



FRIENDS of the
CENTREVILLE REGIONAL LIBRARY

NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

by Sharon Gottovi

Welcome to Fall!

The 19th annual celebration of the National Friends of the Library Week is October 20-26, 2024. The Friends of the Centreville Regional Library (FCRL) was established in September 2019 and, to date, has raised over \$95,000 for the Centreville Regional Library. This money is used to support the library's adult and children's programming and many additional unfunded expenses.

This year, we are proud to sponsor a \$2,000 scholarship for FY'25 with the Fairfax County Library Foundation.

We could not have achieved any of this success without the support and dedication of our volunteers. It has taken over 9,500 volunteer hours to manage the book donations for our ongoing and tri-annual book sales.

Our Fall/Holiday book sale is November 15th – 17th. We hope you can join us as we prepare for another successful sale.

Thank you for all you do to support the Centreville Regional Library!

Our turn to decorate the display case at the library!



Friends of the Centreville Regional Library

Board Members

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President: Sharon Gottovi

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Book Sales: Cathy Pluchinsky and Dora Martinez, Co-Chairs

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Board Member at Large: Liz Walker

Centreville Regional Library

14200 Saint Germain Dr,

Centreville, VA 20121

(703) 830-2223

www.fairfaxcounty.gov

Fall/Holiday Book Sale

Fiction and Nonfiction for all ages, DVDs, Gift Items

Friday, November 15, 1pm-5pm

Saturday, November 16, 10am-5pm

Sunday, November 17, 1pm-4pm

No electronic scanners allowed



Last Sale of 2024

* Thousands of books at bargain prices, many gift-giving quality

* Bag Sale on Sunday! Fill a grocery bag with books and DVDs for just \$10!



Centreville Regional Library
14200 St. Germain Dr., Centreville, VA 20121

BACK TO SCHOOL BOOK SALE UPDATE

Total
Income:
\$10,055



of Books Sold: 4,270 Fri & Sat
+ 127 bags at Bag Sale on Sunday

Total # of volunteers: 24

Total # of volunteer hours: 422

Thanks to all the Friends volunteers who helped with our Back to School Sale! We brought in a total of \$10,055, beating our previous high in April (\$8,371).

We can't thank our volunteers enough for all of their hard work and dedication to our efforts to support the library. It is because of them that we have been able to hold these successful events since the current Friends group began holding book sales in 2021.

The community appreciates having a place to donate books and having the opportunity to attend our book sales. The work of our volunteers makes all of this happen!

Cathy Pluchinsky
Sales Manager



Online Book Sales

Some of the donated books we receive have recent publication dates and are in excellent condition. These books are posted on Amazon for sale at a higher price than we charge at our book sales.

Since July 1, 2023, to present we have sold 143 books online for a total of \$4,712 which is an average of \$32.95 per book.

Fairfax County Library Foundation Scholarship Program

Annually, the Fairfax Library Foundation awards three different scholarships to current library staff and volunteers in Fairfax County and the City of Fairfax. To date, the Foundation has awarded \$249,000 to 89 graduate students, \$198,000 to 153 undergraduate students, and \$93,000 to 243 library employees for staff development.

The FCRL Board voted to sponsor a scholarship in the amount of \$2,000 for the 2025 scholarship year. The only stipulation is that the person selected for the scholarship reside in Fairfax County and have a high school GPA of 3.0 or an undergraduate GPA of 3.0.

Further information about Fairfax Library Foundation scholarships can be found [here](#).



Fairfax Library Foundation Recognizes 2024 Scholarship Winners

Undergraduate Scholarships

Melanie Alonzo, *Friends of Pohick Regional Library Scholarship*

Adella Bailey, *Friends of Pohick Regional Library Scholarship*

Alice Cao-Dao

Adrian Duncan

Liya Eshetu, Myra "Micky", *Shulman New American Initiative Scholarship*

Bethany Korenic

Matthew Hwang, *Savkar-Loser Scholarship*

Ishika Maisha

Zayan Meah, *Christine Chambers-Chun Undergraduate Scholarship*

Calynn Nelson

Taylor Otte

Susan Pirnat, *Friends of the Burke Centre Library Scholarship*

Stella Samereie

Nicole To, *Joan and Richard Vaaler Scholarship (Friends of Pohick Regional Library)*

Kaiya Williams

Allen Wu

Staff Development

Denise Dorn

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Cheryl Ann Lee

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2025 BOOK SALE DATES

	Set-up (Mon.-Thurs.)	Sale days (Fri, Sat., Sun.)	Clean-up (Monday)
Spring Book Sale	April 28 – May 1	May 2, 3, 4	May 5
Back to School Book Sale	August 4 - 7	August 8, 9, 10	August 11
Fall Book Sale	Sun.-Mon. Nov. 9-10 Wed.-Thurs. Nov. 12-13 (Library closed Tues. Nov. 11 for Veteran's Day)	Nov. 14, 15, 16	Nov. 17

Due to the close dates and amount of work to set up for sales the Board decided to combine the Fall and Holiday Sales. This year and going forward we will have three book sales a year instead of four.



The 32nd Annual
Centreville Day celebration
is **October 19, 2024**
from **10 am to 4 pm.**

The festival is located in His-
toric Centreville Park (5714
Mt Gilead Road)

**Friends of the Centreville
Regional Library, Inc. is an all
-volunteer, registered 501(c)
(3) non-profit organization.
Proceeds from our sales go
to funding library and literacy
materials, programs, and
equipment in our community
library.**



Join us for our seventh annual convention
celebrating all things pop culture at
Fairfax County Public Library's LibraryCon!

