





### Welcome

Winter IS coming and the perfect time of year to curl up with a good read! My winter reading list includes the latest *Maisie Dobbs* novel by Jacqueline Winspear and finishing the *Outlander* series by Diana Gabaldon. I have to admit that I began reading the *Outlander* series in 1991 when the first book was originally published. *Destination Unlimited: READ!* is the 2015 Winter Reading Program for adults and high school teens and registration begins January 2nd. Let's celebrate the love of reading!

In November we held the groundbreaking for the new Havre de Grace Library. The new facility will offer expanded wireless internet access, additional computers, a designated business resource center, and large spaces for community activities. A dedicated teen space will be available for study and collaborative projects. Children and their families will be delighted with *Schooner Cove*, an interactive learning area for preschoolers with six themed areas designed to foster and develop early literacy skills while exploring science and technology topics. *Lafayette's Landing* for elementary age children has been designed with transformative maker areas for art and science projects as well as cozy seating for individual reading. Library service to the community will continue through the duration of the building project and a temporary Havre de Grace Library is located at 203 Market Street.

Providing the latest technology to our customers continues to be a priority and in mid-December we are launching an Innovation Lab at the Abingdon Library. The Innovation Lab provides sophisticated equipment for video production, self-publishing, 3D printing and community space for technology collaboration. The Lab was made possible by a \$25,000 grant from Rosedale Federal Savings & Loan Association and the Friends of the Abingdon Library who have donated \$5,000 toward the project. Harford County Public Library was named by *The Daily Record* as Innovator of the Year for 2014 and 2013 for its commitment to introducing emerging technologies to the community. The Innovation Lab is the latest initiative that helps narrow the digital divide for Harford County.

Check out the latest information on author visits, classes, books, eBooks and more on the new Library website at www.hcplonline.org. The responsive web design makes it easy to view and navigate on your smartphone.

On behalf of the Harford County Public Library Board of Trustees and Library Staff, have a safe and happy holiday season!

#### Mary Hastler

Chief Executive Officer

### Administration & Support Services

1221-A Brass Mill Road, Belcamp 21017 410-273-5600, 410-838-3749, 410-575-6761 Mon - Fri 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

#### Library Board of Trustees Meetings

### Mobile Units

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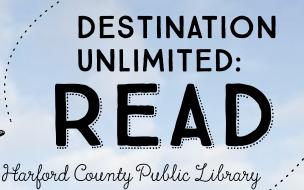
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#### QuikChek

Call QuikChek at (410) 273-5683 or (410) 638-3151 for access to your library account and to renew your materials.



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#### What will be your destination this winter?

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WINTER READING PROGRAM

How many books would you like to read to get there? Join the fun at the Library and register for the Destination Unlimited: READ Winter Reading Program beginning on January 2nd. Sign-up at any branch or online at HCPLonline.org and you will receive a commemorative pen just for registering!

And to finish off your travels adults who read or listen to at least five books and teens who read or listen to at least three books can return their completed book list starting as early as January 10th. A collector's mug will be yours for completing the program which ends March 7th. Pens and mugs available while supplies last.

#### Looking for a good read?

Book Lovers Resources has it all on HCPLonline.org. Find book reviews, booklists and recommended reading! Go to hcplonline.org/bookloversresources.php.

#### Did you know?

eBooks and audiobooks count towards your Winter Reading Program goal!

To check out eBooks or download free audiobooks visit go to hcplonline.org/downloadnow.php.

The 2015 Winter Reading Program is supported by Advanced EyeCare, the Friends of Harford County Public Library and the Harford County Public Library Foundation.

### Early Literacy Winter Reading Program!

Puppy Tales highlights the importance of early literacy and encourages participation in daily activities that strengthen pre-reading skills. Parents and caregivers can now register their children for the Puppy Tales Winter Reading Program at any Library branch starting **January 2nd**. You will receive an activity log with 20 simple but fun learning activities based on these five early literacy practices~

### Talking! Singing! Reading! Writing! Playing!

Upon completing 12 of the 20 activities at home and returning the activity log between January 2 and March 7, children will receive a certificate and special completion prize! Attend any Library story time for more early literacy tips!\*



Birth - 5 Years

\*Early literacy story times at Harford County Public Library help parents and caregivers understand why early literacy skills are so important; demonstrate how to help their children learn the skills; and send them home with early literacy activities they can incorporate into their family's daily routine. Each Library branch features a special display offering assorted booklists and handouts that offer further information and tips on at-home activities to continue building the foundation for reading and learning.

B = Registration required. Begins two weeks prior to all programs Registration suggested for all other programs Always open! Check HCPLonline.org for program updates

# CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY

#### Celebrate Black History Month: Collaborative Quilt

Celebrate Black History Month by making and displaying a paper quiltblock. Activity available in branch from February 1 through February 28.Join us on the 1stfrom 2-4pm to kick off the celebration!AberdeenSunFeb 12:00-4:00pm

Celebrate Black History Month: Film Series AdultContact the branch one week prior for title selection.AberdeenSunFeb 8, 15, 222:00-4:00 pm

Illustrate Your Life With Shadra Strickland () Grades 3-8 Meet Shadra Strickland, the talent behind many children's book illustrations! For this hands-on day, Shadra will be showing kids how to illustrate their stories, talking about her journey, and signing books. Sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.- Harford County Alumnae Chapter Edgewood Sat Feb 7 1:00pm-3:00pm

#### Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Book Dedication

Each February, members of the lota Nu chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity make a presentation of books to the library and host a speaker. This year, the group honors Rohulamin Quander and his latest release, 50+ Omega Inspired Years: Tracing an Omega Legacy to 1931. Meet the author and be the first to check out this new addition to the library's collection. Registration is suggested.

Abingdon Sat Feb 7 11:00 am

#### CHARM CITY SUNDAY Meet the Author: Daniel Stashower

Three-time Edgar Award winning author Dan Stashower will talk about his True-Crime Edgar Award winning book *The Hour of Peril: The Secret Plot to Murder Lincoln Before the Civil War*. See page 10 for details. Registration suggested. Supported by the Harford County Cultural Arts Board.

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#### LEAP: Salute to Black Inventors and Scientists ()

Grades 3-8

An interactive look at the African-Americans who have made our lives better through their imagination and determination. Presented by David and Sharoll Williams-Love.

Edgewood Tue Feb 10 6:30-7:30 pm

#### Living History: Abraham Lincoln

Abraham Lincoln provides insight into the Emancipation Proclamation, his thoughts on the Civil War, and what is in store for the future of the Nation. A one-man show by Eric Richardson.

Jarrettsville Sun Feb 15 2:00pm

### Garrett Morgan Invented the Traffic Light: Explore African American Inventors () © Grades 3-8

Learn about the contributions of African American inventors andexperience the invention process through a hands-on learning activity.AberdeenWedFeb 186:00-6:45 pm











### 21 Franklin Street 410-273-5608 Aberdeen

#### **Dec-Feb**

#### Aberdeen Youth Program (E)

Grades 6-12 Meet up with friends in the lounge! Enjoy a variety of games and activities. Tuesdays 3:00-5:00 pm Thursdays 3:00-5:00 pm (no meeting on December 30)

#### Babies 🕈 Books Story Time 🕊

Ages birth-3 / Playgroup follows for meeting and mingling. Wednesdays 10:30-11:00 am

Family Drop-In Story Time 👋 10:30 am Mondays

**Computer Help** Wednesdays 11:00 am-noon or call for an appointment

#### Food Drive for the Salvation Army & FISH of Harford County

Collecting non-perishable food items for the needy. Donations accepted through December 17.

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Share the joy of the season with those less fortunate with donations for children ages birth-13 of new, unwrapped toys, games, crafts, etc. during library hours by Wednesday, December 10. Donations accepted at all Library locations, including the Administrative Office in Belcamp.

#### December

#### Homeschool ROCKS!

Grades 6-12 / Expand your horizons with a different, hands-on learning experience each month! Tue Dec 2 10:30 am-noon

#### Urban Essence Diva's Book Club Adult

If you enjoy reading books by Ashley and JaQuavis, Deja King, and Wahida Clark join us for some lively discussion of the latest in urban fiction. We meet the first Thursday of each month. New members are always welcome! Thu Dec 4 6:30-7:30 pm

#### Meet the Author: Karsonya Wise Whitehead Adult

Dr. Karsonya Whitehead does what very few have been able to do: relate the Civil War experiences of a freeborn twenty-one-year-old biracial woman, Emilie Frances Davis. Through Notes from a Colored Girl, we learn about the world views of this free black woman in Philadelphia. Book available for purchase. Registration suggested. Sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.- Harford County Alumnae Chapter Sun Dec 7 2:00 pm

#### Books on Tap () Adult Bold titles, refreshing talk! *Carsick* by John Waters Green Turtle, 1113 Beards Hill Road, Aberdeen

Mon Dec 8 6:30-8:00 pm

#### **Thomas the Tank Engine**

Story Time 🕃 🕞 👋 All Ages Wed Dec 10 6:00-6:45 pm

#### Family Craft Night 🖻 🔂 All Ages

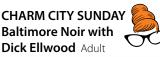
Bring the whole family for fun and express your creativity as we create seasonal crafts for all ages. Thu Dec 11 6:30-7:30 pm

#### LEGO<sup>®</sup> Club **F**

Grades K-8 We supply the LEGO® blocks, you supply the imagination! Dec 12 3:00-4:00 pm Fri

#### Holiday Bingo! 🚱

All Ages / Participate in a fun time of playing Bingo around the holidays! Sat Dec 13 2:00-3:00 pm



