

# LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



JULY 2026

## Summer Reading



Summer is heating up, and we are seeing big things in the summer reading program at Duck Creek! In one month, our community has read **over 2,500 titles**, and we're still cruising along!

Don't forget to sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge if you haven't already, to **win prizes and free books** at the end of the Summer! And check out our events and performers on our **online calendar**!



**UNEARTH A STORY WITH US  
AT DUCK CREEK!**

## Some Upcoming Events

- **The Science of Happiness w/ ROOTS**

- Thurs. July 2 @ 4:30PM
- Ages 10-18



- **DE Nature and Science Mobile Museum**

- Thurs. July 9 @ 2pm
- Ages 9-18

- **Slavery & the Signers: It's Complicated**

- Thurs. July 9 @ 6:30PM
- Presented by DE Humanities



- **Family Movie Night!**

- Fri. July 10 @ 5:30pm
- Movie: *Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs*

- **Homebuyer Seminar**

- Tues. July 14 @ 6pm

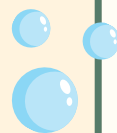


- **Story Sprouts**

- Thurs. July 16 @ 10am
- Ages 0-5

- **A Bubble, Comedy and Music Show  
with Turtle Dance Music**

- Thurs. July 16 @ 4:30pm
- Children of all ages! (Neuroinclusive)



- **ESL Class**

- Sat. July 18 @ 11am



- **Unearth the Zoo with Brandywine Zoo**

- Tues. July 21 @ 2:30pm
- Ages 9-18

- **Small Dinosaur Show with Jungle John**

- Tues. July 28 @ 2pm
- Children of all ages!



## EVENTS CALENDAR

Go to our website or scan the QR code to see our full calendar of events!



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## Program Spotlight

- **Teen Throwback Movie Nights**

- Tues. July 7 @ 2:30pm -  
*Wendy Wu: Homecoming Warrior* (2006)
- Tues. Aug. 4 @ 2:30pm -  
*Scooby-Doo! Camp Scare* (2010)



- **Shake, Rattle, & Read with Miss Jackie**

- **Summer Schedule: Twice Monthly**
- Wed. July 8 @ 10am
- Wed. July 22 @ 10am
- Ages 0-5

- **Game On: Video Games**

- Every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday from 5-6:30pm
- Ages 9-18

- **Duck Creek Writers Group**

- Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 5pm
- Any experience level welcome!

Telescopes, blood pressure cuffs, cooktops, and more! Check out what **you** can check out from the Library of Things!

**LIBRARY**  
of things

DelawareLibraries.org



## Resource Spotlight

### Free Notary Service

Duck Creek now has a Notary in the library every third Friday of the month! Walk-ins are welcome on a first-come, first-served basis. See online event listing for details and guidelines.

**LITTLE Pim**

### Little Pim

Designed for ages 0-6, Little Pim uses an entertainment immersion method to introduce new languages, tapping into a child's natural love of play. Offered free through Mango Languages.



### ASL Inside

A digital American Sign Language (ASL) course offered free through Mango Languages.

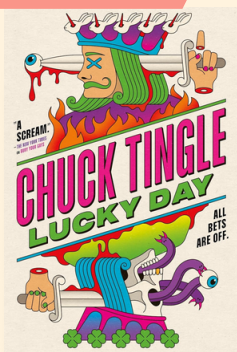
### Digital Literacy Specialist!

Need tech assistance? Delaware Libraries can help! Starting Wednesday, July 8, 2026, Duck Creek will have a tech specialist in the building every Wednesday for a limited time! Assistance available for all levels and devices!

**Walk-in Tech Assistance**  
**Wednesdays from**  
**July 8th - August 19th**  
**10am-5pm**



## HORROR



### Lucky Day by Chuck Tingle

Four years after the Low-Probability Event—a single day when eight million people died in bizarre, statistically impossible accidents—former statistics professor Vera has lost everything and no longer believes the world makes sense. When Special Agent Layne asks for her help investigating an impossibly lucky Las Vegas casino,

she discovers it may be linked to the disaster. With another catastrophic chain of improbable events looming, Vera must unravel the mystery before history repeats itself.

