

September 2017 Adult Programming at the Homewood Public Library

Let's Dish Cookbook Club: International Cuisine

Thursday, September 7, at 6:30 p.m. in the Boardroom

Talk, tempt, and taste during this recipe club discussion group that's all about food! To participate, prepare a recipe around the month's theme and bring the dish and recipe to the meeting. We will dish about the theme, recipe, and deliciousness at the meeting. No registration required. For more information, please contact Judith Wright at jrwright@bham.lib.al.us or at (205) 332-6622.

Library Yoga

Mondays, September 11 & 25, at 10 a.m. in the Large Auditorium

Take time out of your busy schedule for free yoga classes at the library. All levels of fitness welcome. No registration required, but *please bring your own mat*.

OLLI Bonus Program: Unusual Trivia About the Funeral of Jefferson Davis

Tuesday, September 12, at 1 p.m. in the Large Auditorium

On December 6, 1889, the Christmas Season in New Orleans was saddened when Jefferson Davis died of unknown causes at the age of 81. His funeral was one of the largest ever staged in the South. Join us as Paul Beezley, a professor of History from Jacksonville State, provides amusing and shocking facts about the Confederate President's funeral event.

Oxmoor Page Turner's Book Club: *The Bad-Ass Librarians of Timbuktu* by

Joshua Hammer

Tuesday, September 12, at 6:30 p.m. in the Boardroom

To save ancient Arabic texts from Al Qaeda, a band of librarians pulls off a brazen heist worthy of *Ocean's Eleven* in this fast-paced narrative that is part intellectual history, part geopolitical tract, and part out-and-out thriller.

First Step Wednesdays: Get the Most Out of Your iPad and iPhone!

Wednesday, September 13, at 2 p.m. in the Large Auditorium

This workshop is geared towards casual users. Join us as Apple® certified trainers for Alabama Tech-Ease answer your questions on how best to use your Apple® device.

Niki Sepsas Presents Boyington, Chenault, O'Hare: Valor in the Pacific

Thursday, September 14, at 1 p.m. in the Round Auditorium

The role played by Claire Chenault, "Pappy" Boyington, and Edward O'Hare in the air war in the Pacific during World War II.

Hubble Film Screening

Thursday, September 14, at 3:30 p.m. in the Large Auditorium

The Hubble Space Telescope's intergalactic travels are showcased in the seventh film from the award-winning IMAX Space Team, whose efforts have resulted in the preservation of one of NASA's greatest accomplishments. Narrated by Leonardo DiCaprio. This event is offered as part of the NASA@ My Library grant.

What to do Financially When you Lose a Spouse

Thursday, September 14, at 6:30 p.m. in the Round Auditorium

Losing a spouse or partner is a stressful event. Yet during this time you must complete a variety of tasks and make important financial decisions. You may need to make final arrangements, notify various businesses and government agencies, settle your spouse's estate, and provide for your own financial security. Fortunately, there are steps you can take to make dealing with these matters less difficult. Financial expert Philip Wilson will teach you the best ways to get organized and keep your finances current while settling your spouse's estate. While participation in the workshop is FREE, space is limited to 25. Register online at www.homewoodpubliclibrary.org

Bossypants Book Club: *The Boston Girl* by Anita Diamant

Monday, September 18, from 6:30-8 p.m. at Nabeel's Café

If you love spiky humor, quick wit, and brutal honesty, this is the book club for you! We are taking book discussions across the street to Nabeel's Café to enjoy food and fun while we discuss *The Boston Girl* by Anita Diamant.

The ABC's of Medicare

Tuesday, September 19, at 12 p.m. and 6 p.m. in Room 116 (Lower Level)

Have you been wondering about all the new changes to our Medicare Benefits? Karen Haiflich will answer all your questions about how benefits are currently computed, how to become insured, and how to file a claim.

