The Library will be closed on January 1st and January 15th.

Indoor Plant Swap
Friday, January 19 - Monday, January 22

Celebrate House Plant Month with an indoor plant swap! Bring a plant, take a plant. Healthy indoor, pest-free plants only please! Drop-in, No registration required.

Thank you

Many thanks to all who donated items for our raffle and purchased raffle tickets to benefit the Friends of the Library!

All proceeds from the raffle benefit the Friends of the Greenville Public Library, which supports children’s programs, the library book fund, and the discount museum pass program.

Many thanks to this year’s donors:
- Ampersand M Studio
- CW Theaters & CW Lanes and Games
- Dreamland Photography
- The Home Depot, Smithfield
- The Inmans
- The Monks
- Rosemary Rose
- Dan Roy
- Simply Elegant Flowers
- Val’s English Tea Shop

Thank you

Book Bingo Winter Reading Challenge
January 2 - February 29

Have more fun with your reading in the new year! Our Book Bingo Winter Reading Challenge will inspire you to read more books and try new genres. Pick up a bingo card at the library and return it by February 29th for a chance to win a Greenville Library tote bag filled with books!

Mark Your Calendars!
Jewelry & Handbag Fundraiser: February 9 - 11

The Board of Trustees will be holding a jewelry and handbag fundraiser February 9th through February 11. The sale will be held in our Recital Room and will open on Friday, February 9th. More details to come.

Donations accepted until January 21st. All donations are greatly appreciated and will go towards supporting library projects and operations. Please drop off at the welcome desk. Donation receipts

Senior Strength:
Addressing the Myths and Misconceptions of Strength Training in Your Later Years
Wednesday, January 17
2:00 pm

Start 2024 off strong! Nigel Evangelista of Get Strong Strength Training in Smithfield introduces the concept of strength training for older adults and demonstrates that strength training is the key to fitness at any age. Please register to attend.
Monday Matinee
Monday, January 22
2:00 pm
Join us for a film screening and snacks! This month, we will be showing *Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny*. Running time: 154 minutes. Rated PG-13. Please register.
*Please note that the December film, *Dreamin’ Wild*, was rescheduled to January 8 at 2:00 pm.

Dungeons & Dragons for Adults
Thursday, January 11
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Join our new adult Dungeons & Dragons group. The group is volunteer-led. Contact Cassie for more information and to join: greenvilleasstdirector@gmail.com.

Coffee & Books
Wednesday, January 10
10:30 am
Chat about what you are currently reading over coffee or tea with fellow bookworms. New members always welcome. Please register.

Virtual Book Chat
Thursdays, January 4 & 18
6:00 pm
Chat about what you are currently reading at our informal book chat! We meet via Zoom. New members always welcome. Please register.

January Book Clubs

Mystery Book Club
Tuesday, January 2
1:30 pm
The Mystery Book Club meets in the Recital Room on the first Tuesday of the month at 1:30 pm. This month’s book is *Murder at Mallowan Hall* by Colleen Cambridge. Copies of the book are available at the library front desk. Next month’s book is *Miss Aldridge Regrets* by Louise Hare.

Picnic Table Reads Book Club
Thursday, January 18
1:00 pm
The Picnic Table Reads Book Club meets monthly on the third Thursday of the month at 1:00 pm. This month’s book is *The Lost Vintage* by Ann Mah. Copies of the book are available at the library.

Home Sweet Home Book Club
Monday, January 22
6:30 pm
Join us from home for our Zoom book club. Each month, a book will be selected that is also available as an ebook in Hoopla. Copies of the book, *Small Mercies* by Dennis Lehane, will be available in the library. Please register online in our event calendar at greenvillelibraryri.org or by calling 401-949-3630.
**Winter Storytime Sessions**

- **January 8 - February 12**
  - Turtle Time: ages 1½ - 2½
    - Mondays 10:00 am
  - Toddler: ages 2½ - 3½
    - Tuesdays 11:30 am
  - Preschool: ages 3½ - 5
    - Thursdays 10:30 am

**Winter Bedtime Storytime**

- **Monday, January 29**
  - 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
  - Children ages 3-6 are invited to snuggle up in their cozy pajamas to listen to winter stories and make a fun craft.

**LEGO Build Afterschool**

- **Wednesday, January 24**
  - 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
  - Drop in to play with the library LEGOS and library friends! No registration required.

**Cozy Winter Blankets**

- **Tuesday, January 23**
  - 4:15 pm
  - Children ages 5-10 are invited to make no-sew blankets for their favorite doll or stuffed toy after listening to a fun winter themed story.

**Free Play Fridays**

- **January 5, 12, 19, 26**
  - from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
  - Pretend play with a new theme each week!

**Crafternoon for Kids**

- **Wednesday, January 3**
  - 4:15 pm
  - Ages 5-10. Make a fun craft with library friends!

