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Programs for April & May 2023

Celebrate National Library Week April 23-29, 2023
**ABERDEEN**

**The Next Chapter** All Ages
Sat Apr 1, 8, 15, 29 2:30-3:00 pm
Sat May 6, 13, 20 2:30-3:00 pm
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Discover hand or machine sewing. Already experienced? We’ll have a project for you too!

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**ABINGDON**

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Enjoy an abridged version of the story of Coppelia performed by Ballet Chesapeake, followed by a story time and short dance lesson.

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**Spring Sensory Stations** Family
Thu Apr 6 3:00-4:00 pm
Engage your senses with different spring crafts and activities. After registering, please contact us to discuss any accommodations in advance.

**Tot Prom** Preschool & Toddlers
Tue Apr 11 10:15-11:00 am
Break out your dancing shoes and get your little one dressed in their itty-bitty best for our first ever Tot Prom!

**Dungeons & Dragons for Kids!** Grades 3-5
Wed Apr 12 4:00-5:00 pm
Wed May 10 4:00-5:00 pm
Come play a D&D adventure built especially with kids in mind. Become brave adventurers and show the monsters who’s boss!

**Art Lab** Family
Thu Apr 13 4:00-5:00 pm
Thu May 4 4:00-5:00 pm
Star Wars®
edition

**Science Club** Grades K-5
Mon Apr 17 4:00-5:00 pm
Mon May 15 4:00-5:00 pm
Enjoy some fun hands-on science experiments and STEM activities!

**Children’s Sensory Room Open House** Family
Wed Apr 19 5:00-6:00 pm
Discover this unique space for children of all abilities to enjoy with their families and caregivers. The Children’s Sensory Room provides stimulation and relaxation through touch, light, sound, and using an array of multisensory experiences.

**Spring Crafternoon** Family
Mon Apr 24 4:00-5:00 pm
Celebrate spring by making some seasonal crafts!

**Craft & Create: Aromatherapy Bracelets** Grades 9-12 & Adult
Thu Apr 27 10:15 am-noon
Join us as we make aromatherapy bracelets with gemstone beads! All supplies will be provided.

**Nintendo Switch™ Free Play** Grades 6-12
Thu Apr 27 3:30-5:00 pm
Thu May 25 3:30-5:00 pm
Unwind from school with some quality Nintendo Switch™ time at the library!

**Puzzle Play** Grades 9-12 & Adult
May 1-6 Library hours
It’s Screen-Free Week! Unplug and relax at the library while adding a few pieces (or many) to our community puzzle.

**Messy Makers** Toddlers-Grade 2
Tue May 9 10:15-11:00 am
Have fun making artistic (and messy!) creations using a variety of art supplies and techniques.
Chemistry in the Library  ◊ Grades 3-8
Jarrettsville
Sat Apr 1  11:00 am-noon
Join chemist Dr. Rose Pesce-Rodriguez from the Army Research Laboratory and the American Chemical Society for hands-on experiments exploring the chemistry of algae.

University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Medical Mobile Van  Adult
Jarrettsville
Thu Apr 6  noon-3:00 pm
This month's focus is hydration.
Thu May 4  noon-3:00 pm
This month's focus is skin cancer.
UMUCH promotes wellness by sharing information on health topics, and providing community access to a range of preventative screenings. Testing for blood pressure, sleep disorder, body composition analysis, diabetes, and stroke are available free of charge. A nominal fee of $10 for Cholesterol and A1C checks. Contact UMUCH at 800-515-0044 with questions.

Edgewood High School Academy of Finance Program  Grades 9-12
Edgewood
Wed Apr 12  3:00-4:30 pm
Thu Apr 13  3:00-4:30 pm
As part of a community series on financial literacy and financial education awareness, HCPL, along with Edgewood High School's Academy of Finance, will be working with a local financial institution to do a series of talks around the importance of savings, understanding a checking account, the benefits of creating a budget, and understanding spending habits.

