



Join us for the Great American Solar Eclipse!

On Aug. 21, as the moon completely covers the sun, the United States will witness a total solar eclipse. Rock Hill and other areas of York County may not experience total coverage, but still expect to see 99.1 percent. Nevertheless, scientists and eclipse fanatics in South Carolina will head to Greenville and Columbia to view 100 percent coverage, and hotel rooms have been booked for months.

But you don't have to leave town to learn more about this phenomenal event! York County Library is Your Community Link to the solar eclipse. Check out what we have planned at the Main Library in Rock Hill to help prepare you for the eclipse and viewing it safely:

Getting Prepared

What can you expect to see? What safety precautions do you need? When should you look? Get these questions answered, a list of resources, and activity ideas from Carole Holmberg, Settlemyre Planetarium Manager for the Museum of York County. This program is suitable for families. To register, call 981-5845 or go to events.yclibrary.org.

Thursday, Aug. 10, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

Viewing the Eclipse

The Library has again partnered with the Settlemyre Planetarium to borrow its Personal Solar Telescope, equipped with a filter for safe viewing of the eclipse, to use during the event at the City of Rock Hill Amphitheater (along the Black Street side of the Library). The public is welcome to stop by for a peek using our safe viewing glasses, available in limited supply to share among participants.

Monday, Aug. 21, 1:30-3:30 p.m.



Credit: Rick Fienberg / TravelQuest International / Wilderness Travel

Learning More

Although a total eclipse occurs every 18 months, it won't be until 2024 and 2045 when the U.S. sees another one, and neither will pass over South Carolina. But solar eclipses and the myths about viewing them make them very dangerous. To get the facts, check out the Main Library's solar resources and book display on the sun, eclipse, and safe viewing, including how to make a pinhole viewer.

And beginning Aug. 17, pick up your solar viewing glasses at the second floor Reference Desk. These glasses, granted from the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, Research Corporation and Google, are limited to one pair per family/adult, age 18 and up, while supplies last. Enjoy the eclipse safely! Do not look directly at the sun or take photos during an eclipse. York County Library is not responsible for any damage due to use of solar glasses or participation in its eclipse programming.

USPS Commemorates Eclipse with New Stamp

To celebrate this year's rare solar event, the U.S. Postal Service® introduced the



Total Eclipse of the Sun stamp, its first to use thermochromic ink to react to the heat of touch.

The stamp features a photo by astrophysicist Fred Espenak from a 2006 total solar eclipse over Jalu, Libya. Placing a finger over the stamp clears the image of the sun, revealing the moon and reverting back as the stamp cools.

Calendar of Events

August 2017

Friends Books on Main Sales: Browse a huge selection of bargain-priced used books, DVDs, and audiobooks. Through Aug. 19, get half off all children's and educational books during the Back to School Sale. Open to the public. *Thursdays, 10 am-7 pm; Fridays & Saturdays, 10 am-4 pm; 206 E. Main St., Rock Hill*

Book Clubs for Adults: Discuss great books with other book lovers. Registration is required to reserve book. *Visit yclibrary.org for details, times, and titles.*

Genealogy Club: Discuss genealogy research, techniques, and new sources while helping each other learn more about family history. For adults. Call 981-5847 to register. *Sat., Aug. 5, 10-11:30 am, & Fri., Aug. 11, 1-2:30 pm, Main Library*

A Good Yarn Stitching Club: Drop in with your stitching projects to knit, crochet, or embroider with like-minded folks, ask questions and share experiences! All ages and skill levels welcome. *Mon., Aug. 7, 11:30 am-1:30 pm, Main Library*

York Stitchers: Drop in with your crochet, embroidery, knitting, or other needlework project and supplies to work with other stitchers, sharing tips and experiences. Snacks provided; all skill levels welcome. *Tuesdays, Aug. 8 & 22, 10 am-12 pm, York*



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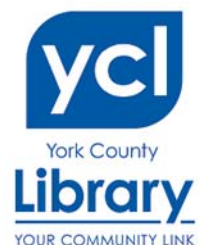
BEAMER'S BACK TO SCHOOL KICK-OFF

Let York County Library get you ready for school with useful new library resources, **FREE** school supplies and information from community partners, robotics, face-painting, and more! For Pre-K-12th graders and parents. *Students must be present to receive school supplies.*

Saturday, August 12

Main Library, Rock Hill: 9-11 a.m.

York Public Library: 2-4 p.m.



