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Georgetown Library “Pushing the Limits”

New series explores science in a new way

Georgetown County is rife with scientific bounty, from our estuarine research facilities and high-tech manufacturing sites to our wildlife-filled waterways and forests. Now, the Georgetown Library is giving residents a new way to look at our surroundings, using real people, real stories and real science.

Georgetown Library will host a four-part reading, viewing and discussion series called “Pushing the Limits.” The library is one of 20 public libraries nationwide chosen as a pilot site for the series, which is sponsored by the National Science Foundation. Pushing the Limits brings together books and video featuring authors, scientists and everyday people who thrive on exploring the natural world.

“We really liked the format of Pushing the Limits when we first saw it,” said library director Dwight McInvaill. “Short, cinematic interviews with famous authors bring their most compelling books to life, and casual discussions afterward really spark new ideas. Plus, we’ll have refreshments to feed your brain!”

Since the beginning of time, humans have imagined and achieved ways to push the boundaries of the physical world. We want to be stronger, smarter, and more aware, and we create stories to bring those dreams to life. But many of those stories are no longer just stories; and with great new advances in science and technology, we are finding ways in which all of us are able to push the limits every day.

The Pushing the Limits program will explore these ideas in four free, hour-long events. Each event has an accompanying book suggestion, available for checkout at the library.

NATURE

Friday, February 1st at 5:30 p.m.

Suggested book: *When the Killing’s Done* by T.C. Boyle

SURVIVAL

Friday, March 1st at 5:30 p.m.

Suggested book: *Arctic Drift* by Clive Cussler

CONNECTION

Friday, April 5th at 5:30 p.m.

Suggested book: *Thunderstruck* by Erik Larson

KNOWLEDGE

Friday, May 3rd at 5:30 p.m.

Suggested book: *The Land of Painted Caves* by Jean Auel

If you have any questions, or would like to sign up for the event, please call Heather Pelham at the library, (843) 545-3327.