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Wednesday, December 24 **Christmas Eve**

Thursday, December 25 Christmas Day

Wednesday, December 31 Libraries Close Early at 5PM

Thursday, January 1 New Year's Day

Monday, January 19 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Monday, February 16 **Presidents Day**

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Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

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Monday - Thursday 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Friday - Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Friday - Saturday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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Select programs:

Snow Luminaries (3) Grade 9-12 & Adult Jarrettsville Thu Dec 11 4:00-5:30 pm Learn how to frost glass mason jars with Epson salt. Take home, light candle, and read your Winter Reading books by the warm, cozy glow.

Drop-In Button Making: Winter Edition Grade 6-12 & Family

Fallston Tue Dec 16 4:30-6:00 pm Celebrate the chilly season with winterinspired button designs, perfect for adding a festive flair.

Community Stick Quilt All Ages
Joppa Dec 20-Mar 20 Library hours
Celebrate winter by decorating a large
Popsicle stick to create a colorful community
quilt. The squares will be assembled to form
an 80, for HCPL's 80th Anniversary!

Hearth & History All Ages Norrisville Dec 20-Feb 28 Library hours Step into our cozy winter reading nook and experience the warmth of Norrisville's past. Settle in by the glow of a cheerful digital fireplace and explore the rich history of Harford County's "Long Corner." Enjoy nostalgic photos of the Norrisville Branch and the surrounding community through the years. Take a moment to sign our guestbook and share your own cherished memories from decades gone by, Feeling curious? Test your knowledge with fun trivia about the Harford County Public Library's roots and branches.

Winter Reading Challenge Activity 📵

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Havre de Grace

Dec 20-Mar 20 Library hours

Celebrate Winter Reading by completing our Havre de Grace challenge sheet to be entered into a special raffle!

Holiday Recipe Flip Book 🕄 🔾

Grade 6-12 & Adult

Havre de Grace Sat Dec 20 1:30-3:00 pm Make the season merry and bright! Our customers have shared their favorite holiday recipes. Now it's your turn to choose the ones you'd like to try and create your very own festive recipe flip book!

Remembering the Future Zine Grade 6-12 Abingdon Mon Dec 29 3:30-5:00 pm Imagine your future by collaging your own zine with images of your favorite places and people! Supplies will be provided, but bring your own pictures too.

Freestyle Painting (1) Adult
Edgewood Tue Jan 6 4:30-5:30 pm
Paint your very own masterpiece with others. All supplies provided.

Deep Discussions: Harford County Through the Decades (1) Adult Abingdon Wed Jan 7, Feb 4 2:00-3:00 pm

This series will explore a single topic throughout the quarter, inviting you to engage with books, articles, movies, and other resources. Each month we'll dive deeper into our topic. Bring your own books, talk to a librarian for ideas, or register to be emailed a list of resources!

WINTER READING PROGRAMS

Jazz Café (3) G Grade 6-12 Abingdon Fri Jan 9, Feb 20 3:00-4:30 pm Listen to jazz playlists, have some matcha or hot cocoa, and hang out at the library!

Craft and Create: Winter Reading Edition

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Darlington Fri Jan 16 1:30-3:30 pmTo celebrate HCPL's 80th Anniversary, we will make a craft using 80 small items.
All supplies provided.

Winter Bingo (3 G) All Ages
Whiteford Fri Jan 16 3:00-4:00 pm
Play winter-themed BINGO for fun and prizes!

Winter Reading Book Sampling (1) Adult Joppa Sat Jan 24 2:00-3:00 pm Spend the afternoon sampling and discussing a series of titles from a variety of genres and authors. Recount your favorite reads and find a new title to take home.

Winter Wonderland Spa (3) Grade 6-12

Aberdeen Mon Jan 26 3:00-4:00 pm

Craft an aromatherapeutic sugar scrub and learn basic meditation techniques on this cold winter's afternoon. All supplies provided.

Puzzle Pandemonium (3)

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Bel Air Thu Jan 29 5:00-7:45 pm Do you love puzzles? Work together in a small group to complete a puzzle. The first group to finish wins a small prize. Let the puzzling begin!

Glow in the Snow Neon Painting (3)Grade 6-12

Aberdeen Thu Feb 5 3:00-4:00 pm Start with a black canvas and end with a glowy masterpiece.

Craft and Create: Whimsical Mini Crafts (3) Adult

Abingdon Thu Feb 5 6:00-7:30 pm Make a craft with other craft lovers. All supplies provided.

ABERDEEN

PAWS and Read ① Grade K-5
Mon Dec 1, Jan 5, Feb 2 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
410-273-5608 to register.

Harford Community Action Agency (HCAA)

Tue Dec 2, Jan 6, Feb 3 10:00 am-noon See ad on page 15 for details.

Baby Story Time (3) Babies Tuesdays 10:15-10:45 am

Cozy up with your little one for bounces, books, and music. Please register each child attending.

Craft and Create Adult

10:15-11:30 am

Tue Dec 2 Winter Luminaries
Tue Jan 6 Kindness Bookmarks
Tue Feb 3 Valentine's Day Cards
Make a craft with other craft lovers.
All supplies provided.

 Teen Anime Club (3)

 Grade 6-12

 Wed Dec 3, 17
 3:30-5:00 pm

 Wed Jan 7, 21
 3:30-5:00 pm

 Wed Feb 4, 18
 3:30-5:00 pm

A lively discussion of anime and manga in popular culture.

Sounds of the Season All Ages Wed Dec 3 4:00-4:30 pm

Celebrate the sounds of the season with our local schools as they perform a musical concert, starring St. Joan of Arc School Choir and Band.

Teen 3D Print-a-Box (3) Grade 6-12 Thu Dec 4 3:00-4:30 pm

Design a completely unique 3D printed trinket box. We will print your project on our branch 3D printer for pickup at a later time.

Family and Friends Story Time Family

Saturdays 10:15-10:45 am Sat Dec 27 Pajama Edition

Get ready for stories, music, movement, and fun!

Sensory Story Time (3) Family

Mon Dec 8, Jan 5, Feb 9 10:15-11:00 am A multi-sensory story time for families of children of all abilities. After registering, please call 410-273-5608 to discuss any accommodations.



Pictures with Santa Family

Mon Dec 8 5:00-6:30 pm Get in the holiday spirit by taking pictures with Santa!

Intro to 3D Design ③ Grade 3-12 & Adult
Tue Dec 9, Jan 13, Feb 10 5:30-6:30 pm
Learn to design a simple project using
Tinkercad®, an online 3D design program.
Bring a flash drive if you would like to save
your design for printing at a later date. Children
grade 3-5 must be accompanied by an adult.

Nintendo Switch™ Free Play 🕞 Grade 6-12

 Wed Dec 10
 3:30-5:00 pm

 Wed Jan 14, 28
 3:30-5:00 pm

 Wed Feb 11, 25
 3:30-5:00 pm

 Unwind with some quality Nintendo

 Switch™ time!

Pokémon® Club Family

Thu Dec 11, Jan 22, Feb 26 4:30-5:30 pm Hang out with fellow fans for card trading and battles!

Holiday Bingo Family

Thu Dec 11 6:00-7:00 pmPlay holiday-themed BINGO for fun and prizes!

Aberdeen Saturday Film Discussion Adult
Sat Dec 13, Jan 24, Feb 14 2:30-4:45 pm
Watch a short film and engage in a lively
discussion. Films are curated and moderated
by local film buffs Jan and Jack Hirschfeld.

Jane Austen Bingo Grade 6-12 & Adult Mon Dec 15 6:00-7:00 pm
Celebrate her 250th birthday with Jane Austenthemed BINGO for fun and prizes!

Who Said It: Jane Austen or Taylor Swift?

All Ages

Tue Dec 16 10:00 am-7:30 pm Celebrate their December birthdays by guessing whether each quote is from Jane Austen or Taylor Swift.

Aberdeen Morning Book Discussion Adult 10:15-11:30 am

Thu Dec 18 Heartwood by Amity Gaige

Thu Jan 22 Mailman by

Stephen Starring Grant

Thu Feb 26 Broken Country by

Claire Leslie Hall

Knot Just Knitting Adult

the library.

Thu Dec 18, Jan 15, Feb 19 noon-1:00 pm Sat Jan 17 noon-1:00 pm All needlecrafters are welcome to work on a project, share ideas, and learn more about

Hanukkah Craft Family
Sat Dec 20 2:00-3:00 pm
Learn about the holiday of Hanukkah thro

Learn about the holiday of Hanukkah through stories and a craft.

Crafternoon Family

Sat Dec 27 10:45-11:15 am Winter Mitten
Fri Feb 13 2:00-3:00 pm Valentine's Day
Join us for some crafting fun!

Noon Year's Eve ③ Family Wed Dec 31 11:30 am-12:30 pm See ad on page 23 for details.

Decorate a Journal for the New Year!

Grade 3-12 & Adult

Sat Jan 3 10:00 am-4:30 pm Start the year off with a one-of-a-kind journal!

Aberdeen Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale Collection All Ages

Thu Jan 8 10:00 am-8:00 pm See ad on page 21 for details.

Aberdeen Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale

All Ages

Fri Jan 9 noon-4:30 pm Sat Jan 10 10:00 am-4:30 pm See ad on page 21 for details.

Sew Much Fun: 80s Scrunchies Grade 3-8 **Mon Jan 12** 4:00-5:00 pm Discover hand or machine sewing. Projects for all skill levels!

Aberdeen Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult

Tue Jan 13 1:30-2:30 pm See ad on page 21 for details.

Toddler Sensory Play (3) Toddlers **Sat Jan 24, Tue Jan 27 10:45-11:15 am** Play session where toddlers explore and create using their senses.

Winter Wonderland Spa (3) Grade 6-12

Mon Jan 26 3:00-4:00 pm See ad on page 3 for details.

ArtVentures ① Grade K-8
Mon Jan 26, Feb 23 5:30-6:30 pm
Discover the world of art – and create some
too! Great for homeschool families but all
are welcome!

80s Bingo (3) Family **Thu Jan 29 6:00-7:00 pm**Play 80s-themed BINGO for fun and prizes!

Glow in the Snow Neon Painting (3)

Grade 6-12

Thu Feb 5 3:00-4:00 pm See ad on page 3 for details.

Craft Buffet Family

Thu Feb 5 4:30-5:30 pm

Let your creative juices flow at our afternoon craft buffet. Use our provided crafting materials to tinker and create your own self-guided projects.

Frederick Douglass: From Enslaved to

Diplomat! Grade 9-12 & Adult Sat Feb 7 2:00-3:00 pm See ad on page 13 for details.

Winter Sports Festival Family

Thu Feb 12 4:30-5:30 pm

Get ready for the winter games by testing your sports skills through games, activities, and crafts.

Ramadan Craft Family
Sat Feb 21 10:45-11:15 am
Learn about the Islamic holiday of Ramadan and make a crescent card to celebrate.

Regency Romance Drawing Room (3) Adult

Sat Feb 28 2:00-3:30 pm

Don your best Austen, Bridgerton, or party dress for a fabulous afternoon of fun. Share your favorite Regency romance books, find your next read, and enjoy crafts and games.

ABINGDON

Baby Story Time ® Babies **Mondays** 10:15-10:45 am Cozy up with your little one for bounces, books, and music.