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Sphero Coding: Dive into computer coding as you and your team use the Lightning Lab App to program a Sphero robot and navigate a maze. Then, race it against other teams to see who can finish first! Part of the 4-H Tech Wizards program, presented by York County Clemson Extension. Ages 9-12. Call 981-5888 to register. *Tue., Aug. 8, 3:30-5:30 pm, Main Library*

Paint and Sip: Take off your shoes, relax, and let your inner artist out! Enjoy healthy snacks and non-alcoholic beverages while a professional artist leads each participant to create a beautiful canvas. All materials provided. Call 981-5845 to register. *Wed., Aug. 9, 6-7:45 pm, Main Library*

Library Board Meeting: Open to the public. *Thu., Aug. 10, 5-6 pm, Clover*

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Beamer's Back to School Kick-Off: Let York County Library get you ready for school with useful new library resources, free school supplies and information from community partners, robotics, face-painting, and more! For Pre-K-12th graders and parents. Students must be present to receive school supplies. Sponsored by the Friends of York County Library. *Sat., Aug. 12, 9-11 am, Main Library, & 2-4 pm, York*

Blood Drive: Did you know every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood? Join Community Blood Center of the Carolinas and Fort Mill Library to help supply this need by donating. Call 547-4114 or visit ncdonor.com and enter sponsor code "bookworm" to schedule an appointment. *Mon., Aug. 14, 11 am-2 pm, Fort Mill*

Finances 50+: AARP Foundation presents this program to motivate and empower participants to take charge of their financial future. Learn how to make objective assessments, set goals, and establish habits and behaviors that will help you thrive. Call 547-4114 to register for the series. *Mondays, 5:30-6:30 pm, Fort Mill:*

- *Aug. 14: Goal Setting and Budget Planning*
- *Aug. 21: Debt Reduction and Credit Repair*
- *Aug. 28: Asset Building and Protection*

iPhone/iPad Basics: Learn basic operations of your iPad or iPhone, including what certain buttons do, installing apps, connecting to wireless networks, and more. Call 981-5845 to register. *Tue., Aug. 15, 10 am-12 pm, Main Library*

Craft Club: Try out crafts you've seen on Pinterest! We gather all supplies and prepare; you have a great time and take your finished product! All skill levels welcome. Call 684-3751 to register. *Tue., Aug. 15, 10 am-12 pm, York*

Facebook 101: Learn what's necessary to set up an account and manage basic privacy settings on this social networking site. Experience with Windows and the Internet required. Call 981-5845 to register. *Thu., Aug. 17, 10 am-12 pm, Main Library*

Interview Confidential: Basic Interview Skills: Get an inside look from an HR professional at how to answer basic interview questions, including what to say and not to say. Call 547-4114 to register. *Thu., Aug. 17, 5:30-6:30 pm, Fort Mill*

Saturday Movies at the Library: Bring your lunch and join us for *Interstellar!* Light refreshments provided. Rated PG-13; those under 17 must remain accompanied by an adult. *Sat., Aug. 19, 12-3 pm, Main Library*

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Coloring Club for Adults: De-stress and enjoy light refreshments as you color! Bring a bag lunch and your favorite coloring sheets, pencils, and tools, or use those provided. For adults. Call 981-5845 to register, starting Aug. 8. *Tue., Aug. 22, 11:30 am-1:30 pm, Main Library*

Researching Your Civil War Ancestor: Learn methods and records for finding your Civil War ancestors, including research tips and where to access sources to understand their military service. Call 981-5845 to register, starting Aug. 8. For adults, *Tue., Aug. 22, 6-7:30 pm, Main Library*

Needlework at the Library: Drop in with your crochet, knitting, cross-stitch, sewing, or other needlecraft project and supplies to work with other crafters. Snacks provided; all skill levels welcome. *Sat., Aug. 26, 1-3 pm, Fort Mill*

Closing Notices

- **Friday, Aug. 18:** All York County Libraries closed for staff training
- **Saturday, Aug. 26:** York Public Library closed for Summerfest festival

Friends Honor Long-Time Board Member, Volunteer

The Friends of the York County Library lost a long-time Board member and volunteer this year with the passing of **Barbara Jowett**. Barbara was a regular volunteer at book sales and at the Lake Wylie Library, where her cheerful demeanor and helpful attitude made her a friend to everyone she met.

In her memory, the Friends Board donated three interactive activity boards, chosen to honor Barbara's love of children and education. The boards were installed in the children's area at Lake Wylie Library and have been enjoyed by children and adults alike.

The staff of the York County Library and members of the Friends also wish to recognize the recent passing of **Donna Voss**, another long-time Friends volunteer and Board member. Donna was a true lover and devoted supporter of books, libraries, and the Friends.

The Friends and Library staff extend their condolences to the families of Donna and Barbara.

Get Your Back to School Bargains at Friends Books on Main Sale

50% off all Children's, Educational Books!

Have you visited Friends Books on Main yet? Located at 206 E. Main St. in Rock Hill, this used book store is operated by the Friends of the York County Library and staffed by volunteers. It's stocked with thousands of used books for all ages, DVDs, CDs, and audiobooks that have been donated by the public. The store is open Thursdays from 10 a.m. – 7 p.m., and Fridays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.



Books and media are bargain-priced at \$2 each, and books for children and teens are normally \$1 each. But now through August 19, you'll find even more deals at the store's Back to School sale, with all children's and educational books at half price. Check by often for other special sales events.

Friends of the Library members receive an additional 15 percent discount on all store purchases. Annual memberships begin at \$15 and may be purchased at the store, at any York County Library, or online at www.yclibrary.org.

Books may be donated at any York County Library and donations are tax-deductible. All store proceeds benefit York County Libraries, so when you shop at the store or donate your used books, you are supporting your local library!

York County Library

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803-981-5858

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