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Thu Jan 10 6:30 pm
Thu Feb 21 6:30 pm


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Kevin Ferrel and Lance Hersh, Saxon's Diamond Centers; Tina Hersh, Community Volunteer; Connie Thomas, Johns Hopkins; Jon Thomas, Aberdeen Police Department, at the 14th Annual Gala



Lee Tayson, Liberty Mutual Insurance; Hillary Depman Tayson, Coffee Coffee; Sandi Linkous, Community Volunteer, Event Honorary Co-Chair; Steve Linkous, Harford Mutual Insurance & Event Honorary Co-Chair, at the 14th Annual Gala

As we move into the final weeks of 2018, this is certainly an exciting time at HCPL!

The Abingdon Library was the place to be on October 13th when the Library Foundation hosted the 14th Annual Gala, *An Evening in the Stacks: The Pink Edition*. Raising more than \$126,000, the proceeds from this event directly benefit the Library by funding the purchase of a new Tech mobile and STREAM (STEM plus Reading and Art) initiatives. Much appreciation to all those who attended! Guests enjoyed an evening of live music, courtesy of Mood Swings, and experienced library technology by immersing themselves in virtual reality using Oculus Rift and Google Expeditions.

This special evening was made possible by our generous sponsors and we are so grateful for their support. Klein's ShopRite was our Platinum Sponsor. Presenting Sponsors included: BGE, Richardson's Flowers & Gifts, Saxon's Diamond Centers, TW Ellis, and Waste Industries. Headlining Sponsors were: Cake, The Daily Record, I95 Business, Hart to Heart Transportation, M&T Bank, Revolution Events, Rainbow International, WebIXI, and Wegmans. Our Premier, Supporting, and Contributing Sponsors can be found on the back cover. Please join me in thanking them all and be sure to **save the date for next year's Gala: Saturday, November 2, 2019.**

Now... let's welcome winter with lots of great programming and events!

On December 18, *New York Times* bestselling author Laura Lippman will visit the Abingdon Library to read her new children's book, *Liza Jane and the Dragon*! This free event is geared toward children and adults alike. Registration is suggested by visiting the library website, and we hope you can join us.

Still hungry after last year's Winter Reading? You are invited back to the table for Winter Reading 2019, *Eat. Drink. Read... The Second*

Course, beginning on December 21. Lots of fun programs are scheduled for foodies of all ages! See pages 4 & 5 for more information.

This year's Fairy Tale Festival has been expanded to include Superheroes! Happening all day on January 18 at the Bel Air Library, join us for Celebrity Story Times, crafts, STREAM activities, and more! Be sure to come dressed as your favorite fairy tale or superhero character.

February is Black History Month and there are several related programs for all ages. Take a *Virtual Reality Field Trip with Google Expeditions* at the Aberdeen Library or dig deeper into your family history with *African American Genealogy: Beyond the Basics* at the Edgewood Library.

The Human Library, an initiative of Choose Civility Harford County, is happening at several branches in 2019. We are excited to share this unique experience with you! Check out page 8 for details. Save the date for The Longest Table on May 4, at Leidos Field at Ripken Stadium. Stay tuned for more information!

Our 2nd Annual Women's Summit will be held on March 5, at the Abingdon Library. Beth Kaplan, past president of the online retailer, "Rent the Runway" will be our keynote speaker. More exciting details to follow soon.

And finally, just in time for long cold winter days, check out our new Juvenile Board Game Collection! Designed specifically for preschoolers, ages 2 and up, these games

help young children gain valuable early literacy and developmental skills while providing fun for the entire family! A list of available titles can be found at HCPLonline.org.

On behalf of the Library Board of Trustees and staff, have a safe and happy holiday season. See you in the New Year!

Mary Hastler
CEO



Join us for Winter Reading

Eat • DRINK Read

The Second Course

DECEMBER 21–MARCH 2

Adults read/listen to at least five books. High School students read/listen to at least 3.

Once you complete the program, stop in to your library and pick up a special collectors mug.*

Program ends on March 2, but you may complete as early as December 29.

Register at any of our eleven libraries or online at HCPLonline.org!

**Available while supplies last*

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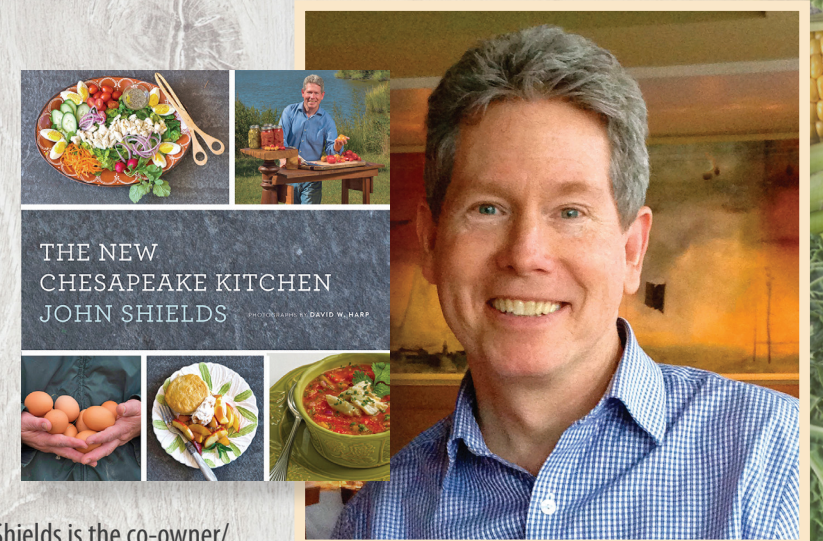
AN EVENING WITH CHEF & AUTHOR JOHN SHIELDS

Thursday, January 31 6:00–8:00 pm
Abingdon Library | Adults

Enjoy a night out with chef, author, and television personality John Shields as he discusses his new book, *The New Chesapeake Kitchen*, followed by a book signing and photo opportunity.

Often called “The Culinary Ambassador of the Chesapeake Bay,” Mr. Shields is the co-owner/proprietor of Gertrude’s Restaurant, located at the Baltimore Museum of Art. His latest cookbook features more than 140 new recipes for delicious “Bay and body-friendly food” and was recognized as one of OpenTable’s Best New Restaurant Cookbooks.

This is a ticketed event and the cost is \$25. Attendees will receive a copy of *The New Chesapeake Kitchen* and a Winter Reading canvas market bag. Tickets can be purchased by visiting HCPLonline.org.



WINTER READING PROGRAMS

FOODIE INSTAGRAM CONTEST

Grades 6-12
Havre de Grace Library
Dec 1-31 Library hours

RECIPE SWAP—HOLIDAY TRADITIONS EDITION | All Ages

Aberdeen Library
Recipe Drop Off
Dec 17-22 Library hours
Recipes On Display
Dec 22-Jan 31 Library hours

MOUSE AND COOKIE CRAFT

Family
Norrisville Library
Sat Dec 29 10:00 am-4:30 pm

FOODIE PHOTO CONTEST

Grade 6 to Adults
Bel Air Library Jan 2-31

BOOKS ON TAP | Adults

Joppa Library
Held at Towne Grill & Pub in Joppa
Kitchen Confidential
by Anthony Bourdain
Tue Jan 8 6:30-8:00 pm
The Comfort Food Diaries
by Emily Nunn
Tue Feb 5 6:30-8:00 pm

NUTRITION: FACT OR FICTION? WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW!

Adults
Bel Air Library
Wed Jan 9 6:30-8:00 pm

A TASTE OF MARYLAND

Adults
Whiteford Library
Wed Jan 16 6:30-8:00 pm

TEA-OLGY | Adults

Norrisville Library
Thu Jan 17 6:30-7:30 pm

SWEET AND SAVORY TASTE TEST

| Grades 6-12
Joppa Library
Tue Jan 22 3:00-4:00 pm

WHITEFORD BOOK DISCUSSION

Adults
Whiteford Library
The Hundred-Foot Journey
by Richard Morais
Wed Jan 23 3:00-4:00 pm

JOPPA BOOKS AT NIGHT

Adults
Joppa Library
The Comfort Food Diaries
by Emily Nunn
Thu Jan 24 6:30-7:30 pm

NORRISVILLE BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP | Adults

Norrisville Library
Jell-O Girls by Allie Rowbottom
Mon Jan 28 10:30-11:30 am

CHOCOLATE THROUGH TIME | Adults

Grade 9 to Adult
Fallston Library
Tue Feb 5 6:30-8:00 pm

CUPCAKE BATTLE

Grades 6-12
Joppa Library
Tue Feb 12 3:00-4:00 pm

FOR THE LOVE OF CHOCOLATE | Adults

Joppa Library
Tue Feb 12 6:30-8:00 pm

WE ♥ PIZZA! | Birth to 5 years

Norrisville Library
Wed Feb 13 10:30-11:15 am

MASTER GARDENERS: HERB AND VEGGIE CONTAINER GARDENING

Adults
Jarrettsville Library
Sun Feb 17 2:00-3:00 pm

CANDY SUSHI | Grades 6-12

Whiteford Library
Tue Feb 19 4:00-6:00 pm

PAINT ALONG | Adults

Norrisville Library
Sat Feb 23 2:00-4:00 pm

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Winter Reading BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS



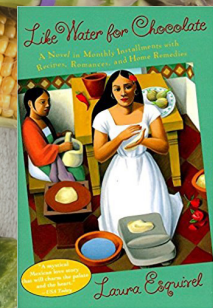
Cooking for Picasso by Camille Aubray

For food lovers, art lovers, and Francophiles! When 17-year old Ondine cooks for a mysterious stranger at her mother's restaurant on the French Riviera, she is shocked to discover that he is none other than the great Pablo Picasso!



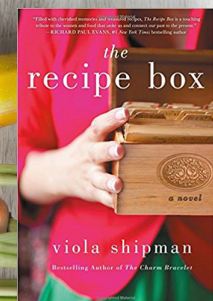
Pride and Prejudice: *a Book-To-Table Classic* by Jane Austen

Brand new edition of the Jane Austen classic, featuring a selection of recipes for tea-time treats by none other than Martha Stewart!



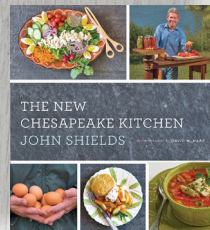
Like Water for Chocolate by Laura Esquivel

Romantic and poignant story of family-life and cultural traditions in turn-of-the-century Mexico – complete with recipes and home remedies.



The Recipe Box by Viola Shipman

An overworked big-city chef returns home to her family's orchard to bake alongside her mother and grandmother, using a treasured recipe box.



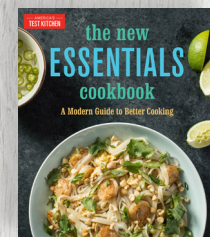
The New Chesapeake Kitchen by John Shields

Baltimore Chef and PBS host John Shields offers a new cookbook with recipes using local, seasonal ingredients. Nourish your health and the environment while you protect the Bay!



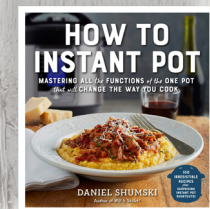
American Cookie: The Snaps, Drops, Jumbles, Tea Cakes, Bars & Brownies That We Have Loved for Generations by Anne Byrn

Early colonists brought many different cookie recipes from their native lands. Each of these 100 recipes also features a history lesson that is both informative and delightful!



The New Essentials Cookbook: *A Modern Guide to Better Cooking* by America's Test Kitchen

Starred reviewed cookbook that is super useful, approachable, and photo-laden from the team behind *America's Test Kitchen*.



How to Instant Pot by Daniel Shumski

Cooking appliance expert Daniel Shumski helps demystify the Instant Pot, a multifunction electric appliance that can act as a pressure cooker, slow cooker, yogurt maker, steamer, and more, for anyone interested in fast, mostly hands-free cooking. Includes recipes.

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**2019 Gala
HAPPY HOUR**

**Tuesday,
February 5, 2019**

5:00-7:00 pm

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1013 Beards Hill Rd, Aberdeen 21001

Music by
Nico Sarbanes Trio

Lite Fare provided by
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Cash Bar



HUMAN LIBRARY[®]

unjudge someone.

Have you ever wished you could talk to someone about their unique experiences, and get honest answers to your questions? Then plan to attend one (or all!) of HCPL's Human Library events.

The Human Library lets people *borrow* another actual person, who has agreed to be a *book* for the event and share their stories*. The goal is to facilitate dialogue, challenge stereotypes, and promote understanding between all of the people who make up our community.

Abingdon Library February 23 1:00-4:00 pm	Havre de Grace Library March 30 1:00-4:00 pm	Fallston Library April 6 1:00-4:00 pm
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*Consider becoming a *Book* for the HCPL Human Library.

You've heard the saying "You're like an open book?" Well, that is what we ask the *books* to be for the Human Library: to be prepared and willing to provide answers that will help build a greater understanding of diversity in Harford County.

HCPL is currently accepting applications to be a Human Library Book. Visit HCPLonline.org or visit any of our locations to complete an application.

Any questions... please contact Leslie Greenly Smith, Marketing & Communications Administrator at smithl@hcplonline.org.

Save the Date:



May 4 Leidos Field at Ripken Stadium

Meet new people and break bread with your Harford County neighbors! As participants share a meal, they'll be challenged to re-think their assumptions about others as they get a glimpse into one another's lives and unique experiences. Stay tuned for more information.