Dungeons & Dragons®: A Band of New Players () Adult

Mon Dec 1, Jan 5, Feb 9 6:00-7:30 pm It's a quest for adventure, treasure, magic, and mayhem! All skill levels welcome.

Adult Anime Adult

Tue Dec 2, Jan 6, Feb 3 6:30-7:30 pm Share in the love of Japanese animation and comics! Enjoy anime watching, manga discussions, games, creating, and more!

Family and Friends Story Time Family Wednesdays & Fridays 10:15-10:45 am Get ready for stories, music, movement, and fun!

Teen Anime Club Grade 6-12

 Wed
 Dec 3, 17
 3:30-5:00 pm

 Wed
 Jan 7, 21
 3:30-5:00 pm

 Wed
 Feb 4, 18
 3:30-5:00 pm

A lively discussion of anime and manga in popular culture.

Art Lab Family

Thu Dec 4, Feb 5 4:00-5:00 pm Explore the works and styles of famous artists and create your own masterpiece!

Puzzle Swap All Ages

Fri Dec 5, Jan 2, Feb 6 10:00 am-4:00 pm Bring in puzzles you would like to trade in for others!



LEGO® Elf Trap Family

Mon Dec 8 5:00-6:00 pm

There are elves loose in the library! Using LEGO® bricks, strategy, and creativity, construct a trap that could catch even the trickiest of elves!

The Ballrooms of Jane Austen

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Tue Dec 9 6:00-7:00 pm

Discover the architecture of the Regency ballroom, from the buildings that hosted historical balls and assemblies to the settings that were transformed for some of our favorite Austen adaptations.

Five Nights at Freddy's 2: Crafts and Trivia

Grade 6-12

Wed Dec 10 3:30-5:00 pm

Test your knowledge of all things FNAF with trivia and a craft.

Books on Tap at Abingdon Grill (3) Adult 6:30-8:00 pm

Wed Dec 10 The Lantern of Lost Memories

by Sanaka Hiiragi

Wed Jan 14 Best Reads of 2025 Wed Feb 11

The Ministry of Time

by Kaliane Bradley

Bold titles, Refreshing talk! Everyone's welcome! Abingdon Grill, 418 Constant Friendship Blvd, Abingdon. Registration recommended but not required.

Baby Masterpieces (1) Babies

Thu Dec 11, Jan 15, Feb 19 10:15-11:00 am Create beautiful pictures using your baby's tiny hands and feet.

TAG (Teen Advisory Group) Grade 6-12 Thu Dec 11, Jan 15, Feb 12 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.

Mahjong Open Learn & Play: Hong Kong Rules Adult

Fri Dec 12, Jan 2, Feb 6 1:00-4:00 pm Play Mahjong in a relaxed environment. All levels and experience welcome.

Who Said It: Jane Austen or Taylor Swift?

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Sat Dec 13 2:00-3:00 pm

Celebrate their December birthdays by guessing whether each quote is from Jane Austen or Taylor Swift.

Dungeons & Dragons® For Kids! (1) Grade 3-8 Mon Dec 15, Jan 26, Feb 9 4:00-6:00 pm Come play a D&D® adventure built especially with kids in mind.

Death Café (B) (3) Adult

Mon Dec 15, Feb 2 6:30-7:30 pm

A discussion with no agenda, objectives, or themes, to help people make the most of their (finite) lives.

Abingdon Afternoon Book Discussion Adult

2:00-3:00 pm

Wed Dec 17 Favorite Reads from 2025 Wed Jan 21 The Book Club for Troublesome

Women by Marie Bostwick

Wed Feb 18 Maame by Jessica George

Sounds of the Season All Ages

Thu Dec 18 10:30 am-noon

Celebrate the sounds of the season with our local schools as they perform a musical concert, starring the Patterson Mill Middle and High School Music Departments.

Darn It! Visible Mending Workshop 🚯

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Thu Dec 18 2:00-3:30 pm

Breathe new life into your favorite clothes using the visible mending skills of darning and sashiko embroidery. Bring clothing or accessories you'd like to mend; all other supplies provided.

Eggcellent Holiday Craft (3) Grade 3-8

Mon Dec 22 3:30-5:00 pm

Create a portrait of your favorite holiday friend using recycled egg cartons.

Remembering the Future Zine Grade 6-12

Mon Dec 29 3:30-5:00 pm See ad on page 3 for details.

Sensory Story Time 😯 Family

Tue Dec 30, Jan 27, Feb 24 10:15-11:00 am A multi-sensory story time for families of children of all abilities. After registering, please call 410-636-3990 to discuss any accommodations.

Story Explorers (1) Grade 3-8

4:30-6:00 pm

Tue Jan 6 I Survived the Sinking of the

Titanic, 1912 by Lauren Tarshis

I Survived the Shark Attacks of Tue Feb 3

1916 by Lauren Tarshis

Join our monthly kids' book club centered around a different book from the I Survived series by author Lauren Tarshis. Each book in the series tells a thrilling story from history, through the eyes of a kid who lived to tell the tale.

Deep Discussions: Harford County Through the Decades (B) Adult

Wed Jan 7, Feb 4 2:00-3:00 pm See ad on page 3 for details.

GameChangers: Business Speakers Series with Dr. Anirban Basu (1) Adult

Thu Ian 8 8:00-10:00 am See ad on page 10 for details.

Knot Just Knitting Grade 9-12 & Adult

5:30-7:00 pm Thu Ian 8

All needlecrafters are welcome to work on a project, share ideas, and learn more about the library.

Lawver in the Library (3) Adult

Fri lan 9 11:00 am-noon See ad on page 20 for details.

Jazz Café (B) G Grade 6-12 Fri Jan 9, Feb 20 3:00-4:30 pm See ad on page 3 for details.

Adult LEGO® Club Grade 9-12 & Adult Sat Jan 10 11:00 am-4:00 pm We supply the LEGO® bricks. You supply the imagination!

DIY Snowglobes (3) Family

Mon Jan 12 5:00-6:00 pm Using a recycled jar, create a wintry snow globe scene.

Tech Time: Open Session Adult

Mon Jan 12 6:30-7:30 pm

Learn how to download books and magazines, stream movies and TV, and much more using your HCPL card!

Nostalgic Crafts (B) Grade 6-12

Tue Jan 13 3:30-5:00 pm

Feeling nostalgic for the 80s, 90s or early 00s? Join us for retro crafts. All supplies provided.

The Imagineers Guild Grade 3-8

Tue Jan 13 5:30-7:00 pm Welcome to the Guild Tue Feb 17 5:30-7:30 pm Basic Sewing A space for kids to learn valuable life skills in a fun and relaxed environment. Master the skill to earn a merit badge!



Fairy Tale & Superhero Festival Family

Fri Jan 16 8:00 am-4:45pm See ad on page 5 for details.

Dream Big with Vision Boards (3) Adult

Tue Jan 20 10:30 am-noon Learn about vision boards and create your own! Set goals, envision dreams, and voice intentions with a personal collage that you can reference throughout 2026. All supplies provided.

Artificial Intelligence for Beginners: Beyond

the Buzz Grade 9-12 & Adult **Tue Jan 20 6:00-7:30 pm**Discover the world of Artificial Intelligence and learn how it can be used in your daily life.

Retro Game Day: Boardgames in the Daytime Adult

Thu Jan 22 11:00 am-2:00 pm Join us for Monopoly, Scrabble, and Life!

Preserve Your Prints Grade 9-12 & Adult Thu Jan 22 6:00-7:00 pm See ad on page 19 for details.

Wide World of Winter Sports All Ages

Thu Jan 29 6:00-7:30 pm

February brings two major sporting events! Dive into the excitement and pageantry of the Biennial World Wide Games and learn what sports will be featured. We will also learn all about Pro Football's Big Game!

Craft and Create: Whimsical Mini Crafts (3)

Adult

Thu Feb 5 6:00-7:30 pm See ad on page 3 for details.

Romance Author Fest Adult Sat Feb 7 10:00 am-3:00 pm See ad on page 7 for details.

Lunar New Year: Year of the Horse (1)

Grade 6-12

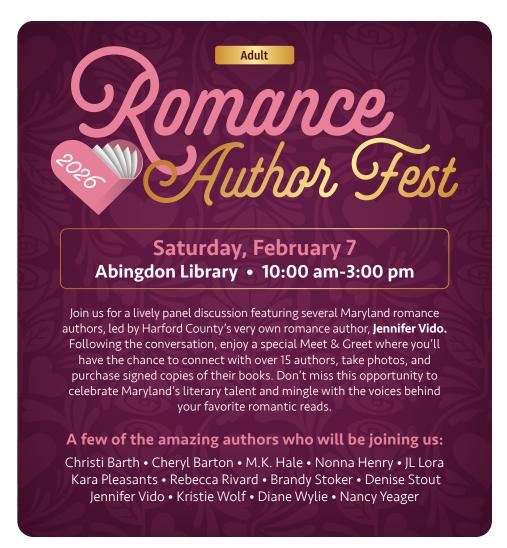
Fri Feb 13 3:00-4:30 pm Celebrate the new year with a horse craft! All supplies provided.

A Very Valentine Story Time (1) Family
Sat Feb 14 10:15-11:15 am
Celebrate Valentine's Day with stories, music, and fun, followed by a craft.

Fast and Fun Writing Prompts Grade 6-12 Tue Feb 17 3:30-5:00 pm

Tell your inner editor to get lost as you get inspired by story deck cards to create quick, five-minute stories. There will be an option to share!

Abingdon Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult Mon Feb 23 6:00-7:00 pm See ad on page 21 for details.



Stuffed Animal Pajamarama (3) Family Wed Feb 25 5:30-6:30 pm

Wear your pis and bring your favorite stuffed animal for some bedtime stories! Your stuffy gets to spend the night – pick them up the next day and see photos of their sleepover!

Meet the Author: Jennifer Vido (1)

Grade 6-12& Adult

Thu Feb 26 6:00-7:30 pm

See ad on page 9 for details.

BEL AIR

Family and Friends Story Time Family
Mondays & Thursdays 10:15-10:45 am
Sat Dec 13, Jan 10, Feb 14 10:15-10:45 am
Get ready for stories, music, movement, and fun!

Bel Air Books at the Center Adult

1:00-3:00 pm

Mon Dec 1 Favorite Reads from 2025
Mon Jan 5 You Never Know by

Tom Selleck with Ellis Henican

Mon Feb 2 The Stolen Queen by Fiona Davis Participants at least 55 years of age meet for a spirited book discussion at McFaul Activity Center.

Toddler Story Time Toddlers **Tuesdays** 10:15-10:45 am Enjoy energetic and engaging stories, music, and movement!

Bright Beginnings ① Preschool **Tue Dec 2, Jan 6, Feb 3 1:30-3:00 pm**Participants prepare for kindergarten by learning letters, numbers, concepts, STEM, and by playing group games.

Baby Story Time ① Babies
Wednesdays 9:15-9:45 am & 10:15-10:45 am
Cozy up with your little one for bounces,
books, and music. 9:15 am program is before
opening hours; attendees may enter the
building via the Meeting Room door. Please
register each child attending.

ArtVentures ① Grade K-8
Wed Dec 3, Jan 7, Feb 4 2:00-3:30 pm
Discover the world of art – and create some
too! Great for homeschool families but all
are welcome!

