From the Director

It’s back to school at the Library with special emphasis on Pre-K classes and activities. Research supports that beginning at birth, the first few years of a child’s life are the critical learning period where the foundation for school readiness is established. The Library offers numerous classes and programs for birth to K including Diaper Gang, Babies Love Books Story Time, Fall Story Time Series, Tales for Twos, Toddler Tales, Pre-Hours Preschool Party, and more. Continue the learning and essential pre-literacy skill building by taking home Little Leaper kits and explore the world of STREAM (science, technology, reading, engineering, arts and math) with your little ones.

For the elementary and middle school students, HCPL’s Lego Clubs provide opportunity to use your creativity to build or drop in on one of the Science Clubs to explore the latest scientific topic. HCPL’s annual Comic-Con returns in October featuring superheroes and New York Times bestselling author, Maggie Stiefvater. Take the challenge and learn to use a CAD program to turn your own designs into a 3D object, video or game character during a five week series of classes at the Abingdon Library. One Maryland One Book returns to Harford and everyone will be reading and discussing *The Distance Between Us: A Memoir* by Reyna Grande. Join us as we kick off Charm City Sundays with Joe Gold, Heavy Seas Brewery, on Sunday, October 12th.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the survey for the Library’s new Strategic Plan. In less than one week, we received more than 1,900 completed surveys which provided wonderful feedback and input that will help guide the development and implementation of new services and resources for our communities.

Mary Hastler, Director
MEET THE AUTHORS
Registration is suggested. Books will be available for purchase. Sponsored by the Harford County Cultural Arts Board.

Rafael Alvarez  Adult
Throughout his career, Rafael Alvarez has written about his hometown and the people who populate it. It started with The Sun where he became known as a neighborhood folklorist. Alvarez went on to interpret his beloved Baltimore into TV drama for HBO’s The Wire and NBC’s crime dramas Life and The Black Donnellys. He has continued with books of short stories such as his latest, Tales from the Holy Land.

Bel Air  Wednesday, September 17  6:30 pm

Maggie Stiefvater  Grades 7-Adult
The Shiver Trilogy is the gold standard in YA Urban Fantasy and it is written by the talented New York Times bestselling author, Maggie Stiefvater. Meet Maggie in person and enjoy an evening talking about werewolf nookie, fast cars, dead Welsh kings, and bagpipe music. What a way to kick-off Comic-Con!

Fallston  Thursday, September 25  6:30 pm

Kevin Sherry  Grades 4-Adult
Kevin Sherry is the mind behind some of your kids’ favorite books and drawings. Although generally goofy, he is best at showing kids and adults how they can create silly characters and write books for themselves. Fun for the family!

Aberdeen  Saturday, September 13  1:00-2:30 pm

Steve Vogel  Grades 11-Adult
The War of 1812 was turned on its head during the Battle for Baltimore 200 years ago. According to author Steve Vogel, this six week period rallied the very weary U.S. troops who went on to save the city and the nation. Part of the national staff of The Washington Post, Vogel frequently writes about the military. He has turned that expertise towards the past, writing Through the Perilous Fight, about the British invasion of the Chesapeake in 1814. Limited seating, registration suggested.

Jarrettsville  Saturday, September 13  2:00 pm

Sheri Booker  Grades 11-Adult
Baltimore teacher Sheri Booker won a 2014 NAACP Image Award for her memoir Nine Years Under: Coming of Age in an Inner City Funeral Home, which takes a look at death - the shocking and the celebratory - through the eyes of a sheltered young black woman.

Edgewood  Monday, October 20  6:30 pm

Maggie Barbieri  Grades 11-Adult
With “wicked humor and an oddball cast” (Entertainment magazine), mystery writer Maggie Barbieri writes the popular Murder 101 series. Meet Ms. Barbieri in person and enjoy an afternoon of mystery and the start of her new series, Once Upon a Lie!

Aberdeen  Saturday, October 16  6:30 pm

Rose Ihedigbo-Franklin  Grades 9-Adult
Meet Rose Ihedigbo-Franklin, local author, educator and mother of former Ravens player James Ihedigbo, as she presents her book Sandals in the Snow: A True story of one African Family’s Journey to Achieving the American Dream.