CHOOSE CIVILITY

Select Winter Programs

Deck the Halls [Ⓞ] | All Ages
Edgewood Dec 3-15 Library hours

Libraries for All | Adults
Joppa Wednesdays 1:30-2:30 pm

Acts of Kindness | Family
Bel Air F Dec 3-9 Library hours
Jan 22-27 Library hours
Feb 19-24 Library hours
Jarrettsville Fri Dec 7 1:00-3:00 pm
Fri Feb 8 1:00-3:00 pm
Havre de Grace Sat Dec 15 2:00-3:00 pm

Half-Day Fun | All Ages
Darlington Fri Dec 7 2:00-4:00 pm

Christmas Around the World [Ⓞ] | 3 to 8 years
Bel Air Sun Dec 16 2:00-4:00 pm

Community LEGO[®] Build Day | Family
Whiteford Thu Dec 27 11:00 am-7:00 pm

Stress & Self-Care Workshop | Grade 6 to Adult
Whiteford Sat Dec 29 2:00-3:00 pm

Countdown to Noon Party [Ⓞ] | All Ages
Havre de Grace Mon Dec 31 11:00 am-1:00 pm

Leave a Kind Thought, Take a Kind Thought | All Ages
Fallston Jan 2-31 Library hours

Winnie the Pooh and Friends [Ⓞ]
Birth to 5 years
Norrisville Sat Jan 12 11:00 am-noon

Welcome Home! | All Ages
Edgewood Jan 14-19 Library hours

Create Fidget Activity Mats | All Ages
Joppa Tue Jan 15 1:00-2:00 pm

K9s & Kds [Ⓞ] | Grades K-5
Whiteford Wed Jan 23 6:30-7:30 pm
Abingdon Sat Feb 2 10:00-11:00 am

On the Other Foot: What Does Discrimination Feel Like? [Ⓞ] | Adults
Abingdon Sun Jan 27 2:00-4:00 pm

StoryWalk[®]: Do Unto Otters [Ⓞ] | Family
Edgewood Feb 4-16 Library hours

Valentine's Day Card Craft | Grades K-8
Norrisville Tue Feb 5 6:00-7:30 pm

Knit or Crochet for Charity | Adults
Abingdon Mon Feb 11 2:00-3:30 pm

Abingdon Books at Night | Adults
Abingdon Mon Feb 11 6:30-7:30 pm

Human Library | All Ages
Abingdon Sat Feb 23 10:00 am-5:00 pm



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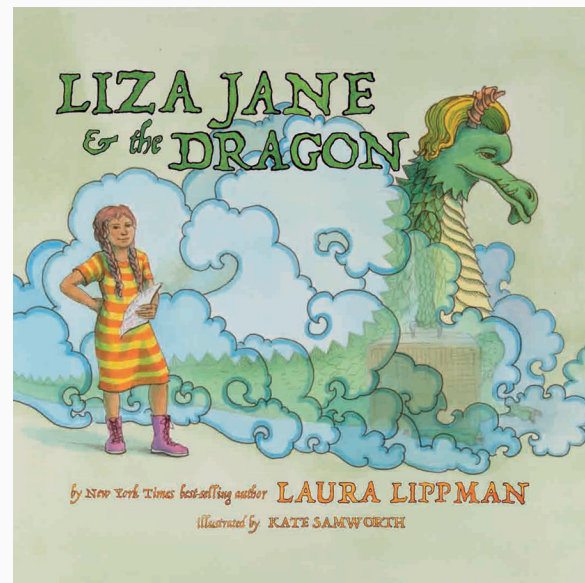
MEET THE AUTHOR

Laura Lippman



Just in time for the holidays! Come meet *New York Times* Bestselling Author Laura Lippman as she reads her new children's book, *Liza Jane & the Dragon*.

Following the book reading, children will enjoy a craft while adults engage in a book discussion and Q & A with the author. You can also have your picture taken with Ms. Lippman! Books will be available for purchase and signing.*



Tuesday, December 18
6:30 pm
Abingdon Library

Children & Adults
 Registration suggested

*while supplies last

Aberdeen

21 Franklin Street
 410-273-5608
 HCPLonline.org

Hours

Mon - Thu 10:00 am - 8:00 pm
 Fri & Sat 10:00 am - 5:00 pm
 Sun (Oct-Apr) 1:00 - 5:00 pm

Closings

Sun Dec 23 Closed
 Mon Dec 24 Christmas Eve
 Tue Dec 25 Christmas Day
 Tue Jan 1 New Year's Day*
 Mon Jan 21 ML King, Jr. Day
 Mon Feb 18 President's Day
 *Closing at 5 pm on Mon Dec 31



All Ages

LEGO® Holiday Train Display 🗺️

All Ages
 All Aboard! Stop by to enjoy the LEGO® train garden and add your own LEGO® creation to the display.
 Dec 1-31 Library hours

Holiday BINGO!

All Ages
 Play holiday-themed BINGO for fun and prizes!
 Sat Dec 1 2:00-3:00 pm

Gingerbread Construction Company 🗺️ 🗺️

All Ages
 Come build something fun! Bring a bag of decorating candy to share. Hard hats not required!
 Sat Dec 8 11:00 am

Holiday Crafts 🗺️

All Ages
 Join us for some holiday crafting and make a small gift for someone!
 Sat Dec 15 2:00-3:00 pm

Recipe Swap— Holiday Traditions Edition

All Ages
 Get ready for the Winter Reading Program *Eat. Drink. Read... The Second Course* by sharing your holiday recipe traditions. Drop off a recipe Dec 17-Dec 22 during library hours to

join our display board. Make sure to include why this recipe is important to your family traditions. Recipes will be on display and available for copying Dec 22-Jan 31.

Recipe Drop Off

Dec 17-22 Library hours
 Recipes On Display
 Dec 22-Jan 31 Library hours

Snowman Drop In Craft

All Ages
 Do you want to build a snowman? Come in out of the cold to make your own snowman craft.
 Jan 13-19 Library hours

Celebrate Martin

Luther King, Jr. Day 🗺️ 🗺️

All Ages
 Celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day by making and displaying a Peace Dove.
 Jan 15-31 Library hours

Student Art Show

All Ages
 Enjoy an amazing display of art presented by the students of Hall's Cross Roads Elementary and join us for a hands on collaborative art experience. Everyone welcome!
 Tue Jan 15 6:00-7:00 pm

Hearts and Crafts 🗺️

Family
 Join us to make something special for those you love!
 Sat Feb 9 2:00-3:00 pm

Virtual Reality Field Trip with Google Expeditions! 🗺️ 🗺️

Family
 Explore Black History Month with a guided virtual reality field trip using Google Expeditions!
 Sun Feb 10 2:00-3:00 pm

Student Art Show

All Ages
 Enjoy an amazing display of art presented by the students of Church Creek Elementary and join us for a hands on collaborative art experience. Everyone welcome!
 Tue Feb 12 6:00-7:00 pm

Children

STEM Station 🗺️ 🗺️

Grades K-8
 Drop in and explore our science station every week for a new hands-on activity!
 Mondays Library hours

Explorer Story Time 🗺️

3 to 5 years | An engaging time for preschoolers. Expand your child's school readiness skills by exploring the joys of reading. Your preschooler will create connections with their world through stories, rhymes, songs, and games. The librarian will model early literacy practices that caregivers can use at home. Playgroup will follow the story time.
 Mondays 10:15-11:00 am

Wiggles Story Time 🗺️

18 months to 3 years
 An energetic time for toddlers. Move and wiggle with your toddler as we sing songs, hear rhymes, read quick, interactive stories, and play movement games. The librarian will model early literacy practices that caregivers can use at home. Playgroup will follow the story time.
 Wednesdays 10:15-11:00 am

Lapsit Story Time

Birth to 18 months
 A gentle time to bond with your baby. Learn how to develop your baby's earliest language and learning skills through songs, rhymes, tickles, bounces, and books. The librarian will model early literacy practices that caregivers can use at home. Playgroup will follow the story time.
 Thursdays 10:15-11:00 am

Winnie the Pooh and Friends 🗺️

3 to 5 years
 Celebrate the joy of friendship with stories, songs, and a craft inspired by the world of Winnie the Pooh!
 Mon Dec 3 10:15-11:00 am

Half Day Fun:

LEGO® Club 🗺️ 🗺️

Grades K-8
 We supply the LEGOs®. You supply the imagination!
 Fri Dec 7 1:00-3:00 pm
 Fri Jan 18 1:00-3:00 pm
 Fri Feb 15 1:00-3:00 pm

Science Club:

Gumdrop Engineering 🗺️ 🗺️ 🗺️

Grades K-5
 Explore architecture and engineering while building with gumdrops.
 Wed Dec 12 5:30-6:30 pm

Science Club: Snow! 🗺️ 🗺️ 🗺️

Grades K-5
 Explore the science behind winter weather.
 Wed Jan 9 5:30-6:30 pm

Play to Learn! 🗺️

Birth to 5 years
 Children learn through play! Enjoy play-filled activities with your child that develop early learning and reading skills and receive information for playing and learning at home.
 Sat Feb 16 10:00 am-3:00 pm

Science Club:

Robot Engineering 🗺️ 🗺️ 🗺️

Grades K-5
 Explore finished, student-built robots from TechBrick Robotics and drive some of the robots as well!
 Wed Feb 20 5:30-6:30 pm

Teens

Anime/Manga Club

Grades 6-12
 Meet other teens interested in anime/manga. Discuss your new favorite shows, and check out displays of library manga.
 3rd Tuesday 3:00-5:00 pm

Teen Time @ the Library

Grades 6-12
 Hang out at the library! Play video and board games and have a great time with your friends!
 Tuesdays & Thursdays
 3:00-5:00 pm

Dungeons and Dragons for Teens

Grades 6-12
 Teens, have you heard about *Dungeons and Dragons* and want to see what it is all about? Or are you a grizzled veteran looking for a group? Come and join us, play *Dungeons and Dragons* 5th edition with our experienced teen Dungeon Master. Materials will be provided, though you are welcome to bring your own dice and books.
 Thursdays 3:00-5:00 pm

Adults

Tech Time—Open Session

Adults
 Learn how to download books & magazines, stream movies & TV, or learn a new language. We are here to help you with your technology needs. Stop in and our librarians will be ready to assist you.
 Tuesdays & Thursdays
 2:00-3:00 pm

Urban Essence Diva's

Book Group

Adults
If you enjoy reading books by Joy Deja King, Nisa Santiago, and Ashley & JaQuavis join us for some lively discussion. New members are always welcome!

1st Thursday 6:30-7:30 pm

Foodie Photo Contest

Grade 6 to Adults

Do you like to share pictures of your mouth watering meals on Social Media? Choose your best image to submit to the Winter Reading Program *Eat. Drink. Read... The Second Course* Foodie Photo Contest. Photos must be shared during the month of January to the branch's Facebook page and tagged with #hcplmd. Only one entry per account will be eligible. Library staff will choose the best photo in 3 categories: appetizer/salads, main course and dessert. Winners will be featured on the branch Facebook page for February and receive a small prize.

Jan 2-31

Aberdeen Friends of HCPL Meeting

Adults

Join the Friends! Support your library by volunteering for special projects and assisting with book sales that help fund library programs and services.

Tue Jan 15 2:00 pm-3:00 pm

Aberdeen Senior Center Book Discussion Group

Seniors

Participants at least 55 years of age are meeting temporarily at the Havre de Grace Activity Center.

News of the World by Paulette Jiles

Fri Jan 25 10:30-11:45 am

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Ⓢ = Supported by the HCPL Friends

Ⓜ = STEM program

✎ = Includes activities for preschoolers

Ⓢ = Part of Choose Civility Harford County

Always open! Check HCPLonline.org for program updates.

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HARFORD COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

WOMEN'S SUMMIT

Keynote Speaker

BETH KAPLAN

Current Strategic Advisor & Board Member, Rent the Runway

Former President and Chief Operating Officer, Rent the Runway



SAVE THE DATE

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

7:30 am-noon

Abingdon Library

Spend the rest of the morning with panel discussions featuring top female leaders in Harford County. Panel topics will cover issues that are important and relevant to women living, playing, and working in our community.

Tickets will be on sale at HCPLonline.org beginning **Monday, January 14.**

Abingdon

2510 Tollgate Road

410-638-3990

HCPLonline.org

Hours

Mon - Thu 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Fri & Sat 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sun (Oct-Apr) 1:00 - 5:00 pm

Drive-thru Window

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Mon - Thu 8:00 am - 7:30 pm

Fri 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Sat 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Sun (Oct-Apr) 1:00 - 4:30 pm

Closings

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All Ages

Family & Friends Story Time

Family | A delightful time with something for everyone. Celebrate the joy of reading as a family with movement, rhymes, songs, and stories. The librarian will model early literacy practices that caregivers can use at home. Playgroup will follow the story time.

Fridays 10:15-11:00 am

Tech Time: Family Holiday Green Screen Night

All Ages

With a green screen, you can place yourself in a scene from anywhere! Use the Abingdon Library's green screen to create a family photo for your holiday greetings.

Tue Dec 11 6:00-7:45 pm

Sounds of the Season

All Ages

Join the Patterson Mill Middle School Orchestra and Chorus for some holiday fun. The 7th and 8th grade

students will be performing a variety of holiday pieces to get you into the spirit of the season.

Fri Dec 14 11:00 am-noon

Fairy Tale Fiasco

Family

A terrible spell has been cast on Fairy Tale Land. Rescue the characters by creating potions and engineering escapes.

