

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **Smart Investing @ your library programs will begin in October. Check the Events calendar for a complete listing.**
- **Visit our website at www.infopeake.org for more exciting program information.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Hispanic Heritage @ Greenbrier Sep 19 & 26
- Teen Murder Mystery Night @ Russell Memorial Sep. 25
- Fantasma Drive-In Special @ Central Sep. 25
- HINI 101 @ Indian River Sep. 26
- Johnny Appleseed Day @ South Norfolk Sep. 26
- Plant Swap @ Major Hillard Oct. 10
- Monster Fest @ Central Oct. 10
- Spotlight Boys Club @ Cuffee Oct. 30

Cuffee PBS Kids “Raising Readers”

The Dr. Clarence V. Cuffee Library had the wonderful opportunity of hosting a local radio station, 95.7 R & B FM, in August for a special broadcast of a PBS Kids "Raising Readers" Program. The program kicked off with a puppet making session. The children decorated pig and wolf paper bag puppets for the "Three Little Pigs" puppet show and then performed the show live using their handmade puppets.



A cooking class was next in the lineup. Over 50 children had a blast learning how to make “rock and roll” ice cream. Plus they all enjoyed eating the treat when they were finished rocking and rolling.



As a great finale to cap off the special broadcast event, children went outside for a science experiment. They were amazed to learn about the eruption properties of Diet Coke as they made geyser fountains out of a bottle of soda. (Adapted from an article submitted by Vanessa Aguilar)





My House, Your House, The White House

Russell Memorial Library Children's Department hosted 3 special book and craft programs during the summer based on the book ***Our White House: looking in, looking out*** by the National Children's Book and Literacy Alliance. This book was received by the Library as part of the "We the People" Bookshelf grant, awarded last spring. The classes, created and taught by Debbie Couch, helped children learn facts about the White House.

The children had fun making three special White House focused art projects and finished the program by writing a letter to President Obama asking him questions about his favorite books and other things that they were interested in knowing

about the President. The letter was mailed at the end of August with high hopes that President Obama will write back to Russell Memorial Library. (Adapted from an article submitted by Debbie Couch)



Looking for Work? Join a Job Club!

Getting back into the job market? Feeling underemployed? Join us for our Job Club program the Indian River Library. There are no fees and no sign ups. The club meets every Tuesday of every month at 10:00 a.m. Just drop on in and join the group. Job Club members work together on developing in-person and on-line skills. Guest speakers help with interviewing techniques, resume writing, and on-line job searching. This is a great way to meet others with similar interests or situations.

If you live in Western Branch, check out the new Job Club at Russell Memorial Library, where a Workforce Development volunteer will help you learn how to write a resume, write a cover letter, fill out online job applications, search for jobs online, brush up on interviewing skills, and much more. Russell Library Job Club meets on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. Check our website at www.infopeake.org for more Workforce Development programs.



Dog Days of August

Chesapeake dog lovers were able to bone up on their ownership skills at Russell Library's Dog Days of August series. The library went to the dogs with a quartet of programs designed to enhance the human-canine experience. The sessions introduced holistic healing methods for pets (Healing Touch for Pets), featured a nationally known author (Hounding the Pavement by Judi McCoy), demonstrated a positive reinforcement training technique (Click(er) Treat), and showed how to keep pet memories alive (Scrapbooking: Preserving Pet Memories). The programs were featured in the Clipper on August 2.

Design on A Dime Continued...

The closing of the Dillard's store in Western Branch turned into a marketing bonanza for the Chesapeake Public Library when Director Betsy Fowler moved quickly to take advantage of the remarkable clearance deals the store was offering on their fixtures. She purchased solid wood tiered display tables, stacking tables, and study tables, wood and glass side tables, and metal sign holders, all at a fraction of the original cost. The "new" marketing pieces are slated for Central, Greenbrier, Russell and Major Hillard. The stacking display tables and wood study tables are already in use at Central and patrons love the new "bookstore" look.



CPL News: Noteworthy Bits & Pieces

We made the calendar in the Daily Break of the Virginian-Pilot last month with Major Hillard's Teen Movie Matinee (again) Russell Memorial's Plant Clinic, Centrals' Young Adult Game Night, and Greenbrier's Plant Clinic. Plus Tony Stein wrote a great article for the Clipper on Library Board Member and South Norfolk Historian Raymond Harper. Way to go, CPL!