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HOURS:

Monday – Thursday: 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM Friday & Saturday: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

UPCOMING CLOSINGS:

Monday, October 9 Saturday, November 11 Wednesday, November 22, 5 PM Thursday, November 23 Friday, November 24

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Our Mission: Join us to experience lifelong learning through impactful programs, resources and services.

The library is committed to making programs available to everyone. Persons requiring assistance are encouraged to discuss needs with a librarian. Children 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

We often take photos and videos at the library to document library activities and share with our community. If you or your child do not wish to be in a photo or video, please tell a librarian.

Currents is available as a digital download: library.carr.org/currents.asp

On the Cover: A pumpkin grows at Bear Branch Nature Center. (Photo taken by Amber Farran, CCPL Staff)













Andrea Berstler
Executive Director, Carroll County Public Library

66 Director's Message

Embracing the freedom to read is a cornerstone of our community and the heart of what we stand for at Carroll County Public Library. I find immense joy in sharing this fundamental right with all of you through every aspect of our library.

As you know, our library isn't just a place with books; it's a haven where knowledge knows no bounds and diverse perspectives are celebrated. Imagine the power of being able to explore a world of ideas, entertain your curiosity by discovering new perspectives, and escape into new realms of imagination, all within the walls of your public library. This is the essence of the freedom to read that we hold dear.

As readers, learners, and explorers, you are the heart of our library. Every time you step through our doors or delve into our digital resources, you're embracing the spirit of intellectual growth and curiosity. The freedom to read empowers you to form your own opinions, encourages you to ask questions, and provides a way to gain new insights that shape your understanding of the world.

By cherishing the freedom to read, you become part of a literacy legacy that spans generations. Your engagement, whether through borrowing books, attending events, or simply sharing your thoughts, contributes to a vibrant and informed community. So let's continue to celebrate this freedom together, nurturing an environment where ideas flow freely and learning knows no boundaries. That is the real meaning of Infinite Possibilities.



After Hours Battle of the Books Winners - Spring 2023



Battle of the Books with CCPS Students 2023



Author Events - Author Ransom Riggs

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CCPL Holiday Ornaments

Add CCPL cheer to your holidays with our 2023 ornament!

Celebrate all things Maryland with our 2023 holiday ornament!

The clear acrylic allows lighting from your festive decorations to shine through the Maryland flag and Carroll etchings.

Visit <u>library.carr.org/services/HolidayOrnament.asp</u> for pricing and ordering information.

Show us your ornament and tag us on Facebook @ExplorationCommons50East or use hashtag #ccplornament.



Autumn Reads Author Series



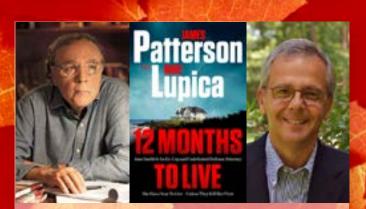
Richard Chizmar Mon, October 9 at 5:30 PM For Adults E.W. Beck's Restaurant

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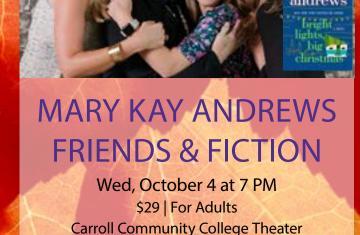
JAMES PATTERSON AND MIKE LUPICA

Wed, September 27 at 7 PM \$32 | For Adults Winters Mill High School

Presented by A Likely Story Bookstore and Carroll County Public Library. All attendees will receive a signed copy of 12 Months to Live and must purchase tickets in advance. Moderated by Bethanne Patrick. Special thanks to Carroll County Public Schools.

Scan the QR code to purchase tickets.

\$32



Presented by A Likely Story Bookstore and Carroll County Public Library. All attendees will receive a signed copy of Bright Lights, Big Christmas and must purchase tickets in

advance. Mary Kay Andrews will be in conversation with Kristin Harmel, Kristy Woodson Harvey & Patti Callahan Henry. Special thanks to Carroll Community College.