Sat Jan 5 2:00-3:30 pm

Tue Jan 8 6:30-8:00 pm

Human Library

All Ages

See page 8 for details

Sat Feb 23 10:00 am-5:00 pm

Children

Wiggles Story Time

18 months to 3 years

An energetic time for toddlers. Move and wiggle with your toddler as we sing songs, hear rhymes, read quick, interactive stories, and play movement games. The librarian will model early literacy practices that caregivers can use at home. Playgroup will follow the story time.

Mondays 10:15-11:00 am

Lapsit Story Time

Birth to 18 months

A gentle time to bond with your baby. Learn how to develop your baby's earliest language and learning skills through songs, rhymes, tickles, bounces, and books. The librarian will model early literacy practices that caregivers can use at home. Playgroup will follow the story time.

Wednesdays 10:15-11:00 am

Explorer Story Time

3 to 5 years | An engaging time for preschoolers. Expand your child's school readiness skills by exploring the joys of reading. Your preschooler will create connections with their world through stories, rhymes, songs, and games. The librarian will model early literacy practices that caregivers can use at home. Playgroup will follow the story time.

Thursdays 10:15-11:00 am

Sensory Time: Stories and Play

3 to 8 years

Inclusive story time, craft and playgroup for families with children who have sensory integration challenges. Geared toward preschool and elementary aged children.

Sibling participation encouraged. There will be time to mingle after each session.

2nd Saturdays 10:30-11:30 am

Hour of Code with Booz Allen Hamilton

Grades 3-8

Booz Allen Hamilton is joining Harford County Public Library to host *The Hour of Code*—an initiative by Computer Science Education Week and Code.org to introduce millions of students to one hour of computer science and computer programming. More than 100 million students worldwide have already tried an Hour of Code! Technical Consultants from Booz Allen Hamilton will address students by discussing careers in technology and how tech affects everyone. They will also assist students as they participate in their Hour of Code. Activities include Code.org's own programming tutorials featuring *Minecraft*, *Star Wars*, Disney's *Frozen* and *Moana*!

Mon Dec 3 6:30-7:30 pm

STEM Play—Sphero

Grades K-5

Looking for something new to do after school? Learn and explore interactive technologies.

Fri Dec 7 2:00-4:00 pm

Black-Eyed Susan Book Club

Grades 3-5 | Discuss and create a fun, book-related project for a Black-Eyed Susan Award nominee.

Chester and Gus by Cammie McGovern

Bolivar by Sean Rubin

Tue Jan 8 11:00 am-noon

Clayton Byrd Goes Underground

by Rita Williams-Garcia

Tue Feb 12 11:00 am-noon

All Aboard the Polar Express

Grades K-2

Be enchanted by this classic tale. Wear your favorite pj's for an evening of holiday surprises!

Thu Dec 13 6:30-7:30 pm

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Celebration

Birth to 5 years

Celebrate your progress in the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten challenge by reading, singing, dancing, and making a fun craft! Haven't joined 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten yet? Join the program and celebrate!

Mon Dec 17 6:30-7:30 pm

STEM Play—Circuit Scribes

Grades K-5

Looking for something to do after school? Learn and explore interactive technologies.

Fri Jan 18 2:00-4:00 pm

Snowflake Science

Grades K-2

Drift into the library to spend some time learning all about snowflakes. Enjoy making some "cool" snowflake crafts.

Wed Jan 23 6:30-7:30 pm

K9s & Kds—Operation Paws for Homes

Grades K-5

This Operation Paws for Homes program will include instruction for children on safe dog interaction, story time, crafts, and the chance to meet rescue dogs and puppies. Register all those attending, adults and children.

Sat Feb 2 10:00-11:00 am

Celebrate Lunar New Year

Grades K-2

Learn about the Year of the Pig and make crafts honoring this ancient tradition.

Mon Feb 4 6:30-7:30 pm

STEM Play—OSMO

Grades K-5

Looking for something to do after school? Learn and explore interactive technologies.

Fri Feb 15 2:00-4:00 pm

Teens

TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)

Grades 6-12

Make a difference in the Library. Have your voice be heard! Bring friends and make new ones!

1st & 3rd Wednesdays 3:30-4:30 pm

Manga/Anime Club

Grades 9-12

Interested in manga and anime? Join us for a lively discussion of books and manga in popular culture.

2nd & 4th Wednesdays 3:30-4:30 pm

Tech Time:

Thursday Night Live!

Grade 6 to Adult

Are you ready to explore virtual reality? Come to the library on Thursday evenings for a chance to explore strange new worlds with our HTC Vive! You must be at least 13 years old to participate.

Thursdays 6:00-7:00 pm

Gingerbread

House Architects 📍 📍

Grades 6-12

Create your own gingerbread masterpiece using graham crackers and other junk food items. It's a work of art—not a snack!

Fri Dec 7 3:00-4:00 pm

Tech Time: Designing for the Carvey 📍 📍

Grade 6 to Adult | Learn how to design a personalized tile using the Carvey. Carve times may be limited during class, but the Carvey is available during library hours in the Innovation Lab. Materials provided.

Tue Dec 18 6:00-7:45 pm

Leadership for Teens 📍

Grades 6-12

Are you interested in realizing your leadership potential? Come join Renee McNally as she helps teens better understand core leadership principles and values in a fun and engaging setting!

Mon Jan 28 6:00-7:00 pm

How Well Do You Know Your Candy?

Grades 6-12

Think you know your candy bars? Try to match the name of the candy bars to their picture, give your guess to the librarian and get a sweet treat (mini sized). If you get them all correct you could win a GIANT CANDY BAR!

Feb 11-16 Library hours

Tech Time: Virtual Reality Fruit Ninja Night! 📍 📍

Grade 6 to Adult | You've probably played *Fruit Ninja* on a computer or mobile device. Now, you can play the game in virtual reality, on the HTC Vive! Join us for a fun evening of friendly competition. You must be at least 13 years old to participate.

Thu Feb 14 6:00-7:30 pm

Adults

Maryland Health Connection Library Enrollment Day

Adults

Get free expert help with signing up and understanding your 2019 coverage through Maryland's health insurance marketplace.

Sat Dec 8 12:30-4:00 pm

Abingdon Books at Night

Adults

Join us for our annual holiday celebration. Contact the Abingdon Branch for more information.

Bring your favorite book(s) of 2018 to share and a sweet or savory snack.

Mon Dec 10 6:30-7:30 pm

Alice's Adventures in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll (A Winter Reading Pick!)

Mon Jan 14 6:30-7:30 pm

A Place for Us by Fatima Farheen Mirza (A Choose Civility Pick!)

Mon Feb 11 6:30-7:30 pm

Otaku Club

Adults

You're never too old to enjoy manga and anime. Meet up with like-minded enthusiasts!

Thu Dec 13 4:00-5:00 pm

Booked for Lunch

Adults

Join us for our annual holiday celebration.

Bring your favorite book(s) of 2018 to share and a sweet or savory snack.

Wed Dec 19 12:30-1:30 pm

A Pocket Full of Rye by Agatha Christie (A Winter Reading Pick!)

Wed Jan 16 12:30-1:30 pm

The Silent Sister by Diane Chamberlain

Wed Feb 20 12:30-1:30 pm

Living Well: Chronic Disease Self Management 📍

Adults

This six week workshop provides real-life skills for living a full, healthy life with a chronic condition including diabetes, arthritis, asthma and heart disease. Interactive and fun, you will be with others who understand and receive support for continuing normal daily activities and dealing with the emotions that chronic conditions may bring about. Taught by health professionals from the University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Health: HealthLink. A free, 380-page textbook is included. Please register and plan to attend all sessions. Offered in partnership with University of MD Upper Chesapeake Healthlink.

Tuesdays

Jan 15-Feb 19 5:00-7:30 pm

On the Other Foot:

What Does Discrimination

Feel Like? 📍 📍

Adults

How does discrimination feel? Can you identify situations in which others are treated with discriminatory actions, words, or micro-aggressions? Join us to view a short film on using Virtual Reality in combating discrimination, then try to walk a few minutes in the shoes of a member of a minority.

Sun Jan 27 2:00-4:00 pm

Books on Tap

Adults

Bold Titles, Refreshing Talk! Held at Pairings Bistro, 2105 Laurel Bush Road, Ste 108, Bel Air. Please register: Books on Tap Meetup or at the branch.

From the Corner of the Oval by Beck Dorey-Stein

Mon Jan 28 6:30-8:00 pm

The 7 1/2 Deaths of Evelyn Hardcastle by Stuart Turton

Mon Feb 25 6:30-8:00 pm

600 New Things

We Will Have After the War

Adults

Join us for a light-hearted examination of a document held by Enoch Pratt Free Library, entitled *600 New Things We Will Have After the War*—evaluating the technological predictions of G. George Frederick. Which innovations did he predict and where was he off the mark? Presented by John Jewitt, manager of the Social Science and History Department of Enoch Pratt Free Library.

Sun Feb 10 2:00-3:30 pm

Knit or Crochet for Charity 📍

Adults

Bring your knitting or crocheting project to make with the group. Make a scarf, hat, or mittens. Finished projects will be donated to a local charity.

Mon Feb 11 2:00-3:30 pm

Abingdon Friends of HCPL Meeting

Adults

Join the Friends! Support your library by volunteering for special projects that help fund Library programs.

Mon Feb 25 6:00-7:00 pm

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Bel Air

100 E. Pennsylvania Ave.

410-638-3151

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Hours

Mon - Thu 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Fri & Sat 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sun (Oct-Apr) 1:00 - 5:00 pm

Drive-thru Window

410-638-4800

Mon - Thu 8:00 am - 7:45 pm

Fri 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Sat 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Sun (Oct-Apr) 1:00 - 4:30 pm

Closings

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Tue Dec 25 Christmas Day

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Mon Jan 21 ML King, Jr. Day

Mon Feb 18 President's Day

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Family & Friends

Story Time 📍

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Wednesdays & Saturdays (except 2/13) 10:15-11:00 am

Movin and Groovin

Story Time 📍

Family

Music, movement and stories for children ages birth to 5 years old. Fridays (except 1/18) 10:15-11:00 am

Acts of Kindness Week 📍 📍

Family

Make something to benefit a local

community service organization when you visit StreamWorks.

Dec 3-9 Library hours

Jan 22-27 Library hours

Feb 19-24 Library hours

Fairy Tale & Superhero Festival

All Ages | Celebrity Story Time throughout the day featuring local community leaders sharing their favorite children's picture books. Come dressed as your favorite fairy tale or superhero character or even as an every day superhero! Also enjoy crafts and STEM activities—stop by after school lets out early!

Fri Jan 18 9:00 am-5:00 pm

Book Character

Scavenger Hunt

Family

Participate in a scavenger hunt to find beloved book characters.

Feb 4-10 Library hours

Let's Play Games! Day 📍

Family

Create fun family memories while playing games such as indoor mini-golf and life-sized games in the Children's department!

Thu Feb 7 10:00 am-7:30 pm

Valentine Dance Party 📍

Family

Dance and celebrate Valentine's Day with someone you love!

Wed Feb 13 10:15-10:45 am

Children

Lapsit Story Time

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Thursdays 10:15-11:00 am

Create a Cookie Cutter 📍

Grades K-8

Design a holiday cookie cutter! All cookie cutters will be 3D printed and available for pick up by Thursday, December 13.

Dec 2-8 Library hours

Electromagnetic Magic 📍

Grades K-8

Drop by StreamWorks for a special hands on activity with electromagnetic cranes!

Dec 10-16 Library hours

Jan 10-17 Library hours

Feb 11-17 Library hours

Google Expeditions:

World Traveler 📍 📍

Grades K-5

Visit new and exciting places around the world using Google Expeditions!

Thu Dec 13 6:30-7:15 pm

Christmas Around

the World 📍 📍 📍

3 to 8 years

Make crafts and learn about how select countries celebrate Christmas.

Sun Dec 16 2:00-4:00 pm

Holiday Crafts 📍 📍

3 to 5 years

Create holiday crafts!

Tue Dec 18 10:45 am-noon

Noon Year's Eve Party! 📍 📍

3 to 5 years

Put on your dancing shoes and rock in 2019!

Mon Dec 31 11:00 am-12:15 pm

Preschool Snow Party 📍 📍

3 to 5 years

Join us for an afternoon full of snowy crafts, books and movement!

Tue Jan 8 1:00-2:30 pm

Google Expeditions:

World Traveler 📍 📍

Grades K-5

Visit new and exciting places around the world using Google Expeditions!

Wed Jan 9 6:30-7:15 pm

Busy Little Hands 📍 📍

18 months-5 years

Through creative play, children will increase pre-literacy skills and dexterity while having fun!

Thu Jan 10 10:45-11:15 am

Beach Crafts 📍 📍

3 to 5 years

Forget winter, let's make beach crafts!

Tue Jan 15 10:45 am-noon

Peppa Pig Party! 📍 📍

3 to 5 years

Enjoy Peppa stories, games and crafts!

Fri Jan 25 11:30 am-12:30 pm

My First Book Club 📍

Grades K-5

Book discussion followed by a fun activity!

Zoey and Sassafras: Dragons and Marshmallows by Asia Citro

Tue Jan 29 4:30-5:30 pm

Detective Gordon: The First Case by Ulf Nilsson

Tue Feb 26 4:30-5:30 pm

Growing Up Wild 📍 📍 📍 📍

3 to 8 years

Enjoy a hands on, nature themed story time! Craft, venture outdoors (weather permitting), and play games. Dress appropriately.

