

# YourLibrary happenings

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## September 2022

### NEW STORY TRAIL!

Books torn up? Sheep taking a hike? Is this an Alice in Wonderland fantasy? A curious dream? Nope, let's get back to reality with what's true:



Join us Sept. 7 at the new StoryWalk®. Info on back.

Franklin County now boasts a unique, family-friendly amenity—a StoryWalk®.

Located at the Summit View

Business Park in Rocky Mount, this permanent installation displays an illustrated children's story—literally a book taken apart—along a walking trail near the 24-Hour Library.

StoryWalks® are made by laminating all the pages from a book and mounting them on signs along a pathway. Visitors can read the entire book, progressing from sign to sign, as they move along the trail. Our inaugural book is *Sheep Take a Hike* by Nancy Shaw. The book's rhyming text and charming illustrations narrate the misadventures of a flock of sheep as they spend the day hiking.

The Summit View StoryWalk® is on a flat, crushed stone trail that is about a quarter mile long. Open 24/7/365, the trail and 24-Hour Library are on Pleasant Breeze Drive, off Route 220S.

[More info and pics here.](#)

*The Summit View StoryWalk® was made possible through a partnership with Franklin County Parks & Recreation and General Properties.*

*The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.*

### Cookbook Blow-Out Sale

This annual fundraiser features hundreds of gently used cookbooks, at sweet and savory prices. All proceeds support programs at Westlake and Rocky Mount. Sale held at Rocky Mount.



Sept. 8, 3P-6:30P

Sept. 9, 9A-4P

Sept. 10, 9A-1P

Sept. 12 to 15, 10A-3P

Sept. 16, 10A-1P

Our September book sale will be **Sept. 8, 3-6:30P; Sept. 9, 9A-1P; Sept. 10, 9A-1P.**

Browse and buy hours are every month on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1-4P.

A collection of **HARVARD CLASSICS** will go up for silent auction bidding on Oct. 1. Stop by during book sale hours to preview the collection.

Be in-the-know! This newsletter is emailed to subscribers by the end of every month. Scan here to subscribe.



### WE WILL BE CLOSED

SEPT. 3-5 FOR LABOR DAY

**9/2. Red Cross Blood Drive. 10A-3P. Westlake.** Appointments scheduled online at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org)

**9/7. Genealogy Friends. 9A-12P. Rocky Mount.**

**9/13. Medicare 101. 10A at Rocky Mount; 1P at Westlake.** No-pitch, just-the-facts sessions with Harmon & Proutey Financial Group. More sessions on Oct. 11 and Nov. 15, same times and locations as above.

**9/20. Scams Against Older Adults. 1P-3P. Westlake.** Riley Ginger with the Better Business Bureau of Western Virginia will discuss scams that regularly target older adults and how to combat them.



**Needle Felting for Beginners. Ages 18+. 9/22, 5:30-7P at Rocky Mount; 9/23, 1-2:30P at Westlake.** Learn how to use special barbed needles to compress and join fibers to make a



wool pumpkin. Space is limited, and pre-registration is required. Call 483-

3098, option 1 for Rocky Mount; option 2 for Westlake. (See over for our felting workshop for teens.)

**9/27. DMV Connect. 9A-4P (closed 12-1P). Westlake.** [This mobile unit](#) provides nearly every DMV service.

# KIDS & TEENS

**DIY Ribbon Bookmarks.**  
9/29. Drop in 3:30-5:30P.

**Ages 8+. Rocky Mount.** This 25-minute craft involves basic sewing. We'll show you how.



## TEEN TUESDAYS @ ROCKY MOUNT

Ages 12-17 gather in the Teen Room every **Tuesday, 4:30\*-6P**, for games, crafts, and snacks. September activities include:

- ⇒ **9/6 – Mini Craft Workshop:** Teens volunteer ahead of time to lead a quick and easy craft with peers. *Sign up to lead a craft by 9/3. Call 483-3098, option 1.*
- ⇒ **9/13 – Teen Tuesday with TAC (Teen Advisory Committee) Meeting:** Make wreaths and hair bows using blue bandanas, play video games, and more.
- ⇒ **9/20 – Needle Felting: Wool Pumpkin.** Must pre-register by calling 483-3098, option 1. *Please Note: This workshop starts at 4P.*
- ⇒ **9/27 – Teen Tuesday with TAC Meeting & Board Games**

**\*Please note new starting time.**

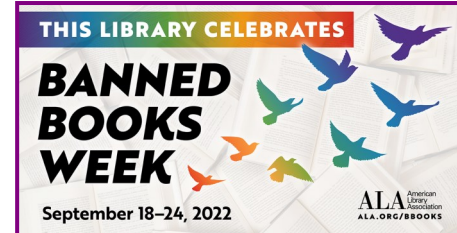
**Superhero September. Kids of all ages. Westlake.** Drop by throughout September to write a thank-you card to our local superheroes—the first responders of Franklin County.

ROCKY MOUNT	WESTLAKE
Toddler Time Tues, 10:30A	Story Time Wed & Thurs, 10:30A***
Story Time Wed & Fri, 10:30A***	Lego Club 1st Tues of the month, 5:30- 6:30P
Lego Club 3rd Thurs of the month, 4-5P	Story & Toddler Times are recommended for ages 0-5. Lego Club is recommended for ages 3+

\*\*\*No in-house Story Times on Sept. 7. Join us instead for an outdoor Story Time, 10:30A, at the StoryWalk® at Summit View, weather permitting. Check our Facebook page for updates.

# NEWS

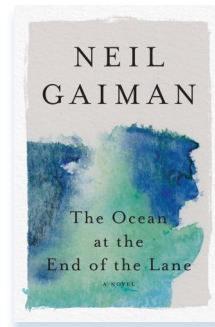
BITS, BYTES & BOOKS



**DO NOT READ THIS.** DYK, 37% of censorship attempts in the U.S. occur in public libraries? And last year, 1,597 books were affected by censorship attempts? Join us this month in celebrating the freedom to read. At Rocky Mount, snap a selfie mugshot with a banned book and pick up handouts on censorship, who initiates challenges and why, and the top 10 banned books of 2021.

**B**e on the lookout for our ongoing column in **Smith Mountain Laker**. “Lake Reads” spotlights books that relate to bodies of water, real or imagined.

In our most recent column ([p. 52 of the July/August Laker](#)), FCPL staffer Christine Arena reflects on a modern-day fable for adults, Neil Gaiman’s **The Ocean at the End of the Lane**, and why reading uncomfortable books can be irresistible.



Parents and caregivers, come learn about **EVERY CHILD READY TO READ® @ YOUR LIBRARY®**, a research-based program for helping you develop early literacy skills in your children, from birth to age 5. Pick from two sessions. Kids are welcome.

**9/13. 5:30-6:30P. Westlake**

**9/24. 10:30-11:30A. Rocky Mount**

Please pre-register by calling the Rocky Mount children’s department at 483-3098, option 1, indicating which session you plan to attend.



ROCKY MOUNT

## FRANKLIN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

355 Franklin St, Rocky Mount, VA 24151 \* 84 Westlake Rd, #109, Hardy, VA 24101  
(540) 483-3098, option 1 for Rocky Mount; option 2 for Westlake

Mon., Wed., Fri. 9a-5p □ Tues. & Thurs. 9a-7p □ Sat. 9a-1p  
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