Black Gospel Music Experience  ◆  ◊ All Ages
Cultural Center at the Havre de Grace Opera House
Wed Apr 12  6:30-8:30 pm
In partnership with the Cultural Center at the Opera House in Havre de Grace, join us for the 11th Annual Black Gospel Musical Experience. Local gospel choirs and soloists will highlight the sounds and history of Black Gospel Music. Learn about its roots and place in the African American community of today. Admission is free, but registration is required. Free tickets can be reserved through the Havre de Grace Cultural Center at www.OHHDg.org.

Financial Fraud: Don’t Be a Victim  Adult
Joppa
Thu Apr 13  6:30-8:00 pm
Falling victim to financial fraud is costly. Scammers use creative schemes and phony offers to target the most vulnerable populations. Learn to recognize common scams to protect yourself and your loved ones. Presented by Harford County Sheriff’s Office Financial Crimes Unit.

Tea-ology  ◆  ◊ Adult
Norrisville
Thu Apr 27  6:00-7:00 pm
The Tea Trolley of Delta, Pennsylvania, will be serving tea and scones during a presentation of tea basics. This includes a brief overview of the history of tea, development and traditions, differences in types of teas, and the best ways to brew them.

The Big Infinite Concert with Jordan Lally  Grades 6-12
Shamrock Park
Fri Apr 28  3:00-4:15 pm
Through a combination of music, songs, and stories, this nationally known, highly sought-after band encourages self-expression, introduces mindfulness, and promotes positive mental health. Held outdoors at Shamrock Park, behind the Bel Air Library. In the event of rain, concert will be moved to the Abingdon Library.

Family Gatherings - Dragging Genealogy Information Out of Your Family  Adult
Virtual
Tue May 9  6:30-8:00 pm
Family gatherings – we all have them! Whether they’re annual events like family reunions or one-time occasions like birthday parties, Father’s Day, weddings, or funerals, this is a time when our family members come together. This presentation will give you tips and tricks to get your family members talking about family history, even if they don’t want to! Presented by Melissa Barker.

And They’re Off, A History of Horse Tracks in Harford County  ◆  Adult
Abingdon
Sat May 13  2:00-3:00 pm
Learn about the racetracks that were once located here and the role they played in the County’s sporting and social history. Presented by Maryanna Skowronski, a lifelong equestrienne who has written for local, regional, national, and international publications on numerous horse sport topics.

Harford County’s 250th Anniversary with Jack Shagena  Grades 9-12 & Adult
Fallston
Thu May 18  6:00-7:00 pm
Celebrate Harford County’s 250th Anniversary with facts and insight into the past from local history expert Jack Shagena.

Let’s Talk! Essential Conversations About Aging  Adult
Havre de Grace
Sat May 20  2:00-3:30 pm
Topics include finances, elderly parent care, priorities, and expectations. Presented by Joanne Wigod, Eldercare Advisor.
Meet the Authors

Meet the Author: Judy L. Murray  
Adult Havre de Grace  
Sat  Apr 1  2:00-3:30 pm  
Join local author, Judy L. Murray, to learn about the writing process behind her book series, Murder in the Master: A Chesapeake Bay Mystery. Books will be available to purchase and signing after the program.

Sheldon’s Time  
Family Havre de Grace  
Mon  Apr 3  10:15-10:45 am  
Join us for a special story time featuring author Lindsey Pope who will read her picture book Sheldon’s Time!

Meet the Author: Jennifer Vido  
Adult Abingdon  
Tue  May 2  6:30-8:00 pm  
Local author, Jennifer Vido, celebrates the launch of her fourth book, Serendipity by the Sea. Book 1 in Vido’s new Gull Island series, Serendipity by the Sea finds Cate Ainsworth poised to land her dream job when an ex-boyfriend returns to their Lowcountry hometown. Their long denied attraction tugs her in a new direction, but will she risk everything for a second chance at love? Books will be available for purchase and signing after the event.