Wed Jan 30 1:00-2:30 pm

Wed Feb 27 1:00-2:30 pm

Winter Yoga Story Time 📍 📍

3 to 8 years

Enjoy beginner yoga moves based on winter stories and learn to create a fun yoga flow to music!

Tue Feb 5 1:00-2:00 pm

Valentine Crafts 📍 📍

3 to 5 years

Celebrate Valentine's Day with some heartfelt crafts!

Tue Feb 12 10:45 am-noon

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Wed Feb 13 2:00-3:00 pm

8TH ANNUAL
FILM THIS!
BOOK TRAILERS CONTEST

CALLING ALL TEENS!
CREATE SHORT VIDEOS PROMOTING YOUR FAVORITE BOOK.
JUDGES WILL CHOOSE THE WINNING SUBMISSIONS.
SEE A LIBRARIAN FOR OFFICIAL RULES AND SUBMISSION GUIDELINES.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE:
MUST BE RECEIVED BY FEBRUARY 15
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Teens

TAG! (Teen Advisory Group) ☺

Grades 6-12
Make a difference in the library. Have your voice heard! Bring your friends. Make new ones!
1st Thursday 3:30-5:00 pm

Snack Attack BINGO ☺

Grades 6-8
Join in on an afternoon of BINGO! Win snacks for prizes.
Sat Jan 19 1:00-2:30 pm

You Tell Us! ☺

Grades 6-12
Drop in and give us the scoop on books, reading, school, and libraries. We want to hear from you! Small prizes and a chance to win a gift card for all participants.
Feb 1-28 Library hours

DUPLI-Cakes ☺ ☺

Grades 6-12
Are you a master cake decorator? Or a master of disaster? Try your hand at dressing up an elaborate cake in 90 minutes or less. (Remember: It's a craft—not a snack.) You can work solo or in pairs.
Sat Feb 9 1:30-3:30 pm

Adults

Bel Air Mysterious Minds Mystery Group

Adults
Love reading mysteries? Call the branch for this month's selection.
1st Wednesday (except 12/5) 6:30-7:45 pm

Harford Writers' Group

Adults
Share your writing with like-minded people and improve your craft! The Writers' Group critiques, motivates, shares experiences and knowledge, and propels your writing to the next level. Open to adults of all writing levels.
1st Thursday 6:00-8:00 pm

Books and Beyond ☺

Adults
This reading group is geared towards individuals living with memory loss. Open to caregivers as well, participants will have a safe and relaxed place to share conversation and creative expression while enjoying all forms of literature.
2nd Wednesday 6:30-7:30 pm

Tech Time—Open Session

Adults
Learn how to download books & magazines, stream movies & TV, or learn a new language. We are here to help you with your technology needs. Stop in and our librarians will be ready to assist you.
3rd Friday 2:00-4:00 pm

Bel Air Books at the Center

Seniors
Participants at least 55 years of age meet at the McFaul Activities Center for a spirited book discussion.
All We Ever Wanted by Emily Giffin
Mon Dec 3 1:00-3:00 pm
Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver
Mon Jan 7 1:00-3:00 pm
Harry's Trees by Jon Cohen
Mon Feb 4 1:00-3:00 pm

Books On Tap

Adults
Bold titles, Refreshing Talk!
Sean Bolan's, 12 S Main St, Bel Air.
A different title each month. Everyone welcome! Please register: Books on Tap Meetup or at the branch.
Choose a PBS Great American Read book to discuss.
Tue Dec 4 6:30-8:30 pm
The Only Story by Julian Barnes
Tue Jan 8 6:30-8:30 pm
Invisible Man by Ralph Ellison
Tue Feb 5 6:30-8:30 pm

Holiday Greens Centerpiece Workshop with Master Gardeners ☺

Adults
Master Gardener floral designers will discuss the basics for creating a beautiful centerpiece using greens from your garden. As participants create their arrangements, Master Gardeners will offer suggestions and advice. Those registered should bring a container, clippers or scissors and winter greens from their garden. Cut the greens the day before the workshop and condition them overnight in tepid water to retain freshness. For further information call the Harford County Extension Office 410-638-3255.
Space is limited—no walk-ins.
Sat Dec 8 10:15 am-noon

Bel Air Fiction Book Discussion Group

Adults
Eternal Life by Dara Horn
Thu Dec 20 6:30-7:45 pm
There There by Tommy Orange
Thu Jan 17 6:30-7:45 pm
Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver
Thu Feb 21 6:30-7:45 pm

Nutrition: Fact or Fiction? What You Need to Know!

Adults
Nutritional information can be conflicting and confusing. Healthlink nurse Terri Broemm BSN, RN from UM Upper Chesapeake, will dispel myths, clarify misleading information & separate fact from fiction so that you can eat better to live better.
Wed Jan 9 6:30-8:00 pm

Pruning in Winter with Master Gardeners ☺

Adults
Learn when & how to prune various woody plants & trees from winter to fall.
Sat Jan 19 10:15 am-noon

Creative Downtime for Adults

Adults
Express your creativity! Enjoy coloring, writing, drawing, knitting—any form of art you practice is welcomed. Artists can enjoy some quiet time or work together & inspire each other. Coloring sheets & colored pencils will be available for those who want to drop in and have fun.
Sun Jan 20 1:00-4:30 pm
Sat Jan 26 1:00-4:30 pm
Sat Feb 2 1:00-4:30 pm

Genealogy Introduction & More ☺

Adults
For the novice or researcher who wants to brush up on the basics. Topics include: organization; documentation; research strategies and resources—including library online resources AncestryLE, Heritage Quest and historical newspapers. There is no need to bring devices or family information. This is a lecture and online presentation.
Thu Jan 24 6:00-8:00 pm

New! Documentary Discussion Group

Adults
Documentaries are a fun way to learn something new and broaden your horizons. Join a spirited discussion each month on a different documentary. Use HCPL's digital streaming services, Kanopy or Hoopla, to watch the documentary before attending the discussion. OR check out a dvd copy from our collection. Light snacks are welcomed.
In-depth exposé on the commercial pet food industry entitled *Pet Fooled*
Fri Jan 25 6:00-7:30 pm
What's with Wheat: Eat at Your Own Risk features fifteen global experts who shed the light on what is currently happening to our wheat
Fri Feb 22 6:00-7:30 pm

Bel Air Friends of HCPL Meeting

Adults
Mon Jan 28 6:00-7:00 pm
Mon Feb 25 6:00-7:00 pm

Just the Facts!—A Nonfiction Book Club

Adults
Join us as we discuss contemporary & popular nonfiction. Call the branch for the monthly selection.
Mon Jan 28 6:30-7:45 pm
Mon Feb 25 6:30-7:45 pm

Beyond Class, Race, and Religion: Saving the Catholic African American Orphans of Baltimore ☺

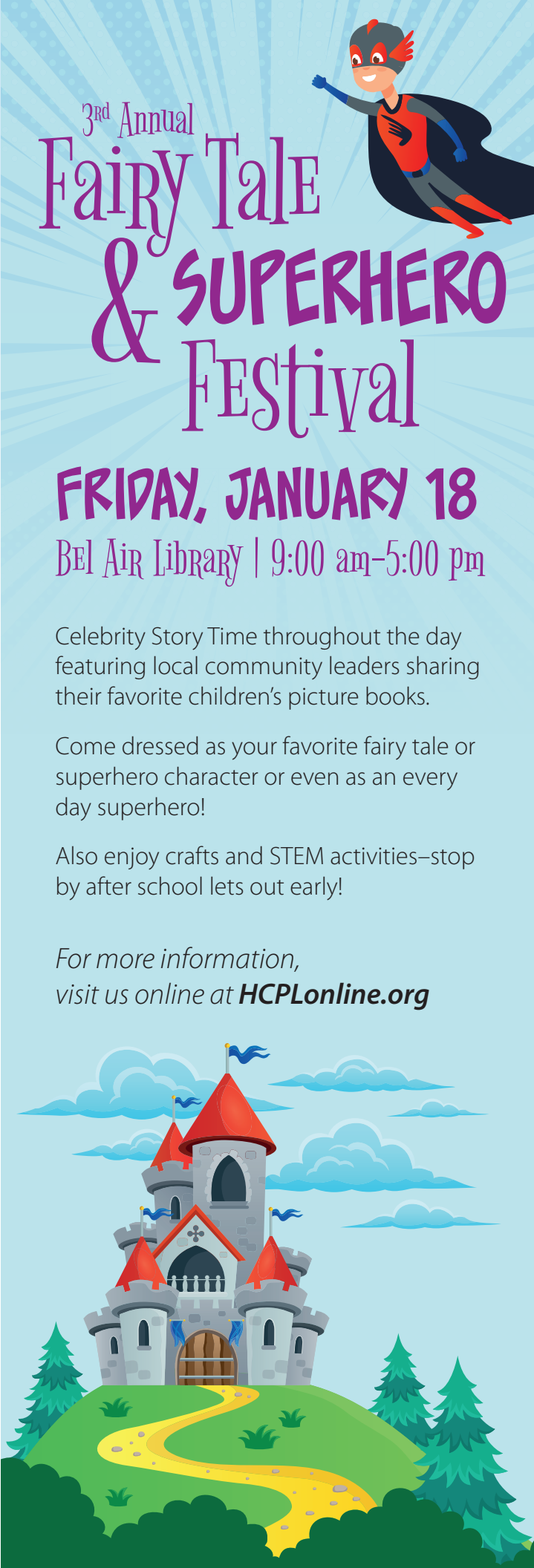
Adults
After the Civil War a number of institutions dedicated to caring for orphaned and neglected children were founded in Baltimore City. Only a handful of those orphanages admitted African American children, most of which were affiliated with the Catholic Church. This presentation will focus on two of those orphanages—Saint Frances Orphan Asylum and Saint Elizabeth's Home. Saint Frances Orphan Asylum was founded and managed by the Oblate Sisters of Providence, the first community of religious women of African origin. Saint Elizabeth's Home was managed by the Franciscan Sisters whose order originated in England. Amy Rosenkrans, PhD, will discuss the history of both orphanages and their importance to Baltimore's African American community.
Tue Feb 12 6:30-8:00 pm

Indoor Seed Starting with Master Gardeners ☺

Adults
Learn to grow vegetable and flower transplants from seeds started indoors.
Sat Feb 16 10:15 am-noon

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Darlington

1134 Main Street
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Hours

Mon - Wed 3:00 - 8:00 pm
Thu noon - 5:00 pm
Fri 1:00 - 5:00 pm
Sat 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Closings

Mon Dec 24 Christmas Eve
Tue Dec 25 Christmas Day
Tue Jan 1 New Year's Day*
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All Ages

Family & Friends Story Time ☺

Family | A delightful time with something for everyone. Celebrate the joy of reading as a family with movement, rhymes, songs, and stories. The librarian will model early literacy practices that caregivers can use at home. Playgroup will follow the story time.
3rd Thursday 11:00-11:45 am

Darlington Friends Book Sale ☺

All Ages
2nd Saturday 10:00 am-2:00 pm

Holiday Open House ☺

All Ages
Celebrate the holiday season with crafts, games, holiday music, and refreshments.
Mon Dec 3 3:00-8:00 pm

Half-Day Fun ☺

All Ages
Have a half day of school? Come to the library!
Read the book, *Do Unto Otters: A Book About Manners* by Laurie Keller, and enjoy related activities.
Fri Dec 7 2:00-4:00 pm

Half-Day Fun

All Ages
Have a half day of school? Come to the library! Make or do something cool!
Fri Jan 18 2:00-4:00 pm
Fri Feb 15 2:00-4:00 pm

Teens

Teen After Hours ☺ ☺ ☺

Grades 6-12
Hang out after hours and enjoy pizza. Tour a cool place without leaving the library, using Virtual Reality glasses. *Please call the library for a parent permission slip.*
Fri Feb 8 5:00-6:30 pm

Adults

Knot Just Knitting

Adults
We also crochet, count stitches, and more! Beginner or expert, bring your latest "hook and needle" project and we'll share knowledge.
1st Tuesday 6:30-7:30 pm

Darlington Friends of HCPL Meeting ☺

Adults
Thu Dec 6 1:00-2:30 pm
Thu Jan 10 1:00-2:30 pm
Thu Feb 7 1:00-2:30 pm

Darlington Book Discussion Group

Adults
The Wright Brothers by David McCullough
Tue Dec 18 6:30-7:30 pm
Skipping Christmas by John Grisham
Tue Jan 15 6:30-7:30 pm
The Best Cook in the World: Tales from My Momma's Table by Rick Bragg
Tue Feb 19 6:30-7:30 pm

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Edgewood

629 Edgewood Road
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HCPLonline.org

Hours

Mon - Thu 10:00 am - 8:00 pm
Fri & Sat 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Drive-thru Window

Mon - Thu 4:00 - 7:00 pm
Fri 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Closings

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All Ages

Family & Friends

Story Time 🐾

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Wednesdays 10:30-11:15 am

Edgewood Friends DVD Sale

All Ages
2nd Saturday 10:00 am-4:30 pm

Deck the Halls 🎅🎁

All Ages
Take a minute to write a few kind words and make an ornament. All cards and ornaments will be donated to our local retirement homes.
Dec 3-15 Library hours