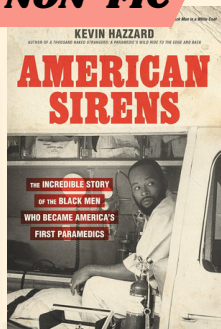
### Project Hail Mary by Andy Weir

Ryland Grace wakes up alone aboard a spaceship with no memory of who he is or why he's there. As his memories slowly return, he realizes he's the sole survivor of a last-chance mission to save humanity from an extinction-level threat. Millions of miles from Earth, with his crewmates dead and no one to rely on, he must solve an impossible scientific mystery before time runs out. But as the mission unfolds, he discovers he may not have to face it entirely alone.



## SCI-FI

## NON-FIC



### American Sirens by Kevin Hazzard

Until the 1970s, if you suffered a medical crisis, your chances of survival were minimal. A 9-1-1 call might bring police or even the local funeral home. But that all changed with Freedom House EMS in Pittsburgh, a group of Black men who became America's first paramedics and set the gold standard for

emergency medicine around the world, only to have their story and their legacy erased—until now.

## LGBTQ+



### We Burned So Bright by TJ Klune

Husbands Don and Rodney have lived a good long life. Together they've experienced the highest highs of love and family, and lows so low that they felt like the end of the world.

Now, the world is ending for real. A wandering black hole is coming for Earth and in a month, everything and everyone they've ever known will be gone.

Suddenly, after 40 years together, Don and Rodney are out of time. They're in a race against the clock to make it from Maine to Washington State to take care of some unfinished business before it's all over.

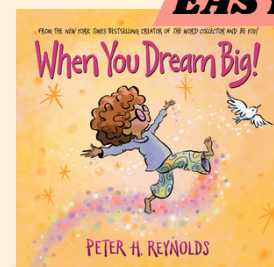
And as the black hole draws near, among ball lightning and under a cracked moon in a kaleidoscope sky, Don and Rodney will look back on their lives and ask if their best was good enough.

### When You Dream Big! by Peter H. Reynolds

It's Dream Big Week at school! Everyone is excited to share their dreams for the future -- except Charley. She has no idea what she wants for her future. But on her walk home, Charley learns that even if she doesn't know exactly what she wants to be when she grows up, she knows what KIND of person she wants to be.



## EASY



## HIST. FIC



### Buckeye by Patrick Ryan

In the jubilant aftermath of the Allied victory in Europe, Cal Jenkins, a man wounded not in war but by his inability to serve in it, shares a single, life-altering moment with Margaret Salt, a woman determined to outrun her past. Cal is married to Becky, whose spiritual gifts help the living speak to the dead, while Margaret's husband, Felix, is serving at sea, believed to be

safe, until a telegram suggests otherwise.

What begins as a fleeting transgression becomes a complex secret that irrevocably binds all four of them in unexpected ways.



# STAFF PICKS

## Update on Printing



As of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026, fees to print at the library will increase to:

- **25¢/page for black/white**
- **50¢/page for color**

The following will remain unchanged:

- **Copier use - 10¢/page (b/w only)**
- **Faxing - \$1.00/fax sent**
- **Scanning - Free**

This difficult decision was made in collaboration with other public libraries in Kent County, as a result of increasing costs for materials and printer maintenance. We thank you for your understanding and apologize for any inconvenience this may cause!



**Want to make a donation to the library?**

**Scan the QR code or click the "Make a Donation" Link on our website!**

## Contact Info



302-653-4579



<https://duckcreek.lib.de.us/>

**FOLLOW US!**



## Reminders

***Duck Creek Regional Library will be closed Friday, July 3rd and Saturday, July 4th.***



Want to get involved with the Friends of Duck Creek Regional Library? Find out how at ***[duckcreek.lib.de.us/friends](https://duckcreek.lib.de.us/friends)***



## **DON'T FORGET: LIBRARY CARDS ARE FOR ANY AGE!**

You can sign yourself or your child up for a library card at any age, even if the child cannot read on their own yet! All you need to sign up is:

- Delaware ID (Or another valid proof of residency)
- To fill out a library card registration form at the circulation desk
- ***If under 18:*** Parent or legal guardian must be present to sign the form