Meet the Author: Doug Washburn  
Adult Jarrettsville  
Thu  May 25  6:15-7:45 pm  
Doug Washburn presents the history of Jarrettsville based on his three-volume work, On The Road From Jarrettsville. In 2020, Vol. 1: The village of Jarrettsville was published with a focus on the four-corners of the village square. Vol. 2: Cooptown followed in 2021 as Cooptown was ‘the place to be’ in the Jarrettsville precinct of the late 1700s. Then in 2022, Vol. 3: The Best of the Rest explored aspects of Madonna, Black Horse, Shawsville, Federal Hill, and Taylor.

April is National Poetry Month

A Poem a Day  All Ages  
Edgewood  April 1-29  Library hours  
Come in to grab a unique, thought-provoking poem.

Celebrate National Poetry Month  
Grades 6-12  
Joppa  April 1-29  Library hours  
Edgewood  Tue  Apr 4  3:00-4:30 pm  
Create your own unique works of poetry – including blackout poetry.

Open Mic Poetry Reading  All Ages  
Edgewood  Wed  Apr 5  3:30-4:30 pm  
Share your personal poetry work or your favorite poem by someone else.

Black Out Poetry  Grades 6-12  
Fallston  Wed  Apr 26  3:30-4:30 pm  
Create black out poetry! Sharpies and texts provided.
The Bel Air Library will be closed for approximately 10 weeks beginning Wednesday, April 5 for major repairs.

The Passport Acceptance Facility will be temporarily relocated to the Abingdon Library at 2510 Tollgate Rd.

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Thank you!
EDGECOMO

PlayStation® Power Play Grades 6-12
Wed Apr 5, 12, 19, 26 3:00-4:30 pm
Wed May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 3:00-4:30 pm
Attention all gamers: need a place to let loose and test your skills? Come to the library on Wednesdays and play!

Candy BINGO Grades K-5
Thu Apr 6 4:30-5:30 pm
Thur May 4 4:30-5:30 pm
A fun and friendly game of Bingo, but did we mention there's candy involved?

Art and Stories Preschool-Grade 2
Thu Apr 13, 27 4:30-5:30 pm
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Get creative and enjoy stories along with art-themed, hands-on projects.

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Master Gardeners: Choosing Native Plants for your Garden Adult
Sat Apr 29 10:15 am-noon
Make your garden beautiful for you, as well as the environment, by using native plants instead of invasive garden plants. Learn more about both types and how to tell the difference between plants.

Everything Reels Grades 6-12
Tue May 9 3:00-4:30 pm
For up-and-coming social media influencers, discover tips and tricks that will help you get more engagement, likes, and follows.

Scrapbooking Hour Adult
Wed May 17 3:30-4:30 pm
Join us as we share our scrapbooking techniques and create new memories. While some supplies will be provided, attendees should bring photos or other materials to use.

FALLSTON

Youth’s Benefit Elementary School Art Exhibition All Ages
April 1-May 31 Library hours
Enjoy a rotating selection of artwork by students from Youth’s Benefit Elementary School on display in the Children’s area.

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Learn about science, music, math, and art concepts through hands-on activities and fun demonstrations!

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Canvas embroidery
Thu May 25 6:00-7:30 pm
Paint night
Join us for an evening of crafting fun. All supplies will be provided.

DIY Neon Signs Grades 6-12
Wed May 17 4:00-5:30 pm
Here’s a bright idea: create your own neon sign to light up your room!

Master Gardeners: Make a Meadow Adult
Sat May 20 10:15 am-noon
Whether a small patch of earth or a very large field, learn how to make your own meadow filled with grasses and wildflowers that provide food, shelter, and nesting habitats for songbirds, small mammals, herptiles, and insects.

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HAVRE DE GRACE

PAWS and Read Grades K-5
Sat Apr 1, 15 10:30-11:30 am
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Get cozy with our doggie volunteers and read a good book during a one-on-one session with a well-trained therapy dog.