Welcome Home! 🏠

All Ages
The library is gathering supplies and making welcome home cards for military service members who are returning from deployment. Stop in and make a welcome home card or drop off items for donation and we

will deliver them to Operation Welcome Home Maryland! Items to donate include mini water bottles and prepackaged small snacks.
Jan 14-19 Library hours

StoryWalk:

Do Unto Otters 🐾🎧

Family
Take a walk around the library while reading the story, *Do Unto Otters*. Participate in activities to help you learn all about kindness and civility.
Feb 4-16 Library hours

Hearts and Crafts 🎨🎁

All Ages
Adults, kids, and families join us to make something special for those you love!
Thu Feb 7 5:00-6:00 pm

Deerfield Elementary School Choir

All Ages
Join us to hear motivating music from our local elementary school choir.
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Wed Dec 5 6:30-7:30 pm

Gingerbread Construction Company 🍪🏗️

Grades K-5
Come build something fun! Bring one bag of candy to share. Hard hats not required!
Thu Dec 6 6:00-7:00 pm

LEGO® Club 🧱

Grades K-5
We supply the LEGOs®, you supply the imagination!
Fri Dec 7 2:00-3:00 pm
Fri Jan 18 2:00-3:00 pm
Fri Feb 15 2:00-3:00 pm

A Long Winter's Nap—Black Bears in Maryland 🐻

Grades K-5
Black bears are the largest land mammal in Maryland. Learn more about these fascinating animals through hands on activities.
Wed Dec 19 6:00-7:00 pm

Digital Camp: Osmo® Party 🎮🐾

18 months to 5 years
Connect tablet technology back to the real world at the Osmo® Party, where you and your child can have a blast with words, numbers, tangrams, masterpiece, and more!
Wed Jan 16 11:45 am-12:30 pm

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Digital Camp: Osmo® Alphabet Hunt 🎮🐾

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Have a blast while you and your child explore games to reinforce alphabet letters, sounds, and word recognition using Osmo® Alphabet.
Fri Jan 18 noon-12:45 pm

Chain Reaction Challenge 🧪🔗

Grades K-5
Join us to construct delightfully complicated contraptions that accomplish simple tasks! In this hands-on, engineering based program we will demonstrate basic forces and motion physics by working on easy and sometimes hilarious simple tasks!
Wed Feb 20 6:00-7:00 pm

Teens

Teen Time

Grades 6-12
No place to go after school? Come by the library for tons of fun. Bring your friends.
Thursdays (except 12/27) 3:00-4:30 pm

Can You Tell the Food? 🍴

Grades 6-12
Think you have pretty good taste buds? Come test them out in a tasting challenge.
Wed Dec 26 3:00-4:00 pm

Night at the Library

Grades 6-8
A special night at the library where we show you that the library is more than just books. Come see what else we have to offer!
Mon Jan 14 5:00-6:30 pm

Movie Madness 🎬

Grades 6-12
It's Monday night movie time. Come out and watch a movie with light refreshments.
Mon Jan 28 5:30-7:30 pm

Black History Month Jeopardy

Grades 6-12
Do you love Black History Month and the show Jeopardy? Well guess what? We combined the two.
Thu Feb 21 6:00-7:00 pm

Adults

Edgewood Friends of the Library Meeting

Adults
Join the Friends! Support your library by volunteering for special projects that help fund library programs.
Mon Dec 3 4:15-5:15 pm
Mon Jan 28 4:15-5:15 pm
Mon Feb 25 4:15-5:15 pm

Booked For Lunch 🍽️

Adults | Let's do lunch and enjoy a midday discussion.
The Little French Bistro by Nina George
Wed Dec 5 noon-1:00 pm
The Nix by Nathan Hill
Wed Jan 2 noon-1:00 pm
The Second Mrs. Hockaday by Susan Rivers
Wed Feb 6 noon-1:00 pm

Crafternoons—Birdseed Ornaments 🐦🎨

Adults
Come in and make a special treat for our feathered friends that spend the winter here.
Sat Dec 8 1:00-3:00 pm

Library Breakout 🎮🎁

Adults
An exciting Breakout challenge that includes a story, puzzles, riddles, clues, a time limit, and a lot of fun! Work as a team to uncover the clues and unlock the locks! Will you be able to beat the clock?

A Christmas Story

Mon Dec 10 6:30-7:30 pm
Back to the Future
Sat Feb 16 2:00-3:00 pm

Edgewood Senior Center Book Discussion Group

Seniors
Join us for a book discussion at the Edgewood Senior Center.
A Piece of the World by Christina Baker Kline
Tue Jan 22 10:30-11:30 am
The Vengeance of Mothers by Jim Fergus
Tue Feb 26 10:30-11:30 am

Meal Planning 🍽️🎁

Adults
Do you find yourself in the kitchen at the last minute trying to decide what to make for tonight's dinner? Do you often pick something up on the way home from work because you don't know if you have all of the ingredients for a meal? Learn how to prepare ahead of time in this two part

class. Save money and lose some of the stress as well. Please register and plan to attend both sessions.
Thu Jan 24 6:00-8:00 pm
Sat Jan 26 11:00 am-1:00 pm

African American Genealogy: Beyond the Basics

Adults
Designed for genealogists with experience, this session will dig deeper into resources of interest for individuals researching African American genealogy. We'll explore the library's digital resources, popular genealogy databases such as Ancestry.com, independent record repositories such as the Freedmen's Bureau, and federal and state government websites. We'll also discuss how slave narratives, census records, historical photographs, and other rich sources of information provide the broader context and specific details relating to African American family histories.
Mon Feb 4 6:00-7:30 pm

Financial Education and Wellness 🎓

Adults
Start the new year right by learning tips and tricks on how to improve your financial wellness.
Wed Feb 27 6:00-7:30 pm

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The Juvenile Board Game Collection

Combines family play fun with early skills development!

This collection is designed for preschoolers, ages 2 and up, with some games appropriate for ages 3 or 4 and up. These games provide fun for the entire family, even the youngest members! While playing, young children gain valuable early literacy and developmental skills, such as: fine motor skills; hand-eye coordination; object recognition; cooperation; color and shape recognition; taking turns; understanding rules; memory; sense of touch; matching; counting; following instructions; concentration; developing teamwork; language skills; imagination and sorting.

Visit HCPLonline.org for a list of available titles.

Fallston

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HCPLonline.org

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All Ages

Family & Friends

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Wednesdays 10:15-11:00 am

BEAM Me Up 🤖

Family
BEAM by EyeClick is an award-winning interactive gaming projector system. It is like a touch screen game system that you play with your whole body, since it is projected on the floor. Come have fun at the library with BEAM!

Wednesdays 11:00 am-noon
Saturdays 2:00-3:00 pm

Fallston Holiday

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All Ages
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Fridays
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Leave a Kind Thought, Take a Kind Thought ☺

All Ages
Celebrate civility and kindness by writing a kind note for a stranger to take. Feel free to take a note to brighten your day.
Jan 2-31 Library hours

Children

Wiggles Story Time 🐾

18 months to 3 years
An energetic time for toddlers. Move and wiggle with your toddler as we sing songs, hear rhymes, read quick, interactive stories and play movement games. The librarian will model early literacy practices that caregivers can use at home. Playgroup will follow the storytime.

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Thu Dec 6 6:30-7:30 pm

STEM Stuff: Lemonade 🧪

Grades K-5
Learn about acids and alkalis and art as we experiment with lemons. STEM-ulate your mind as we explore scientific reactions.
Wed Jan 16 6:30-7:15 pm

Experiment and Explore: Shapes and Sizes 🧪

3 to 5 years
Learn all about shapes and sizes through fun stories, hands-on experiments and exploration.
Tue Jan 22 10:15-11:00 am

STEM Stuff:

Simple Machines 🧪

Grades K-5 | Learn about the basic machines that make work happen. STEM-ulate your mind as we explore basic technologies.
Wed Feb 20 6:30-7:15 pm

Experiment and Explore: Sea Life 🧪

3 to 5 years
Learn all about sea life through fun stories, hands-on experiments and exploration.
Tue Feb 26 10:15-11:00 am

Teens

TAG! (Teen Advisory Group) ☺

Grades 6-12
Make a difference in the Library. Have your voice be heard! Bring friends and make new ones!
1st Tuesday 3:30-4:30 pm

Teen Time @ the Library ☺

Grades 6-12
Hang out at the library! Play video and board games, make a craft, and have a great time with your friends!
Fri Dec 7 noon-2:00 pm
Fri Jan 18 noon-2:00 pm
Fri Feb 15 noon-2:00 pm

Create a Vision Board ☺

Grade 6 to Adult
Vision boards are tools created with images or words on poster board that help people visualize their intentions, what they want to do, or achieve. Drop in and use our supplies to map a creative plan for 2019 and beyond. While supplies last.
Tue Jan 8 3:00-7:30 pm

Paint Along for Teens 🎨

Grades 6-12 | Follow along with an instructor to create a beautiful acrylic masterpiece. All supplies will be provided. Please wear clothes you don't mind getting messy.
Sat Feb 23 2:00-4:00 pm

Adults

Fallston Senior Center Games Day

Seniors
Join us for fun and games! Held at the Veronica "Roni" Chenoweth Activity Center, 1707 Fallston Rd, Fallston. Please call the center at 410-638-3260 to register.
3rd Tuesday 1:00-2:30 pm

Fallston Friends Evening Book Discussion Group ☺

Adults
News of the World by Paulette Jiles
Mon Dec 3 6:30-8:00 pm
Chilbury Ladies' Choir by Jennifer Ryan
Mon Jan 7 6:30-8:00 pm
The Great Alone by Kristin Hannah
Mon Feb 4 6:30-8:00 pm

Travelogue with John Butler: Singapore to Dubai ☺

Grade 9 to Adult
Join us on this magical journey from Singapore to Oman, Dubai, Jordan and full passage through the Suez Canal. The photos and the stories of this one of a kind voyage will amaze you and you will want to pack your bags! Come see what this part of the world has to offer!
Tue Dec 4 6:45-8:00 pm

Fallston Critics Without Credentials Book Discussion Group ☺

Adults
A Place for Us by Fatima Farheen Mirza
Tue Dec 18 10:00 am-noon
The Alice Network by Kate Quinn
Tue Jan 15 10:00 am-noon
Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng
Tue Feb 19 10:00 am-noon

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Landline by Rainbow Rowell
Wed Dec 26 1:00-2:00 pm
Persepolis by Marjane Satrapi
Wed Jan 23 1:00-2:00 pm
Manhattan Beach by Jennifer Egan
Wed Feb 27 1:00-2:00 pm

Designing a Replacement Part Using 3D Printing 🧪

Grade 9 to Adult
Creating replacement parts for household appliances and furniture (like a broken oven knob or drawer pull) is a great use of 3D printers. Participants will work together through a short project to design and ultimately print a replacement part. Learn to create replacement parts that are almost as good as the original! You should plan to attend both sessions on January 10 and 24. Your replacement part will be printed as part of the course as long as it fits into the library's 3D printing guidelines. Please register in person or by phone at the Fallston Library Information Desk.
Thu Jan 10 6:30-8:00 pm
Thu Jan 24 6:30-8:00 pm

Fallston Friends of the Library Meeting ☺

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Tue Jan 15 7:00-8:00 pm

Perform Your Stanzas in the Stacks ☺

Adults
Bring your friends and share your performance skills and creative writing! Share your poetry, acoustic music, and other talents to show us what you've got.
Tue Jan 22 6:00-7:30 pm

Chocolate Through Time 🍫

Grade 9 to Adult
Learn about the history of chocolate from its ancient beginnings in Meso-America through the centuries to the modern day. Food historian Joyce White will lead an interactive presentation focused on how chocolate has changed through time, both in terms of its cultural value, and how mechanization has altered its production process. The presentation will be followed by a chance to taste an assortment of historic chocolate recipes. To ensure tasting supply, attendance is limited. Please register online or in the branch.
Tue Feb 5 6:30-8:00 pm

Learn How to Homebrew ☺

Adults
Interested in homebrewing your own beer, but have no idea how to start? Start at the library, of course! Join Joe Fino from the Libation Association of Northern Maryland to learn the basics of what you need to brew your own craft beer. No alcohol will be served at this event, but you will have the opportunity to see, smell, and taste some of the ingredients used in the process. If you can boil water, you can make beer. Come learn how!
Tue Feb 26 6:30-8:00 pm

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Book Dedication

Adults
Havre de Grace Library
Saturday, February 2
10:30 am-noon

Beyond Class, Race, and Religion: Saving the Catholic African American Orphans of Baltimore

Adults
Bel Air Library ☺
Tuesday, February 12
6:30-8:00 pm

African American Genealogy: Beyond the Basics

Adults
Edgewood Library
Monday, February 4
6:00-7:30 pm

Black History Month Jeopardy

Grades 6-12
Edgewood Library
Thursday, February 21
6:00-7:00 pm

Virtual Reality Field Trip with Google Expeditions! 🧪

Family
Aberdeen Library
Sunday, February 10
2:00-3:00 pm

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Havre de Grace

120 N. Union Avenue
410-939-6700
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Mondays 10:15-11:00 am

Ukulele Club-- Beginner Instruction

All Ages
All experience levels welcome! Instruction provided for beginners. Participants should bring their own instruments as we have a limited number of ukuleles to share.
3rd Wednesday 6:00-7:45 pm

Chess Club

All Ages
Learn something new or take on a challenger. All levels are welcome.
4th Wednesday 6:30-7:45 pm