Writing that is straight from the streets of Charm City! Dick Ellwood was born and raised in Baltimore and served with the Baltimore Police Department for 25 years. Now a novelist, he puts his experiences into every scene he writes. Take a tour of Baltimore through a detective's eyes. Books available to purchase. Registration suggested. Supported by the Harford County Cultural Arts Board. Sun Dec 14 2:00-4:00 pm

#### Science Club: Gum Drop

Engineering () () Grades 3-8 Explore architecture and engineering while building domes with gumdrops. Which dome will hold the most weight? Wed Dec 17 6:00-7:00 pm

#### Sounds of the Season: St. Joan of Arc School Choir

All Ages Thu Dec 18 4:00-5:00 pm

#### Holiday Story Time 🛈 👋 All Ages

Mon Dec 22 10:30-11:00 am

#### January

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See Dec 2 for detail Tue Jan 6 10:30 am-noon

#### Books On Tap 😯

Bold titles, refreshing talk! Medium Raw by Anthony Bourdain Green Turtle, 1113 Beards Hill Road, Aberdeen Mon Jan 12 6:30-8:00 pm

#### **Curious George Story**

Time 🕃 🕑 🖑 All Ages Wed Jan 14 6:00-6:45 pm

#### LEGO<sup>®</sup> Club **(**

See Dec 12 for detail Fri Jan 16 3:00-4:00 pm

#### Celebrate Martin Luther King,

Jr. Dav (F) All Ages Celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day by making and displaying a Peace Dove. Activity available in branch January 18-31. Join us on the 18th to kick off the celebration! Sun Jan 18 2:00-4:00pm

#### Science Club: Air Power @ 🕞

Grades 3-8 / Explore air pressure with stomp rockets, vortex cannons and ping-pong balls. Wed Jan 21 6:00-7:00 pm

#### Aberdeen Senior Center Book

**Discussion Group** Adult Participants at least 55 years of age meet for a book discussion. Call 410-273-5666. All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr Fri Jan 23 10:30-11:45 am

#### Art-Shop @ Aberdeen 🚯

Art-Shop brings professional artists to Aberdeen to share their craft. Hands-on, interactive, and always changing! Supported by the Harford County Cultural Arts Board; in partnership with the Harford Center and the Harford County Dept. of Community Services. Capacho Bag Weaving with Exploration Art School and artist Nicki Jergensen Wed Jan 28 1:00-2:00 pm

#### Valentine's Craft and

Card 🚯 색 All Ages Show how much you love someone by creating a one-of-a-kind Valentine's Day card and heart ornament. Sat Jan 31 2:00-3:00 pm

#### February

#### **Celebrate Black History Month:**

Collaborative Quilt (F) All Ages Celebrate Black History Month by making and displaying a paper guilt block. Activity available in branch from February 1-28. Join us on the 1st from 2-4 pm to kick off the celebration! Sun Feb 1 2:00-4:00pm

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#### **Urban Essence Diva's Book Club**

See Dec 4 for detail Thu Feb 5 6:30-7:30 pm

#### Winter Scrabble Tournament Adult

It's fun and it's in person! Enjoy the game with other like-minded players. Small prizes for winners. Lots of laughs. Single elimination play but most people stick around to play games for fun. Sat Feb 7 11:00 am-3:00 pm

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Month: Film Series Adult Contact the branch one week prior for title selection. Sun Feb 8 2:00-4:00 pm

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Love is All Around Story Time ③ ¥ All Ages Mon Feb 9 10:30-11:00 am

Books On Tap ③ Still Foolin' 'Em by Billy Crystal Green Turtle, 1113 Beards Hill Road, Aberdeen Mon Feb 9 6:30-8:00 pm

Fractured Fairy Tale Story Time © 😯 🍟 All Ages Wed Feb 11 6:00-6:45 pm

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Celebrate Black History Month: Film Series See Feb 8 for detail Sun Feb 22 2:00-4:00 pm

Art-Shop @ Aberdeen () See Jan 28 for detail Faux Stained Glass with Exploration Art School and artist Nicki Jergensen Wed Feb 25 1:00-2:00 pm



You are invited to create short videos promoting your favorite book. Judges will choose the winning submissions. Winners will be announced at the *Film This!* Book Trailers Premiere at the Abingdon Library on Friday March 13, 2015. Submissions must be received by March 1. See a librarian for official rules.

Sponsored by HCPL Friends and the Harford County Cultural Arts Board.

#### **Aberdeen Hours**

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

#### **Holiday Closings**

WedDec 24Christmas EveThuDec 25Christmas DaySunDec 28Between HolidaysThuJan 1\*New Year's DayMonJan 19M. L. King Jr. DayMonFeb 16Presidents' Day

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The Greene Turtle 1113 Beards Hill Road, Aberdeen

Monday, December 8 6:30-8:00 pm *Carsick* by John Waters

Monday, January 12 6:30-8:00 pm *Medium Raw* by Anthony Bourdain

Monday, February 9 6:30-8:00 pm *Still Foolin' Em* by Billy Crystal Sean Bolans 12 S. Main St, Bel Air

Tuesday, December 2 6:30-8:00 pm *Eleanor & Park* by Rainbow Rowell

Tuesday, January 6 6:30-8:00 pm *Ready Player One* by Ernest Cline

Tuesday, February 3 6:30-8:00 pm *The Walking Dead* Graphic Novels by Robert Kirkman (or any book about zombies) Basta Pasta 2745 Fallston Road, Fallston

Monday, January 26 6:30-8:00 pm *World War Z* by Max Brooks

Wednesay, February 25 6:30-8:00 pm *Persepolis* and *Persepolis II* by Marjane Satrapi

#### Laurrapin Grille

209 N. Washington St, Havre de Grace

Wednesday, December 3 6:30-8:00 pm *Defending Jacob* by William Landay

Wednesday, January 7 6:30-8:00 pm Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance by Robert Pirsig

Wednesday, February 4 6:30-8:00 pm *The Secret Place* by Tana French

BOLD TITLES, REFRESHING TALK!

For Adults





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# Innovation Lab @ Abingdon Library

Coming soon!

A community "maker-space" for hands-on, do-it-yourself learning in audio and video production, graphic design and 3-D printing!

- Apple iMacs computers! 
   Photoshop software!
- Green screen for shooting video and stills! Hands-on workshops!

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### ABINGDON

#### **Dec-Feb**

#### Abingdon Friends Surface 2 Raffle All Ages

The Abingdon Friends are raffling off a Surface 2 - the 10" tablet that comes pre-loaded with Microsoft Office. Tickets are \$1.00 each and will be available for purchase beginning January 2. The winner will be drawn during the May 16 Friends Yard Sale.

#### **Computer Assistance**

 Mondays
 2:00-4:00 pm

 Thursdays
 4:00-6:00 pm

 Fridays
 3:00-5:00 pm

#### eServices by Appointment

Everyone / Learn how to download and use library electronic servies on your personal devices. Call or visit the library to make an appointment.

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#### December

#### Babies ♥ Books Story Time ⊕ 6-24 months

Playgroup follows for meeting and mingling. Wed Dec 3 10:15 or 11:00 am

#### TAG! (Teen Advisory Group) Grades 6-12

Make a difference in the library. Have your voice heard! Bring your friends. Make new ones!

Wed Dec 3 4:00-5:00 pm

#### Wanted: Gingerbread House Junior Architects

Junior Architects wanted for our third annual Gingerbread House contest. Submit your creation anytime between 10 am on Monday, November 24 and Thursday, December 4 at 5:00 pm. Choose to compete in one of three categories: Best Traditional, Best Book/Library Inspired, and Most Creative. Entries will be divided into two age groups for each category; grades K-5 and grades 6-12. Winners will be announced around 7:30 pm during the December 4 Friends of the Library meeting. All entries will be displayed through Friday, December 19. Thu Dec 4 6:30 pm

#### Holidays Around The World

**Story Time ()** Grades K-3 Explore holiday traditions from around the world. We will share stories, sing songs and play games sure to put you in the holiday spirit!

Thu Dec 4 6:30-7:30 pm

#### Abingdon Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult Thu Dec 4 7:00-8:00 pm

#### Abingdon Books at Night Book Discussion Group () Adult

The Winter People by Jennifer McMahonMonDec 86:30-7:30 pm

#### Tales for Twos Story Time <sup>(2)</sup> Age 2

Wed Dec 10 10:15 or 11:00 am

#### TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)

See Dec 3 for detail Wed Dec 10 4:00-5:00 pm

#### Explorer Club: Rethink!

Grades K-5 /In the final part of the series "The 4 Rs," we will explore how to change our choices to be good stewards of the Earth. Fri Dec 12 2:00-3:00 pm

#### Sensory Story Time 🛈 🍟

For families with children, ages 2½ - 8 years old, who have sensory integration challenges. Sibling participation encouraged. There will be time to mingle after each session. Sat Dec 13 10:30-11:30 am

#### Holiday Lights Story Time 🛈 👋

Ages 3-K Mon Dec 15 10:30-11:15 am

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**TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)** See Dec 3 for detail Wed Dec 17 4:00-5:00 pm

Holiday Lights Story Time 🕢 👋 Ages 3-K Wed Dec 17 6:30-7:15 pm

#### Sounds of the Season: Patterson Mill Middle School Chorus and Orchestra

All Ages / Enjoy holiday songs & music. Fri Dec 19 11:00-11:45 am

LEGO® Club (c) Grades K-8 We supply the LEGO® blocks, you supply the imagination! Sat Dec 20 2:00-3:30 pm