Abingdon  Saturday, November 8  1:30 pm

Leah Eskin  Grades 9-Adult
The Pulitzer Prize nominated columnist visits with stories from her syndicated column “Home on the Range” and her memoir Slices of Life.

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Food Revolution  Adult
Food. Everyone loves it. Everyone has to eat it. Do you know why it is so important to eat locally? Join our discussion with local farmers about the importance of understanding where your food comes from and why.
Bel Air  Saturday, November 1  10:15 am-noon

Meet the Author: Leah Eskin  Grades 9-Adult
Pulitzer Prize nominated columnist Leah Eskin kicks off Foodie Week with stories from her syndicated column “Home on the Range” and her memoir Slices of Life. Leah grew up baking chocolate-chip cookies in Iowa City; managed carrot salad from a closet kitchen at Brown University; attempted Tex-Mex while studying in Paris; and pulled together paella while attending journalism school at Columbia University. The next logical step? Passing on her love of food to thousands of readers each week... and to the Harford County community during this special visit! Books will be available for purchase. Supported by the Harford County Cultural Arts Board.
Abingdon  Sunday, November 9  2:00 pm

Picky Eater Story Time  Ages 2-K
Edgewood  Monday, November 10  10:30-11:15 am

Spice it Up! A History of Spices  Adults
After nearly 40 years with McCormick & Company, Jerry Kahan knows spices - from the four corners of the globe and through five and a half millennia of recorded human history. Wander through this fascinating and diverse world and learn how it has played a part in health, wars, religions, and of course, FOOD!
Aberdeen  Wednesday, November 12  6:30-8:00 pm

Tea with a Twist: Cooking with Tea  Grades 9-Adult
Forget the Liptons! Tea by Two in Bel Air takes us through the fabulous world of tea and how to use it to make just about everything a little bit better, from a snowy evening, to cookies and roasts!
Jarrettsville  Wednesday, November 12  6:30-8:00 pm

The Queen of Cuisine: Julia Child  Grades 9-Adult
Mary Ann Jung is the ebullient and playful Julia Child. The one woman show (with some help from the audience) highlights Julia’s passion for cooking and for her husband! Join her on the delicious journey, starting at Le Cordon Bleu and publishing Mastering the Art of French Cooking, to creating the groundbreaking French Chef television show, which brought France to American housewives. It’s a lively recipe for fun!
Fallston  Thursday, November 13  6:30-8:00 pm

Salsa Stories Family Writing Workshop  All Ages / Explore how special foods spark fond family memories, and how these memories can be transformed into stories with children’s author Lulu Delacre. Lulu explains the creative process of writing and illustrating and guides families in crafting their own short story or poem using the remembered, the known, and the imagined. A great family activity for all ages! Lulu’s books will be available for purchase. Supported by the Harford County Cultural Arts Board.
Edgewood  Saturday, November 15  2:00 pm

Meet the Winner! Jason Hisley of Cupcake Wars  Grades 6-Adult
What does it take to be a great baker, a successful small business owner AND compete in Food Network pastry competitions? Ask Jason Hisley! Jason is the owner and executive chef of La Cakerie but you may also recognize him from shows like Sweet Genius and Cupcake Wars (which he won!) Jason will be talking about his whirlwind journey to cupcake success and what it takes to succeed in the food world today.
Bel Air  Sunday, November 16  2:00 pm

November is Good Nutrition Month so get those taste buds ready on the 1st and dive into Foodie Week fully prepared!

= Funded by the HCPL Friends  = Includes activities for preschoolers  = Registration required. Begins two weeks prior to all programs. Registration suggested for all other programs. Always open! Check HCPLonline.org for program updates.
Join thousands of Marylanders this fall who will be reading and talking about *The Distance Between Us: A Memoir* by Reyna Grande, an eye-opening memoir about life before and after illegally immigrating from Mexico to the United States. To accompany the book and celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, enjoy more literature, dancing, music, and art in September and October!