Create a Hand-Sewn Ornament (3 G) Grade 3-8 Wed Dec 3 6:00-7:30 pm
Learn hand sewing basics, including a few

Learn hand sewing basics, including a few decorative embroidery stitches, as you create a special holiday ornament.



Afternoon Trivia at the Center Adult Thu Dec 4, Feb 5 12:45-2:00 pm

Participants at least 55 years of age meet for a spirited game of trivia! December's session celebrates the 80th anniversary of Harford County Public Library with special themed rounds on local history and nostalgic questions from decades past. Please call McFaul Activity Center at 410-638-4040 for more details.

TAG (Teen Advisory Group) ③ Grade 6-12 **Thu** Dec 4, Jan 8, Feb 5 3:30-4:30 pm Make a difference in the library. Have your voice be heard in a safe space! Bring friends and make new ones.

Rubik's Cube Club Grade 3-8

Thu Dec 4, Jan 8, Feb 5 5:00-6:00 pm Solve the original and explore other types of puzzle cubes while sharing strategies and algorithms with other fans of this nostalgic toy.

Beyond Bestsellers: Gift Giving Guide Adult Thu Dec 4 6:30-7:30 pm

Librarians will share a variety of great books across all genres, plus, we'll share our favorite titles to give as gifts to readers of all ages this holiday season.

Baby Masterpieces Babies

Fri Dec 5, Jan 2, Feb 6 10:15-11:00 am Create beautiful pictures using your baby's tiny hands and feet.

Homeschool Showcase (3) Family Fri Dec 5 2:00-4:00 pm Share projects, practice public speaking skills, and celebrate learning with other

homeschool students. Choose to share with the whole group or with a small group of fellow homeschoolers. We will also show studentmade videos submitted ahead of time. Please contact the Bel Air Children's Department for details about submitting your video.

Teen Holiday Bookmarks (3) Grade 6-12 Fri Dec 5 3:30-4:30 pm

Drop in to create holiday bookmarks! Perfect for stocking stuffer gifts or to keep for your own winter reading! All supplies provided.

Puzzle Swap All Ages

 Sat
 Dec 6, 20
 10:00 am-4:30 pm

 Sat
 Jan 3, 17
 10:00 am-4:30 pm

 Sat
 Feb 7, 21
 10:00 am-4:30 pm

 Bring in puzzles you would like to trade in for others!

Holiday Gift Wrapping Station 🕞

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Sat Dec 6 noon-3:00 pm Mon Dec 8 5:30-7:30 pm

Do your gift wrapping at the library! We will provide the space and wrapping supplies (while supplies last), bring a few gifts that need to be wrapped away from any prying eyes.

Holiday After-Hours Open House All Ages Sat Dec 6 5:30-9:00 pm

Experience the town of Bel Air's Winter Wonderland activities and celebrate the holiday season with the library! Enjoy crafts, refreshments, and music, as well as special items to check out through our Traveling Library van.

Acts of Kindness () Family

Visit StreamWorks to make something that benefits a local community service organization.

Mon-Sat Dec 8-13 Library hoursSnowman Soup for The Harford Center

Sat Jan 31 noon-4:00 pm Blankets for CASA of Harford County

Mon-Sat Feb 9-14 Library hours Valentine's cards for WeCancerve

Romp and Run (1) Toddlers

Mon Dec 8, Jan 5, Feb 9 1:00-2:00 pm Explore ways to encourage your child's social and motor skills in a relaxed environment.

Teen Writing Club (3) Grade 6-12

Mon Dec 8, Jan 12, Feb 9 3:30-4:30 pm
Whether you're already working on a writing project or want a space to explore new stories, join our group of budding writers to share your craft. Participants are encouraged to bring their own laptop or journal to write in.

Introductory Dungeons & Dragons® (3 (3))
Adult

Tue Dec 9, Jan 13, Feb 10 6:00-7:45 pm Learn to play in sessions that are ideal for new players as well as those who are not so new.

Books on Tap at Sean Bolan's (3) Adult 6:30-8:30 pm

Tue Dec 9 The Antidote by Karen Russell
Tue Jan 13 Favorite Reads from 2025
Tue Feb 10 All the Colors of the Dark
by Chris Whitaker

Bold titles, Refreshing talk! Everyone's welcome! Sean Bolan's Irish Pub,

12 S. Main St, Bel Air.

Sew Much Fun Grade 3-8 **Wed Dec 10, Jan 7, Feb 11 4:00-7:00 pm**Discover hand or machine sewing. Projects for all skill levels!

Teen Crafternoon (B) Grade 6-12

ThuDec 113:30-4:30 pmHoliday GnomesFriJan 21:30-2:30 pm2026 Bucket ListsThuFeb 123:30-4:30 pmPaper FlowersJoin us for crafting fun! All supplies provided.

Intergenerational Story Time Family
Fri Dec 12, Jan 9, Feb 13 10:00-11:00 am
Share stories, songs, and rhymes during an intergenerational story time with the residents of Brightview Senior Living – Bel Air (300 West Ring Factory Road). Please register adults and children attending and check in at the welcome desk in the main lobby.

Preschool Music and Movement Preschool Fri Dec 12, Jan 9, Feb 13 10:15-10:45 am Explore music and movement through stories, songs, and play!

Lawyer in the Library Adult Fri Dec 12 11:00 am-noon See ad on page 20 for details.

Jane Austen's 250th Birthday Game Bash (3) Grade 9-12 & Adult

Sat Dec 13 1:00-4:00 pm

In celebration of Jane Austen's 250th birthday on Dec 16, join us for an afternoon of Janethemed tabletop games, including board games, card games, and trivia! Featured titles include *Marrying Mr. Darcy, The Jane Austen Board Game*, and *The Parlour Game*.

Inclusive Mondays Adult
Mon Dec 15, Jan 12, Feb 9 10:00 am-noon
Enjoy crafts, puzzles, and games for all
ability levels.

High School Homeschool Meet-Up 🚯

Grade 9-12

Mon Dec 15, Feb 23 2:00-4:00 pm High school homeschoolers, catch up with friends and meet some new ones. We supply activities for some relaxed fun.

Bel Air Nonfiction Book Discussion Adult

6:30-7:30 pm

Mon Dec 15 Favorite Reads from 2025 Mon Jan 12 Everything is Tuberculosis

by John Green

Mon Feb 23 The Backyard Bird Chronicles

by Amy Tan

Art and Stories (3) Preschool-Grade 2 Tue Dec 16 1:30-2:30 pm Get creative and enjoy stories and art-themed, hands-on projects. **Craft and Create (3 G)** Grade 9-12 & Adult 5:00-7:00 pm

Tue Dec 16 Holiday Ornaments
Tue Jan 13 Cake Decorating 101
Make a craft with other craft lovers.
All supplies provided.

Homeschool Connect (3) Grade K-8 **Wed Dec 17, Jan 21, Feb 18 2:00-3:30 pm** Join us for a variety of fun and educational activities. Please call 410-638-3151 for more information.

Teen Read & Relax Grade 6-12 **Wed Dec 17, Jan 21, Feb 18 6:30-7:30 pm**Looking for a calm spot to curl up with a good book? Bring a book, a blanket, or pillow, and share your favorite reads, then sit back and get lost in your story.

Pokémon® Club (1) Family

Thu Dec 18, Jan 22, Feb 19 6:00-7:30 pm Hang out with fellow fans for card trading and battles!

Sensory Story Time (1) Family

Fri Dec 19, Jan 16, Feb 20 10:15-11:00 am A multi-sensory story time for families of children of all abilities. After registering, please call 410-638-3151 to discuss any accommodations.

LEGO® Club Family

Sat Dec 20, Jan 3, Feb 21 2:00-3:30 pm We supply the LEGO® bricks. You supply the imagination!

Wingspan Game Time () Adult

Tue Dec 23 6:00-7:30 pm Wed Jan 14 6:00-7:30 pm Thu Feb 12 6:00-7:30 pm

Play this popular board game at the library. Open to new players, experienced players, and bird lovers!

Noon Year's Eve Family **Wed Dec 31 11:30 am-noon** See ad on page 23 for details.

The Write Place (3) Adult
Thu Jan 8, Feb 12 10:30 am-noon
Take advantage of a quiet space to focus on
your own writing alongside other writers. A

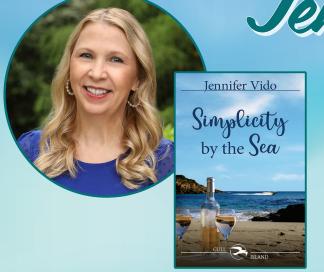
your own writing alongside other writers. A small amount of time each session will be dedicated to a writing prompt.

Whispering Pages: Quiet Mornings at Vagabond Adult

Fri Jan 9, Feb 13 10:00-11:30 am
Start your Friday with a cozy morning at
Vagabond Sandwich Company (111 Thomas St,
Bel Air) – bring your favorite book and enjoy
quiet time reading alongside fellow book
lovers. No assigned titles, no pressure – just a
welcoming space to unwind and read together.

Be a Super Sitter! Grade 6-12
Sat Jan 10 noon-4:00 pm
Start your adventures in babysitting! Learn how to provide care for infants and children, what to do in emergencies, how to choose age-appropriate activities, how to communicate with parents, and how to recognize and handle behaviors.

MEETTHEAUTHOR Jenniger Vido



Local author, Jennifer Vido, celebrates the release of *Simplicity by the Sea*, the third and final title in her award-winning Gull Island series. Enjoy an evening of conversation, coastal inspiration, and community as Jennifer discusses the heartwarming conclusion to her series. A Q&A session will conclude the event, followed by a book signing and photo opportunities. Copies of the book will be available for purchase.

Thursday, February 26 6:00-7:30 pm Abingdon Library

Grade 9-12 & Adult | Registration recommended

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GAMECHANGERS

BUSINESS SPEAKERS SERIES



Dr. Anirban Basu

Chairman & CEO of Sage Policy Group, Inc.

Thursday, January 8 8:00-10:00 am Abingdon Library

Tickets \$60

Dr. Basu will discuss 2026's key economic trends, including interest rates, global and regional shifts, labor and wage dynamics, business confidence, demographic changes, and a forecast tailored to local stakeholders.

Master Gardeners

Master Gardeners: Gardening Over the Years: Practices Kept, Others Adjusted (3) Adult Darlington Tue Jan 13 1:00-3:00 pm

Winter is a "wonder"ful time to plan for the upcoming garden season and wonder which practices, current and of long ago, can enhance your garden's efficiency and productivity. Held at the Harford County Agricultural Center, Susquehanna Room. Snow date: January 27.

Master Gardeners: Orchids: Native and Mass Market (1) Adult

Bel Air Sat Jan 24 10:30 am-12:30 pm

Uncover the hidden beauty of Maryland's wild orchids, then switch gears to their tropical cousin, the Phalaenopsis. Learn how to repot, water, and feed to keep your orchid for years.

Master Gardeners: Ephemerals & Starting Your Garden (3) Adult

Bel Air Sat Feb 28 10:30 am-12:30 pm

Learn what spring ephemerals (native and non-native) are, and how they are important early season sources of nectar and pollen for native insects. Also learn techniques for seed starting over the winter and early spring that are adaptable to home and balcony gardens.