Winter Bingo ()All AgesCozy up at the library with yourfamily and play winter bingo. Youmight win some prizes, too!TueDec 302:00-3:30 pm

#### January

Sing Me a Story Time ③ ¥ Ages 3-K Mon Jan 5 10:30-11:15 am or 1:30-2:15 pm

#### Babies ♥ Books Story Time ③ See Dec 3 for detail

Wed Jan 7 10:15 or 11:00 am

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#### CHARM CITY SUNDAY: Wicked Baltimore with 🕥 Lauren R. Silberman Adult

From Poe to pirates, Baltimore's early history is littered with tales of raucous violence and sordid misdeeds. Lauren R. Silberman, author of Wicked Baltimore, leads her audience through the horrors, riots, illegalities, and sordid characters to reveal the sinister and scintillating face of Charm City. Books available for purchase. Registration suggested. Supported by the Harford County Cultural Arts Board Sun Jan 11 2:00-4:00 pm

#### Abingdon Books at Night Book Discussion Group () Adult

Wicked Baltimore, Charm City Sin & Scandal by Lauren R. Silberman Mon Jan 12 6:30-7:30 pm

#### Tales for Twos Story Time 3 Age 2

Wed Jan 14 10:15 or 11:00 am

TAG! (Teen Advisory Group) See Dec 10 for detail Wed Jan 14 4:00-5:00 pm

Be A Veterinarian Imaginative Play and Story Time G Grades K-2 Wed Jan 14 6:30-7:30 pm

#### **Explorer Club: Meet the** EmPOWER Rangers!

Grades K-5 / The EmPOWER Rangers each represent a form of energy we get our electricity from in Maryland. The Explorer Club will get to meet them and learn about their energy sources. Photo opportunity for all at the end of the club meeting. Jan 16 2:00-3:30 pm Fri

#### LEGO<sup>®</sup> Club

See Dec 20 for detail Sat Jan 17 2:00-3:30 pm

Babies ♥ Books Story Time ③ See Dec 3 for detail

Wed Jan 21 10:15 or 11:00 am TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)

See Dec 3 for detail Wed Jan 21 4:00-5:00 pm

#### **Pruning with the Master**

Gardeners <sup>(1)</sup> Grades 4 and up It's not too early to think about the garden. Learn how and when to prune trees and shrubs. Jan 24 10:15 am-12:15 pm Sat

Catapults are Back! ③ All Ages

Build a mini Viking catapult out of odds and ends and participate in some friendly competition! Parents and other adults are encouraged to join in on the fun. Prizes. Grades 3-5 must attend with a parent. Jan 24 2:00-4:00 pm

Sat

#### Giggles and Wiggles Story

Time 🔀 🖑 Ages 3-K Mon Jan 26 10:30-11:15 am

#### Tales for Twos Story Time 🛈 Age 2

Wed Jan 28 10:15 or 11:00 am

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Winter Crafts 
Grades K-2 Come in from the cold and create various crafts with a winter theme. Wed Feb 4 6:30-7:30 pm

#### Middle School Party Games for the 21st Century G Grades 6-8

Charades? Taboo? Hangman? Fun apps to share with friends. We'll have snacks, games and fun! Fri Feb 6 6:00-9:00 pm

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#### Attack Of The Love Bugs

Story Time 🕒 👋 Ages 3-K Mon Feb 9 10:30-11:15 am

#### Abingdon Books at Night Book Discussion Group () Adult

Memoirs of an Imaginary Friend by Matthew Dicks Mon Feb 9 6:30-7:30 pm

Tales for Twos Story Time 🛈 Age 2 Wed Feb 11 10:15 or 11:00 am

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#### Spring Story Time Series 🔂 👋

6 week story time series, beginning March 2, 2015. Register for all 6 sessions beginning Monday, February 16.

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Graffiti T-Shirts 
 Grades 6-12 Bring a plain white t-shirt & prepare to join the graffiti underground! Use our supplies to create a one-of-a-kind tee. Wed Feb 18 6:30-7:30 pm

#### LEGO<sup>®</sup> for Grown Folks **G**

Adult / LEGO®: they're not just for kids! Join us for this after-hours, adults-only opportunity to play - you know you want to! We provide the LEGO<sup>®</sup> blocks. Ages 18+ are welcome. Feb 20 7:00-8:30 pm Fri

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#### Under the Sea Story

Time 🛛 👋 Ages 3-K Mon Feb 23 10:30-11:15 am or 1:30-2:15 pm

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#### Making Memories Disney® Style! - Travel Lecture Series All Ages

Are you ready for a magical tour of the wonderful world of Disney<sup>®</sup>? Join Joe Hurley of Safe Harbors Travel Group as we explore all that Walt Disney® Destinations has to offer in making family memories that last a lifetime. Tue Feb 24 1:30-2:30 pm

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**BOOK TRAILERS Calling All Teens!** You are invited to

submit your videos. See page 6 for details.

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#### Drive-thru Window

410-638-3974

| Mon - Thu     | 8:00 am - 7:30 pm |
|---------------|-------------------|
| Fri           | 8:00 am - 4:30 pm |
| Sat           | 9:00 am - 4:30 pm |
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#### **Diaper Gang Story Time**

Ages birth-23 monthsMondays10:15 or 11:00 amSaturdays10:15 am

#### Family Drop-In Story Time 🍟

Children Wednesdays 10:15-11:00 am Saturdays 10:15-11:00 am

#### December

#### Bel Air Books At The Center

Adult Participants at least 55 years of age meet at the McFaul Activities Center for a spirited book discussion. Call 410-638-4040. *The Invention of Wings: a Novel* by Sue Monk Kidd **Mon Dec 1 1:00-3:00 pm** 

#### Books On Tap Adult

Bold titles, refreshing talk! *Eleanor and Park* by Rainbow Rowell Sean Bolans, 12 S. Main St., Bel Air Tue Dec 2 6:30-8:00 pm

#### TAG! (Teen Advisory Group) Grades 6-12

Make a difference in the library. Have your voice heard! Bring your friends. Make new ones! Wed Dec 3 3:30-5:00 pm

#### Bel Air Mysterious Minds Mystery Group Adult

Love reading mysteries? Call the branch for this month's selection. Wed Dec 3 6:30-7:45 pm

#### Toddler Tales Story Time 🛈 🍟

Ages 18-35 months Fri Dec 5 10:15-10:45 am

### Stories for a Winter Day!

Becky Titelman shares her holiday stories with kids of all ages this December! Drop in for the open house celebrations, enjoy a treat or two, and hear the tales of *A Boy and His Snowman, The Stable Elf*, and the brand new *A Hippopotamus for Christmas*! Books available for purchase. **Sun Dec 7 3:00-4:30 pm** 

#### Life-Sized Candy Land All Ages

King Kandy has disappeared! Bring your sweet tooth and follow our giant rainbow path to find him. Fun for all! Tue Dec 9 5:30-7:30 pm

Art a la Carte ③ Grades K & up Create art with us! Each month we will explore a different medium. Wed Dec 10 6:30-7:30 pm

#### Family Craft Night 🔂 👋

All Ages Bring the whole family for fun and express your creativity as we create seasonal crafts for all ages. Thu Dec 11 6:30-7:30 pm

#### How to Build a Cold Frame <sup>(2)</sup> Adult

Protect your plants from adverse weather. The Master Gardeners will show you how to construct a cold frame and teach you how to use it. Sat Dec 13 10:15-noon

#### Sounds of the Holidays

All Ages Celebrate the upcoming holidays with music. Sat Dec 13 11:00 am-12:30 pm

#### LEGO<sup>®</sup> Club 🚯

Grades K-8 We supply the LEGO® blocks, you supply the imagination! Sat Dec 13 2:00-3:30 pm

#### Upper Falls Dance Company presents The Snow Queen All Ages

Fans of Disney's *Frozen* will love watching the Upper Falls Dance Company's imaginative adaptation of Hans Christian Andersen's classic fairy tale, *The Snow Queen*. With holiday twists and turns, this performance will be a magical event to share with friends and family of all ages. Registration suggested. Sat Dec 13 3:00-4:00 pm

#### **Bel Air Fiction Book**

Discussion Group Adult 2 A.M. at the Cat's Pajamas by Marie-Helene Bertino Thu Dec 18 6:30-7:45 pm

#### Toddler Tales Story Time 🕃 🕊

Ages 18-35 months Fri Dec 19 10:15-10:45 am

#### Sounds of the Season: Good Company Consort

Enjoy the instrumental offerings of this recorder group in the lobby. Sat Dec 20 1:00-2:30 pm

#### Drop-In Holiday Crafts V All Ages

Stop by the Children's area to make last minute holiday decorations and gifts. Sun Dec 21 2:00-4:00 pm

#### Sounds of the Season: Catherine Street Consort All Ages

Enjoy the instrumental offerings of this colonial recorder group as well as fascinating information about the instruments and style of music. Sun Dec 21 2:00-4:00 pm

#### Noon Year's Eve Dance

Party () 👋 Children Rock in the new year with your favorite dance songs and new favorites. Don't forget to wear your dancing shoes! Wed Dec 31 11:30 am-12:15 pm

#### January

#### Toddler Tales Story Time () Ages 18-35 months Fri Jan 2 10:15-10:45 am

**Play to Learn!** V Ages birth-Pre-K Drop in for early literacy play-filled activities with your child all week long. Adults will receive information for playing and learning at home while the children just have fun!