Teen Time Grades 6-12
Tue Apr 4, 11, 18, 25 3:00-4:30 pm
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Egg Hunt Family
Wed Apr 5 9:15-10:30 am
Grab your bunny ears and hop in for an egg-stra special event! Come in before we open for an egg hunt, followed by a fun spring craft. Doors open at 9:15, egg hunt begins promptly at 9:30.

Stories and Stretches Preschool-Grade 5
Mon Apr 17 1:30-2:15 pm
An interactive, playful story time filled with stories, yoga poses, and songs!

Teen After Hours Grades 6-12
Fri Apr 21 4:30-8:00 pm
Tonight, we open the library just for teens! Come play games, craft, color, and have fun. *Please call the library for a parent permission slip*

Busy Little Hands Babies & Toddlers
Wed May 17 10:15-11:00 am
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Increase pre-literacy skills and dexterity through creative play.

Stuffed Animal Pajamarama Family
Wed May 24 6:00-6:45 pm
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Children's Book Week  MAY 1-6

Celebrate Children's Book Week at all of our locations* with fun activities that celebrate your favorite children's books and characters!

*Fallston and Norrisville dates are supported by their Friends of HCPL.

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*SPECIAL STORY TIMES*

**The Next Chapter** All Ages
Aberdeen
Sat  Apr 1, 8, 15, 29  2:30-3:00 pm
Sat  May 6, 13, 20  2:30-3:00 pm

Story time is not just for kids — reconnect with the joy of listening to stories! Each week librarians will read aloud a children’s book, chapter by chapter over several weeks.

**Earth Day Story Time** Family
Aberdeen  Mon Apr 24  10:15-11:00 am
Enjoy stories, songs and activities about Earth Day!

**Sensory Story Time** Family
Abingdon  Tue Apr 25  10:15-11:00 am
Tue May 30  10:15-11:00 am
A multi-sensory story time for families of children of all abilities. After registering, please contact us to discuss any special needs or accommodations in advance.

**Spring Signs Story Time** Family
Havre de Grace  Wed Apr 26  10:15-11:15 am
Join us for a spring-themed story time incorporating American Sign Language. We will focus on spring signs as we read, sing, and play!

**Saturday Story Time** Family
Joppa  Sat Apr 15  11:00-11:45 am
Sat May 6  11:00-11:45 am
Get ready for stories, music, movement, and fun!

**Butterfly Bonanza** Family
Havre de Grace  Wed May 10  10:15-11:15 am
Flutter in for a special butterfly story time and a craft!

**Butterflies and Blooms Story Time** Family
Whiteford  Wed May 17  10:15-10:45 am
Enjoy stories, rhymes, songs, and activities celebrating butterflies and flowers.

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*Bel Air Library story times happening through April 4 only due to closing for repairs.*
Jarrettsville Scrabblez Adult  
Thu Apr 6 1:00-3:30 pm  
Thu May 4 1:00-3:30 pm  
Play this lively word game at the library!

ArtVentures ⑥ Grades K-5  
Wed Apr 12 2:00-3:00 pm  
Wed May 17 2:00-3:00 pm  
Discover the world of art and create some too! Great for homeschool families, but all are welcome.

Genealogy Discussion Group Adult  
Thu Apr 27 6:15-7:45 pm  
Share techniques, tips, and resources with fellow researchers.

Nintendo Switch™ Free Play ① Grades 6-12  
Fri Apr 28 2:00-4:00 pm  
Unwind from school with some quality Nintendo Switch™ time at the library!

Teen Trivia ① Grades 6-12  
Thu May 18 6:00-7:00 pm  
Work your brain into a fun frenzy at this friendly trivia competition!

JOPPA

Spring Egg Hunt ① Family  
April 1-10 Library hours  
Locate the hidden eggs in our Children’s Area for a special treat!

Bricks and Flicks ① Family  
Sat Apr 1 2:00-5:00 pm  
Sat May 6 2:00-5:00 pm  
Enjoy building with LEGO® blocks while watching a family friendly movie.

Gentle Yoga ① Adult  
Mon Apr 10, 17, 24 5:30-6:30 pm  
Join instructor Kelly Blackburn for a gentle approach to yoga designed for all ages, body types, and physical abilities.