Experiment and Explore (3) Preschool

Tue Jan 13 1:30-2:30 pm

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

Candy STEM (B) Grade K-5

Wed Jan 14 2:00-3:30 pm

Who said learning can't be sweet? Conduct fun science experiments with your favorite candies. Lessons include Skittles chromatography, great growing gummy bears, and Mentos volcanoes! Presented in partnership with University of Maryland Extension Harford County 4-H's educator, Marylisa Schaedel.

Winter Yoga Story Time (3) Family

Fri Jan 16 2:00-3:00 pm Enjoy fun stories, yoga, dance, movement, and music! Bring a mat or towel. Adults are welcome to join their children.

Birding Meets Tech: Discover the Apps That Bring Birds to Life () Family

Sat Jan 17 1:00-4:00 pm

Join siblings Nara and Tyme from the Harford Bird Club, and a whole flock of bird-loving tech fans, for a fun afternoon of exploring birding apps. Get hands-on with the best ones out there (some of them free) and find out which are right for you. Dive in and discover how fun and easy birding with technology can be!

Messy Makers ① Preschool-Grade 2
Fri Jan 23, Feb 27 10:15-11:00 am
Make fun, artistic (and messy!) creations using a variety of art supplies and techniques.

Master Gardeners: Orchids: Native and Mass Market (1) Adult

Sat Jan 24 10:30 am-12:30 pm See ad on page 10 for details.

Middle School Homeschool Meet-Up (3)

Grade 6-8

Mon Jan 26 2:00-4:00 pm

Middle school homeschoolers, catch up with friends and meet some new ones. We supply activities for some relaxed fun.

Bedtime Stories with Pets on Wheels (1)

Family

Mon Jan 26 5:30-7:00 pm

Bring your pillow, blanket, or favorite stuffed animal and enjoy an evening story time with certified therapy animals from local organization Pets on Wheels. After registering, please call 410-638-3151 to discuss any accommodations.

Bel Air Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult Mon Jan 26, Feb 23 6:00-7:00 pm

See ad on page 21 for details.

Bel Air Evening Book Discussion Adult

6:30-7:30 pm

Tue Jan 27 Broken Country by

Clare Leslie Hall

Tue Feb 24 Before the Coffee Gets Cold

by Toshikazu Kawaguchi

Growing Up Wild (3) Preschool-Grade 2 Wed Jan 28, Feb 25 2:00-3:30 pm
Enjoy a variety of nature-based, hands-on experiences and activities. Weather permitting, be prepared to go outside.

Create a Tote Bag (1) Adult
Wed Jan 28 6:00-7:30 pm
Create a tote bag to carry your library books
using our sewing machines! Please bring
1/2 yard of fabric for the exterior. All other
materials will be provided.

Rest, Recharge, Reconnect: An Evening Unplugged Grade 9-12 & Adult Wed Jan 28 6:30-7:30 pm See ad on page 19 for details.

Puzzle Swap: National Puzzle Day Adult Thu Jan 29 10:00 am-7:30 pm Bring in puzzles you would like to trade in for others!

Puzzle Pandemonium (3) Grade 9-12 & Adult Thu Jan 29 5:00-7:45 pm See ad on page 3 for details.

Winter Classic Sci-Fi Movie Discussion Group (1) Adult

Thu Jan 29 6:00-7:30 pmDiscuss David Bowie's first film, *The Man Who Fell to Earth* to celebrate its 50th anniversary.
Available free through Kanopy with your HCPL card.

Adult LEGO® Club Adult
Sat Jan 31 1:30-4:00 pm
We supply the LEGO® bricks. You supply the imagination!

Bel Air Genealogy Discussion Adult Mon Feb 2 6:30-7:30 pm See ad on page 14 for details.

Game Night: Really Loud Librarians™ (3)

Tue Feb 3 6:30-7:30 pm

Shh... not this time! Become a "really loud librarian" for the night in this fast-paced word game where quick thinking meets noisy fun! All materials provided. No experience is necessary.



Hot Wheels® Build and Play (3 G) Grade K-5 Sat Feb 7 3:00-4:30 pm
Drivers, start your engines! Build and test your track while making new friends! Cars and tracks provided.

History of the Negro Baseball League

Grade 9-12 & Adult
Tue Feb 10 6:00-7:00 pm
Sat Feb 28 2:00-3:00 pm

See ad on page 13 for details.

Life-Sized Candyland® (B) Family

Fri Feb 13 1:30-5:00 pm
Sat Feb 14 10:00 am-4:00 pm
Play a super-sized version of the Candyland® board game. Please call 410-638-3151 to register, starting Jan 30.

Playdough Playdate Preschool-Grade 2
Tue Feb 17 1:30-2:30 pm
Squish, sculpt, and explore playdough while encouraging creativity and fine motor skills.

Sewing in the Library Grade 9-12 & Adult Wed Feb 25 5:30-7:30 pm

Use our sewing machines to work on your small project or to finish a project you've already started. Bring your own materials.

Stuffed Animal Pajamarama (3) Family Wed Feb 25 6:00-6:45 pm

Wear your pis and bring your favorite stuffed animal for some bedtime stories! Your stuffy gets to spend the night – pick them up the next day and see photos of their sleepover!

Drop-In Button Making Grade 6-12
Fri Feb 27 3:30-4:30 pm
Design it, press it, wear it! Make your own button

using the library's button maker – draw your own design or pick from a bunch of fun images!

Master Gardeners: Ephemerals & Starting Your Garden () Adult

Sat Feb 28 10:30 am-12:30 pm See ad on page 10 for details.

DARLINGTON

Holiday Open House (3) All Ages
Mon Dec 1 5:00-7:30 pm
Celebrate the holiday season with crafts
and refreshments.

Family and Friends Story Time Family

Thursdays 10:15-10:45 am

Get ready for stories, music, movement, and fun!

Darlington Afternoon Book Discussion 😯

Adult 1:00-2:00 pm

Thu Dec 4 The Ride of Her Life by

Elizabeth Letts

Thu Jan 8 Favorite Reads from 2025
Thu Feb 5 Spirit Crossing by

William Kent Krueger

If more than 8 are interested in attending, this program will be held in the Deer Creek Conference Room at the Harford County Agricultural Center, located next door to the library.





Medical Mobile Var

The staff of the Upper Chesapeake Mobile Van work to promote wellness by sharing information on health topics, as well as making a range of preventative screenings accessible to our community.



Adult

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Testing for blood pressure, sleep disorder, body composition analysis, diabetes, and stroke are available free of charge. There is a nominal fee of \$10 for cholesterol and A1C checks. For more information, please contact Upper Chesapeake at 800-515-0044.

Darlington Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult

Thu Dec 11 1:00-2:00 pm See ad on page 21 for details.

Tue Dec 23 1:30-3:30 pm

Do you need a last minute gift or something wrapped up for the holidays? Drop in and get some ideas or help. All supplies provided.

Noon Year's Eve Family Wed Dec 31 11:30 am-noon See ad on page 23 for details.

Crafting in the New Year (3) Grade K-8
Fri Jan 2 2:00-4:00 pm
Start the New Year by crafting with usl All

Start the New Year by crafting with us! All supplies provided.

RoboMasterminds for Teens: Special Teen After Hours (2) Grade 6-12

Sat Jan 10 5:00-7:00 pm

Work in small groups to build and program an autonomous robot using sensors, then test and refine the programs to solve competition tasks. Funded by the National Defense Education Program. Please call 410-638-3750 for a parent permission slip and to register.

Master Gardeners: Gardening Over the Years: Practices Kept, Others Adjusted (3) Adult

Tue Jan 13 1:00-3:00 pm See ad on page 10 for details.

Craft and Create: Winter Reading Edition (1)

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Fri Jan 16 1:30-3:30 pm

See ad on page 3 for details.

art-themed, hands-on projects.

Art and Stories: Valentine's Day ① Family Wed Feb 11 2:00-3:00 pm
Get creative and enjoy stories and

Teen UnValentine's Day Grade 6-12 Fri Feb 13 1:30-3:30 pm

You've probably heard of a Very Merry Unbirthday from *Alice In Wonderland*, now get ready for a Very Merry UnValentine's Day! Join fellow teens in some light-hearted commiseration and fun crafts.

EDGEWOOD

Naturally Festive: Holiday Ornament

Workshop Family

Tue Dec 2 6:00-7:00 pm Create festive holiday ornaments from pinecones, acorns, and other natural finds.

All supplies provided.

Family and Friends Story Time Family

Wednesdays 10:15-10:45 am

Get ready for stories, music, movement, and fun!

Video Game Club Grade 6-12 **Wednesdays (except 12/10)** 3:00-4:30 pm

Play games, relax, and have a great time

with friends!

Flight Path: Intro to Birding Family

Wed Dec 3 6:00-7:30 pm See ad on page 19 for details.

Crafternoon Family

 Thu
 Dec 4
 4:30-5:30 pm

 Thu
 Jan 8, 22
 4:30-5:30 pm

 Thu
 Feb 12
 4:30-5:30 pm

 Join us for some crafting fun!

Morning Trivia at the Center Adult

Fri Dec 5, Feb 6 10:00-11:00 am

Participants at least 55 years of age meet for a spirited game of trivia! Please call the Edgewood Activity Center at 410-612-1622 for more details.



Puzzle Swap All Ages

 Sat
 Dec 6, 20
 10:00 am-5:00 pm

 Sat
 Jan 3, 17
 10:00 am-5:00 pm

 Sat
 Feb 7, 21
 10:00 am-5:00 pm

 Bring in puzzles you would like to trade in for others!

Harford Community Action Agency (HCAA)

Adult

Tue Dec 9, Jan 13, Feb 10 10:00 am-noon See ad on page 15 for details.

Teen Anime Club Grade 6-12

Tue Dec 9, Jan 13 3:00-4:00 pm Mon Feb 9 3:00-4:00 pm

A lively discussion of anime and manga in popular culture.

Edgewood Afternoon Book Discussion Adult

1:00-2:00 pm

Wed Dec 10 Red Clay by Charles B. Fancher Wed Jan 14 Harlem Rhapsody by

Victoria Christopher Murray
Wed Feb 11 Junie by Erin Crosby Eckstine

Pop-Up STEM Family

Thu Dec 11 4:30-5:30 pm Thu Jan 15 4:30-5:30 pm Thu Feb 5, 19 4:30-5:30 pm

Stop in for surprise hands-on STEM activities!

Sing & Dance with Me! Family

Tue Dec 16, Jan 13, Feb 17 10:15-11:00 am Let's get moving and grooving with interactive songs and movement activities!

Paint Your Own 3D Printed Ornament

Grade 6-12

Tue Dec 16 3:30-4:30 pm

Get creative with 3D printed art! A fun, handson session where teens can paint their own unique 3D printed ornaments. All materials provided – just bring your imagination!

Cutting-Edge Crafts ① Grade 3-12 & Adult Wed Dec 17, Jan 21, Feb 18 5:00-7:00 pm Combine technology and creativity, using our Cricut to make and take a project!

Candy Bingo Family

Thu Dec 18, Feb 26 4:30-5:30 pm
Join us for a fun and friendly game of BINGO!
Did we mention there is candy involved?!

LEGO® Club Grade K-8

Tue Dec 23, Fri Jan 16 2:00-3:00 pm
We supply the LEGO® bricks. You supply the imagination!