Holiday Open House

All Ages
Celebrate the holiday season with crafts, games, holiday music, and refreshments.
Thu Dec 6 5:00-7:00 pm

Acts of Kindness 🇺🇸 🇨🇦

Family
Interested in helping a charity or a neighbor but do not have a project or group in mind? We will help out a local group or charity in need by making something to give.
Sat Dec 15 2:00-3:00 pm
Sat Feb 9 2:00-3:00 pm

Holiday BINGO 🖱

Family
Play holiday-themed BINGO for fun and prizes!
Fri Dec 28 2:00-3:00 pm

Countdown

to Noon Party 🇺🇸 🇨🇦
All Ages
Come celebrate the New Year early! Dance, make a craft, select a Choose Civility resolution, and enjoy a special treat as we Countdown to Noon.
Mon Dec 31 11:00 am-1:00 pm

Sensory Hour in Schooner Cove 🇺🇸

Family
Enjoy a 15 minute Sensory Story Time followed by a half hour of exploration in Schooner Cove. This program offers an inclusive experience for families with children who have sensory integration challenges. Family participation encouraged. Space limitations. Please register.
Sat Jan 19 9:15-10:00 am

Beyond Class, Race, and Religion: Saving the Catholic African American Orphans of Baltimore 🇺🇸

All Ages
After the Civil War a number of institutions dedicated to caring for orphaned and neglected children were founded in Baltimore City. Only a handful of those orphanages admitted African American children, most of which were affiliated with the Catholic Church. This presentation will focus on two of those orphanages--Saint Frances Orphan Asylum and Saint Elizabeth's Home. Saint Frances Orphan Asylum was founded and managed by the

Oblate Sisters of Providence, the first community of religious women of African origin. Saint Elizabeth's Home was managed by the Franciscan Sisters whose order originated in England. Amy Rosenkrans, PhD, will discuss the history of both orphanages and their importance to Baltimore's African American community.
Wed Feb 20 6:30-8:00 pm

Children

Pajama Story Time 🖱

18 months to 3 years
Wear your pajamas, bring your favorite stuffed animal, and enjoy stories, rhymes, and songs.
2nd Tuesday 7:00-7:45 pm

Wiggles Story Time 🖱

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Wednesdays 10:15-11:00 am

Preschool

STREAM Time 🇺🇸 🇨🇦 🖱
18 months to 3 years
Explore STREAM (Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Art & Math) concepts through hands-on experiments, fun activities, and demonstrations.
Thursdays 10:30-11:15 am

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Tue Dec 4 6:30-7:30 pm

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Celebration 🖱

Birth to 5 years
Celebrate your progress in the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten challenge by reading, singing, dancing, and making a fun craft! Haven't joined 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten yet? Join the program and celebrate!
Sat Jan 5 10:30-11:30 am

Teens

Anime/Manga Club

Grades 6-12
Come watch and discuss anime and manga!
3rd Wednesday 2:30-4:00 pm

Adulting 101:

They Never Taught Me That
Grade 9 to Adult
Do you struggle with adulting and wish to adult like a boss? Well this is for you-- join Millennial Stef as she passes on her newfound adulting knowledge and tries to be boss. There's a lot Millennials didn't learn in school like how to create a budget, write a check, address an envelope, file taxes, cook anything but Ramen, etc.--the list goes on and on, but that shouldn't mean we can't learn and adult.
3rd Saturday 11:00 am-noon

The Sandra Capezio Photography Learning Workshop 🇺🇸

Grade 6 to Adult
Held in honor of local photography enthusiast Sandra Capezio, and with The Harford County Photography Group, this introductory photography workshop is a multi-session program

designed for those in grades 6 and up. Participants will learn the basics of photography over the course of six bi-weekly classes, with the workshop culminating in a gallery exhibit and reception. Participants must attend all sessions and register. Sponsored by The Harford County Photography Group, Nations Photo Lab and Service Photo. Classes: Jan 12- Intro to Basic Photography; Jan 26- ISO, Aperture & F-Stop; Feb 9- Photography Composition; Feb 23- Image Editing and Printing
2nd & 4th Saturdays (except Dec) 10:00-11:30 am

Foodie Instagram Contest 🇺🇸

Grades 6-12
Take photos of your food and tag them with #hcplmd and #phoodie2019. When you post and tag your photo, direct message @havredegracelibrary_teens on Instagram with your name and contact info. But, there's a catch! These photos need to be silly and ridiculous. For example: a hotdog on a paper plate. The "best" photos will be displayed at the beginning of February in the Library and the top photo wins a gift card! There are no limits to how many photos you can post to Instagram for this contest.
Jan 1-31 Library hours

Teen After Hours

Grades 6-12
This is the night we open the Library just for teens! Watch a movie, play games, surf the net, just relax, and have FUN! Permission slip is required.
Fri Feb 15 4:30-8:00 pm

Adults

Shakin' the Family Tree

Adults
A monthly meeting to discuss all things genealogy. Everyone welcome from beginners to seasoned explorers of your family tree.
1st Monday 6:30-8:00 pm

Conversations in Photography

Adults | Why do we take photographs? What are some historical perspectives? Who do we emulate and why? Is a photograph a window into the soul? What makes one photograph a work of art over another one? Join the Conversation.
2nd Monday 6:30-7:45 pm

Ukulele Club-- Experienced Players

Adults
Join the Ukulele Club's Strum Along. Bring copies of a few songs you'd like to share with the group.
2nd Wednesday 6:00-7:45 pm

Knot Just Knitting

Adults
Knitters, crocheters, cross-stitchers, and more are all welcome to come work on a project, share ideas, and learn a new stitch or two.
3rd Wednesday 3:00-4:30 pm

Havre de Grace Books at Night

Adults
Nutshell by Ian McEwan
Thu Dec 6 6:30-7:30 pm
The Summer Wives by Beatriz Williams
Thu Jan 3 6:30-7:30 pm
Sweet Little Lies by Caz Frear
Thu Feb 7 6:30-7:30 pm

Havre de Grace

Senior Center Book Club
Adults | Discussion held at the Havre de Grace Center in the Lounge.
Indignation by Philip Roth
Thu Dec 13 10:00-11:00 am
A Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius by Dave Eggers
Thu Jan 10 10:00-11:00 am
Mrs. Sherlock Holmes: The True Story of New York City's Greatest Female Detective and the 1917 Missing Girl Case That Captivated a Nation by Brad Ricca
Thu Feb 14 10:00-11:00 am

Meet the Author:

John Dedakis
Adults
John Dedakis, former senior copy editor for CNN, has written a great mystery series, the *Lark Chadwick* series. John is a very engaging speaker, and will be introducing his audience to Lark. Copies of his books will be available for sale and for signing. January 22, 2019 snow date
Tue Jan 15 6:30-7:30 pm

Beyond the Headlines

Adults
Read and discuss books that deal with issues having an impact on our communities.
The Displaced: Refugee Writers on Refugee Lives edited by Viet Thanh Nguyen
Wed Jan 23 6:30-7:30 pm
Rising: Dispatches from the New American Shore by Elizabeth Rush
Wed Feb 27 6:30-7:30 pm

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Book Dedication

Adults
Each February, members of the Iota Nu chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity make a presentation of books to the library and host a speaker. Contact the branch for more information.
Sat Feb 2 10:30 am-noon

Havre de Grace Friends of HCPL Meeting

Adults
Mon Feb 4 11:00 am-1:00 pm

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JOPPA LIBRARY

Fri Dec 7 3:00-4:00 pm

EDGEWOOD LIBRARY

Wed Dec 5 6:30-7:30 pm

WHITEFORD LIBRARY

Sat Dec 8 2:00-3:00 pm

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Jarrettsville

3722 Norrisville Road
410-692-7887
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Hours

Mon - Thu 10:00 am - 8:00 pm
Fri & Sat 10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sun (Oct-Apr) 1:00 - 5:00 pm

Drive-thru Window
410-692-7898

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PAWS and Read! 🐾 📖

All Ages
Get cozy with our doggy volunteers and read a good book. Join us for a one-on-one reading session with a well-trained therapy pet.
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Acts of Kindness 📖

Family
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Holiday Open House 📖

All Ages
Celebrate the season at the Jarrettsville Library with music and crafts for all ages.
Wed Dec 12 4:00-8:00 pm

Create an Ornament 📖

Family
Spend the afternoon creating an ornament to take home!
Fri Dec 14 1:00-3:30 pm

Printing with Vegetables 📖

Family
Create unique artwork using vegetables! Please wear a smock or old clothes.
Sat Dec 22 1:00-3:30 pm

Winter Birding 📖

All Ages
Join the Susquehannock Wildlife Society for a winter birding session. Please dress appropriately for outdoor weather.
Sat Feb 23 10:30-11:30 am

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An energetic time for toddlers. Move and wiggle with your toddler as we sing songs, hear rhymes, read quick, interactive stories, and play movement games. The librarian will model early literacy practices that caregivers can use at home. Playgroup will follow the story time.
Mondays 10:30-11:15 am

Lapsit Story Time

Birth to 18 months
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4th Tuesday 10:15-10:45 am

Half Day Fun

Grades K-8
Have a half day of school? Come to the library and make something cool!
Fri Dec 7 2:00-4:00 pm
Fri Jan 18 2:00-4:00 pm
Fri Feb 15 2:00-4:00 pm

Pete the Cat Gets Groovy! 🐾

Birth to 5 years
Come for stories, music and a craft. Have some groovy fun!
Thu Dec 27 10:30-11:30 am

Stuffed Animal Sleepover 🐾

Birth to 5 years
Drop off your stuffed animal at the library for a sleepover! Pick up your friend Sunday, January 13 and enjoy a slide-show of photos from the night before!
Sat Jan 12 3:00-5:00 pm

Winter Storm in a Jar 📖 🧱

Grades 3-5
Explore weather science by creating a miniature snowstorm in a jar.
Wed Jan 16 6:00-7:30 pm

Create a Sock Monster 📖

Grades K-8
Create a cute, funny, or scary sock monster! Please bring your old (clean) socks, all other supplies provided.
Sat Feb 9 2:00-4:00 pm

Teens

TAG! (Teen Advisory Group) 📖

Grades 6-12
Make a difference in the Library. Have your voice be heard! Bring friends and make new ones!
2nd Wednesday 4:00-5:00 pm

Teen Crafternoons 📖

Grades 6-12
Unwind and make something cool!
Fri Dec 7 2:00-3:30 pm
Fri Jan 18 2:00-3:30 pm

Hygge Library

Grade 9 to Adult
Hygge: a Danish word used to describe a special feeling or moment. Beat the winter blues by joining us around the fireplace. Curl up with a good book, a blanket, and cocoa or tea on cozy comfy chairs. Feel free to bring a small project or just read a book!
Sun Jan 6 1:30-4:30 pm

Teen After Hours 📖 📺

Grades 6-12
This is the night we open the Library just for teens! Watch a movie, play games, surf the net, just relax, and have FUN! *Please call the library for a parent permission slip.*
Fri Feb 8 5:30-8:00 pm

Adults

Scrabblers

Adults
Play this lively word game at the Library!
1st Thursday 1:00-4:00 pm

Family History and Memoir Writers Group

Adults
2nd Thursday 6:00-8:00 pm

Play Pinochle

Adults
Wed Dec 5 1:00-4:00 pm
Wed Jan 9 1:00-4:00 pm
Wed Feb 13 1:00-4:00 pm

Friends of HCPL Meeting

Adults
Join the Friends! Support your library by volunteering for special projects that help fund Library programs.
Wed Dec 5 6:30-8:00 pm

Happy Endings Book Discussion

Adults
Dear Mrs. Bird by AJ Pearce
Thu Dec 6 11:00 am-noon
Choosing Civility by P.M. Forni
Thu Feb 7 11:00 am-noon

Jarrettsville Evening Book Discussion Group

Adults
The Shadow Land by Elizabeth Kostova
Mon Dec 10 6:30-7:30 pm
Killers of the Moon Flower by David Grann
Mon Jan 14 6:30-7:30 pm
Love and Other Consolation Prizes by Jamie Ford
Mon Feb 11 6:30-7:30 pm

Using Military Service Records in Genealogical Research 📖

Adults
The Harford County Historical Society will present methods of acquiring the best results when conducting military service records research.
Mon Dec 10 6:30-8:00 pm

Baltimore Genealogy Group

Adults
Thu Dec 20 6:00-8:00 pm
Thu Jan 24 6:00-8:00 pm
Thu Feb 28 6:00-8:00 pm

Life on the Susquehanna River 📖

Adults
Learn about the history of the people and towns along the great Susquehanna River. The Harford County Historical Society will be our partners in this local history program.
Wed Jan 16 6:30-8:00 pm

Harford County and the Gettysburg Campaign of 1863 📖

Adults
The Civil War divided the country and states. The Harford County Historical Society will share it's great impact with a focus on the Gettysburg Campaign.
Wed Feb 13 6:30-8:00 pm

Digging Into Local Archaeology

Adults
The Archaeological Society of the Northern Chesapeake will share their latest work and research in Maryland archaeology. Learn about recent digs, discoveries, theories and volunteer opportunities.
Thu Feb 14 6:30-8:00 pm

Master Gardeners: Herb and Veggie Container Gardening

Adults
Get ready for spring and learn about container gardening with Master Gardener Ellen Haas.
Sun Feb 17 2:00-3:00 pm

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Digital Resources at your library!