Vinyasa Yoga ① Adult  
Mon Apr 3, 10, 17, 24 6:45-7:45 pm  
Join instructor Kelly Blackburn for a flow practice that integrates breath and movement to create strength and flexibility.

Preschool Music and Movement Preschool  
Tue Apr 4 10:15-11:00 am  
Tue May 2 10:15-11:00 am  
Explore music and movement through stories, songs, and play!

Teen Crafternoon ① Grades 6-12  
Tue Apr 4, 18 4:00-5:00 pm  
Tue May 2, 16, 30 4:00-5:00 pm  
Join us for crafting fun! All supplies will be provided.

Teen Anime Club Grades 6-12  
Thu Apr 6 4:00-5:00 pm  
Thu May 4 4:00-5:00 pm  
Join this lively discussion of books and manga in popular culture.

Puzzle Swap All Ages  
Sat Apr 8 10:00 am-5:00 pm  
Sat May 13 10:00 am-5:00 pm  
Finished a jigsaw puzzle and ready for the next one? Bring in puzzles to trade in for others!

Experiment and Explore Preschool  
Tue Apr 11 10:15-11:00 am  
Tue May 9 10:15-11:00 am  
Learn about science, music, math, and art concepts through hands-on activities and fun demonstrations!

Knot Just Knitting @ Noon Adult  
Tue Apr 11 noon-1:00 pm  
Tue May 9 noon-1:00 pm  
For all needlecrafters, come work on a project, share ideas, and learn more about the Library. Instruction is available for beginners.

Acts of Kindness ① Grades 6-12  
Wed Apr 12 4:00-5:00 pm  
Wed May 10 4:00-5:00 pm  
In support of HCPL’s Choose Civility Harford initiative, participate in activities that benefit our community.

Morning Zumba® ① Adult  
Fri Apr 14, 21, 28 9:30-10:30 am  
Fri May 5, 12, 19, 26 9:30-10:30 am  
Join instructor Erin Subramanian for this dance fitness class featuring Latin and international rhythms that make staying active fun. Beginners welcome! Please bring a water bottle and a towel.

Scrapbooking Adult  
Thu Apr 20 6:30-8:00 pm  
Thu May 18 6:30-8:00 pm  
Join us as we share our scrapbooking techniques and create new memories. While some supplies will be provided, attendees should bring photos or other materials to use.

Family Game Time Family  
Sat Apr 22 2:00-5:00 pm  
Sat May 27 2:00-5:00 pm  
Stop by the library to play games, both classic and new.

Art and Stories Preschool  
Tue Apr 25 10:15-11:00 am  
Tue May 23 10:15-11:00 am  
Get creative and enjoy stories along with art-themed, hands-on projects.

Paint Along - Acrylic ① Adult  
Wed Apr 26 6:30-8:00 pm  
Wed May 31 6:30-8:00 pm  
Follow instructor Sandra Somervell to create a beautiful masterpiece! Please wear clothes suitable for painting. All supplies will be provided.

Friday Family Flicks ① Family  
Fri Apr 28 3:00-5:00 pm  
Disney’s Coco  
Fri May 26 3:00-5:00 pm  
Paw Patrol  
Families are welcome to bring a picnic to enjoy during the film.

Teen After Hours ① Grades 6-12  
Fri Apr 28 5:00-8:00 pm  
Fri May 19 5:00-8:00 pm  
Tonight we open the library just for teens! Come play games, listen to music, and have fun. *Please call the library for a parent permission slip*

Map Your Travels Adult  
May 1-31 Library hours  
Throughout the month, tell us where you have been or where you dream of going by adding your destinations to our library map.

Parachute Play Family  
Tue May 30 10:15-11:00 am  
Have fun around the parachute with songs, dances, and games.

NORRISVILLE

PAWS and Read ① Grades K-5  
Thu Apr 6 6:30-7:30 pm  
Thu May 4 6:30-7:30 pm  
Get cozy with our doggie volunteers and read a good book during a one-on-one session with a well-trained therapy dog. Please call 410-692-7850 to register.