Cultural Recipe Exchange Adult Edgewood Feb 2-28 Libr **Library hours**

Come in and share your favorite recipes and discover new ones in our community recipe box as we celebrate African American cuisine.

Frederick Douglass: From Enslaved to Diplomat!

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Sat Feb 7 2:00-3:00 pm Aberdeen

Join Vivian Fisher of Enoch Pratt Free Library in examining the life events of Frederick Douglass as his journey takes him from an enslaved boy on the Eastern Shore of Maryland to one of the highest-ranking African American men of the 19th century. Discover Douglass's impact on the world as he fought for the rights of full citizenship for all in his country of birth.

Black History Month Documentary Viewing Adult

Edgewood Tue Feb 10 4:30-5:30 pm Celebrate Black History Month and watch an educational documentary available free through Kanopy with your HCPL card!





Hubert V. Simmons Museum of Negro Leagues Baseball Inc.

History of the Negro Baseball League: Exhibit All Ages

Feb 2-28 Library hours

Featuring artifacts, photographs, oral histories, and memorabilia from the Hubert V. Simmons Museum of Negro Leagues Baseball. This exhibit will be on display during the month of February, located in the second floor gallery.

History of the Negro Baseball League Grade 9-12 & Adult

Bel Air Tue Feb 10 6:00-7:00 pm Bel Air Sat Feb 28 2:00-3:00 pm

Representatives from the Hubert V. Simmons Museum of Negro Leagues Baseball, Inc. will share the history of the Negro Leagues in Maryland. Their presentation will feature artifacts, pictures, and video clips from the Simmons Museum.

The Hubert V. Simmons Museum of Negro Leagues Baseball Inc. is located in the Owings Mills Branch of Baltimore County Public Library and administers projects designed to educate, advocate, and generate wide-spread interest surrounding the Negro Leagues.

3D Printer Demo Days All Ages Mon-Sat Jan 5-10 Library hours See our 3D printer in action and take home a

small 3D printed object while supplies last.

Freestyle Painting (1) Adult Tue Jan 6 4:30-5:30 pm See ad on page 3 for details.

Senior Quiz Show Adult Jan 9 10:00-11:00 am

Participants at least 55 years of age meet for a spirited quiz show! Please call the Edgewood Activity Center at 410-612-1622 for more details.

Debate AI Grade 6-12 Tue Jan 20 3:30-4:30 pm

Think you can out-argue a robot? Students will go head-to-head with artificial intelligence on a variety of fun and challenging topics. Sharpen your debate skills, flex your critical

thinking, and explore big questions about technology, society, and the future – all while having a blast debating with (and against) AI.

80s Themed Craft: Perler Bead Fun Adult

Tue Jan 20 4:30-5:30 pm In honor of HCPL's 80th Anniversary, come in and craft an 80s-themed Perler Bead design.

Edgewood Books at the Center Adult 10:30-11:30 am

Rental House by Weike Wang Tue Ian 27 Tue Feb 24 Isola by Allegra Goodman Participants at least 55 years of age meet for a spirited book discussion. Please call the Edgewood Activity Center at 410-612-1622 for more details.

DIY Birdfeeders Family Thu Jan 29 4:30-5:30 pm

Using peanut butter, pinecones, and recycled

materials, make a treat for the feathered friends in your backyard!

Cultural Recipe Exchange Adult

Feb 2-28 Library hours See ad on page 13 for details.

Valentine's Day Candy Bingo Grade 6-12

Mon Feb 2 5:30-6:30 pm

Join us for a fun and friendly game of BINGO! Did we mention there is candy involved?!

Hand Sewing for Beginners (1) Adult

Wed Feb 4 5:30-6:30 pm

Learn how to use needle and thread to sew basic stitches.

Black History Month Documentary Viewing

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Tue Feb 10 4:30-5:30 pm See ad on page 13 for details.



Genealogy with Harford County Public Library

Jarrettsville Genealogy Discussion Adult
Jarrettsville Thu Dec 11, Jan 22, Feb 26 6:15-7:45 pm
Join fellow researchers and share techniques, tips, and resources.

Genealogy Research Workshop ③ Adult Norrisville Tue Jan 13 2:00-3:30 pm

Geared toward beginners, this workshop will teach you how to find the graves of your ancestors, create virtual memorials, and browse cemeteries using Find a Grave®. The first half of the program will be a presentation, and the second half will allow time for individual research and one-on-one instruction.

GENEALOGY WEEK: DNA Demystified: A Guide to Cracking Your Genetic Code Adult

Virtual Mon Jan 26 6:30-8:00 pm

Uncover the stories hidden within your genes, connect with relatives, and gain a new appreciation for the incredible science that links us all. Join Jamie Lee McManus Mayhew for an introduction to genealogy DNA testing, where she'll demystify scientific terms and concepts so that you can understand your own genetic code.

GENEALOGY WEEK: Introduction to Al for Genealogy (3) Adult

Virtual Tue Jan 27 6:30-8:00 pm

Not sure what all the hype is about?

This session, led by Peggy Jude,
serves as an introduction to AI for
genealogy. It's perfect for beginners
and those who may be apprehensive
about AI. Leave with a greater
appreciation for how AI tools can support
your genealogical work.

GENEALOGY WEEK: Zigzagging Through German Church Records (1) Adult

Virtual Thu Jan 29 6:30-8:00 pm James Beidler will explain the methodology of using the baptismal, confirmation, marriage, and burial records from German church registers. By utilizing the different bits of information found in each, researchers can zigzag their way to adding centuries to a pedigree.

Bel Air Genealogy Discussion Adult
Bel Air Mon Feb 2 6:30-7:30 pm
Join fellow researchers and share techniques,
tips, and resources. This month's topic is HCPL's
January Virtual Genealogy Week Presentations!
Find them at: hcplmd.org/HCPLuniverse.

All About Prompting for Al Tools (1) Adult Virtual Tue Feb 10 6:30-8:00 pm
To effectively use tools like ChatGPT, Claude, Gemini, and others, you need to know how to ask the right questions in the right way to get meaningful results. It all starts with a great prompt. In this session, Peggy Jude will teach what a prompt is and how to craft one. The session includes case study examples, practical tips, and plenty of encouragement!



Join our virtual or in-person Genealogy Programs! Scan or visit: hcplmd.org/genealogy

Morning Documentaries at the Center Adult Thu Feb 12 10:00-11:00 am

Participants at least 55 years of age meet for an educational documentary viewing. Please call the Edgewood Activity Center at 410-612-1622 for more details.

RoboMasterminds: Snap Circuits RC Rover (3)Grade 3-5

Fri Feb 13 2:00-3:30 pm

Learn about electricity, circuits, and engineering concepts through this hands-on workshop in which participants will use Snap Circuits to build an RC Snap Rover. Funded by the National Defense Education Program.

FALLSTON

Family and Friends Story Time Family

Tuesdays 10:15-10:45 am
Get ready for stories, music, movement, and fun!

Holiday Open House Family

5:30-6:30 pm

Tue Dec 2 Youth's Benefit Elementary School

Wed Dec 3 Red Pump Elementary School Celebrate the holiday season with crafts and a special performance by local students. Baby Story Time 3 Babies
Thursdays 10:15-10:45 am
Cozy up with your little one for bounces, books, and music.

Teen Time (3) Grade 6-12 **Thu Dec 4, Jan 8, Feb 5 3:00-4:30 pm** Play video and board games, make a craft, and have a great time with friends!

Craft and Create: Button Art (1) (3)

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Thu Dec 4 6:00-7:30 pm
Fri Dec 5 11:00 am-12:30 pm
Make a craft with other craft lovers.
All supplies provided.

PAWS and Read (B) Grade K-5

Sat Dec 6, Jan 31, Feb 28 10:30-11:30 am Wed Dec 10, Jan 7, Feb 4 5:00-6:00 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 410-638-3003 to register.

Drop-In 3D Design: Cookie Cutters 📵

Grade 3-12

Tue Dec 9 5:00-7:00 pm

Design your own custom 3D printed cookie cutter! We will print your project for pickup at a later time. Makers of all skill levels are welcome.

Inclusive Wednesdays Adult
Wed Dec 10 Jan 28 Feb 25 10:30 au

Wed Dec 10, Jan 28, Feb 25 10:30 am-noon Enjoy crafts, puzzles, and games for all ability levels.

Paint Night (1) Family

6:00-7:30 pm

Wed Dec 10 Winter Snow Globe
Wed Feb 11 Valentine's Gnome
Follow step-by-step instructions to create
a masterpiece to take home! All experience
levels welcome.

Baby Masterpieces (B) (B) Babies

Fri Dec 12, Jan 16, Feb 13 10:30-11:30 am
Create beautiful pictures using your baby's tiny hands and feet.

Block Party Family

Fri Dec 12, Feb 13 2:00-3:00 pm Sat Jan 17 2:00-3:00 pm Fun for all ages! Build and create with a variety of blocks from LEGO®, DUPLO®, MAGNA-TILES®, and more!

Gentle Yoga (1) (1) Adult

Mon Dec 15, Jan 26, Feb 23 10:30-11:30 am See ad on page 19 for details.

Magic Tree House® Book Club Grade 3-5 4:30-5:30 pm

Mon Dec 15 Pirates Past Noon
Mon Jan 12 Night of the Ninjas
Mon Feb 9 Afternoon on the Amazon
Join our monthly book club centered around a different book from the popular Magic Tree
House® series! There will be a discussion followed by a craft that ties into the book.

Drop-In Button Making: Winter Edition ()

Grade 6-12 & Family

Tue Dec 16 4:30-6:00 pm

See ad on page 3 for details.

Grinch Party (3 G) Family Wed Dec 17 6:00-7:30 pm

Join us for a story time, crafts, and games celebrating one of Dr. Seuss' most beloved characters!

Fallston Books at the Center (3) Adult 2:00-3:00 pm

Thu Dec 18 Heartwood by Amity Gaige

Thu Jan 15 Here One Moment by

Liane Moriarty

Thu Feb 19 Broken Country by

Claire Leslie Hall

Participants at least 55 years of age meet for a spirited book discussion. Please call the Chenowith Activity Center at 410-638-3260 to register.

Dungeons & Dragons® for Kids! (3) Grade 3-5 Mon Jan 5, Feb 23 4:00-6:00 pm

Come play a D&D® adventure built especially with kids in mind.

Fallston Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult Mon Jan 5 7:00-8:00 pm

See ad on page 21 for details.

Bullet Journaling 101 B 🕒 Grade 6-12 & Adult

Tue Jan 6 6:30-7:30 pm

Learn the ins and outs of bullet journaling. You'll get some background knowledge on the technique, plus time to get a journal started. All supplies provided.

Create a Vision Board: 2026 (3)

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Thu Jan 8 6:00-7:30 pm

Start 2026 in a positive and fun way by creating a vision board, a tool created with images or words on a poster board that helps you visualize your intentions, goals, and dreams. All supplies provided.

Retro Video Gaming Grade 6-12 Tue Jan 13 3:30-5:00 pm

Play retro video games from decades past. Experience early gameplay with your friends!

A Freezing Cold Party (3) Family Wed Jan 14 6:00-7:30 pm

The cold doesn't bother us! Enjoy stories, games, and crafts that celebrate our favorite princess sisters!