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Books to Die For Mystery Con

Saturday, October 28 | 1-4 pm Exploration Commons | \$12



DANIELLE VALENTINE · ASHLEY WINSTEAD · MICHAEL FALCO · LIBBY KLEIN · MAYA CORRIGAN

Tickets are are \$12 and are available through A Likely Story Bookstore's website. Ticket price includes a voucher for \$10 to be used to purchase a book at the event. Books To Die For Mystery Con will include a panel talk, book signings, giveaways, trivia, and more! Featured authors include Danielle Valentine (*Delicate Condition*) and Ashley Winstead (*Midnight is the Darkest Hour*). Also in attendance will be Michael Falco (*Murder in an Italian Village*), Libby Klein (*Mischief Nights Are Murder*) and Maya Corrigan (*A Parfait Crime*). No outside books allowed.



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PAST & FUTURE OF AI

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 AT 6 PM EXPLORATION COMMONS | FREE



Artificial Intelligence (AI) is flooding headlines and creeping into our everyday lives. Join us for a presentation by David Sherwood about the past and future of AI.

All attendees need to register in advance.

PRESENTED BY:





DISABILITY - A NATURAL PART OF THE HUMAN EXPERIENCE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16 AT 6 PM CARROLL COMMUNITY COLLEGE | FREE



Learn about what improvements have been made over time, and what we can do to create a more inclusive future for those who learn and engage differently.

All attendees need to register in advance.

HISTORY WEEK NOVEMBER 6 - 10

The HISTORY CONSORTIUM

Join us online all week for Local Places, Historic Faces where several historical societies and libraries will be featuring local unsung heroes from their areas including Elizabeth Thorn of Gettysburg, Lefty Kreh of Frederick County, Sadie Kneller Miller of Carroll County, and more.

Watch live on Carroll County Public Library's YouTube channel and Facebook page!









Images courtesy of the Historical Society of Carroll County, Maryland

CARROLL COUNTY BEER WEEK SEPTEMBER 23 - 30

Rolling hills and lush fields are iconic views in Carroll County, Maryland, where agriculture is not only part of our history but a key part of our economy. From these fields come grain products used in the manufacture of quality Maryland beer. Carroll County Beer Week celebrates and promotes Maryland craft beer, our Carroll County brewers and brewpubs, our agricultural products used in making Maryland beer, and those establishments that sell these products.

SEPTEMBER 23 - 30

UNCLE MATTY'S EATERY • ALL WEEK

\$2.50 Local Craft Beers

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

LIQUIDITY ALEWORKS • 12 - 6 PM

Mount Airy Oktoberfest

BREWERY FIRE • 11 AM - 10 PM

Brewery Fire Anniversary Celebration

PIPE THE SIDE • 12 PM

4 Pack with Farm Ingredients - 4 Pack Release

FLOOD ZONE - 6 - 9 PM

Music by Cashtown

1623 BREWING CO • 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM

Music by Cameron Thomas

1623 BREWING CO • 6 - 9 PM

Music by Brahman Noodles

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

FLOOD ZONE • 2 - 5 PM

Music by Saving Sgt Pepper

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

EXPLORATION COMMONS AT 50 EAST • 5 PM

Soft Pretzels with Pub Beer Cheese and a Pint \$12 • Purchase Tickets in Advance

LIQUIDITY ALEWORKS • 7 - 9 PM

Open Mic Night

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

EXPLORATION COMMONS AT 50 EAST • 5 PM

Food & Carroll County Beer Pairing with George from Pub Dog Brewing Co \$50 - Purchase Tickets in Advance

FLOOD ZONE • 6 - 9 PM

Pub Trivia

1623 BREWING CO • 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Trivia

PIPE THE SIDE BREWING CO • 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Taproom Trivia

LIQUIDITY ALEWORKS • 7 - 9 PM

Trivia

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

EXPLORATION COMMONS AT 50 EAST • 5 PM

Food & Carroll County Beer Pairing with Jesse from Brewery Fire \$50 • Purchase Tickets in Advance

FLOOD ZONE • 5 - 8:30 PM

- Sip & Smoke with Davidus Cigars 5 8 PM
- Music by David Graham & The Eskimo Bros 6 9 PM
- Cornhole Tournament 6:30 8:30 PM