| Mon | Jan 5 | noon-8:00 pm     |
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| Tue | Jan 6 | 11:00 am-8:00 pm |
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| Thu | Jan 8 | 11:00 am-8:00 pm |
| Fri | Jan 9 | 10:00 am-5:00 pm |
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#### **Bel Air Books At The Center**

See Dec 1 for detail The Book Thief by Marcus Zusak Mon Jan 5 1:00-3:00 pm

#### Books On Tap Adult

Bold titles, refreshing talk! Ready Player One by Ernest Cline Sean Bolans, 12 S. Main St., Bel Air Tue Jan 6 6:30-8:00 pm

#### TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)

See Dec 3 for detail Wed Jan 7 3:30-5:00 pm

#### Bel Air Mysterious Minds Mystery Group

See Dec 3 for detail Wed Jan 7 6:30-7:45 pm

#### LEGO<sup>®</sup> Club 🚱

See Dec 13 for detail Sat Jan 10 2:00-3:30 pm

#### Just the Facts, Ma'am 🕑 👋 Ages 3-K

A story time using informational books - fun but no fantasy allowed. Tue Jan 13 11:15 am-noon

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#### Roller Coaster Ski Jumps 🛈

Grades 6-12

Launch marbles into targets! Build a roller coaster ski jump to learn how far a marble will fly. Supplies provided. Tue Jan 13 4:00-5:00 pm

#### Art a la Carte 🛈

See Dec 10 for detail Wed Jan 14 6:30-7:30 pm

#### **Bel Air Fiction Book**

**Discussion Group** Adult The Storied Life of A. J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin Thu Jan 15 6:30-7:45 pm

#### Toddler Tales Story Time 🛈 🍟

Ages 18-35 months Fri Jan 16 10:15-10:45 am

#### Snow Much Fun Party G

Grades K-5 / Shake off the winter blahs and celebrate winter with crafts, games and fun! Jan 16 2:30-3:30 pm Fri

#### **Organic Vegetable** Gardening Adult

Want to garden organically? The Master Gardeners will show you how! Topics include rotating crops, developing soil fertility, recycling garden waste & using natural minerals and materials. Sat Jan 17 10:15 am-noon

#### Science Club: The Power of

Air <sup>(1)</sup> Grades 3-8 Explore science through a variety of hands-on experiments and demonstrations. Wed Jan 21 6:30-7:30 pm

#### **HCPL Friends Meeting** Mon Jan 26 5:15 pm

#### Have you been Sherlocked?

Grades 8 to Adult The game is on! If you are a fan of the BBC's show Sherlock then help us celebrate Sherlock Holmes' birthday with trivia and games. Space is Limited. Sat Jan 24 1:00 -2:30

#### Acts of Kindness Club 🚯

Grades K-5 / Interested in helping a charity or a neighbor but do not have a project or group in mind? Join the club! Every month we will help out a local group or charity in need and have fun in the process. Tue Jan 27 4:30-5:30 pm Valentines for Seniors

Science Cafe Grades 9-Adult Learn from a local expert about a specific science and technology topic that affects our everyday lives! Presented through a partnership with the Northeastern Maryland Technology Council (NMTC). Go to nmtcsciencecafe.org or nmtc.org for additional information. Wed Jan 28 7:00-8:30 pm

#### February

#### **Bel Air Books At The Center** See Dec 1 for detail The Hour of Peril: The Secret Plot to Murder Lincoln before the Civil War by Daniel Stashower

Mon Feb 2 1:00-3:00 pm

#### **Experiment and Explore!**

Story Time () Ages 3-K Tue Feb 3 11:15 am-12:15 pm

Books On Tap Adult Bold titles, refreshing talk!

The Walking Dead graphic novels by Robert Kirkman (or any book about zombies) Sean Bolans, 12 S. Main St, Bel Air Tue Feb 3 6:30-8:00 pm

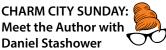
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#### Toddler Tales Story Time 🛈 🍟 18 months-Age 3

Feb 6 Fri 10:15-10:45 am



Author Dan Stashower presents his True-Crime Edgar Award winning book The Hour of Peril: The Secret Plot to Murder Lincoln Before the Civil War. The non-fiction volume (that reads like fiction) follows detectives Allan Pinkerton and Kate Warne, as they unravel the "Baltimore Plot" to kill Lincoln as he traveled by train to his inauguration. Books available for purchase. Registration Suggested. Supported by the Harford County Cultural Arts Board.

#### **Teen Anti-Valentine's Day**

Party <sup>(1)</sup> Grades 6-12 Valentine's Day not really your thing? Get away from all things pink and red by spending the afternoon celebrating in a different kind of way with moody music, cranky crafts and goofy games. Wed Feb 11 4:00-5:00 pm

#### Art a la Carte G

See Dec 10 for detail Wed Feb 11 6:30-7:30 pm

Family Craft Night 🛛 👋

#### See Dec 11 for detail Thu Feb 12 6:30-7:30 pm

#### Betcha Can't Eat Just One!

Grades K-8 The who, what, where, why and how of the potato chip. Tasting and rating. Feb 13 2:00-3:00 pm Fri

#### LEGO<sup>®</sup> Club 🚯

See Dec 13 for detail Sat Feb 14 2:00-3:30 pm

#### Medieval Week February 15-21

Hear Ye, Hear Ye! Celebrate Medieval Week at the Bel Air Branch. Enjoy story times, drop-in crafts and fun activities.

#### Medieval Art: Illuminated

Manuscripts 
 Grades K-8 Learn about this beautiful book art and create your own illuminated manuscript! Sun Feb 15 2:00-3:00 pm

#### Science Club: Storming

the Castle 
 Grades 3-8 Explore science through a variety of hands-on experiments and demonstrations. Wed Feb 18 6:30-7:30 pm

#### **Princesses and Dragons**

Story Time 🖑 Ages 3-K Feb 20 11:15 am-noon Fri

#### March into Spring Story Time

Series 🛛 👋 Ages 3-K Registration begins February 17. Tuesdays March 2-23 11:15-noon

#### **Bel Air Fiction Book**

**Discussion Group** Adult All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr Thu Feb 19 6:30-7:45 pm



#### Toddler Tales Story Time 🛈 🍟

18 months-Age 3 Feb 20 10:15-10:45 am Fri

#### Pruning with the Master

Gardeners () Adult It's not too early to think about the garden. Learn how and when to prune trees and shrubs. Sat Feb 21 10:15 am-noon

Friends of HCPL Meeting Mon Feb 23 5:15 pm

#### Acts of Kindness Club

See Ian 27 for detail Tue Feb 24 4:30-5:30 pm Gifts for Humane Society

Science Cafe See Jan 28 for detail Wed Feb 25 7:00-8:30 pm



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Mon & Wed 10:00 am - 8:00 pm Tue & Thu 11:00 am - 8:00 pm Fri & Sat 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Sun (Oct-Apr) 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

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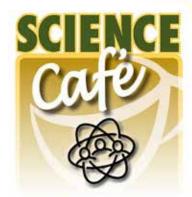
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Sun Feb 8 2:00 pm



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Fresh Brewed Science

Science Cafés are a **fun** and **free** way **for everyone**, scientists or not, to learn about a specific science and technology topic that affects our everyday lives. Drop in for a coffee and stay for the discussion. All are welcome!

Bel Air Library January 28 and February 25 7:00-8:30 pm





#### **Dec-Feb**

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#### December

Pre-Hours Preschool Party Ages birth-K / Come to the DarlingtonLibrary before we open for stories,<br/>crafts, and activities.ThuDec 411:00-noon

#### Holiday Open House All Ages

Celebrate the holiday season with music, crafts, and fun for all ages! Mon Dec 8 3:00-8:00 pm

Friends Book Sale Sat Dec 13 10:00 am-2:00 pm

#### Darlington Book Discussion Group Adult

Unaccustomed Earth by Jhumpa Lahiri Tue Dec 16 6:30-7:30 pm

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#### January

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#### Darlington Book Discussion Group Adult

The Husband's Secret by Liane MoriartyTueJan 206:30-7:30 pm

#### Pajamarama Party 👋

All Ages / Wear your pajamas to the library as we share stories, rhymes, music and a craft all about sweet dreams and bedtime. Mon Jan 26 6:30 – 7:30 pm

#### February

Pre-Hours Preschool Party See Dec 4 for detail Thu Feb 5 11:00 am-noon

Hearts & Crafts All Ages / Prepare for Valentine's Day by making gifts for those you love! Mon Feb 9 6:30-7:30 pm

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Darlington Book Discussion Group Adult Whered You Go Bernadette by Maria Semple Tue Feb 17 6:30-7:30 pm

Pre-Hours Preschool Party See Dec 4 for detail Thu Feb 19 11:00 am-noon



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### Winter Reading is Here, Winter Reading is Here...

WINTER READING PROGRAM

The Winter Reading Program is here!!!! Are you excited?! Well you should get excited!! ...cozy nights spent reading your favorite books and sometimes your-not-so favorite ones (we have all had those). This year's theme is *Destination Unlimited: READ*. Do you feel like you are reading the same book over and over? Are you looking for something new? Well, we have whatever you fancy... graphic novels, mysteries, romance, biographies, history...the possibilities are limitless. Check out your library and find something new or old that interests you. This year, I am really into realistic fiction... I am OVER vamps, weres, witches, and mermaids. Bring on real life! I am enjoying reading about what is happening that I can relate to and ways to deal with it. Go to your local library and sign up for the Winter Reading Program!