Winnie-the-Pooh Party (3 (3) Family Wed Jan 21 6:00-7:30 pm

Enjoy stories, games, and crafts celebrating the beloved Winnie-the-Pooh and his friends!

Intro to 3D Design 🚯 🕞 Grade 3-12

Thu Jan 22 4:00-5:00 pm
Learn to design a simple project using
Tinkercad®, an online 3D design program.
Bring a flash drive to save your design for
printing at a later date. Adults accompanying
children do not need to register.

3D Design for Adults () Grade 9-12 & Adult

Tue Jan 27 6:30-7:30 pm

Learn to design a simple project using Tinkercad®, an online 3D design program. We will print your project on our branch 3D printer for pickup at a later time. Please create a Gmail or Tinkercad® account prior to this class.

Craft and Create: Felt Cherry Blossoms (3)

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Thu Jan 29 6:00-7:30 pm
Fri Jan 30 11:00 am-12:30 pm
Make a craft with other craft lovers.
All supplies provided.

Drop-In Button Making Grade 6-12 & Family Mon Feb 2 3:00-4:30 pm

Design it, press it, wear it! Make your own button using the library's button maker – draw your own design or pick from a bunch of fun images!

Grow Clean Water in Your Community

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Sat Feb 7 2:00-3:00 pm See ad on page 19 for details.

Bad Art Night (3) Grade 6-12

Tue Feb 10 6:00-7:00 pm

Create a disaster-piece using an assortment of crafting materials and art supplies. No artistic abilities required. This is fun art, not fine art.

Craft and Create: Book Vase (1)

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Thu Feb 12 6:00-7:30 pm
Fri Feb 20 11:00 am-12:30 pm
Make a craft with other craft lovers.
All supplies provided.



Helping People. Changing Lives.

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.* Visit harfordcaa.org for more information.



hcplmd.org/HCAA

*Maryland Energy Assistance Program, Harford County Fuel Fund, Homeless Prevention, Homeless Services, Community Food Pantry/Food Bank, Financial Services Program, and GED Plus.

Adult



meetup

A space for Harford County community members to gather and explore a wide variety of HCPL-hosted events.

Join us to stay informed about exciting, curated events happening at HCPL branches, connect with fellow library lovers, and enjoy a calendar filled with engaging, enriching experiences for all ages.

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Life-Sized Candyland®: Chocolate Factory Edition (B) Family

Wed Feb 18 1:00-7:00 pm

Play a super-sized version of the Candyland® board game. Please call 410-638-3003 to register, starting February 4.

Teen After Hours: Idol Hunters Night (3)Grade 6-12

Fri Feb 20 5:00-7:00 pm

Get ready to slay – idols, demons, and dance moves! Dive into the world of K-pop with a supernatural twist. Make themed crafts, listen to K-pop music, learn some Korean, and snack on Asian treats! Please call 410-638-3003 for a parent permission slip.

HAVRE DE GRACE

Books Before Bed Family

Mon Dec 1, 15 6:15-6:45 pm Mon Jan 12, 26 6:15-6:45 pm Mon Feb 9, 23 6:15-6:45 pm

Join us for an evening story time with music, movement, and fun!

Family and Friends Story Time Family **Tuesdays & Thursdays** 10:15-10:45 am

Get ready for stories, music, movement, and fun!

Teen Time Grade 6-12 **Tuesdays (except 12/23, 12/30, & 2/17)** 3:00-4:15 pm

Play video and board games, make a craft, and have a great time with friends!

Baby Bunch © Babies
Wed Dec 3, Jan 7, Feb 4 10:15-11:00 am
Bring your baby to play and socialize with others. Enjoy various play stations, music, and sensory activities.

Craft and Create: Temari Ornament (1) (1)

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Wed Dec 3 5:00-7:00 pm See ad on page 19 for details.

PAWS and Read (Grade K-5

 Sat
 Dec 6, 20
 10:30-11:30 am

 Sat
 Jan 3, 17
 10:30-11:30 am

 Sat
 Feb 7, 21
 10:30-11:30 am

Get cozy with our doggie volunteers and read a good book during a one-on-one session with a well-trained therapy dog.

Holiday Workshop () Preschool-Grade 8 Sat Dec 6 1:30-3:00 pm

Make holiday gifts and ornaments for your favorite people. Put on the finishing touches with gift wrap, ribbons, and bows. All supplies provided.

Havre de Grace Books at the Center Adult 10:00-11:00 am

Thu Dec 11 The Secret War of Julia Child

by Diana Chambers

Thu Jan 8 The Boys by Ron Howard

Thu Feb 12 *James* by Percival Everett Participants at least 55 years of age meet for a spirited book discussion at the Havre de Grace Activity Center.

Harford Community Action Agency (HCAA) Adult

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Tue Dec 16, Jan 20, Feb 17 10:00 am-noon See ad on page 15 for details.

Holiday PJ Story Time and Craft Family

Wed Dec 17 10:15-11:15 am

Cozy up in your favorite holiday pis as we celebrate with festive tales, fun songs, and a holiday craft.

Havre de Grace Evening Book Discussion

Adult

6:00-7:00 pm

Wed Dec 17 Broken Country by

Clare Leslie Hall

Wed Jan 21 The Names by Florence Knapp Wed Feb 18 Least Liked Reads from 2025

Winter Reading Challenge Activity 🕞

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Dec 20-Mar 20 Library hours See ad on page 3 for details.

Holiday Recipe Flip Book (1) (1)

Grade 6-12 & Adult

Sat Dec 20 1:30-3:00 pm See ad on page 3 for details.

Kid's Paint Party (B) G Grade 3-5

2:00-3:30 pm

Mon Dec 29 Wintry Fri Feb 13 Valentine's

Follow step-by-step instructions to create a fun painting to take home. All supplies provided. Please dress in clothing you won't mind getting messy.

Noon Year's Eve Family Wed Dec 31 11:30 am-noon See ad on page 23 for details.

John Butler Travelogue: An Eye On The

Caribbean! Grade 9-12 & Adult Thu Jan 8 6:30-7:30 pm See ad on page 19 for details.

Craft and Create: Memory Board (3) All Ages

Mon Jan 12 1:00-3:00 pm

Create your own personalized memory board to hold photos, mementos, and special memories. All supplies provided.

History of the Sonshine Inn with Juliet Farace

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Wed Jan 14 6:00-7:00 pm See ad on page 19 for details.

RoboMasterminds for Teens (3) Grade 6-12

Fri Jan 16 1:00-3:00 pm

Spark some excitement on this early dismissal day! Students will dive into the electrifying world of energy and electricity as they snap



their way to building real working circuits. They'll light things up and even roll out their very own RC car powered by their creations. Funded by the National Defense Education Program.

Puzzle Swap All Ages
Sat Jan 17 10:00 am-1:00 pm
Bring in puzzles you would like to trade in for others!

Snowy Story Time Family **Wed Jan 21 10:15-11:15 am** Enjoy a snow themed story time followed by winter activities and crafts.

Finger Painting Fun (a) Family

Mon Jan 26 10:15-11:15 am or 2:00-3:00 pm

Create a finger painting masterpiece. Children will enjoy a story and decorate a canvas with finger paints. Please dress in clothing you won't mind getting messy.

Picture Book Playtime Toddlers-Grade 2

Fri Jan 30, Feb 27 10:15-11:15 am

Enjoy a delightful picture book, followed by engaging activities and creative crafts inspired by the story.

College and Career Prep 101 Grade 9-12 Sat Jan 31 10:30 am-12:30 pm See ad on page 19 for details.

A Very Valentine Story Time Family

Fri Feb 13 10:15-11:15 am

Celebrate Valentine's Day with stories, music, and fun, followed by a craft!

Game Night All Ages
Tue Feb 17 6:00-7:15 pm

Love board and card games? Try out new games while also enjoying classics with your friends and family.

Winter Birds Story Time Family Wed Feb 18 10:15-11:15 am

Fly in for a bird-themed story time with music, movement, and fun! Afterwards, make a special treat for the feathered friends in your backyard.

JARRETTSVILLE

Baby Story Time (1) Babies
Mondays 10:15-10:45 am
Cozy up with your little one for bounces, books, and music.

LEGO® Club Grade K-8 **Mon Dec 1, Jan 5, Feb 2 6:00-7:00 pm** We supply the LEGO® bricks. You supply the imagination!

Homeschool Connect Grade K-5 Wed Dec 3, Jan 7, Feb 4 10:15-11:15 am Join us for a variety of fun and educational activities. Please call 410-692-7887 for more information.

Jarrettsville Scrabblers Adult Thu Dec 4, Jan 8, Feb 5 1:00-3:30 pm Play this lively word game at the library!

Family and Friends Story Time Family **Fridays** 10:15-10:45 am
Get ready for stories, music, movement, and fun!

Jarrettsville Afternoon Book Discussion Adult

2:00-3:00 pm
Tue Dec 9 Evvie Drake Starts Over

by Linda Holmes **Tue Ian 13** The Seven O'Clock Clul

3 The Seven O'Clock Club by Amelia Ireland

Tue Feb 10 The River is Waiting by

Wally Lamb

Gingerbread Story Time (3)

Toddlers & Preschool

Wed Dec 10 10:15-11:00 am

Enjoy stories, songs, and crafts about all things gingerbread!

Sounds of the Season All Ages

Celebrate the sounds of the season with our local schools as they perform a series of musical and choral concerts.

Wed Dec 10 6:00-6:45 pm North Harford High School

Tue Dec 16 6:30-7:00 pm North Bend Elementary

Thu Dec 18 6:30-7:00 pm North Harford Middle School

Fri Dec 19 10:45-11:15 am Jarrettsville Elementary

University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Medical Mobile Van Adult

noon-3:00 pm

Thu Dec 11 Hand Washing

Thu Jan 8 Getting Back on Track After

the Holidavs

Thu Feb 12 Heart Health See ad on page 12 for details.

Snow Luminaries (3) Grade 9-12 & Adult Thu Dec 11 4:00-5:30 pm
See ad on page 3 for details.

Jarrettsville Genealogy Discussion Adult Thu Dec 11, Jan 22, Feb 26 6:15-7:45 pm See ad on page 14 for details.

Jarrettsville Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult Wed Jan 7 2:30-3:30 pm See ad on page 21 for details.

Artificial Intelligence for Beginners: Beyond the Buzz Grade 9-12 & Adult

Mon Jan 12 6:30-7:30 pm

Discover the world of Artificial Intelligence and learn how it can be used in your daily life.

Snowman Story Time 🔞 🕞

Toddlers & Preschool

Wed Jan 14 10:15-11:00 am

Enjoy stories, songs, and crafts about snowmen!

Books on Tap at Harford Vineyard and Winery

Adult

3:00-4:00 pm

Thu Jan 15 Murder Your Employer by

Rupert Holmes

Thu Feb 19 The Stolen Queen by

Fiona Davis

Bold titles, Refreshing talk! Everyone's welcome! Harford Vineyard & Winery, 1311 Jarrettsville Rd, Forest Hill.

Mini Mindfulness Garden

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Grade 6-12 & Adult

Thu Jan 15 4:00-5:30 pm

Create a mini mindfulness garden, based on the Zen tradition, to relax the mind and chase away the winter doldrums.

Creative Writing Night Grade 9-12 & Adult Wed Jan 21 6:00-7:00 pm

Practice your creative writing skills with fellow writers! Choose from a list of prompts or make up your own. Paper will be provided, but participants are encouraged to bring their own laptops or writing journals if preferred.