Romance  BOOKCLOUD
Read to Your Heart's Content

Unlimited access to a curated collection of over 1800 eBook romances!

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A genealogy database with national, regional, and local newspapers.



Visit HCPLonline.org to use these and many other digital resources!

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Hours

Mon - Thu 10:00 am - 8:00 pm
Fri & Sat 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Closings

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Tue Dec 25 Christmas Day
Tue Jan 1 New Year's Day*
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All Ages

Friday Family Flicks

Family
Come prepared to have fun watching a movie at the library after hours. Enjoy a family friendly movie on the big screen. You can even bring a picnic style dinner! Doors will open at 5:45 pm. See you at the show!
1st Friday 6:00-8:00 pm

How the Grinch Stole Christmas

All Ages
Upper Falls Dance Company presents a dance rendition of *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*. See how the Grinch, his dog Max, and Cindy Lou Who come together and fill the hearts of all those in Whoville with love and Christmas spirit!
Sat Dec 1 3:00-4:00 pm

DIY: Holiday Cards & Gift Tags

All Ages | Ready for the holidays?
Come make a greeting card or gift tag for holiday presents.
Mon Dec 3 10:00 am-8:00 pm

DIY: Sugar Cone Holiday Trees

All Ages
Decorate a sugar cone tree to take home for the holidays.
Wed Dec 5 6:30-8:00 pm

Christmas in Old Baltimore

All Ages
Revisit some of Baltimore's great holiday traditions from the 1940's to the early 1960's including Christmas shopping downtown at the "big four" department stores, visits to Santa, five and dime stores galore, the annual Memorial Stadium Christmas tree sale, aluminum and ceramic trees, and more!
Thu Dec 6 6:30-8:00 pm

Games for Lunch

Grab your lunch and be ready for some fun as we play games, both classic and new.
Sat Dec 8 11:30 am-1:00 pm
Sat Jan 5 11:30 am-1:00 pm
Sat Feb 2 11:30 am-1:00 pm

Family & Friends

Story Time

Family | A delightful time with something for everyone. Celebrate the joy of reading as a family with movement, rhymes, songs, and stories. The librarian will model early literacy practices that caregivers can use at home. Playgroup will follow the story time.

Tue Dec 11 10:30-11:15 am
Tue Jan 15 10:30-11:15 am
Tue Feb 12 10:30-11:15 am

BEAM Me Up

All Ages | Stop in to play with BEAM! BEAM by EyeClick is an award-winning interactive gaming projector system. It is like a touch screen game system that you play with your whole body, since it is projected on the floor. Come have fun at the library with BEAM!
Dec 26-31 Library hours
Jan 18-19 Library hours
Feb 15-16 Library hours

Library Breakout

Family
Work in teams for an exciting Breakout challenge that includes a story, puzzles, riddles, clues, a time limit, and a lot of fun! Uncover the clues and unlock the locks! Will you be able to beat the clock and breakout?
Sat Jan 12 2:00-3:00 pm

Create Fidget Activity Mats

All Ages
Come make mats that occupy the hands of individuals with dementia and Alzheimer's who have trouble keeping their hands still. Completed

projects will have items such as ribbons, buttons, spools attached to them and will be donated to local patients.

Tue Jan 15 1:00-2:00 pm

Joppa Friends of the Library Book Sale: Member's Preview

All Ages
It's a win-win. Get yourself a book and support upcoming programs and services at the Joppa Branch. Join the Friends and select your purchases during the Member's Preview Sale.
Wed Feb 6 6:00-8:00 pm
Fri Dec 7 3:00-4:00 pm

Joppa Friends of the Library Book Sale

All Ages
Buy a book and support the Library! All proceeds of our annual book sale go to future programs and services at the Joppa Branch.
Feb 7-11 Library hours

Children

Lapsit Story Time

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3rd Friday 10:15-10:45 am

LEGO Club

Grades K-8
We supply the LEGOs®. You supply the imagination!
1st Saturday 2:00-3:00 pm

Toddlers on the Move

18 months to 3 years
Explore music, singing and dancing while helping to enhance your child's motor development skills.
Tue Dec 4 10:30-11:00 am
Tue Jan 8 10:30-11:00 am
Tue Feb 5 10:30-11:00 am

Hour of Code with Booz Allen Hamilton

Grades 3-8
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Computer Science Education Week and Code.org to introduce millions of students to one hour of computer science and computer programming. More than 100 million students worldwide have already tried an Hour of Code! Technical Consultants from Booz Allen Hamilton will address students by discussing careers in technology and how tech affects everyone. They will also assist students as they participate in their Hour of Code. Activities include Code.org's own programming tutorials featuring *Minecraft*, *Star Wars*, Disney's *Frozen* and *Moana*!
Fri Dec 7 3:00-4:00 pm

Experiment and Explore: Snow

18 months to 3 years | Learn all about snow through fun stories, hands-on experiments, and exploration.
Tue Dec 18 10:30-11:00 am

Experiment and Explore: Grow

18 months to 3 years | Learn all about growing through fun stories, hands-on experiments, and exploration.
Tue Jan 22 10:30-11:00 am

Wiggles Story Time

18 months to 3 years
An energetic time for toddlers. Move and wiggle with your toddler as we sing songs, hear rhymes, read quick, interactive stories and play movement games. The librarian will model early literacy practices that caregivers can use at home. Playgroup will follow the storytime.
Tue Jan 29 10:30-11:15 am
Tue Feb 26 10:30-11:15 am

Experiment and Explore: Baby Animals

18 months to 3 years | Learn all about baby animals through fun stories, hands-on experiments, and exploration.
Tue Feb 19 10:30-11:00 am

Teens

Teen After Hours

Grades 6-12
This is the night we open the library just for teens! Teens can play games, listen to music and have fun while the library is closed. *Please call the library for a parent permission slip.*
2nd Friday 5:00-8:00 pm

TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)

Grades 6-12
Make a difference in the Library. Have your voice heard! Bring your friends. Make new ones!
Tue Dec 4 3:00-4:30 pm
Tue Jan 8 3:00-4:30 pm
Tue Feb 5 3:00-4:30 pm

Sweet and Savory Taste Test

Grades 6-12
Sample strange flavored snacks, learn their history, and see which you can name in a taste-test!
Tue Jan 22 3:00-4:00 pm

Cupcake Battle

Grades 6-12
Come craft a sweet-looking cupcake. We'll provide the cupcakes, you supply the talent!
Tue Feb 12 3:00-4:00 pm

Adults

Gentle Yoga

Adults
This practice is designed to release tension from the body and mind while gently stretching and strengthening the body. This class is appropriate for students of all levels. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat if you have one.
Mondays (except 12/31, 2/11) 5:30-6:30 pm

Vinyasa Yoga

Adults
This is a flow practice that integrates breath and movement to create strength and flexibility. Emphasis will be placed on proper alignment and the connection among mind, body and spirit. This practice will leave you feeling grounded and energized. Some prior knowledge of yoga poses is helpful. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat if you have one.
Mondays (except 12/31, 2/11) 6:45-7:45 pm

Libraries for All

Adults
This interactive program welcomes adults with disabilities to create art, watch movies, play games and explore the library. Each program is tailored to the audience's unique interests and ability levels.
Wednesdays 1:30-2:30 pm

Booked for Lunch

Adults
Let's do lunch and enjoy a midday discussion.
A Piece of the World by Christina Baker Kline
Mon Dec 3 noon-1:00 pm
Like Water for Chocolate by Laura Esquivel
Mon Jan 7 noon-1:00 pm
The Two-Plate Solution by Jeff Oliver
Mon Feb 4 noon-1:00 pm

Books on Tap

Adults
Bold Titles, Refreshing Talk!
Held at Towne Grill & Pub in Joppa. Please register: Books on Tap Meetup or at the branch.
The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time by Mark Haddon
Tue Dec 4 6:30-8:00 pm
Kitchen Confidential by Anthony Bourdain
Tue Jan 8 6:30-8:00 pm
The Comfort Food Diaries: My Quest for the Perfect Dish to Mend a Broken Heart by Emily Nunn
Tue Feb 5 6:30-8:00 pm

Knot Just Knitting

Adults
All crafters of crocheting, knitting, needlepoint, and cross stitching are welcome to come craft and share knowledge.
Thu Dec 13 6:30-8:00 pm
Thu Jan 3 6:30-8:00 pm
Thu Feb 7 6:30-8:00 pm

Genealogy Sharing

Adults
Have you been on the journey to discover your family heritage? Come out and join fellow "time travelers" as we take a monthly tour of all things genealogy. Whether a seasoned researcher or a beginner, all are welcome to experience hands-on trainings, participate in webinars, share with others and enjoy occasional guest presentations.
Tue Dec 18 6:00-8:00 pm
Tue Feb 19 6:00-8:00 pm

Paint Along

Adults
Following an instructor you will create a beautiful acrylic masterpiece. Please wear clothes you feel comfortable painting in. All necessary supplies will be provided.
Tue Jan 29 6:00-8:00 pm
Tue Dec 18 6:00-8:00 pm

Joppa Books at Night

Adults
Bold Titles, Refreshing Talk!
Held at Towne Grill & Pub in Joppa. Please register: Books on Tap Meetup or at the branch.
The Comfort Food Diaries by Emily Nunn
Thu Jan 24 6:30-7:30 pm
The Recipe Box by Viola Shipman
Thu Feb 28 6:30-7:30 pm

Morning Zumba

Adults
Join us for a Zumba dance fitness class featuring Latin and international rhythms that make staying active fun. Beginners welcome! Please bring a water bottle and a towel.
Fridays 1/4-2/22 (except 2/8) 9:30-10:30 am

Genealogy Sharing: Exploring Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps

Adults
Fellow time travelers, come to learn about Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps—where to find them, what information can be found on the maps, and the

value that can be added to your research by using these maps.
Tue Jan 15 6:00-8:00 pm

Joppa Friends of HCPL Meeting

Adults
Join the Friends! Support your library by volunteering for special projects and assisting with book sales that help fund Library programs and services.
Mon Jan 28 6:00-8:00 pm

Paint Along—Watercolor

Adults
Following an instructor you will create a beautiful watercolor masterpiece. Please wear clothes you feel comfortable painting in. All necessary supplies will be provided.
Tue Jan 29 6:00-8:00 pm
Tue Feb 26 6:00-8:00 pm

Bon Appetit BINGO

Adults
Play food themed BINGO and win prizes!
Thu Jan 31 1:00-2:00 pm

For the Love of Chocolate

Adults
Meet a local chocolatier from Log Cabin Candies who will share her knowledge of candy making. Come learn some sweet facts about our favorite treat, chocolate!
Tue Feb 12 6:30-8:00 pm

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Books and Beyond

This reading group is geared towards individuals living with memory loss and their care partners.

Participants will have a safe and relaxed place to share conversation and creative expression while enjoying all forms of literature.

Presented by the **alzheimer's association**

THE BRAINS BEHIND SAVING YOURS™

2nd Wednesday
6:30-7:30 pm
Bel Air Library

Adults | Registration required online at HCPLonline.org or by calling 410-638-3151



Norrisville

5310 Norrisville Road
410-692-7850
HCPLonline.org

Hours

Mon - Thu 10:00 am - 8:00 pm
Fri & Sat 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Closings

Mon Dec 24 Christmas Eve
Tue Dec 25 Christmas Day
Tue Jan 1 New Year's Day*
Mon Jan 21 ML King, Jr. Day
Mon Feb 18 President's Day
*Closing at 5 pm on Mon Dec 31



All Ages

Family & Friends Story Time 🖐️

Family | A delightful time with something for everyone. Celebrate the joy of reading as a family with movement, rhymes, songs, and stories. The librarian will model early literacy practices that caregivers can use at home. Playgroup will follow the story time.

Wednesdays 10:30-11:15 am

Holiday Open House 🎉

All Ages
Come together as a community to celebrate the holiday season, with crafts, refreshments, and a special performance by the Norrisville Elementary School Chorus.

Tue Dec 4 5:30-8:00 pm

Doodles and a Movie 🎨

Family
Use our art supplies to doodle, draw, and color, as you relax and enjoy a family friendly movie! Movies will be geared towards children, with a G or PG rating.

Fri Dec 7 2:00-4:00 pm

Garfield Party 🐱

Family
Everyone's favorite lovable orange cat is 40 years old! Let's celebrate with crafts, a scavenger hunt, and other fun activities!

Fri Dec 21 2:00-3:30 pm

Mouse and Cookie Craft 🐭

Family
Come to the library to make an adorable creation, inspired by the classic picture book, *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie!*

Sat Dec 29 10:00 am-4:30 pm

Noon Year's Eve

Decades Dance Party

All Ages
Dance through the decades with us, from the 1920's *Charleston*, to the 21st Century's Taylor Swift--almost 100 years of song and dance! We'll live it up and countdown to ring in the New Year at Noon!

Mon Dec 31 11:30 am-12:15 pm

Cozy Cat Crafts 🐱

Family
Keep warm at the library and make some cute cat crafts!

Fri Jan 18 10:00 am-4:30 pm

Norrisville Friends Book Sale Preview

All Ages
Preview with special incentives for Friends members. Snow Date: Jan. 30

Wed Jan 23 5:00-8:00 pm

Norrisville Friends Book Sale

All Ages
Thu Jan 24 10:00 am-8:00 pm
Snow Date: Jan. 31
Fri Jan 25 10:00 am-5:00 pm
Snow Date: Feb. 1
Sat Jan 26 10:00 am-2:00 pm
Snow Date: Feb. 2

Hearts & Crafts 🎨

All Ages
Adults, kids and families join us to make something special for someone you love!