Homewood Senior Center Book Club: *Peace Like a River* by Leif Enger

Tuesday, September 19, at 1 p.m. at the Homewood Senior Center

Young Reuben Land has little doubt that miracles happen all around us, suspecting that his own father is touched by God. When his older brother flees a controversial murder charge, Reuben, along with his older sister and father, set off on a journey that will take them to the Badlands and through a landscape more extraordinary than they could have anticipated. Enger's novel is at once a heroic quest and a haunting meditation on the possibility of magic in the everyday world.

The Road to College

Tuesday, September 19, at 6 p.m. in the Large Auditorium

This informational workshop is geared towards high school students and parents who are overwhelmed with the college application process. Admissions counselors from several local colleges and universities will be present to answer questions regarding financial aid, ACT vs. SAT, application timelines, and much more. Represented schools include Alabama, Auburn, Birmingham-Southern College, Montevallo, Samford, and several other prominent institutions. No registration required.

AARP Smart Driver Course with Joe Ross

Saturday, September 23, from 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. in Room 102 (Lower Level)

The AARP Smart Driver Course, offered by AARP Driver Safety, is the nation's first and largest refresher course designed specifically for older drivers. Those who complete the course may be eligible for an automobile insurance discount for up to 3 years. Participants should check with their insurance company for possible discounts. Registration required. AARP members \$15.00, non-members \$20.00. To register, please call Joe Ross at (205) 823-7067.

How to Build a Better Garden: Raised Beds & Container Gardening

Saturday, September 23, at 10:30 a.m. in Room 116 (Lower Level)

Join us as Master Gardener Karen Miller describes some of the best techniques for creating your own raised beds. With raised beds – the kind that sit above ground within a frame made of wood or other material – you can provide the perfect conditions for whatever you're keen on growing. Containers allow you to plant anywhere, even if you have limited space to garden. Join us and learn which gardening techniques are best for you.

Libraryflix: Hidden Figures

Tuesday, September 26, at 3:30 p.m. in the Large Auditorium

Three brilliant African-American women at NASA -- Katherine Johnson (Taraji P. Henson), Dorothy Vaughan (Octavia Spencer) and Mary Jackson (Janelle Monáe) -- serve as the brains behind one of the greatest operations in history: the launch of astronaut John Glenn (Glen Powell) into orbit, a stunning achievement that restored the nation's confidence, turned around the Space Race, and galvanized the world. This event is offered as part of the NASA@ My Library grant.

Dixie's Pet Loss Support Group

Tuesday, September 26, at 5:30 p.m. in Room 106 (Lower Level)

The death of a pet can be one of the most devastating events that can happen to a person – yet one of the most misunderstood, too. This grief/loss group is sponsored by the Greater Birmingham Humane Society. Participation in the workshop is free; however reservations are requested since space is limited. Contact Randy Hicks, GBHS Volunteer Coordinator, at (205) 542-7111.

iProduct Master Class: Organizing Your Life Using iPads & iPhones

Wednesday, September 27, at 2 p.m. in the Large Auditorium

Join us for this special class with Apple® Certified trainers for Alabama Tech-Ease, a member of the Apple® Consultants Network, to take a comprehensive look at the organizational tools for Apple iOS and macOS Sierra. Get organized with an in-depth look at Calendars, Reminders, Email, Contacts, Notes and more! We will take a deep dive into how these apps work and how to use them to effectively organize our digital lives

The Better Than Therapy Book Club: *Commonwealth* by Ann Patchett

Wednesday, September 27, at 2 p.m. in the Boardroom

Join us as Ann Patchett, acclaimed bestselling author tells the enthralling story of how an unexpected romantic encounter irrevocably changes two families' lives

UAB Neuroscience Café: Myopia & the Tiny Brain Inside Your Eye

Thursday, September 28, at 6:30 p.m. in the Round Auditorium

If you have myopia, commonly called nearsightedness, you have trouble seeing things far away, but you can see nearby things clearly. In a myopic eye, the eyeball is usually too long from front to back. This causes light rays to focus at a point in front of the retina, rather than directly on its surface. This makes distant objects blurry. What causes the eyeball to grow too long isn't completely known, but researchers are exploring a number of factors. Join UAB doctors and researchers as they explain what research and treatments are in development for this common problem.