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Harford County Public Library

#### Books to Film...

Have you noticed the plethora of books that are being made into movies? Particularly young adult novels? Well, you and me both! Do you always read the book before the movie? Do you read a book and picture who would play the characters in the movie? As I read, I do create the scenes in my head. I try to picture where the setting is and what the characters look like. I have to admit, I have never pictured any actors playing the roles. I only imagine the actors, if I read the book after I see the movie. In some ways this ruins the book for me, since I like to be the one creating the scenes and characters in my head. I always try to read the book before I see the movie... unless, I have absolutely no interest in reading the book. There are some books that are just better as a movie and books that are better than the movie (this is usually the case for me).

Coming this March you can get your chance to recreate your favorite book into a book trailer! Let everyone see what you see when reading a book. You DON'T have to wait until the last minute! Get those creative juices flowing sooner rather than later! As they say, the early bird gets the worm... or in this case, the first place prize.

#### SAVE THE DATE: Film This! 2015

Last day entries are due: Sunday, March 1, 2015 Red Carpet Event: Friday, March 13, 2015



Baby & Toddler Story Time Ages birth-3 Fridays 10:30 am

It's Story Time  $\checkmark$  Ages birth-K Wednesdays 10:30-11:00 am

#### Read to the Dogs!

Grades K-5

Shy reader? Children can improve their reading skills by sharing stories with a furry friend. Volunteers and dogs are from Pets on Wheels. Saturdays noon-2:00 pm

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#### Booked for Lunch () Adult

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#### Classic Movie Night

High School & Adult Thu Dec 4 5:30-8:00 pm

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#### Holiday Open House Celebration (F) All Ages

Celebrate the season with music and refreshments. Mon Dec 8 4-7 pm

#### Edgewood High School Jazz

Ensemble (F) All Ages Enjoy seasonal sounds as the EHS Jazz Ensemble entertains at our Holiday Open House. Mon Dec 8 6:00-6:30 pm

#### Mini Gingerbread Houses 🕃 🗈

Grades 6-12 / Build and decorate a holiday candy house. Bring one bag of candy to share. Thu Dec 11 6:00-7:00 pm

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#### Half-Day LEGO® Fun Grades 1-8

Half-day for the kids? Bring them to the library for LEGO® fun. We supply the LEGO® blocks; kids supply the imagination. Fri Dec 12 2:00-3:00 pm

#### Yu-Gi-Oh & More: Gaming

Club () Grades 6-12 Bring your decks for games including Yu-Gi-Oh, Pokemon, and Magic the Gathering. Beginning instruction available. Sat Dec 13 12:30-3:30 pm

#### **Children's Christmas**

Crafts V Pre-K-Grade 5 Stop in and make something fun for the holidays! Mon Dec 15 4:00-7:00 pm

#### Yu-Gi-Oh Dueling Club 🚯

Grades 6-12 Activities include beginning instruction, tournaments and free play. Sat Dec 20 12:30-3:30 pm

#### Holiday Story Time 🛈 👋

Children Mon Dec 22 10:30-11:00 am

### Awesome Afternoon at the Movies ( All Ages

Enjoy a newly-released family friendly movie. Movie titles are geared towards a children's audience with either a G or PG rating. Children under 8 years old must be accompanied by an adult. See you at the show! Sat Dec 27 2:00-4:00 pm

Foreign Film Festival (c) Adult Calling all foreign film buffs! Join us for a monthly viewing of one of the top foreign films made in decades past. Mon Dec 29 6:00-8:00 pm

#### New Year Celebration 👋

Birth-Grade 1 Ring in the New Year preschool style! We'll be reading books about the New Year and celebrating at the stroke of 12 noon during this story time. Wed Dec 31 11:30 am-noon

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Winter Reading Kickoff! (E) Adult / Sign up for the Winter Reading Program early and enjoy a treat! Fri Jan2 10:00 am-8:00 pm

**Yoga Story Time () V** Ages 2-K Mon Jan 5 10:30-11:00 am

Booked for Lunch (2) Adult Let's do lunch and enjoy a midday book discussion of *Still Life with Bread Crumbs* by Anna Quindlen. Wed Jan 7 11:30 am-12:30 pm

Banana Tattoos () (c) Grades 6-12 Bananas are good for more than just eating. Create artwork using a simple technique. All supplies will be provided. Thu Jan 8 6:00-7:00 pm

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#### Yu-Gi-Oh & More: Gaming

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### LEAP The Big Sleep - Reptiles & Amphibians in Winter **@ (**

Grades 3-8 / Learn about reptiles and amphibians and how they cope with cold winters and examine a few of these sleepy animals. Presented by the Anita C. Leight Estuary Center. **Tue Jan 13 6:30-7:30 pm** 

#### Half-Day LEGO<sup>®</sup> Fun

See Dec 12 for detail Fri Jan 16 2:00-3:00 pm

#### Crazy 8's Preschool Math 🕊

Ages 2-K / Come to the library to play games and learn some math skills to get you ready for school. Fri Jan 16 1 pm-1:45 pm

Yu-Gi-Oh Dueling Club <sup>(2)</sup> See Dec 20 for detail

Sat Jan 17 12:30-3:30 pm

Loch Ness Monster Day Grades K-5 Tue Jan 20 6:00-7:00 pm

**Crazy 8's Preschool Math** See Jan 16 for detail Wed Jan 21 11:30-12:15 pm

**Classic Movie Night** 

High School & Adult Thu Jan 22 5:30-8:00 pm Retro Video GamesGrades 6-12Atari? Nintendo? You may have heardof them, but have you played one?Stop in and try your hand at some ofthese classic game systems.SatJan 242:00-4:00 pm

Elephant and Piggie Party Story Time 🕑 🍟 Ages birth-K Mon Jan 26 10:30-11:15 am

Edgewood Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult Mon Jan 26 4:15-5:15 pm

Foreign Film Festival (F) See Dec 29 for detail Mon Jan 26 6:00-8:00 pm

Edgewood Senior Center Book Discussion Group Adult The Son by Philipp Meyer Tue Jan 27 10:30-11:30 am

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Awesome Afternoon at the Movies (F) See Dec 27 for detail Sat Jan 31 2:00-4:00 pm

#### February

Groundhog Day Story Time 🕑 🍟 Ages birth-K Mon Feb 2 10:30-11:15 am

#### Scholarship Application

Writing Workshop () Grades 9-12 Find out about college scholarships available to Harford County students! Get one-on-one assistance writing a quality essay and application from a Harford County educator! Suggested materials/information to bring for any scholarships you wish to submit on-site: 1. Two letters of recommendation in sealed envelopes

- 2. High school or college transcript in a sealed envelope with the original seal.
- 3. Grade point average and SAT score
- 4. Total Annual Household Income (gross), student income (gross), and amount to be paid toward college tuition.
- Last four digits of SSN.
   Any essays you have already written or begun to write that you want feedback.

Tue Feb 3 5:30-7:30 pm

#### Booked for Lunch ③ Adult

Let's do lunch and enjoy a midday book discussion of *The Elegance of the Hedgehog* by Muriel Barbery. Wed Feb 4 11:30 am-12:30 pm

Classic Movie Night High School & Adult Thu Feb 5 5:30-8:00 pm

Illustrate Your Life With

**Shadra Strickland ()** Grades 3-8 Meet Shadra Strickland, the talent behind many children's book illustrations! For this hands-on day, Shadra will be showing kids how to illustrate their stories, talking about her journey, and signing books. Sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

Sat Feb 7 1:00-3:00pm

**Yoga Story Time V** Ages 2-K Mon Feb 9 10:30-11:00 am

#### Hearts & Crafts 🕃 👻

All Ages / Prepare for Valentine's Day by making gifts for those you love! Mon Feb 9 6:30-7:30 pm

#### LEAP Salute to Black Inventors and Scientists **(**)

Grades 3-8 / An interactive look at the African-Americans who have made our lives better through their imagination and determination. Presented by David and Sharoll Williams-Love. **Tue Feb 10 6:30-7:30 pm** 

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Book Share Bingo (F) Grades 5-8 As we play bingo we will recommend our favorite books. Maybe you'll find your next great read. Wed Feb 18 6:30-7:45 pm Yu-Gi-Oh Dueling Club () See Dec 20 for detail Sat Feb 21 12:30-3:30 pm

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Adult Carthage by Joyce Carol Oates Tue Feb 24 10:30-11:30 am

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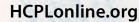
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#### eServices by Appointment **③**

All Ages / Learn how to download and use library electronic services on your personal devices. Call or visit the library to make an appointment.