1623 BREWING CO • 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Music Bingo

LIQUIDITY ALEWORKS • 7 - 9 PM

Beer Bingo

PUB DOG BREWING CO • 4 - 9 PM

Evening with Maryland's Midnight Homebrewer's League

50% Off Growlers

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

FLOOD ZONE • 6:30 - 9:30 PM

Music by *Nocandu*

1623 BREWING CO • 6 - 9 PM

Music by Tom Starr

PIPE THE SIDE BREWING CO • 6 - 9 PM

Music by Adam Almony

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

UNION MILLS HOMESTEAD • 11 AM - 6 PM

Maryland Microbrewery Festival

FLOOD ZONE • 6 - 9 PM

Music by Rays of Violet

1623 BREWING CO • 1:30 - 4:30 PM

Music by Garrett Mabe

1623 BREWING CO • 6 - 9 PM

Music by Dodson Creek

PIPE THE SIDE BREWING CO • 8:30 AM - 12 PM

Pipe the Side at the Hampstead Farmers Market



Purchase Tickets for Exploration Commons at 50 East Beer Week events here



ADVOCATING & SUPPORTING YOUR LIBRARY

Many of you may be wondering what is a Friend? Members of the Friends of Carroll County Public Library support the library in its mission to deliver lifelong learning for all ages through advocating for public funding for libraries, promoting awareness of public library services and needs, and by enhancing library program resources in partnership with staff and trustees. What do the Friends do and how do they support the library? The Friends of CCPL support several initiatives that the library offers to our community.



Membership Fees

Individual Annual: \$5.00
Family Annual: \$10.00
Business/Organization Annual: \$10.00
Sustaining (Lifetime): \$100.00

How The Friends Support CCPL

ASSIST IN FUNDRAISING FOR LITERACY PROGRAMMING

The Friends assist in fundraising for Battle of the Books (empowering youth literacy) and Light of Carroll (empowering and celebrating community literacy), and Summer Reading (fun for all ages).

GIVING THE "THREE T'S" TIME, TALENT, & TREASURE

Giving their "Three T's" (Time, Talent, & Treasure). Yes, Carroll County Public Library is a free library that is supported largely by government funding. However, the generous private support of our community goes a long way in helping us as well.

How Private Funding Is Used:

ENHANCE LIBRARY SERVICES

Enhance our collection of materials and our services that guide learning and inspire curiosity

INNOVATIVE PROGRAMMING

Providing innovating programming, incredible educational activities, support literacy, and provide enriching experiences for all ages

COLLECTION EXPANSION

Expand our collection to better serve our community















Take the Survey!

Please take our short survey to help us gather information on how to best utilize our Friends as advocates and supporters of CCPL. Scan the QR code to get to the survey. Thank you for being a Friend of CCPL!

Questions? Please contact Kati Townsley, CCPL's Development & Community Engagement Manager at ktownsley@carr.org.





Friends of CCPL support the library through advocating for public funding for libraries, promoting awareness of public library services, and enhancing library program resources. As a benefit of membership, Friends receive advance notice of signature author events like Day for Book Lovers. Current Friends are invited to our Annual Membership Meeting.

Marisa Pepsin Slade Anne Blue Elizabeth M. Houck Cally Neely Mary Beth Brainerd **Hope & Martin Jacobs** Lisa Picker **Andrew Starkey** Donna Carr Antoinette Javins Barbara Ringrose Stephen Strosnider Rebecca H. Kidwell Winona H. Varnon Connie Dortch Barbara Rodean Alexa Grauch Joanne Lauer **Sharon Row** Andrea Velez Tom Groft Catherine Marinello Lawanda Salisbury Kathy Zeallor Steven Heffernan Rebecca McCaffrey Susan H. Sanner Celeste Zerner

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Carroll County Public Library benefits from the generosity of many organizations and individuals. This support allows us to enhance services, collections of materials, and programming. To find out how you can also help us provide enriching experiences and infinite possibilities for all ages, log on to library.carr.org/about/support.asp or call 410.386.4500.

General Library Donations

Gwen Asbury Mallory Kusterer
Kim Crowder Timothy Lyons
Aileen Grabill Scott L. Murchie

Jill Gregory Roaring Run Lions Club, Inc.

Pam Napolillo

Brian Habecker Amber Schlaline

Christine Jordan Wesley Freedom UM Church Early Learning Center

In Honor & Memorium

Ken Buerger, In Honor of his Mother Wendy's birthday

Friends of CCPL

Anne Blue Linda Ibex

Barbara Ringrose Constance Spertzel





Scan to support your library at: library.carr.org/about/support.asp or join at your local branch.



FRIENDS WEEK OCTOBER 15 - 20

Freedom

Join us as we celebrate the Freedom to Read and the Power of Literacy in CCPL locations during National Friends of the Library Week.