Saturday, October 12th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

This event will be held at the

[Jim Scott Community Center](#) (formerly Providence Community Center):

3001 Vaden Drive

Fairfax VA 22031

The library presents and hosts events on a range of topics of interest to the Fairfax County community. We strive to sponsor events that educate and entertain while connecting people with others who share common interests and goals. Our events include author talks, book clubs for all ages, English conversation groups, technology workshops, writers' groups, preschool story times, STEM-related children's activities and much more. Many of our events occur outside library branches at venues such as schools, parks, theater spaces and senior centers. Library events are always free to the public; some require registration in advance.

Look for events at the following

[Library Events | Library \(fairfaxcounty.gov\)](#)



Centreville Regional Library Hours of Operation

Monday - Wednesday

10:00 am to 9:00 pm

Thursday - Sunday

2024 Library Closing Dates

11/05—Election Day—Tuesday, November 5, 2024

11/11—Veterans Day—Monday, November 11, 2024

11/28—Thanksgiving Day—Thursday, November 28, 2024

11/29—Day After Thanksgiving—Friday, November 29, 2024

12/24—Christmas Eve (half day)—Tuesday, December 24, 2024

All branches, Community and Regional, will be open from 10 a.m. to noon, Tuesday, 12/24.

12/25—Christmas Day—Wednesday, December 25, 2024

12/31—New Year's Eve (Close at 5pm)—Tuesday, December 31, 2024

All branches, Community and Regional, will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday, 12/31.

EARLY VOTING BEGINS

AT THE CENTREVILLE REGIONAL LIBRARY



October 17th — November 2nd

Monday – Friday: 1 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Saturdays (Oct. 19, Oct. 26, Nov. 2):

9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday (Oct. 27): 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

[In-Person Early Voting | Elections \(fairfaxcounty.gov\)](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections)

Upcoming Elections and Important Dates

General and Special Elections

Tuesday, Nov 5, 2024

Early Voting Begins

Friday, September 20th

Early voting begins at 3 locations, the Fairfax County Government Center, Mt. Vernon Governmental Center and North County Governmental Center.

Find locations and hours [here](#).

Voter Registration Deadline

October 15th

Register to vote or update your registration by 5pm to be eligible to vote.

Same-day registration and a provisional vote from 10/16 to Election Day for those that miss 10/15 deadline.

Satellite early voting locations open

October 17th

An additional 13 early voting locations will be available.

Find locations and hours [here](#).

Deadline to Request to Vote by Mail

October 25th

Apply for an absentee ballot to be mailed to you by 5pm.

Last Day to Vote Early

Saturday, November 2nd

Last day to vote at any of the available early voting locations.

General and Special Elections

Tuesday, November 5, 2024

Polls open 6am to 7pm. Vote at your regular polling location.

All offices will be on the ballot.

[REGISTER TO VOTE](#)

[In-Person Early Voting | Elections \(fairfaxcounty.gov\)](#)

What You Need to Know About Early Voting

- **In-person early voting will be available from September 20 through November 2** for the November 5 General and Special Elections.

- **Only Fairfax County registered voters** may vote at any Fairfax County early voting location.

Voters must present an [acceptable ID](#) or may sign an ID Confirmation Statement.

Curbside voting is available for [eligible voters](#).

- **Absentee by mail voters may vote early in person** if they choose. If you received a ballot in the mail, you must bring it with you and surrender it to vote in person. If you received a ballot but do not bring it with you, you may vote a provisional ballot. Mail ballot dropboxes are available during early voting location operating hours.

- **Same-day registration** is available between Oct. 16 and Nov. 2 at early voting locations. Voters submitting a same-day registration will vote a provisional ballot.

View a [map](#) of Fairfax County's early voting locations.

Questions? Email earlyvoting@fairfaxcounty.gov or check our [FAQs](#).

LOCATIONS NOW OPEN NOW FOR EARLY VOTING

September 20 – November 2

Fairfax County Government Center

12000 Government Center Pkwy, Room 251, Fairfax, 22035

Monday – Friday: 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Saturdays (Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Oct. 26, Nov. 2): 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday (Oct. 27): 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Mt. Vernon Governmental Center

2511 Parkers Lane, Alexandria, 22306

North County Governmental Center

1801 Cameron Glen Dr, Reston, 20190

Monday – Friday: 1 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Saturdays (Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Oct. 26, Nov. 2): 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday (Oct. 27): 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

OPENING

October 17 – November 2

HOURS FOR ALL LOCATIONS:

Monday – Friday: 1 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Saturdays (Oct. 19, Oct. 26, Nov. 2): 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday (Oct. 27): 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Burke Centre Library 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke 22015	Centreville Regional Library 14200 St. Germain Drive, Centreville 20121	Franconia Governmental Center 6121 Franconia Rd, Alexandria 22310
Great Falls Library 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls 22066	Herndon Fortnightly Library 768 Center Street, Herndon 20170	Lorton Community Center 9520 Richmond Highway, Lorton 22079
Mason Governmental Center 6507 Columbia Pike, Annan- dale 22003	McLean Govern- mental Center 1437 Balls Hill Rd, McLean 22101	Jim Scott Community Center (formerly Providence) 3001 Vaden Drive, Fairfax 22031
Sully Governmental Center 4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly 20151	Thomas Jefferson Library 7415 Arlington Blvd, Falls Church 22042	Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church 22043
West Springfield Gov- ernmental Center 6140 Rolling Road, Springfield 22152		