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#### Dads and Kids Craft Night () () Ver-K & Up

Dads and kids, come to the library for a night of crafts. Make a gift for Mom! Mon Dec 15 6:00-7:00 pm

#### Fallston Critics Without Credentials Book Discussion Group (F) Adult

The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin Wed Dec 17 10:00 am-noon

#### Beatles Game Night 🖲

All Ages / "Come Together," Beatles fans for a Fab night of games. Play Beatles Rock Band® or the Beatles versions of Monopoly®, Scrabble®, or Trivial Pursuit®. A splendid time is guaranteed for all. Registration suggested. Thu Dec 18 6:00-8:00 pm

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Adult *Thunderstruck* by Erik Larson Mon Jan 5 6:30-8:00 pm

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Grades K & up Beat the winter blues and play some indoor mini golf! Wed Jan 7 6:00-7:00 pm

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Group (F) Adult Under the Wide and Starry Sky by Nancy Horan Wed Jan 21 10:00 am-noon

#### Books On Tap () Adult Bold titles, refreshing talk! World War Z by Max Brooks Basta Pasta, 2745 Fallston Rd., Fallston Mon Jan 26 6:30-8:00 pm

Babies V Books Story Time See Dec 12 for detail Wed Jan 28 11:00-11:30 am

#### **February**

**Fallston Friends Evening Book Discussion Group** (F)

Adult Their Eyes Were Watching God by Zora Neale Hurston Mon Feb 2 6:30-8:00 pm

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Hearts & Crafts 🚯 🕞 색 All Ages Prepare for Valentine's Day by making gifts for those you love! Wed Feb 4 5:30-6:30 pm

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#### **Fallston Critics Without Credentials Book Discussion**

Group ( Adult We Are Not Ourselves by Matthew Thomas Wed Feb 18 10:00 am-noon

#### Babies V Books Story Time

See Dec 14 for detail Wed Feb 25 11:00-11:30 am

#### Books On Tap () Adult

Bold titles, refreshing talk! Persepolis and Persepolis II by Marjane Satrapi Basta Pasta, 2745 Fallston Rd., Fallston Wed Feb 25 6:30-8:00 pm

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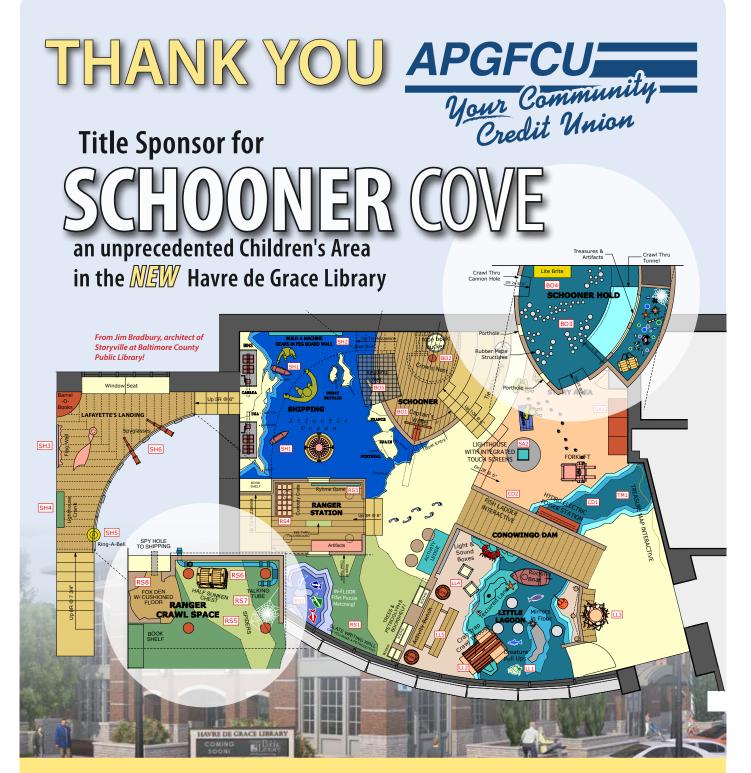
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Books On Tap Adult Bold titles, refreshing talk! Defending Jacob by William Landay Laurrapin Grille, 209 N Washington St, Havre de Grace Wed Dec 3 6:30-8:00 pm

#### **Teen After Hours ()** (F) Grades 6-12

This is the night we open the library just for teens! Teens can play games, surf the Net, do crafts and snacks of course!

Fri Dec 5 4:30-8:00 pm

#### The Library Sets Sail: Experiments in Oceanography () All Ages

The Havre de Grace Library and Maritime Museum present a hands-on science program to learn about the effects and properties of water. This program is at the Havre de Grace Maritime Museum. Sat Dec 6 10:30 am

#### TED Conversations @ the Library @ © Adult

TED (Technology, Entertainment, Design) is a global community, welcoming people from every discipline and culture who seek a deeper understanding of the world. At the TED and TEDx conferences, speakers share 18 minutes of ideas. We will view one of these TED or TEDx talks each month around coffee. Join our conversation! Limited seating. **Tue Dec 9 6:30-7:45 pm** 

#### Coupons: More Bang for Your Buck! Adult Learn to save money in these tight

economic times. Wed Dec 10 6:30-7:30 pm

#### Havre de Grace Senior Center

Book Club Adult These is My Words by Nancy E. Turner Thu Dec 11 10:00-11:00 am

#### Conversation Cafe: Spanish/English () (E) All Ages

Learning English? Learning Spanish? Here's a chance to practice your language skills and meet new people. Thu Dec 11 6:30-7:30 pm

#### Holiday Open House (E) All Ages

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#### January

#### Science Play @ the Library: Volcanoes **①**

Grades K-5 Learn about volcanoes with engaging hands-on science play. Share in a book and group activity before making your own volcano. Tue Jan 6 6:00-7:30 pm

#### Books On Tap Adult

Bold titles, refreshing talk! Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance by Robert Pirsig Laurrapin Grille, 209 N Washington St, Havre de Grace Wed Jan 7 6:30-8:00 pm

#### Havre de Grace Senior Center Book Club Adult

The Invisible Man by H.G. WellsThuJan 810:00-11:00 am

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See Dec 5 for detail Fri Jan 23 4:30-8:00 pm

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Books On Tap Adult Bold titles, refreshing talk! *The Secret Place* by Tana French Laurrapin Grille, 209 N Washington St, Havre de Grace Wed Feb 4 6:30-8:00 pm

#### The Library Sets Sail: Going to the Birds <sup>(1)</sup> All Ages

The Havre de Grace Library and Maritime Museum present a fun birdhouse building workshop for the whole family. Share in bird stories and a scavenger hunt to learn how to identify birds before building your own birdhouse. This program is at the Havre de Grace Maritime Museum. Sat Feb 7 10:30

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#### 5th Annual Black Gospel Music Experience @ the Opera House © All Ages

Celebrate the music! Learn about black gospel music and its significance to the African-American community. Hear local choirs and soloists share their talents. This is a partnership with the Havre de Grace Opera House Foundation **Tue Feb 24 6:30-8:00 pm** 



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#### Jarrettsville Science Club Grades K-8

See how fun science can be. Each month will feature experiments and explorations of different areas of science.

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#### Scrabblers Adult

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All Ages / New smartphone? New tablet? Want to know about the music, movies, books, and television shows you can download for free? Stop by the Jarrettsville Library and we will show you how! Sun Jan 11 2:00-4:00 pm

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Abraham Lincoln provides insight into the Emancipation Proclamation, his thoughts on the Civil War, and what is in store for the future of the Nation. A one-man show by Eric Richardson. Sun Feb 15 2:00pm

#### How to Sell on Etsy () Adults

A local business owner will share tips on how to start and run an Etsy based business. Sun Feb 20 2:00-3:00 pm

#### Shall We Dance @ the Library Adult

Instruction will be provided on the fun hopping moves of single time swing the sultry, romantic steps of the rumba or, as an alternative, you can enjoy getting your groove on with Just Dance for Wii. For those wanting to move and grove just a little less, a movie will be available for your viewing pleasure. Fri Feb 20 7:00-10:00 pm

#### Jarrettsville Novel Ideas Book Discussion Group

Adult The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain Mon Feb 23 10:30 am-noon

#### BOOM Theatre Company Presents: The Director's Chair Adult

Taught by company director Ryan Nicotra, this workshop is ideal for new and emerging directors seeking to improve their process of making inventive choices, fully utilizing a performance space, and improving communication with actors. Discussions will be paired with composition activity. Mon Feb 23 6:30 -7:30 pm



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### Take the Next Step: Learn to Knit a Pair of Socks **@** (F)

All Ages Call ahead to find out what type of yarn and size needles will be needed. Program consists of three sessions. Thu Dec 4 6:30-8:00 pm

#### Homeschool Health Course ③ Grades K-3

Are you homeschooling your K-3 student, or students? Join our weekly health course for students designed to meet curriculum requirements and provide socialization opportunities. Topics covered will include: hygiene, food safety, nutrition, and helpful medical technology! Fri Dec 5 10:00-11:00 am

#### Classic Movie Night () (\*) All Ages

FriDec 56:00-8:00 pmThe Santa Clause

### Brunch with Santa 🕑 👋

Read 6 books prior to December 6 and return your booklist to the Joppa Branch for a FREE ticket to have brunch with Santa on December 6. The booklist will be available on November 1 and must be returned before December 6. Funded by Joppatowne Woman's Club. Sat Dec 6 11:00 am-noon

#### Experiment and Explore! Story Time (E) 🍟

Age 3-Grade 2 Mon Dec 8 10:00-11:00 am

### Ho! Ho! Ho! Story Time 👋

Tue Dec 9 6:00-6:45 pm

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#### Knitting for Beginners and Advanced Beginners () (E Adult

Those interested in learning to knit are welcome. More advanced knitters will learn additional techniques to enhance their knitting skills. Thu Dec 11 6:30-8:00 pm

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#### LEGO<sup>®</sup> Club 🖻 색

Ages 2-Grade 8 / We supply the LEGO®blocks, you supply the imagination!FriDec 123:00-4:30 pm

#### **Gingerbread Houses**

Galore! () (E) All Ages Get in the holiday spirit by building a gingerbread house at the library! Bring your building skills and nothing more. Supplies provided. Sat Dec 13 11:00 am-12:30 pm or 2:00-3:30 pm

#### Toddlers Create Art 👋

18 months-Pre-K Enjoy a story and then explore basic art concepts and create simple art projects based on the story's theme. Mon Dec 15 10:30-11:30 am

#### Genealogy Sharing Adult

Discuss topics of interest to the family genealogist. Tue Dec 16 6:00-8:00 pm

#### Joppa Evening Book

DiscussionAdultInterestingsby Meg WolitzerThuDec 186:30-7:30 pm

#### Homeschool Health Course 3

*See Dec 5 for detail* **Fri Dec 19 10:00-11:00 am** 

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Maker Kids (E) Vre-K-Grade 8 Come to the kids' maker program each month. Each month we will work on making new things, from kites to craft projects. Sat Dec 27 10:30-11:30 am

Holiday Bingo! () () All Ages Participate in a fun time of playing Bingo around the holidays! Mon Dec 29 2:00-3:00 pm

#### Awesome Afternoon at the

**Movies** (c) All Ages / Enjoy a family friendly movie at the library. Movie titles are geared towards a children's audience with either a G or PG rating. Children under 8 years old must be accompanied by an adult. See you at the show!