**American Girl Book Club**

- **Tuesday, January 9**
  - 4:15 pm - 5:00 pm
  - Children in grades 3 - 5 may join Miss Patty for the American Girl Book Club. A related craft and snack will also be included.

**Learn to Sew with Felt**

- **Saturday, January 27**
  - 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
  - Children in grades 1 - 5. Using felt, buttons and beginner-friendly hand sewing stitches, children will learn to thread needles and sew on buttons while creating a small stuffed owl. No experience is necessary!

**Magic Tree House Book Club**

- **Thursday, January 18**
  - 4:15 pm
  - Grades 2 - 4. Children are invited to join Miss Hailey-Rose for the Magic Tree House Club. A related craft will be included.

**Sensory Storytime**

- **Saturday, January 13**
  - 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
  - Ages 4 - 10. Stories, bubbles, and sensory play! Drop-in program, no registration required.
Grades 6 - 12. Please register for all programs, unless otherwise noted, by visiting greenvillelibraryri.org/teens.

**Cozy Craft**
Thursday, January 11
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Relax after school with hot chocolate, tea, and a mindful craft. All materials will be provided. Open to anyone in grades 6-12. Please register.

**Teen Take & Make: Fidget Keychain Kits available on Tuesday, January 9**
Create a fun and colorful fidget that you can attach to a backpack or keychain. No registration required. Kits will be available on a first come, first served basis, while supplies last.

**Drop-in Volunteering: Caring Cards**
Thursdays, January 4 & 18
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Earn an hour of community service by creating uplifting cards for hospitalized kids. All materials will be provided. Open to anyone in grades 6-12. Drop-in program, no registration required.

**The Middles: Edible Engineering**
Monday, January 22
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Are you too old for the children's programs, but not old enough for the teen programs? The Middles is the place for you on the fourth Monday of the month! Tweens in grades 4-6 are invited to join us for a delicious engineering challenge using candy, pretzels, and other tasty treats. Please register.

**YA Graphic Novel Book Club**
Wednesday, January 31 | 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Read, write, and draw with us! Discuss this month's graphic novel and work on your own comics. Copies of this month's graphic novel will be available for check out at the library's front desk. Open to anyone in grades 6-12. Please register.

**Teen Sensory Friendly Craft**
Thursday, January 25
3:00-4:00 pm
Enjoy a mindful craft in a sensory-friendly setting. Ages 11-17. Please register.

**Teen Advisory Board**
Monday, January 29
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Earn volunteer hours by sharing your time and opinions with the YA librarian! This month, we will be discussing new additions to our video game collection. All participants will earn 1 hour of community service. Open to anyone in grades 6-12. Please register.

**Virtual Community Service Hours (Grades 6-12)**
Do you need to complete community service hours for school, scouts, or honor societies? The Greenville Library Young Adult department needs your help! Visit our website to fill out an online application: https://greenvillelibraryri.org/teens/volunteer.
Exhibits

**William Gallagher | Main Gallery**

Artist William Gallagher will display his work at the Greenville Public Library during January and February. Gallagher is a trained fashion illustrator who worked in the jewelry industry for two and a half decades as a designer/technical illustrator. Gallagher has been instructing drawing and art lessons for adults at the Library. For more of his work, find him on Facebook at Gallagher Illustrations and on Instagram: @billgallagher226artist

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**Magda Leon | Friends Wall**

Artist Reception: Thursday, January 11 from 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Artist’s Statement:

Throughout my artistic journey, I have dedicated myself to delving into the intricate tapestry of my personal experiences as an immigrant, uncovering the complex emotions that arise from constantly feeling displaced and out of place. Immigrating to a new country brings forth a myriad of challenges, and among them is the unique struggle of existing in a perpetual state of “in-betweenness.”

My hope is for my art to serve as a vessel, carrying the stories of countless individuals who, like me, have walked the delicate tightrope between their native culture and the unfamiliar customs of their adopted home. It is a visual representation of the clashes and harmonies that occur within the human spirit when faced with the task of reconciling two contrasting worlds.
New Books

New 7 Day Loans
The little liar / Browsing ALBOM
Command and control / Browsing CAMERON
Unnatural death / Browsing CORNWELL
The watchmaker's hand / Browsing DEAVER
Just once / Browsing KINGSBURY
The burnout / Browsing KINSELLA
Robert B. Parker's Broken trust / Browsing LUPICA
The ball at Versailles / Browsing STEEL
Christmas at the Shelter Inn / Browsing THAYNE
The twelve dogs of Christmas / Browsing WIGGS

New Fiction
The little liar / ALBOM
Command and control / CAMERON
Bring Me Home for Christmas / CARR
Midnight at the Christmas bookshop / COLGAN
Resurrection walk / CONNELLY
Unnatural death / CORNWELL
The good part / COUSENS
The watchmaker's hand / DEAVER
Stairway to the sea / DEMAIO
Throne of the fallen / Fantasy MANISCALCO
Holly / KING