Lye & Lather: Intro to Soap Making Adult Mon Jan 26 6:00-7:00 pm See ad on page 19 for details.

Art Explorers ③ ⑤ Toddlers & Preschool
Wed Jan 28, Feb 25 10:15-11:00 am
Bring your little ones in for story time and art
projects that promote early learning!

Gamers and Artists, Unite! Grade 6-12

Thu Jan 29 3:30-4:30 pm Wed Feb 25 3:30-4:30 pm

Play Nintendo Switch™ and board games or hang out at the artists' corner and paint a masterpiece.

A Very Valentine Story Time 😯 🕞

Toddlers & Preschool

Wed Feb 11 10:15-11:00 am

Celebrate Valentine's Day with stories, music, and fun, followed by a craft.

Craft and Create: Red Rose Grade 9-12 & Adult Wed Feb 11 5:30-7:30 pm

Make a craft with other craft lovers. All supplies provided.

Trivia Game Night: 80 Years of Movies, Pop Culture, & History! (3) Adult

Thu Feb 19 6:15-7:30 pm

To celebrate HCPL's 80th Anniversary, test your knowledge across the decades from 1945-2025.

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Chair Yoga 😯 🕒 Adult

Mondays 10:15-11:00 am

Certified Yoga instructor Stacie Foxwell will help you unwind with a gentler-paced yoga including a combination of meditation and pranayama (breath work), along with seated and standing postures. A chair can be used to accommodate mobility needs. Open to all, but most suited to those new to yoga or with physical restrictions.

Gentle Yoga 😯 🕒 Adult

Mondays 5:30-6:30 pm

Certified Yoga instructor Stacie Foxwell will guide you through this gentle approach to yoga that is designed for all ages, body types, and physical abilities.

Vinyasa Yoga (3) (2) Adult Mondays 6:45-7:45 pm

Certified Yoga instructor Stacie Foxwell leads this flow practice that integrates breath and movement to create strength and flexibility.

Family and Friends Story Time Family

Tuesdays 10:15-11:00 am

Get ready for stories, music, movement, and fun!

Joppa Afternoon Book Discussion Adult

noon-1:00 pm

Tue Dec 2 The Briar Club by Kate Quinn
Tue Jan 6 Favorite Reads from 2025
Tue Feb 3 What Kind of Paradise by
Ianelle Brown

Craft and Create (1) (2) Adult

2:00-3:00 pm

Thu Dec 4 Giant 3D Snowflakes
Thu Jan 15 Coffee Painting
Thu Feb 12 Paper Kente Cloths
Make a craft with other craft lovers.
All supplies provided.

Morning Zumba® (3) (3) Adult Fridays 9:30-10:30 am

Instructor Erin Subramanian leads this dance fitness class featuring Latin and international rhythms that make staying active fun.

Teen Coffee House Grade 6-12

Fri Dec 5, 12 3:00-4:00 pm Fri Jan 9, 30 3:00-4:00 pm Fri Feb 6, 27 3:00-4:00 pm

Have some coffee, tea, or hot cocoa, and hang out with your friends at the library!

Saturday Holiday Movie All Ages

2:00-4:30 pm

Sat Dec 6 Elf

Sat Dec 13 The Santa Clause Sat Dec 20 Polar Express Sat Dec 27 Home Alone

Get in the holiday spirit! Watch a family-friendly holiday film shown on the big screen. Snacks provided!

Joppa Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult

Mon Dec 8, Feb 9 2:00-3:00 pm See ad on page 21 for details.

Teen Crafternoon (B) Grade 6-12

3:00-4:30 pm

Wed Dec 10 Holiday Crafts
Wed Jan 14 Journal Decorating
Wed Feb 11 Make Your Own Collage
Join us for crafting fun! All supplies provided.



Guest Presenters

Select programs:

Craft and Create: Temari Ornament 🚯 📵

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Havre de Grace Wed Dec 3 5:00-7:00 pm Fiber artist Jen Weber will take you on a temari adventure to create your own ornament! All supplies provided.

Flight Path: Intro to Birding Family
Edgewood Wed Dec 3 6:00-7:30 pm
Learn the basics of birdwatching in this
beginner-friendly program. Discover how
to use binoculars, identify common local
birds, and explore resources to continue
birding at home and in the community.
Presented by Linn Griffiths, Education
Chair of the Harford Bird Club.

Gentle Yoga (3) (3) Adult Fallston

Mon Dec 15, Jan 26, Feb 23 10:30-11:30 am Certified yoga Instructor Erin Leach will guide you through this gentle approach to yoga designed for all ages, body types, and physical abilities. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat or towel.

John Butler Travelogue: An Eye On The Caribbean! Grade 9-12 & Adult
Havre de Grace Thu Jan 8 6:30-7:30 pm
Explore the beauty and splendor of the Caribbean with photographer and travel enthusiast John Butler. Snow date: January 15.

History of the Sonshine Inn with Juliet Farace

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Havre de Grace Wed Jan 14 6:00-7:00 pm Juliet Farace, proprietress of the Sonshine Inn located in Whiteford, will share the history of this establishment. The inn dates back to the 1700s and because the walls can't talk, Ms. Juliet will share their stories.

Introduction to Playing Piano ① Grade K-8

Norrisville Sat Jan 17 10:30-11:30 am

Did you know that playing piano can
alleviate stress and help express

emotions? Piano instructor Liberty Brammer will introduce your child to reading music and show them the basics of learning to play. She will demonstrate on a real keyboard how much fun playing the piano can be.

Preserve Your Prints Grade 9-12 & Adult Abingdon Thu Jan 22 6:00-7:00 pm

Do you have a box full of photos, negatives, slides, or letters hiding in your closet that you don't know what to do with? Megan Blood, owner of Heritage Photo Preservation will share how to care for, digitize, and preserve your special memories.

Lye & Lather: Intro to Soap Making Adult Jarrettsville Mon Jan 26 6:00-7:00 pm Join Janice and Kim from Goose Ridge Soaps LLC as they demonstrate cold process soap making. Learn to make this process at home for your next relaxing escape.

Rest, Recharge, Reconnect: An Evening Unplugged Grade 9-12 & Adult

Bel Air Wed Jan 28 6:30-7:30 pm
Chris Coladonato from Connection Catalyst will share practical tips, share ideas, and uncover simple ways to unplug so you can find more calm and presence even on your busiest day. The session will conclude with a short grounding practice – no devices, just presence – so you can step into the rest of your evening calm, clear, and connected.

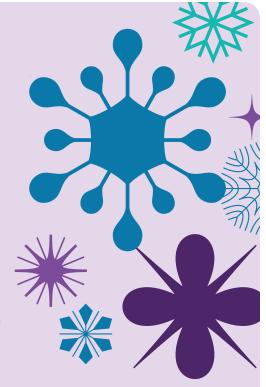
College and Career Prep 101 Grade 9-12 Havre de Grace

Sat Jan 31 10:30 am-12:30 pm Learn how to apply for college or trade school! Explore topics like financial aid, SAT prep, scholarships, and internships with useful information from the Harford County Public Library, the Havre de Grace Youth Commission, and college representatives. Snow date: February 21, 2:00-4:00 pm.

Grow Clean Water in Your Community

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Fallston Sat Feb 7 2:00-3:00 pm The landscape choices we make in our





Checkout all of our great programs!

backyards directly affect the health of our local waterways. Amy Young from Gunpowder Valley Conservancy will discuss how you can grow clean water in your backyard and preserve the Gunpowder Watershed.

Journaling to Look Back 🔞 🕞

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Joppa Sat Feb 21 2:00-3:30 pm
Journaling enthusiast Liz Neal leads
you in the practice of journaling, which
provides an opportunity to capture your
personal journey. Our lives can be seen as a
combination of journeys; each contributing
to our self-awareness and growth. The
session explores the past places you
have lived and traveled. These significant
milestones show importance and discovery
in our lives.

The Story Behind the Photos with Frank

Marsden G G Grade 9-12 & Adult

Norrisville Thu Feb 26 6:00-7:30 pm

Spend an evening with naturalist Frank

Marsden and learn "The Story Behind the

Photos" as he shares his many years of
wildlife photography with us.

Sit and Stitch All Ages

Thu Dec 11, Jan 8, Feb 5 2:00-3:00 pm
Bring your current project and spend time
working with other fiber artists. Join us to
get some tips, make new friends, and stitch
however you like: knitting, embroidery,
crocheting, sewing, or any other needlecraft!

Puzzle Swap All Ages

 Sat
 Dec 13, 27
 10:00 am-5:00 pm

 Sat
 Jan 10, 24
 10:00 am-5:00 pm

 Sat
 Feb 14, 28
 10:00 am-5:00 pm

 Bring in puzzles you would like to trade in for others!

Family Holiday Craft Week Family Mon-Sat Dec 15-20 Library hours Create a fun holiday craft.

Joppa Evening Book Discussion Adult 6:30-7:30 pm

Thu Dec 18 Favorite Reads from 2025
Thu Jan 22 Here One Moment by

Liane Moriarty

Thu Feb 26 Three Days in June by

Anne Tyler

Teen After Hours (3) Grade 6-12 5:00-7:30 pm

Fri Dec 19 Paint Windows!

Fri Jan 23, Feb 20

Play games, listen to music, and have fun while the library is closed. Please call 410-612-1660 for a parent permission slip.

Community Stick Quilt All Ages Dec 20-Mar 20 Library hours See ad on page 3 for details.

Five Nights At Freddy's® Party ③ Grade 9-12

Tue Dec 23 noon-2:00 pm
Celebrate the release of the movie *Five Nights*At Freddy's 2 by inining us for an afternoon of

At Freddy's 2 by joining us for an afternoon of FNAF fun with games, trivia, prizes, and more!

Nintendo Switch™ Free Play Grade 6-12

Tue Dec 30 noon-2:00 pm
Fri Jan 16 noon-2:00 pm
Unwind with some quality Nintendo
Switch™ time!

Mini Art Show: Call for Artists! 📵

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Jan 2-31 Library hours

Pick up your mini art kit starting January 2, while supplies last. Create your "80 Winters of Wonder" themed masterpiece and return by

Lawyer in the Library

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.

*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.

hcplmd.org/ lawyerinthelibrary





Sponsored by the HCBF in partnership with Harford County Public Library.

January 31. Artwork will be on display during the month of February to vote for your favorite!

Winter Bingo Family
Fri Jan 2 2:00-3:00 pm
Play Bingo for fun and prizes.

Evening Zumba® (B) (B) Adult

Tue Jan 6, 13, 20, 27 6:30-7:30 pm
Tue Feb 3, 10, 17 6:30-7:30 pm
Instructor Erin Subramanian leads this dance fitness class featuring Latin and international rhythms that make staying active fun.

Beginners are welcome! Please bring a water bottle and a towel.

Hamilton: Movie Matinee 🕞

Grade 6-12 & Adult

Sat Jan 17 1:30-4:30 pm

The original Broadway production of the award-winning musical that tells the story of Alexander Hamilton, first secretary of the treasury, blending hip-hop, jazz, R&B, and Broadway styles. Filmed from the Richard Rogers Theater in New York. Refreshments will be available during intermission.