Visit with the Friends at our locations throughout Friends Week happening October 15 - 20! Sign up to become a Friend of the Library during Friends Week and be entered to

win a Friends of the Library t-shirt or other Friends swag.

Share with us what you love about the library on social media and be sure to tag us by using #FriendsofCCPL

If you are already a Friend and would like to volunteer in a branch during Friends Week, please reach out to Kati Townsley at ktownsley@carr.org or 443-293-3158 to see how you can help!

Purchase a Friends T-Shirt

Order a Friends of the Library t-shirt to show your support of the *Freedom to Read and the Power of Literacy* during Friends Week. The online store with Maryland Print House will be open now through October 20. Scan the QR code below to order.





Friends Annual Meeting December 1, 2023

Plans are in the works for our Friends Annual Meeting, which will be held on Friday, December 1 at Exploration Commons. More details to come, but please save the date and plan to attend this gathering.

FRIENDS NEWSLETTER

The Friends of Carroll County Public Library now have an e-newsletter! This newsletter is a new

initiative to help keep our Friends informed about what is going on at CCPL and offer ways for you to engage with the library. It is our hope that the newsletter will be sent out monthly unless something of urgency arises.



To sign up for our Friends e-newsletter, email CCPL's Development & Community Engagement Manager, Kati Townsley at ktownsley@carr.org.

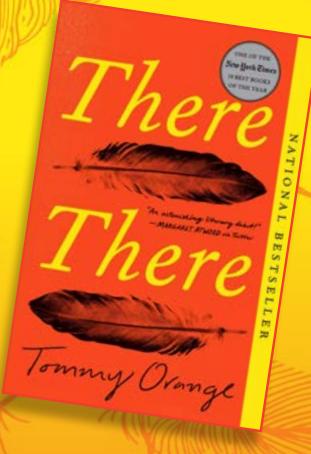
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Bringing together diverse people in communities across the state through the shared experience of reading the same book.



GUIDE TO INDIGENOUS MARYLAND

An initiative of the Maryland State
Library Agency and Maryland's public
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and recommendations from individual
Native and Indigenous Marylanders,
as well as tribal nation's heritage
organizations went into the
development of the app. Download
the Guide to Indigenous Maryland
app through your devices' app store
or access the website at:

http://www.indigenousmd.info/



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8 AT 6:30 PM ELDERSBURG BRANCH | FREE

Join us as we celebrate the 2023 One Maryland One Book selection, There There by Tommy Orange. Our program will feature a presentation and interactive visual performance by Keith Colston, Director of Native America's Protectors, LLC.

Mr. Colston, a Tuscarora and member of the Lumbee Tribe of NC, serves as a cultural consultant for Native Americans/American Indians/Indigenous Peoples and initiates and supports activities that promote understanding of this history and culture.

During the program, Mr. Colston will discuss various topics, including American Indian communities that are indigenous to Maryland. He will also share traditional dress, dance, and music, and explain how these things contribute to a holistic approach of the culture.

MARYLAND HUMANITIES PROGRAMMING

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SEE ALL THE PROGRAMMING FOR THIS YEAR'S BOOK SELECTION.





Recently, CCPL had the opportunity to interview Ted Zaleski & Lory Hierstetter, dual hosts of a local podcast called Two Sides To The Story. Ted and Lory are Carroll County locals and longtime lovers of literature, and their podcast reflects that.

Ted and Lory have worked for Carroll County for several years with Ted having worked 30 years and Lory 12 years. Both hosts also spend a lot of time in libraries and have a deeply profound appreciation of books. They were able to connect thanks to these mutual interests, become friends, and establish a podcast to share those same interests with the wider community.

When asked about how they came up with their podcast, Ted answered with "Who knows? I was talking to Lory about some ideas I had; one was a year of reading Toni Morrison. Our conversations evolved and one day I said to Lory that it felt more like our podcast than my podcast. That led to a process of figuring out what our podcast would be." Lory elaborated, explaining that "He asked me what I thought and if I had any other ideas for what he could include in the podcast. My wheels started turning. Three pages later, I had a bunch of ideas for other book related areas he could explore on the show. He asked me to work on

the podcast with him. I wasn't sure at first, but Ted was. And now here we are."