2014 One Maryland One Book Discussions
Register and pick up a copy of *The Distance Between Us* at the location most convenient for you to attend the discussion, then read it and come to the program to share your views with friends and neighbors. Free books are limited at each location – register early! Adults

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Wandering Books! Check out our Facebook page for clues on where to find *The Distance Between Us* Wandering Books placed throughout the community. Find one, read it, and follow the directions on the inside cover. Be a part of spreading a love of reading!

One Maryland One Book/Wandering Books is a program of the Maryland Humanities Council and is offered in Harford County by Harford County Public Library and its partners Harford County Department of Community Services Human Relations Commission and the Harford Community College Library.

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month!

**La Fiesta**  All Ages
Everyone is invited to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month at our lively fiesta that includes crafts, refreshments, music, and dancing.
Joppa Tue Sep 23  4:30-7:00 pm

**¡Uno, Dos, Tres con Andres!**  All Ages / You’ll be enthralled and entertained at guitarist/singer Andres Salguero’s lively interactive celebration of Hispanic music and dance. Andres and his drummer will have everyone singing, dancing, and speaking un poco de Spanish.
Joppa Tue Sep 23  5:30-6:30 pm

**Frida Kahlo: Living History**
Grade 9-Adult / Local professor, Colleen Webster, presents a one-woman show depicting the Mexican artist’s fascinating life.
Abingdon Sun Oct 5  2:00 pm
Fallston Thu Oct 16  6:30 pm

**An Evening of Salsa**  Grades 9-Adult / Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month by learning one of the most popular Latin dances. For beginners!
Joppa Mon Oct 6  6:30-7:30 pm

**Cuentitos: A Bilingual Story Time**  Ages Pre-K and up
Spanish and English stories, folktales, and crafts from across Latin America
Edgewood Wed Oct 15  6:30-7:30 pm

Throughout his career, Rafael Alvarez has written about his hometown & the people who populate it. Hear about his latest work on the diverse faces of Baltimore, *Tales from the Holy Land*. Books will be available for purchase. Supported by the Harford County Cultural Arts Board.

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Sunday, September 28 at the Bel Air Library
8:00 am Check-In, 9:00 am-4:00 pm Session Schedule
$65 registration fee includes 5 sessions, lunch, and snacks!

Session Leaders

Novelist Lisa A. Airey
Mystery Writer Austin Camacho
Novelist and Editor Kathryn Craft
Editor Barbara Westwood Diehl
Young Adult Author Jennifer R. Hubbard
Novelist Jon McGoran

Journalist & Author Rafael Alvarez
Publisher Denise Camacho
Novelist and Editor Harrison Demchick
Agent Dawn Dowdle
Editor and Writer Ramona DeFelice Long
Non-Fiction Author John Micklos, Jr.
Editor and Mystery Writer Judith Reveal
Children’s Author Kevin Sherry

Sessions

The Third Degree: Questions to Make Your Story Talk
Character and Point of View
How to Find and Use a Writing Hour
Paths to Publication
Crossover Writing Discussion
Those Critical First Pages
It’s the End of the World as We Know It and I Feel Fine
Writing and Publishing Creative Nonfiction
Exposition and Economy
The Publishing Business Then and Now: Which Option is Right For You?
DIY Marketing Discussion
Illustrating Words
How the Plot Thickens
The Art of Non-Fiction: How to Turn an Interview Into a Conversation
Bad Math or, How Right and Left Brains Work Together

The Perfect Pitch: Developing an Effective Query Letter
The Memoir
Your Middle Grade or Young Adult Novel: How to Start—and Finish—your First Draft
Creating Great Characters
The Five Scribes: Using the Five Senses in Writing Description
Deadline, Dead End or Just Plain Dead?
DIY Book Tour
The Publishing Biz
Marketing & the Vertical Learning Curve
Make Settings Come Alive: The Importance of Place
Bulls-Eye: Taking Aim at the Perfect Manuscript through Self-Editing
Do’s and Don’ts of Querying Agents
Genre Writing Discussion

In addition to these great sessions, you can choose to have your manuscript critiqued by a session presenter and attend the Wrap-Up Reception with Author Erika Robuck from 4:00 to 6:00 pm! (additional fee required)

Registration opens August 18, 2014 and is required. Seating is limited overall and in each session. Register Early! www.HCPL-JustWrite.com

The deadline for registration is September 22, 2014.
All registrations must be processed online at http://www.hcpl-justwrite.com Online Pre-registration is required to attend.
BACK TO SCHOOL SOLUTIONS!