TueDec 302:00-4:00 pmHow the Grinch Stole Christmas

#### Knitting for Beginners and Advanced Beginners () (\*)

See Dec 11 for detail Tue Dec 30 6:30-8:00 pm

#### January

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HCPL's Digital Collection -Hoopla, Zinio, Freegal, and More! All Ages Learn how you can watch free movies,

listen to free music, read free magazines and books online using the library's digital products. Tue Jan 13 3:00-4:00 pm

Away We Go! Story Time Ages 2-K Tue Jan 13 6:00-7:00 pm

Travel 101 Adult A library staff member, who previously worked in the travel industry, will share the "ins and outs" about traveling. Wed Jan 14 6:30-7:30 pm

Family Time See Dec 17 for detail Thu Jan 15 6:00-7:30 pm

Craft CornerYAll AgesBe creative! Drop by the library<br/>after school to make a craft in<br/>our Makerspace!make a craft inFriJan 161:00-4:30 pm

Classic Movie Night () (P All Ages Fri Jan 16 6:00-8:00 pm Viva Las Vegas

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Maker Kids (c) V See Dec 27 for detail Sat Jan 24 10:30-11:30 am

Maker Teens ③ See Dec 27 for detail Sat Jan 24 1:00-2:30 pm

Banana Tattoos () (E) Grades 6-12 / Bananas are good for more than just eating. Create artwork using a simple technique. Wed Jan 28 6:00-7:00 pm

Knitting for Beginners and Advanced Beginners () (P See Dec 11 for detail Thu Jan 29 6:30-8:00 pm

#### February

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Friends Book Sale - Preview Sale for Friends Members Wed Feb 4 6:00-8:00 pm

Friends Book Sale (F) Thu Feb 5 1:00-7:30 pm

Seed Swap (c) All Ages Swap seeds with your fellow green thumbs! Make sure your seed packets are labeled with the variety and when they were harvested. Thu Feb 5 4:00-6:30 pm

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Friends Book Sale (E) Mon Feb 9 10:00 am-7:30 pm Get Ready for Valentine's Day Party ③ 《 All Ages Celebrate with us and make Valentine's Day crafts. Enjoy treats! Tue Feb 10 4:30-6:30 pm

Craft Corner 🖑 See Jan 16 for detail Fri Feb 13 1:00-4:30 pm

Classic Movie Night () (E) All Ages Fri Feb 13 6:00-8:00 pm Dead Poet's Society

Genealogy SharingSee Dec 16 for detailTueFeb 176:00-8:00 pm

Batters Up!All AgesLearn the ins and outs of juvenilebaseball.WedFeb 186:30 pm

LEGO<sup>®</sup> Club (F) See Dec 12 for detail Thu Feb 19 3:00-5:00 pm

Knitting for Beginners and Advanced Beginners () (E) See Dec 11 for detail Thu Feb 19 6:30-8:00 pm

Maker Kids (E) V See Dec 27 for detail Sat Feb 21 10:30-11:30 am

Roller Coaster Ski Jumps Grades 6-12 Launch marbles into targets! Build a roller coaster ski jump to learn how far a marble will fly. Supplies provided. Sat Feb 21 1:00-2:00 pm

Experiment and Explore! Story Time Mon Feb 23 10:00 am

HCPL's Digital Collection -Hoopla, Zinio, Freegal, and More! See Jan 13 for detail Mon Feb 23 6:30 pm

Book Swap Adult Bring a book you know longer want and swap it for another! Tue Feb 24 3:00-7:00 pm

#### **Experiment and Explore!**

**Story Time** (E) 👋 Age 3-Grade 2 Mon Feb 23 10:00-11:00 am

**Experiment and Explore!** 

Story Time (E) 🍟 Age 3-Grade 2 Tue Feb 24 6:00-7:00 pm

Up! Up! and Away!

Story Time Ages 2-K Wed Feb 25 10:30-11:30 am or 6:00-7:00 pm

Joppa Evening Book Discussion Adult The Language of Flowers by Vanessa Diffenbaugh Thu Feb 26 6:30-7:30 pm

Teen After Hours R (F) See Dec 19 for detail Fri Feb 27 5:00-8:00 pm



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#### **Joppa Hours**

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

#### **Holiday Closings**

WedDec 24Christmas EveThuDec 25Christmas DaySunDec 28Between HolidaysThuJan 1\*New Year's DayMonJan 19M. L. King Jr. DayMonFeb 16Presidents' Day

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#### Connect with us

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Computing by Appointment 3 All Ages

Family Drop-In Story Time 👋 Wednesdays 10:30-11:00 am

#### December

Holiday Open House All Ages Celebrate the holiday season with music, crafts, and fun for all ages! 5:30-7:30 pm Tue Dec 2

#### **Rainbow Loom Saturdays**

Grades 1-8 / Bring your looms and bands, or use our supplies to make colorful jewelry, charms, and more! Dec 6 10:00 am-4:30 pm Sat

#### Spray Paint Tie Dye 🛈

Grades 6-12 / Try a new tie dye technique! Bring a light colored t-shirt from home to paint or make an infinity scarf with our materials.

Sat Dec 6 2:00-3:00 pm

#### Fancy Nancy Story Time 🕃 👋

Age 3-Grade 1 / Enjoy fanciful tales and create shimmering, jeweled crafts, as we celebrate the fabulous world of Fancy Nancy!

Dec 12 2:00-3:00 pm Fri

LEGO® Club 
 Grades K-8 We supply the LEGO® blocks, you supply the imagination! Thu Dec 18 6:00-7:30 pm

#### The Premier Source for Business and Residential information...

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Analyze competitors

**Rainbow Loom Saturdays** 

Norrisville Book Discussion

A Street Cat Named Bob: and How He

January

**Rainbow Loom Saturdays** 

Pete the Cat stories, songs and fun!

**Rainbow Loom Saturdays** 

Let's Talk Books! Club 🕢

Hey Kids! Read a book from the theme

of the month and share your thoughts

about it when we meet as a group.

science or art activity. Ask a librarian

**Norrisville Book Discussion** 

Letters from Skye by Jessica Brockmole

You can then do a theme-related

for the theme of the month and

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

Fun with Pete the Cat

Story Time 👋 Birth-K

Saved My Life by James Bowen

See Dec 6 for detail

Group Adult

Mon Dec 22

See Dec 6 for detail

Wed Jan 14

See Dec 6 for detail

suggested books.

Group Adult

Mon Jan 26

Jan 17

Jan 17

Sat

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Grades 2-5

Sat

Dec 20

• Find new business opportunities

10:00 am-4:30 pm

10:30-11:30 am

10:30-11:30 am

10:00 am-4:30 pm

11:00 am-noon

10:30-11:30 am

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#### **Consumer Lifestyle**

- Plan your wedding
- Organize a class reunion
   Conduct market research
  - Analyze community demographics
- ...and much more! @ HCPLonline.org

LEGO<sup>®</sup> Club <sup>®</sup> See Dec 18 for detail Thu Jan 29 6:00-7:30 pm

**Rainbow Loom Saturdays** See Dec 6 for detail Jan 31 10:00 am-4:30 pm Sat

Light Painting Grades 6-12 Make a digital masterpiece using our equipment and your imagination! 2:00-3:00 pm Sat Jan 31

#### February

#### Mosaic Heart Valentine Craft

Grades 6-12 / Don't let your heart get broken! Use recycled CDs to create the perfect mosaic heart ornament to share with your Valentine. Mon Feb 9 6:00-7:00 pm

#### Bear Hugs Story Time 👋

Ages birth-K / Bring your teddy bear (or other favorite stuffed animal) and enjoy stories, songs, and a craft about our beloved bear friends! Wed Feb 11 10:30-11:30 am

#### **Rainbow Loom Saturdays**

See Dec 6 for detail Sat Feb 14 10:00 am-4:30 pm

#### Let's Talk Books! Club 🛈

See Ian 17 for detail Sat Feb 14 11:00 am-noon

#### Norrisville Book Discussion Group Adult

Destiny of the Republic: A Tale of Madness. Medicine and the Murder of a President by Candice Millard Mon Feb 23 10:30-11:30 am

LEGO<sup>®</sup> Club 🚯 See Dec 18 for detail Thu Feb 26 6:00-7:30 pm



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#### **EVENINGINTHESTACKS.ORG**



#### Food Drive for the Salvation Army & FISH of Harford County

Collecting non-perishable food items for the needy. Donations accepted through December 17.