Big Cats, Roarr! ① Family  
Tue Apr 11 10:15-11:00 am  
Give a “roarrr” for stories, songs, and a craft about lions, tigers, and other wild cats!

LEGO® Club ① Family  
Mon Apr 17 6:00-7:00 pm  
Mon May 15 6:00-7:00 pm  
We supply the LEGO® bricks. You supply the imagination!

Craft and Create: Recycled Book Art ① Adult  
Thu Apr 20 6:30-7:30 pm  
Get crafty with recycled books! All supplies will be provided.

Llama Wind Chimes ① Grades K-8  
Fri Apr 28 2:00-3:00 pm  
Do you love llamas? Join us to decorate your own wooden llama wind chime!
May the Fourth Be With You

May the Fourth All Ages
Aberdeen & Joppa Thu May 4 10:00 am-8:00 pm
Celebrate May the Fourth by stopping into the library for some Star Wars® themed activities!

May the Fourth Be with You Story Time Family
Abingdon Thu May 4 10:15-11:00 am
May the fourth be with you! Come little Jedis to our story time!
Enjoy stories, crafts, and photo ops with a Star Wars® twist!

Master Gardeners: Container Gardening
Adult
Sat Apr 29 11:00 am-noon
Discover the best practices for successful container gardening. Most vegetables or herbs can be grown in a container but there are some challenges. The key is to experiment and learn from others.

Craft and Create: Coffee and Canvases
Adult
Thu May 18 6:30-7:30 pm
It’s time to sip and paint with our guest instructor to create your own masterpiece. All supplies will be provided.

Teen Crafternoon Grades 6-12
Fri May 26 2:00-3:00 pm
Join us for crafting fun!

WHITEFORD

Hatha Yoga for Beginners Adult
Tue Apr 4, 11, 18, 25 4:00-5:00 pm
Tue May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 4:00-5:00 pm
Learn basic yoga poses, starting on the floor, and working up to standing.

PAWS and Read Grades K-5
Wed Apr 5, 19 6:00-7:00 pm
Wed May 3, 17, 31 6:00-7:00 pm
Get cozy with our doggie volunteers and read a good book during a one-on-one session with a well-trained therapy dog. Please call 410-638-3608 to register.

DIY Spa Night Grades 6-12 & Adult
Thu Apr 6 6:00-7:30 pm
Make your own wonderfully scented bath bombs and scrumptious sugar scrub.

Spring Cleaning Crafts Family
Mon Apr 10 2:00-3:00 pm
Show off your creative side as we clean out our craft closet.

TAG (Teen Advisory Group) Grades 6-12
Thu Apr 13 3:30-5:00 pm
Thu May 11 3:30-5:00 pm
Make a difference in the Library. Have your voice be heard in a safe space! Bring friends and make new ones.

Gentle Yoga Adult
Fri Apr 14, 21, 28 11:00-11:45 am
Fri May 5, 12, 19, 26 11:00-11:45 am
A gentle approach to yoga designed for all ages, body types, and physical abilities. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat or towel.

Homeschool Connect Grades K-8
Wed Apr 26 10:00 am-noon
Wed May 31 10:00 am-noon
Join us for a variety of fun and educational activities. For more information, please contact the branch.

Chalk Our Walks Family
Fri Apr 28 1:00-4:00 pm
Help us beautify the library’s walkway with your artistic talent and our sidewalk chalk!

Dublin Elementary School Student Art Show
All Ages
May 1-31 Library hours
Visit the branch all month to enjoy artwork by students from Dublin Elementary School.

Teen After Hours Grades 6-12
Fri May 5 5:00-7:00 pm
Tonight, we open the library just for teens! Come play games, listen to music, and have fun. *Please call the library for a parent permission slip*

Master Gardeners: Inviting Butterflies to Your Garden All Ages
Sat May 20 10:30-11:30 am
If you grow parsley, fennel, dill or milkweed, then you probably have butterfly eggs! Learn about butterflies and their lifecycle, as well as butterfly-friendly gardening practices.