Winter Reading Book Sampling 😯 Adult

Sat Jan 24 2:00-3:00 pm See ad on page 3 for details.

Harford Community Action Agency (HCAA)

Adult

Tue Jan 27, Feb 24 10:00 am-noon See ad on page 15 for details.

Hooked on Creativity: Introduction to Crochet

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Tue Jan 27, Feb 24 5:00-7:30 pm Learn to crochet with a beginner project or work on an existing one with fellow crocheters.

Mini Art Show: 80 Winters of Wonder ()

All Ages

Feb 2-28 Library hours

Mini art kits were distributed in January, now is time for the Show! View the "80 Winters of Wonder" themed mini canvases and cast your vote for Best in Show!

Ping Pong Tournament G Grade 6-12
Fri Feb 13 11:30 am-1:00 pm & 1:00-3:00 pm
Battle of the paddles! Prizes will be awarded.
Join us for one or both of the sessions.

Joppa Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale

All Ages

Wed-Tue Feb 18-24 Library hours See ad on page 21 for details.

Journaling to Look Back 😗 🕞

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Sat Feb 21 2:00-3:30 pm See ad on page 19 for details.

NORRISVILLE

Wake Up and Walk Adult Mondays 9:15-10:00 am

Join us for a fun time of low-impact indoor walking exercises followed by gentle stretching.

Puzzle Swap Adult

Dec 1-Feb 28 Library hours

Bring in puzzles you would like to trade in for others! Swapping is available Mon-Sat, all month long.

Holiday Open House (3) All Ages

Tue Dec 2 5:30-7:30 pm

Celebrate the holiday season with crafts, refreshments, and a special performance by the Norrisville Elementary School Chorus.

Family and Friends Story Time Family Wednesdays 10:15-10:45 am Get ready for stories, music, movement, and fun!

PAWS and Read (3) Grade K-5

Thu Dec 4, Jan 8, Feb 5 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 410-692-7850 to register.

Norrisville Holiday Tree Lighting All Ages Thu Dec 4 6:30-7:30 pm

Count down to our first annual tree lighting at the Norrisville Library and Parks and Recreation building! Caroling, cocoa, and a holiday ornament craft are all part of this festive evening.

Holiday Gift Wrapping Station All Ages Sat Dec 6 10:30 am-4:00 pm

Do your gift wrapping at the library! We will provide the space and wrapping supplies (while supplies last), bring a few gifts that need to be wrapped away from any prying eyes.

Norrisville Whispering Pages: A Quiet Book Club Adult

Wed Dec 10, Jan 14, Feb 11 6:00-7:00 pm
Unwind with a cozy hour of quiet reading and good company at our Quiet Book Club – no assigned books, just bring whatever you're reading or check a book out from our collection.

LEGO® Club (B) Family

Mon Dec 15, Jan 26, Feb 23 6:00-7:00 pm We supply the LEGO® bricks. You supply the imagination!

Craft and Create (3) Grade 9-12 & Adult 6:30-7:30 pm

Thu Dec 18 Snowflake Craft
 Thu Jan 15 Creating Intentions
 Thu Feb 19 Acrylic Squeegee Painting
 Make a craft with other craft lovers.
 All supplies provided.

Maisy® Mouse Story Time (3) Family

Fri Dec 19 10:15-11:00 am Celebrate the world of Maisy® the mouse with stories, songs, and a craft!

Hearth & History All Ages
Dec 20-Feb 28 Library hours
See ad on page 3 for details.

Norrisville Morning Book Discussion Adult

10:30-11:30 am

Mon Dec 22 Favorite Reads from 2025
Mon Jan 26 The Frozen River by
Ariel Lawhon

Mon Feb 23 The Diamond Eye by Kate Quinn

Mini Art Show: Call for Artists (3)

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Fri Jan 2 Library hours

Teens and adults, pick up your tiny art kit starting January 2 (while supplies last) and return your masterpiece by January 31. Artwork will be on display during the month of February.

Crafternoon (3 (3) Family

2:00-3:00 pm

Tue Dec 30 Winter

Fri Feb 13 Valentine's Day Join us for some crafting fun!

Noon Year's Eve Family Wed Dec 31 11:30 am-noon See ad on page 23 for details.

Art and Stories: Lois Ehlert (1)

Preschool-Grade 2

Tue Jan 6 10:15-11:00 am

Get creative and enjoy stories and an art-themed, hands-on project inspired by children's book author and illustrator Lois Ehlert.

Genealogy Research Workshop (1) Adult

Tue Jan 13 2:00-3:30 pm See ad on page 14 for details.

Adventures with Paint! (1) (2) Family

Fri Jan 16 2:00-3:00 pm

Have fun during an hour of free creativity with a variety of paints. What will you create?

Introduction to Playing Piano (3) Grade K-8

Sat Jan 17 10:30-11:30 am See ad on page 19 for details.

60-Second Challenges (3) Grade 6-12

Fri Jan 23 3:30-4:30 pm

Teens take part in a series of 60-second challenges that use objects that are commonly available around the house. Are you in it to win it in a minute?

Norrisville Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale Collection All Ages

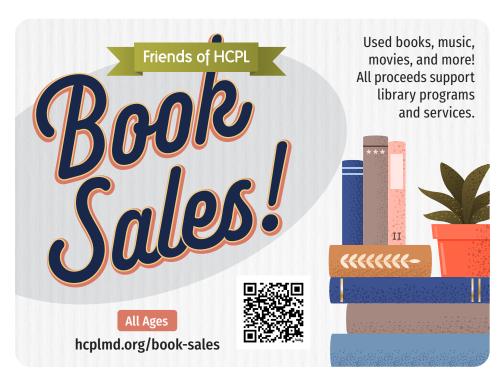
Mon-Sat Jan 26-31 Library hours See ad on page 21 for details.

Decades Listening Lounge All Ages

Thu Jan 29 6:00-7:30 pm

Celebrate HCPL's 80th anniversary by celebrating 80 years of music! It is a vinyl spinning, cassette winding, CD playing party spanning multiple decades of music. Dancing and singing along is encouraged!

View the "Mini Art" submissions from community participants.





Penguin and Polar Bear Party (3) Family

Tue Feb 3 10:15-11:00 am

Chill out with stories, songs, and a craft about penguins and polar bears!

Friends Members-Only Charity Book Sale

All Ages

Wed Feb 4 10:00 am-8:00 pm See ad on page 21 for details.

Norrisville Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale

All Ages

Thu-Sat Feb 5-7 Library hours See ad on page 21 for details.

Lunar New Year Craft Family

Tue Feb 17 Library hours

The Lunar New Year begins today! Drop in during library hours to make a special craft to celebrate the holiday.

Teens <3 the Library: a Bookish Celebration

G Grade 6-12

Fri Feb 20 3:30-4:30 pm

Celebrate your love of the library and HCPL's 80th Anniversary with bookish activities and crafts.

The Story Behind the Photos with Frank

Marsden (B) Grade 9-12 & Adult

Thu Feb 26 6:00-7:30 pm See ad on page 19 for details.

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Family and Friends Story Time Family

Mondays

10:15-10:45 am

Get ready for stories, music, movement, and fun!

Advanced Yoga Adult

Tuesdays (except 12/23) 4:00-5:00 pm

Has your yoga routine become ho-hum and boring? Spice it up. Join us for an hour of fun and be challenged as we get into flip dogs, side planks, bridges, and wheels. We will float your boat and you will be coming back for more!

PAWS and Read (1) Grade K-5

Tue Dec 2, 16 6:00-7:00 pm Jan 6, 20 6:00-7:00 pm 6:00-7:00 pm Tue Feb 3. 17

Thu Dec 4. 18 6:00-7:00 pm Thu Jan 8, 22 6:00-7:00 pm

Thu Feb 5, 19 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.

Baby Story Time (3) Babies

Thursdays 10:15-10:45 am

Cozy up with your little one for bounces, books. and music.

Holiday Open House 🕞 All Ages

Thu Dec 4 4:00-6:00 pm

Celebrate the holiday season with us!

Maryland Food Bank's Mobile Market Adult

Thu Dec 4, Feb 5 4:00-6:00 pm

The Maryland Food Bank's Mobile Market is visiting and they are inviting all to receive healthy foods and resources. Stop by for a full shopping experience (while supplies last).

Gentle Yoga Adult

Fridays (except 12/26) 11:00-11:45 am

A certified yoga instructor will guide you through this gentle approach to yoga that is designed for all ages, body types, and physical abilities. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat or towel.

University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Medical Mobile Van Adult

Fri Dec 12 10:30 am-1:30 pm See ad on page 12 for details.

Books on Tap at Slate Farm Brewery Adult

6:00-7:00 pm

Fri Dec 12 Favorite Reads from 2025 Fri Jan 9 Everyone is Lying to You by

lo Piazza



Fri Feb 13 The Favorites by Layne Fargo Bold titles, Refreshing talk! Everyone's welcome! Slate Farm Brewery, 2128 Whiteford Rd., Whiteford.

Whiteford Afternoon Book Discussion Adult

2:00-3:00 pm

Wed Dec 17 Favorite Reads from 2025 Wed Jan 21 All the Other Mothers Hate Me

by Sarah Harman

Wed Feb 18 Good Dirt by Charmaine Wilkerson

LEGO® Club Grade K-8

Fri Dec 26 11:00 am-1:00 pm

We supply the LEGO® bricks. You supply the imagination!

Puzzle Swap All Ages

Sat Dec 27, Jan 24, Feb 7 10:00 am-5:00 pm Bring in puzzles you would like to trade in for others!

Playdough Playdate Preschool-Grade 2

Mon Dec 29 2:00-3:00 pm

Squish, sculpt, and explore playdough while encouraging creativity and fine motor skills.

Noon Year's Eve 📵 All Ages

Wed Dec 31 11:30 am-noon

See ad on page 23 for details.

TAG (Teen Advisory Group) Grade 6-12

Thu Jan 8, Feb 12 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.

North Harford Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult

Tue Jan 13 3:00-4:00 pm See ad on page 21 for details.

Winter Bingo (1) All Ages

Fri Jan 16 3:00-4:00 pm See ad on page 3 for details.

Homeschool Connect (1) Grade K-8 Wed Jan 21, Feb 18 10:00 am-noon

Join us for a variety of fun and educational activities. Please call 410-638-3608 for more information.

Winter Story Time () Family

Wed Feb 4 10:15-10:45 am

Read, sing and create a winter craft!

Box Forts () Family

Fri Feb 13 2:00-4:00 pm

Help us recycle our cardboard and create a

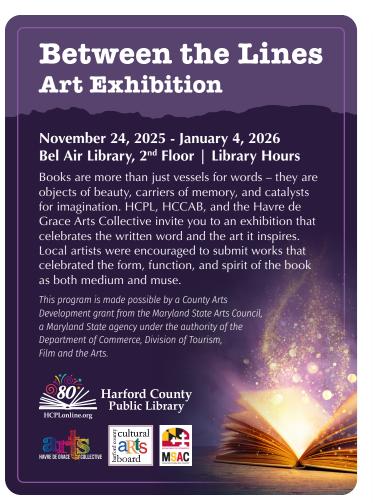
huge box fort!

Craft and Create: Paint Your Pet (1) (2)

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Wed Feb 25 3:00-4:30 pm

Make a craft with other craft lovers. All supplies provided.





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