Just once / KINGSBURY
The burnout / KINSELLA
Robert B. Parker's Broken trust / LUPICA
The manor house / MACMILLAN
Next-Door Nemesis / MARTIN
A very inconvenient scandal / MITCH HARD
12 months to live / PATTERSON
The road to Christmas / ROBERTS
Recipe for Second Chances / ROSEN
The Icarus twin / SciFi ZAHN
Good Taste: A Novel in Search of Great Food / SCOTT
The wishing bridge / SHIPMAN
The ball at Versailles / STEEL
Love, Holly / STONE
Christmas at the Shelter Inn / THAYNE
Wages of Sin / TURTLEDOVE
Christmas presents / UNGER
Let us descend / WARD
The twelve dogs of Christmas / WIGGS

New Mysteries
The proof of the pudding / Mystery BOWEN
Bulletproof barista / Mystery COYLE
Murder Checks Out / Mystery GILBERT
The Second Stranger / Mystery GRIFFIN
The mystery guest / Mystery PROSE
Shot With Crimson / Mystery UPSON

Memorial Donations
Memorial donations are used to purchase books for the Library with book plates affixed denoting the donor and honoree, or to fund programs. The donor tells us how to best use the gift. Donations are tax deductible.

Following is a list of recent donations:
Pauline Henlin IN MEMORY OF Allan J. Henlin
Patricia Merry IN MEMORY OF Dr. Moira J. Maguire
Jacqueline G. Kelley IN HONOR OF Amanda Kelley and
IN MEMORY OF George E. Kelley
Danikka Dillon & Rich McKenna IN HONOR OF Viola McKenna
New Nonfiction

Network of lies / 070.4 STE
Hidden potential / 153.8 GRA
I'm speaking / 155.2 DOY
How to know a person / 158.2 BRO
The kingdom, the power, and the glory / 270.82 ALB
The last ships from Hamburg / 305.892 UJI
We're here to help / 346.7301 DIM
The view from down here / 362.4092 WEB
Gangsterland / 364.106073
Blood memory / 599.64 DUN
A city on Mars / 629.47 WEI
The Winter Garden / 635.953 SLA
Book of queens / 636.1 MAH
Cook it up / 641.5 GUA
Gluten free Christmas! / 641.5686 EXC
Have You Eaten? / 641.595 GAO
Brilliant bites / 641.812 BRO
Taste of Home fall baking / 641.815 TAS
Georgia’s cakes / 641.8653 GRE
Made to measure / 687 JEW
House + Love = Home: Creating Warm, Intentional Spaces for a Beautiful Life / 747 MAR
Black Friend / 814 ZW
Rome like a local / 914.5632 ROM
Oath and honor / 92 CHENEY
Counting the cost / 92 DUGGAR
What the Taliban told me / 92 FRITZ
Everywhere an oink oink / 92 MAMET
Emperor of Rome / 937 BEA
A Rome of one’s own / 937 SOU
Tired of winning / 973.933092 KAR
UFO / 999 GRA

New Children’s Books

Picture Books and Easy Readers
How does Santa go down the chimney? / E BARNETT / Christmas
Everybody needs a rock / E BAYLOR
Otto the ornament / E CUMMINGS / Christmas
Red & green / E EHLERT / Christmas
The Christmassy cactus / E FERRY / Christmas
Winter / E GROSS
Dr. Seuss’s How the Grinch Lost Christmas! / E HEIM / Christmas
Coyote’s wild home / E KING / Christmas
Santa Shark / E LOWERY / Christmas
Fry bread / E MAILLARD
Martina has too many tías / E OTHEGUY
A Creature Was Stirring / E PIERCY / Christmas
Stickler loves the world / E SMITH
How to Decorate a Christmas Tree / E VANSKIL / Christmas
Moana finds the way / E DISNEY
Tyrannosaurus rex / E EMONS
The good egg and the talent show / E JOHN

Chapter Books
The one and only Ivan / J APPLEGATE
Sincerely Sicily / J BURGESS
Pinocchio / J COLLODI
Emperor of Rome / 937 BEA
Mercy Watson is missing! / J DICAMILLO
Cat Kid comic-club / J Graphic PILKEY
Boy of the pyramids / J JONES
The lost library / J JONES

Did You Know?
The holidays may be over, but January is full of celebratory days!

January 4: Spaghetti Day
January 18: Winnie the Pooh Day
January 27: Chocolate Cake Day
January 29: National Puzzle Day. Borrow a puzzle or two to celebrate!
In case of inclement weather, please call the library or check with WPRI (Channel12), WNAC (Fox 64), WHJJ-AM (Talk Radio 920), WWBB-FM (B101), WHJY-FM (94.1) and WSNE_FM (Coast 93.3) for closure announcements.