DO RESEARCH! hcplonline.org/research/databases
The portal to everything you want or need to know about history, language, science, social studies, literature, biographies, and more!

GET QUESTIONS ANSWERED!
hcplonline.org/research/homework
HelpNow! Live Tutoring, Writing Lab, Test Center, Virtual Study Room
AskUsNow! Connect with a trained librarian for answers to questions, research guidance and more 24/7!

It's time to take a class!

GALE COURSES
- Accounting and Finance
- Business
- Computer Applications
- Design and Composition
- Health Care and Medical
- Language and Arts
- Law and Legal
- Personal Development
- Teaching and Education
- Technology
- Writing and Publishing

It's time to learn a language!

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Sixty-three languages to choose from including:
- Spanish
- French
- Japanese
- Brazilian Portuguese
- German
- Mandarin Chinese
- Greek
- Italian
- Russian
Learn a language through film, too!

It's time to visit hcplonline.org/research/onlinelearning
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Grades K-5
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**Sun Oct 5** 2:00-3:00 pm

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All Ages
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Holiday Closings
Mon Sep 1 Labor Day
Mon Oct 13 Staff In-Service
Tue Nov 11 Veterans Day
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Art Shop is interactive... captivating... entertaining!
Come in and explore a variety of arts with a variety of people and enlarge your world and worldview.
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Supported by the Harford County Cultural Arts Board, Harford County Department of Community Services and the Harford Center.

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Fall Scrabble Tournament ☀
Adult
Test your skills in this competitive game of words. Sign up early to secure one of only 16 spots! Prizes awarded.
Sat Nov 15  11:00 am-3:00 pm

Science Club: Computer Science Unplugged  ☀
Grades 3-8
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Calling All Dragon Trainers! ☀
Grades 2-5
Test your dragon and Viking knowledge! Fly a dragon, learn to write Dragonese, help solve a labyrinth and more!
Sun Nov 16  2:00-3:00 pm

More to Come
The 4th Wednesday of the Month  January - June!
Sep-Nov

**Computer Assistance**
Need help completing an online application? Setting up an email address? Writing and saving a resume, letter or other document? A library volunteer will be on hand to answer your questions and guide you through the process!

- **Mondays**: 2:00-4:00 pm
- **Thursdays**: 4:00-6:00 pm
- **Fridays**: 3:00-5:00 pm