Fri Feb 15 2:00-3:30 pm

Children

Lapsit Story Time

Birth to 18 months
A gentle time to bond with your baby. Learn how to develop your baby's earliest language and learning skills through songs, rhymes, tickles, bounces, and books. The librarian

will model early literacy practices that caregivers can use at home. Playgroup will follow the story time.

1st Friday 10:15-10:45 am

LEGO® Club 🧱

Grades K-8
We supply the LEGOs®. You supply the imagination!

Mon Dec 17 6:00-7:30 pm

Mon Jan 14 6:00-7:30 pm

Mon Feb 11 6:00-7:30 pm

Winnie the Pooh and Friends 🐻

Birth to 5 years
Celebrate the joy of friendship with stories, songs, and a craft, inspired by the world of Winnie the Pooh!

Sat Jan 12 11:00 am-noon

K9s & Kds--Operation Paws for Homes 🐾

Grades K-5
This Operation Paws for Homes program will include instruction for children on safe dog interaction, story time, crafts, and the chance to meet rescue dogs and puppies. Register all those attending, adults and children.

Tue Jan 15 6:30-7:30 pm

Sat Feb 23 10:00-11:00 am

Valentine's Day Card Craft 🎨

Grades K-8
Create a thing of beauty through an act of kindness! Make a handmade Valentine to brighten the lives of seniors residing at Sunshine Acres Assisted Living.

Tue Feb 5 6:00-7:30 pm

We ♥ Pizza! 🍕

Birth to 5 years
Join us for pizza-riffic stories, songs, and a craft!

Wed Feb 13 10:30-11:15 am

Adults

Film Discussion at the Library 🎬

Adults
Join us to watch a film from our streaming service Kanopy, "a ticket to the world's finest cinema," followed by an open, fun-filled discussion.

Sat Dec 15 1:00-3:30 pm

The Queen (2006) starring Helen Mirren

Sat Jan 19 1:00-3:30 pm

Howard's End (1992) starring Anthony Hopkins and Emma Thompson

Sat Feb 16 1:00-3:30 pm

Norrisville Book Discussion Group

Adults
A Redbird Christmas by Fannie Flagg
Mon Dec 17 10:30-11:30 am
Jell-O Girls by Allie Rowbottom
Mon Jan 28 10:30-11:30 am
Persuasion by Jane Austen
Mon Feb 25 10:30-11:30 am

Norrisville Friends of HCPL Meeting

Adults
Join the Friends! Support your library by volunteering for special projects that help fund Library programs.

Thu Jan 10 7:00-8:00 pm

Tea-ology 🍵

Adults
The Tea Trolley 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 tea, and the best ways to brew them.

Thu Jan 17 6:30-7:30 pm

Paint Along 🎨

Adults
Following an instructor, you will create a beautiful, artistic masterpiece associated with our Winter Reading Challenge theme. Please wear clothes suitable for painting. All necessary supplies will be provided. Register all attending.

Sat Feb 23 2:00-4:00 pm

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Whiteford

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Hours

Mon - Thu 10:00 am - 8:00 pm
Fri & Sat 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Closings

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Wednesdays 10:30-11:15 am

North Harford Friends of the Library Holiday Open House 🎉

All Ages
Start your holidays off right by coming to the North Harford Friends of the Library Holiday Open House and quilt raffle. There will also be door prizes and refreshments to get you in the holiday spirit.

Mon Dec 3 3:00-4:00 pm

Community LEGO® Build Day 🧱

Family
Drop in and choose civility! Work together to build a block community.

Thu Dec 27 11:00 am-7:00 pm

North Harford Middle School Art Show Reception

All Ages
Celebrate our young artists from North Harford Middle School at our Artist Reception. Art will be on display all month during library hours.

Tue Jan 8 6:00-7:00 pm

Black Bears in Maryland 🐻

All Ages
Black bears are the largest land mammal in Maryland. Learn more about these fascinating animals through hands on activities using materials from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources Grow Wild! Kit.

Feb 4-16 Library hours

Community Art Show Reception

All Ages
Celebrate our Community Artists and their creations. Enjoy light refreshments and meet the artists!

Tue Feb 5 6:30-7:30 pm

Share some Love 🍷

All Ages
Make a special valentine and show that you care!

Thu Feb 14 11:00 am-7:00 pm

Children

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3rd Tuesday 10:15-10:45 am

PAWS and Read! 🐾

Grades K-5
Get cozy with our doggy volunteers and read a good book during a one-

on-one session with a well-trained therapy pet. Volunteers and pets are from Pets on Wheels. Call the branch for details or to register.

1st & 3rd Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 pm

1st & 3rd Saturdays 10:00 am-noon

Tue Jan 15 5:30-7:30 pm

Tue Feb 5 5:30-7:30 pm

Tue Feb 19 5:30-7:30 pm

Homeschool Club

Grades K-8
Local homeschool families, join us for a variety of educational and fun activities!

3rd Thursday 10:30 am-noon

Hour of Code with Booz Allen Hamilton 🖥️

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Sat Dec 8 2:00-3:00 pm

Stuffed Animal Sleepover 🐻

3 to 5 years
Bring your favorite (or second favorite) stuffed animal to the library for a fun evening of stories and a craft. Leave your stuffie here overnight and return the next day to see pictures of all the fun they had in the library. (Parents and caregivers--please note we are asking participants to leave their stuffed animal here at the library overnight and return the next day to pick them up.)

Mon Jan 14 6:30-7:15 pm

Half-Day LEGO® Fun! 🧱

Grades K-8
Fri Jan 18 2:00-4:00 pm
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Teens

TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)

Grades 6-12
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2nd Thursday 3:30-5:00 pm

DUPLI-Cakes 🍰

Grades 6-12
Are you a master cake decorator? Or a master of disaster? Try your hand at dressing up an elaborate cake in 90 minutes or less. (Remember: It's a craft--not a snack.) You can work solo or in pairs.

Fri Jan 25 5:30-7:00 pm

Candy Sushi

Grades 6-12
Roll with us at the library! Create sushi using a variety of sweet ingredients.

Tue Feb 19 4:00-6:00 pm

Adults

Hatha Yoga for Beginners

Adults
We will cover many of the poses of the basic Hatha Yoga program. We start on the floor and work our way to standing poses. Our objectives are body control, strength, flexibility, balance, and endurance. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat if you have one.

Tuesdays 6:45-7:45 pm

Bridge Group

Adults | Are you interested in playing Bridge? Join the friendly games. All skill levels welcome!

Thursdays 1:00-4:00 pm

Genealogy Discussion Group

Adults
Join fellow researchers and learn a new technique, tip or resource to utilize in your family history research.

1st Thursday 6:00-8:00 pm

Gentle Yoga

Adults
A gentle approach to Yoga designed for all ages, body types, and physical abilities. Improve strength, endurance, flexibility, and balance, while promoting mindfulness and

focused awareness. For people who may have difficulty getting up and down from the floor, this program is done from the standing position. Movements are slow and controlled. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat if you have one.

Fridays 11:00-11:45 am

Sew Sisters

Adults
Bring your fabric project and sewing machine (or needle and thread) and be creative with company. Pack a lunch for a midday break.

2nd Saturday 10:00 am-4:00 pm

Whiteford Book Discussion

Adults
It's our holiday time tradition! Bring a favorite book to share.

Wed Dec 5 3:00-4:00 pm

The Hundred-Foot Journey

by Richard Morais

Wed Jan 23 3:00-4:00 pm

A Gentleman in Moscow

by Amor Towles

Wed Feb 27 3:00-4:00 pm

Genealogy Book Discussion Group

Adults
Channel your inner family history detective for a discussion of the book *A Veiled Antiquity* by Rett MacPherson.

Wed Dec 12 6:30-8:00 pm

Books on Tap

Adults
Books on Tap North County Edition! Come get acquainted, meet some other book lovers and taste some delicious beers from Slate Farm Brewery, 2128 Whiteford Rd., Whiteford.

Skipping Christmas by John Grisham

Sat Dec 15 5:30-7:00 pm

The Life She Was Given

by Ellen Wiseman

Sat Jan 19 5:30-7:00 pm

Like Water for Chocolate

by Laura Esquivel

Sat Feb 16 5:30-7:00 pm

Stress & Self-Care Workshop

Grade 6 to Adult
Stressed? Learn techniques to take care of yourself while handling everything life throws at you.

Sat Dec 29 2:00-3:00 pm

Learn to Crochet with Sugar Knots

Grade 6 to Adult | Learn the basics of crochet. Bring a crochet hook and yarn, and join in the fun!

Thursdays (beginning 1/10)
10:30 am-noon

A Taste of Maryland

Adults
Learn about the history of Maryland's most iconic food traditions and food businesses such as Maryland Beaten Biscuits, crab cakes, coddies, McCormick Spices and Old Bay to some lesser known fare including white potato pie, and Jewish Apple Cake. This presentation is based on research presenter Joyce White has been doing in her role as curator for the state of Maryland permanent exhibit for the Southern Food and Beverage Museum in New Orleans, LA. The presentation will be followed by the opportunity to taste an assortment of sweet and savory Maryland fare.

Wed Jan 16 6:30-8:00 pm

Seed Swap

Adults
Planning your garden? Do you have extra seeds from last year languishing in your seed box? Bring your saved seeds to the library and swap them for new varieties. No seeds to share? No problem. Take some of our seeds home to start your new garden.

Sat Jan 19 1:00-3:00 pm

Technology for Today: Your Digital Library

Adults
Explore free downloadable services available through your library. Bring your device and a library card to class. If you do not have a library card, contact the branch to find out how to register.

Thu Jan 31 6:30-7:30 pm

Tools, Tips, and Time Savers with Master Gardeners

Adults
Are you ready for spring? Join us to find out how to spend less money in your yard with tips from frugal gardeners. Come and learn gardening tips from our local Master Gardeners.

Thu Feb 21 6:30-8:00 pm

- Ⓜ = Registration required. Register online or by calling the branch.
- Ⓢ = Supported by the HCPL Friends
- Ⓜ = STEM program
- 👶 = Includes activities for preschoolers
- Ⓢ = Part of Choose Civility Harford County

Always open! Check HCPLonline.org for program updates.

Save the Date for the 6th Annual Genealogy Conference

Saturday, March 30, 2019

Registration begins Monday, March 18

Speakers:

Mary Mannix

*Thinking About Your Stuff:
Estate Planning for Genealogists*

Rebecca Koford

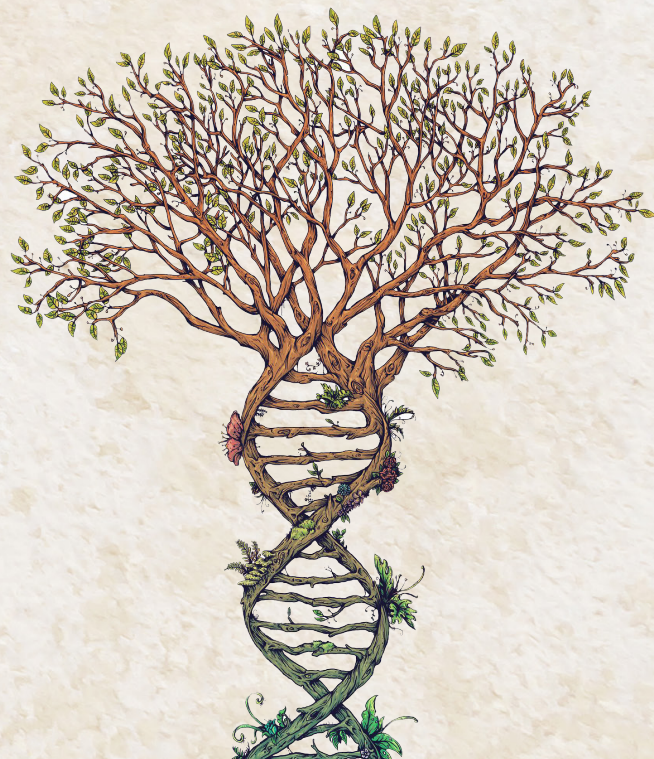
*Are You My Grandpa?
Men of the Same Name Case Studies*

Nancy Waters

When a Brick Wall Crumbles Onto the Wrong Path

Andy Hochreiter

DNA Rules and Tools



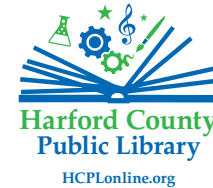
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- Maryland Energy Assistance Program
- Housing/Homeless/Eviction Services
- Community Food Pantry
- Employment Assistance
- Family Support and much more!



Aberdeen Library

Every Monday
Except Dec 24, Dec 31
10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Bel Air Library

1st Tuesday of the month
Dec 4, Feb 5
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Edgewood Library

2nd Tuesday of the month
Dec 11, Jan 8, Feb 12
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Havre de Grace Library

3rd Tuesday of the month
Dec 18, Jan 15, Feb 19
10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Whiteford Library

4th Thursday of the month
Dec 27, Jan 24, Feb 28
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Lawyer in the Library



**Need legal advice for family issues like divorce and custody?
Need help filling out forms?**

Free Brief Legal Advice Clinics*

Edgewood Library

Friday, December 14

Havre de Grace Library

Friday, January 11

Whiteford Library

Friday, February 8

11:00 am-noon, Appointments only
Call HCBF: 410-836-0123

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