Spring Bingo Family
Fri May 26 3:30-4:30 pm
Play spring-themed BINGO for fun and prizes!

+=Registration required  ☑=Supported by the Friends of HCPL
Harford Community Action Agency

Aberdeen  Tue  Apr 4  noon-2:00 pm
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Edgewood  Tue  Apr 11  noon-2:00 pm
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Havre de Grace  Tue  Apr 18  noon-2:00 pm
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Joppa  Tue  Apr 25  noon-2:00 pm
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Harford Community Action Agency (HCAA) has programs that support our community. Stop by and chat with an HCAA representative to learn more about their programs and services: Maryland Energy Assistance Program; Harford County Fuel Fund; Homeless Prevention; Homeless Services; Community Food Pantry/Food Bank; Financial Services Program; and GED Plus. Visit harfordcaa.org for more information.

Lawyer in the Library

Edgewood  Fri  Apr 14  11:00 am-noon

Abingdon  Fri  May 12  11:00 am-noon

This free* brief legal advice clinic, by appointment only, features counsel from the Harford County Bar Foundation (HCBF). They offer legal advice for family issues like divorce and custody; help filling out forms; and more. Sponsored by the HCBF in partnership with Harford County Public Library.

* A $5.00 administrative fee is due to the HCBF at the time of appointment: cash only. Call 410-836-0123 for an appointment and more information.

Eden Mill StoryWalk®

Baby Bear Sees Blue by Ashley Wolff

StoryWalk® is a fun and educational activity that places the pages from a children’s book into the community. Walk around Eden Mill Nature Center to play along and read Baby Bear Sees Blue by Ashley Wolff! This is a self-guided activity.

March 21–June 20

Eden Mill Nature Center
1617 Eden Mill Rd, Pylesville, MD 21132

Supported by the North Harford Friends of HCPL
**Opening the Gift**

HCPL shares books, stories, puppets, songs, and fingerplays in your licensed home daycare!

Daycare providers must be licensed, able to set aside 45 minutes each month from October through May for our visit and have at least four preschool-age children in attendance.

For more information, call the Jarrettsville Library at 410-692-7887.

Past participants must re-apply each year. Priority consideration given to applications received by June 15!

Your participation in Opening the Gift may be approved as required training by the MD State Department of Education, Office of Child Care (Approval #CKO-30714).

**Monthly themes include activities to:**
- Raise awareness of important school readiness skills
- Encourage early literacy activities
- Acquaint daycare providers and parents with library resources
- Develop a love of books in all children and their caregivers

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**Friends of HCPL Book Sale Collection All Ages**
- Fallston Sat Apr 1, 15 10:00 am-2:00 pm
- Jarrettsville Sat Apr 15 10:00 am-4:00 pm
- Havre de Grace Fri Apr 28 10:00 am-2:00 pm
- Sat Apr 29 10:00 am-2:00 pm

Donate books, CDs, and DVDs for an upcoming book sale!

**Friends of HCPL Preview Book Sale All Ages**
- Whiteford Fri Apr 21 10:00 am-4:30 pm
- Fallston Wed Apr 26 5:00-7:00 pm

Special “Preview Sale” just for members of HCPL Friends of the Library. You can join the Friends at the door and then get a sneak peek at the selection of used books, music, movies, and more!

**Friends of HCPL Book Sale All Ages**
- Jarrettsville Tue Apr 18 10:00 am-7:30 pm
- Wed Apr 19 10:00 am-7:30 pm
- Thu Apr 20 10:00 am-7:30 pm
- Fri Apr 21 10:00 am-4:30 pm
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- Mon May 8 10:00 am-7:00 pm
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- Wed May 10 10:00 am-7:00 pm
- Thu May 11 10:00 am-7:00 pm
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Used books, music, movies, and more!

All proceeds support library programs and services.

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**Friends of HCPL**

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