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#### **Mitten Tree**

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#### Bridge Group 🚯 Adult

Are you interested in playing Bridge? Join the friendly games with all skill levels welcome! Thursdays 1:00-4:00 pm

Family Drop-In Story Time V Wednesdays 10:30-11:30 am

#### Genealogy Basics ()

Adult / Learn the basics of family history research and how to use free online resources, including *Ancestry Library Edition*. Contact the branch for an appointment. Fiber Arts GroupAdultBring your latest project and be<br/>creative with company.Fridays10:00 am-2:00 pm

#### December

#### Whiteford Book Discussion Group Adult

Wed Dec 3 6:30-7:30 pm The Aviator's Wife by Melanie Benjamin

#### **Genealogy Discussion Group**

Adult / Topics of interest for the serious genealogist. Those new to genealogy take Genealogy Basics. Thu Dec 4 6:30-8:00 pm

#### Holiday Movie Marathon

All Ages / Get in the holiday spirit! Stop for a holiday movie. Sat Dec 6 11:00 am-3:30 pm

Whiteford Holiday OpenHouse & Quilt Raffle (F)Join North Harford Friends of HCPLat their annual Quilt Raffle drawing.Enjoy door prizes and more.MonDec 83:00-4:00 pm

#### Milk & Cookies Story Time 👋

Birth-Pre-K Wed Dec 10 10:30-11:15 am

#### Santa's Workshop for Dads

and Kids ¥ All Ages Give Mom a break this holiday season and make her something special at Santa's Workshop. Thu Dec 11 1:00-7:30 pm

#### TAG! (Teen Advisory Group) Grades 6-12

Make a difference in the library. Have your voice heard! Bring your friends. Make new ones! Fri Dec 12 5:00-6:00 pm

Teen After HoursGrades 6-12This is the night we open the libraryjust for teens! Teens can play games,surf the net, do crafts and snacksof course!FriDec 126:00-8:00 pm

#### TEENS!!! Make-It @ the

LibraryGrades 6-12 / Holidays arejust around the corner! Come in andmake some great gifts to give!FriDec 126:00-8:00 pm

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#### Sew Sisters @ the Library

Adult / Bring your fabric project and sewing machine (or needle and thread) and be creative with company. Pack a lunch for a midday break. Sat Dec 13 10:00 am-4:00 pm

Lego ClubGrades K-8We supply the Lego® blocks, yousupply the imagination!ThuDec 186:00-7:30 pm

#### January

#### Adult Winter Reading Kick-Off Adult

Destination Unlimited - where does reading take you? To the Library for our makerspace craft! Drop in to our area dedicated to all things book and exercise your creativity. Mon Jan 5 10:00 am-8:00 pm

Genealogy: Research Your Family History Adult Destination Unlimited - how far into

the past can you travel? Stop by our genealogy table and learn how to climb your family tree! Mon Jan 5 10:00 am-5:00 pm

Whiteford Branch is 35! All Ages

Get in your time machine and return to 1980 for music, movies, trivia and cake as we celebrate 35 years in the community! Snow date: January 12. Mon Jan 5 10:00 am-8:00 pm

**Consult a Geek** All Ages Learn about all the cool things the library has for your new tablet, phone or e-reader? Bring your device and consult our resident geek.

Thu Jan 8 2:00-4:00 pm

**Genealogy Discussion Group** See Dec 4 for detail Thu Jan 8 6:00-8:00 pm

Viral Video Show All Ages Ever watch short videos on the computer or phone? You can't watch just one! Teens come to the library and share your favs. Fri Jan 9 6:00-8:00 pm

Sew Sisters @ the Library See Dec 13 for detail Sat Jan 10 10:00 am-4:00 pm

North Harford Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult Tue Jan 13 3:00-4:00 pm

Consult a GeekSee Jan 8 for detailThuJan 152:00-4:00 pm

 Lego
 Club
 See Dec 18 for details

 Thu
 Jan 15
 6:00 - 7:30 pm

#### Let's Do Science Club 🔀 🕞

Grades 3-8 / Become a LEAP Citizen Scientist. We will be doing microbiology experiments and raising horseshoe crabs for the Department of Natural Resources. *Microbiology Experiment Part 1* Sat Jan 17 2:00-3:30 pm

A Trip to the Beach Story Time  $\checkmark$  Birth-K Wed Jan 21 10:30-11:30 am

**Consult a Geek** See Jan 8 for detail Thu Jan 22 2:00-4:00 pm

### Whiteford Book Discussion

Group Adult Under the Wide and Starry Sky by Nancy Horan Wed Jan 28 6:30-7:30 pm Consult a Geek See Jan 8 for detail Thu Jan 29 2:00-4:00 pm

#### February

**Genealogy Discussion Group** See Dec 4 for detail

Thu Feb 5 6:00-8:00 pm

Hearts and Crafts Drop-In Story Time Birth-K Wed Feb 11 10:30 am

Sew Sisters @ the Library See Dec 13 for detail

Sat Feb 14 10:00 am-4:00 pm

Lego Club See Dec 18 for details Thu Feb 19 6:00-7:30 pm

#### Let's Do Science Club 🛈 🗈

See Jan 17 for detail Microbiology Experiment Part 2 Sat Feb 21 2:00-3:30 pm

#### Whiteford Book Discussion Group Adult

Baltimore Blues by Laura Lippman Wed Feb 25 6:30-7:30 pm

#### Seed Swap Adult

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. (Bring your original packet or label seeds with grow date, name and variety.) No seeds to share? No problem. Take some of our seeds home to start your new garden. Sat Feb 28 1:00 – 3:30 pm



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# Author Resources! @ Harford County Public Library



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### Also Available @ the Library

Harford County Public Library has *Meet the Author* events, workshops and programs that are of special interest to writers!



### **Review Sources**

Market guides such as *Writers Digest* and *Writer's Market* can assist you with your research.





### **Other Publishing Resources**

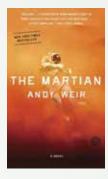
The Independent Book Publishers Association makes it easier for independent book publishers and self-published authors to navigate the sometimes intimidating publishing process.

### **Recommendations**

# HARFORD BOOKMARKS

#### FAMILIAR FACES SHARE THEIR FAVORITES

The Martian is one of the best hard science fiction novels that I have ever read. It is a realistic, analytical, and science-based account of an American astronaut left behind after a manned mission to Mars is guickly aborted. The astronaut does not encounter little green men or time travel. Instead he faces real-world human problems like how to grow food, breathe, make water, and survive. It was a fantastic read, even for a non-sci-fi fan.





Alex M. Allman HCPL Board of Trustee Chairperson

Glitter and Glue is a love letter to Corrigan's mother, told through the filter of Kelly's own coming of age experience. Her writing is genuine, poignant and powerful as she describes her mother's strength and role in defining Kelly's life. A great gift for any mother or daughter on your list!

I also recently enjoyed Ann Patchett's *This is the Story of a Happy Marriage*. It is a collection of her articles and stories published during the course of her career thus far, writing for magazines and for herself. Her writing is clear, precise and perfect. I found it interesting to guess which magazine certain articles were written for. I think Ms Patchett is a model for those who hope to make writing a career - her advice to young writers is excellent. We are so fortunate that she is so talented and persistent in her efforts.

#### Susan H. Hazlett

HCPL Board of Trustee Vice Chairperson

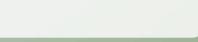


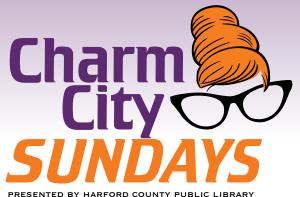
The Confession is a thought-provoking, legal thriller. My attention was captivated by the introspective dialogues among the characters - their confessions – as they discussed the issues surrounding the confession and impending execution of an alleged murderer (Donte'). An interesting excerpt: (Chapter 17) "I've never told anyone this and I never will. It's a burden I've carried a long, long time,... after the trial, after they'd sent him away that I began to doubt his story. I was looking for a reason to doubt him. What they said sort of made sense... when I heard his confession in court, it made me uneasy. I wanted to believe that the system is not totally broken. So I convinced myself that he was probably guilty. I kept writing to him, kept coming over here to see him, but I was convinced he was guilty. For a while, it made me feel better, in some strange way."

Kenneth R. Averv HCPL Board of Trustee Treasurer



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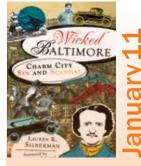




### **Baltimore Noir** with Dick Ellwood

Writing that is straight from the streets of Charm City!

Dick Ellwood was born and raised in Baltimore and served with the **Baltimore Police Department for** 25 years. Now a novelist, he puts his experiences into every scene he writes. Take a tour of Baltimore through a detective's eyes.



Wicked Baltimore with Lauren R. Silberman

From Poe to pirates, Baltimore's early history is littered with tales of raucous violence and sordid misdeeds.

Lauren R. Silberman, author of Wicked Baltimore, leads her audience through the horrors, riots, illegalities, and sordid characters to reveal the sinister and scintillating face of Charm City.

Aberdeen Librarv 410-273-5608





### **Meet the Author** with Daniel Stashower

Three-time Edgar Award winning author Dan Stashower follows through with his True-Crime Edgar Award winning book The Hour of Peril: The Secret Plot to Murder Lincoln Before the Civil War.

The non-fiction volume (that reads like fiction) follows detectives Allan Pinkerton and the country's first female private eye, Kate Warne, as they unravel the "Baltimore Plot" to kill Lincoln as he traveled by train to his inauguration.

> **Bel Air** Library 410-638-3151

Books are available for purchase and signing.

For Adults • Registration suggested • Contact the branch for more information

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