Ted and Lory agree that they've shaped the podcast into a mechanism meant to connect and support folks who enjoy reading. They accomplish this by interviewing librarians, book sellers, writers, publishers, and anyone else they meet who is involved in the creation, distribution, or appreciation of books, members of the community who love books as much as they do. Though they might seem difficult to find considering that when asked what he loved most about books, Ted said "Hmm...What do I love about oxygen?"

When asked more about the importance of books Ted had this to say "Books take us places. Books make us think. Books change us. Libraries and bookstores make all of that possible." He elaborated, saying "Libraries are magical places. Libraries are filled with possibilities. I want them to evolve with a changing world without losing the magic, especially for kids. I'll never forget the first time I walked into a library."

You can listen to Ted and Lory's podcast, Two Sides To The Story, on their website https://www.twosides2thestory.com.

EXPLORATION COMMONS AT 50 EAST

nce again this summer, Exploration Commons at 50 East partnered with The ARC to host a Summer Youth Employment student.

Darren Gerber joined us for his first job and summer work experience. He worked 2-3 days a week for a total of 47.5 hours in the Teaching Kitchen learning skills such as chopping, mixing and weighing, and proper washing and sanitizing of dishware, equipment and work areas. Darren was responsible for setting up programs and assisting participants during the classes. He even completed his ServSafe® Food Handler Certificate. Darren also participated in a grocery store excursion and was hosted by Bernie Vogel at JeannieBird Baking Company for a tour - and a treat!

We asked Darren for a few highlights of his time at Exploration Commons

Favorite recipes:

Chocolate chip cookies and hush puppies.

Favorite kitchen moments:

Cooking and eating new foods. Learning to cook bacon!

Least favorite kitchen moment:

Cleaning clams and mussels.

Why he likes the kitchen:

It's fun and I learned new things - like rolling summer rolls and making waffles from scratch.

From Darren's parents:

Darren enjoys having responsibility and helping others. He really enjoyed his time going to work!

From Darren's Job Coach:

Darren has learned more than cooking. He gained social skills, learned kitchen procedures and gained insight into having job responsibilities and meeting workplace expectations.

Darren was accompanied by job coach Patti Moran and worked with Exploration Teaching Kitchen Staff Karen Suzanne Daniel, Katie Haines, Candace Birger, and Nancy Farace. All enjoyed his inquisitive nature and hard work.

Darren is 17 years old and a Senior at Century High School where he is active in LEO design club. He enjoys video games and volunteering. At the end of his program, Darren gleefully asked if we thought he was ready to get a job and was going home to create his resume.

The Summer Youth Employment Programs allow eligible high school and post-secondary students the opportunity to work in community businesses over the summer with job coach support. The student interns work for 6 weeks and receive minimum wage from the DORS (Division of Rehabilitation Services) Program. Carroll County Public Library and Exploration Commons at 50 East are pleased to offer work based experiences to support CCPS students.

The ARC Carroll County and Carroll County Public Schools have partnered for over 18 years, providing educational support services to high school students and students in the Post-Secondary Program ages 18-21.



Don't miss out on a great learning experience. Find programs to attend at EC50 on our calendar of events: https://ccpl.librarymarket.com/events/month?branches=391



Get a jump-start on your equipment certifications here: https://explorationcommons.carr.org/makerspace/equipment-trainings.asp



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Films that matter





CCPL IN THE COMMUNITY THIS AUTUMN

9/13 from 10 AM - 2 PM
Westminster Ag Center

FALL FEST PARADE
9/21 at 6 PM
Downtown Westminster

MICROBREWERY FESTIVAL 9/30 from 11 AM - 6 PM Union Mills Homestead

For programming, visit our online Calendar of Events: ccpl.librarymarket.com/events | Pick up a monthly program handout at any CCPL location.

MUSIC ON THE MAIN 10/7 from 9 AM - 5 PM New Windsor

MIRACLE ON MAIN
STREET PARADE
11/25 at 6 PM
Westminster Main Street

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Carroll County Public Library and Carroll County Public Schools have launched a new community-wide reading program called Carroll Reads. Chosen titles provide opportunities to delve into a range of equity, diversity, and inclusion themes. A new title is selected each year. Check our calendar of events for related programming this fall!

CARROLL READS PROGRAMMING

SCAN THE OR CODE TO SEE ALL THE PROGRAMMING FOR THIS YEAR'S BOOK SELECTION.



Funded in part by a Community Accessibility Project Grant from the Carroll County Arts Council and the Maryland State Arts Council.

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