated boxes that will be located in the library lobby during regular business hours. *(Please do not put food donations in the outside book return.)*



## VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS

Wednesday, December 7 - 6:30 p.m.

Ages 16 and up. When Queen Victoria married her German cousin Albert, he brought with him many traditions that changed the English celebration of Christmas forever. Entranced by this young dynamic couple, both Americans and Europeans were soon imitating their ways and incorporating them into their own holiday celebrations. Explore our still lingering fascination with "Victoriana," and the many different contemporary holiday traditions that have their roots in the Victorian era. Presented in period costume. **Limited seating; preregistration is required.**



Ages 16 and up. KCPL will have limited copies of each selected title available for check-out (while they last). Please call the library at (302) 744-1919 to reserve a copy. You can also request copies

through the Delaware Libraries online catalog at [www.lib.de.us](http://www.lib.de.us) with your library card and 4-digit PIN. Some titles may also be available in large print, e-book, and/or audiobook formats.

### BREAKFAST BOOK CLUB

**Mondays, September 12, October 3, November 7, December 5 - 8:30 a.m.**

Share what you are currently reading with the group - no assigned book. Light refreshments will be served, or bring your own brown bag breakfast.

### FOODIES BOOK CLUB

**Mondays - 1:30 p.m.**

**September 12** - *Best Cook in the World* (Rick Bragg)

**October 3** - *9 Perfect Strangers* (Liane Moriarty)

**November 7** - *Have Your Cake and Kill Him, Too* (Nancy Martin)

**December 5** - *Sweet Tooth* (Ian McEwan)

### TRUE CRIME BOOK CLUB (NON-FICTION)

**Mondays, September 19, October 17, November 14 - 6:30 p.m.**

Ask for the month's selected title at the circulation desk.

### NEW! SPECULATIVE FICTION BOOK CLUB

**Mondays - 6:30 p.m.**

Explore engaging books from the science fiction, fantasy, horror, paranormal and magic realism genres.

**September 12** - *A Court of Thorns and Roses* (Sarah J. Maas)

**October 24** - *These Violent Delights* (Chloe Gong)

**November 28** - *You've Reached Sam* (Dustin Thao)

*(No meeting in December.)*

### ARTS & LETTERS BOOK CLUB

**Wednesdays - 12:30 p.m.**

Enjoy insightful discussion focused on books relating to the various arts and classic literature.

**September 7** - *Books for Living* (Will Schwalbe)

**October 5** - *Emperor of All Maladies* (Siddhartha Mukherjee)

**November 2** - *The Great Believers* (Rebecca Makkal)

**December 7** - *The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue* (V.E. Schwab)

### CRIME & COFFEE BOOK CLUB (FICTION)

**Thursdays, September 29, October 27, November 17 - 6:30 p.m.**

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## KENT COUNTY MOBILE LIBRARY

“The Friendly Library on the Highway”

Come out and visit the Kent County Mobile Library! In addition to a selection of books and audio/visual materials to check out, you can also pick-up items placed on hold, return library materials, use one of our public access laptops, limited printing services, and/or take advantage of our free public wi-fi hotspot.

### Autumn Schedule (Effective Tuesday, September 6, 2022)

#### Tuesdays:

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.	Hartly Fire Hall
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Byler’s Store (Dover)
2:00 – 3:00 p.m.	Felton Fire Hall
3:30 – 4:30 p.m.	DAFB playground

#### Fridays:

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.	First State Military Academy
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Westminster Village
2:15 – 2:45 p.m.	TBA
3:15 – 4:15 p.m.	TBA

#### Wednesdays:

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.	Modern Maturity Center
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Kent County Admin. Complex
2:30 – 3:30 p.m.	Spring Meadow (Smyrna)
3:45 – 4:30 p.m.	Cheswold Fire Hall

#### Thursdays:

9:30 – 11:30 a.m.	Calvary Christian Academy
1:00 – 1:45 p.m.	Delaware Veteran’s Home
2:15 – 3:00 p.m.	Bowers Beach municipal lot
3:30 – 4:30 p.m.	DAFB Youth Center



### FRIENDS OF KENT COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY RODS FOR READING CAR SHOW

**Saturday, September 17 – 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

*(Rain date: Sunday, September 18.)*

G&R Campground, 4075 Gun & Rod Club Rd., Houston, Delaware.

Come out and enjoy a day of hot rides, vendors, food concessions, and more to benefit the Friends of Kent County Public Library. Show registration is \$15 per car.



(No entry fee into campground.) In addition to the car show, there will also be a 50/50 raffle and basket raffle. Limited vendor space available. For more information on registration, vendor pricing, or other show inquiries please contact Phoenix at (302) 744-1919. This event is a fundraiser for the Friends of Kent County Public Library

### FRIENDS OF KENT COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNUAL LITERARY TEA - EMILY DICKINSON

**Sunday, December 11 – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

Maple Dale Country Club, 180 Maple Dale Circle, Dover  
Ages 14 and up. Celebrate the birthday of American poet Emily Dickinson while enjoying a tea service complete with scones, assorted tea sandwiches, petite desserts, teas and coffee. Historical presenter Trish Chambers will delve into the life and literary works of reclusive American poet Emily Dickinson. Tickets are \$30 per person or \$170 for a reserved table of six, and will be available for purchase at Kent County Public Library beginning Monday, October 24 until sold out. Payment by cash or check (payable to “Friends of KCPL”) only, and are first come, first served. Tickets will not be available at the door. In addition to the tea and presentation, there will also be a Chinese Auction (additional fee). This event is a fundraiser for the Friends of Kent County Public Library.

### NEW BOOK DONATION POLICY

While the Friends of Kent County Public Library appreciate your continued generosity and support, beginning Thursday, September 1, 2022, boxed donations of gently used books and audio/visual materials will only be accepted during the first five (5) days of each month during regular library business hours – no exceptions.

**The Library will not be accepting donations of any kind from November 23, 2022 – January 2, 2023.**

The library is unable to accept magazines, encyclopedias, coloring books, puzzles, VHS tapes, family bibles, cassette tapes, “burned” DVDs/CDs, old newspapers or materials that have water/chemical/insect/vermin damage, mold/mildew, or a strong odor of mold/mildew.

Please do not put donated items in the outside book return or leave them outside the library. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.