

Glymont Library To Merge With Bryans Road Branch

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The Board of Library Trustees of Charles County voted unanimously last week to close the Glymont branch in Indian Head, effective Sept. 30, and merge it with the Bryans Road branch.

Meeting at the main library in La Plata, the board and library officers learned in a letter from the county commissioners that no date has been set for construction of a new, long-planned \$900,000 library in the western part of the county.

Hopes to begin building the branch in July were quashed because of budget limitations, it was noted. Trustees said they wanted to

keep Glymont open during the summer for children out of school. Closing Glymont, it was reported, will save \$39,000, enough to cover costs for a new library computer network called Cosmos and buy books. Other services such as the bookmobile will still be in operation, reaching Nanjemoy and Potomac Heights.

The University of Maryland Library School, one of the five largest in the nation, may be shut down, it was reported, priming a need to recruit out-of-state. The trustees plan to write letters to counter this proposal.

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