**Family Drop-In Story Time**
No session Oct 31 or Nov 28

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### September

**Babies ♥ Books Story Time**
6-24 months / Playgroup follows for meeting and mingling.

- **Wed Sep 3**: 10:15 or 11:00 am

**Abingdon Friends of HCPL Meeting**
Adult

- **Thu Sep 4**: 7:00-8:00 pm

**3D Modeling for Printing, Video, and Gaming**
Grades 5-Adult

- **Wed Sep 10**: 10:00-11:30 am

**Let’s Go On a Picnic Story Time**
Ages 3-K

- **Mon Sep 8**: 10:30-11:15 am

**Abingdon Books at Night**

**Explorer Club: Reduce!**
Grades K-5

- **Thu Sep 11**: 6:30-7:15 pm

**Sensory Story Time**
For families with children, ages 2½ - 8 years old, who have sensory integration challenges.

- **Fri Sep 12**: 2:00-3:00 pm

**Mother of a Nation: Martha Washington**
Grades 6-Adult

- **Sat Sep 13**: 10:30-11:30 am

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

- **Mon Sep 10**: 4:00-5:00 pm

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Grades 6-Adult

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**LEGO® Club**
Grades K-8

- **Sat Sep 20**: 10:30 am-12:30 pm

**Bath Time Blues Story Time**

**Down on the Farm Story Time**
Ages 3-K

- **Mon Sep 22**: 10:30-11:15 am

**Down on the Farm Story Time**
Ages 3-K

- **Mon Sep 22**: 1:30-2:15 pm

**Tales for Twos Story Time**
Age 2

- **Wed Sep 24**: 10:15 or 11:00 am

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### October

**Bath Time Blues Story Time**

- **Mon Oct 6**: 10:30-11:15 am

**Abingdon Books at Night Book Discussion Group**

**TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)**
See Sep 10 for detail.

**Abingdon Friends of HCPL Meeting**
Adult

- **Thu Oct 2**: 7:00-8:00 pm

**Explorer Club: Reuse!**
Grades K-5

- **Fri Oct 3**: 2:00-3:00 pm

**3D Modeling for Printing, Video, and Gaming**

- **Sat Oct 4**: 10:00-11:30 am

**Joe Gold: Heavy Seas are Brewing**

- **Sun Oct 12**: 2:00-4:00 pm

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Registration suggested for all other programs.

Always open! Check HCPLonline.org for program updates.
Teen Read Week - Pizza and Games Grades 6-12
Celebrate Teen Read Week with pizza, games, and book discussion.
Tue Oct 14 6:00-7:30 pm

Babys Books Story Time See Sep 3 for detail
Wed Oct 15 10:15 or 11:00 am

Bats, Spiders, and Snakes – Oh My! Grades K-Adult
Discover why these “spooky” creatures are actually good to have hanging around. Live snakes and spiders will be present at this program.
Wed Oct 15 6:30-7:30 pm

3D Modeling for Printing, Video, and Gaming See Sep 6 for detail
Sat Oct 18 10:00-11:30 am

LEGO® Club See Sep 20 for detail
Sat Oct 18 2:00-3:30 pm

National Spinning and Weaving Week, October 6-12
All Ages / Drop in for a spinning and weaving demonstration by members of the Warped Weavers Guild. Examples of their beautiful craft will also be on display all month.
Sun Oct 19 2:00-5:00 pm

Fall Story Time Series Ages 3-K / A five week series of themed preschool story times beginning Monday, October 20. Please register for all five sessions beginning Oct. 6.
Mon Oct 20 10:30-11:15 am or 1:30-2:15 pm

Seniors Caring for Seniors Adult
Do you enjoy helping others? Do you have a heart for seniors? Join us to learn about volunteer and work opportunities for seniors and with seniors. The most important requirement is compassion and caring! Discussion will include how to become a companion to an elderly person as well as other opportunities.
Tue Oct 21 2:00-3:00 pm

Jumpstart Read for the Record Children of all ages Librarians will be reading Bunny Cakes by Rosemary Wells throughout the day, every hour on the half hour. Join us and help set a reading record!
Tue Oct 21 1:30-7:30 pm

Tales for Twos Story Time Age 2
Wed Oct 22 10:15 or 11:00 am

European River Cruise - Travel Lecture Series
Joe Hurley from Safe Harbors Travel Group will share why cruising Europe’s rivers offer a vast range of adventures from exploring cosmopolitan cities, terraced vineyards, charming historic villages and monuments and castles galore! Wed Oct 22 6:30 pm

A Trip to the Moon in an Afternoon! Grades 6-12
NASA Lunar Ambassador Maria Esquela is prepared to bring young adults to the moon! Join her for an inside look at moon missions, from what to pack to health considerations. Conduct a few experiments, compare samples, even send a postcard to a loved one!
Sun Oct 26 2:00-5:00 pm

Meet the Author: Leah Eskin Grades 9-Adult
Pulitzer Prize nominated columnist Leah Eskin kicks off Foodie Week with stories from her syndicated column “Home on the Range” and her memoir Slices of Life. Leah grew up baking chocolate-chip cookies in Iowa City; managed carrot salad from a closet kitchen at Brown University; attempted Tex-Mex while studying in Paris; and pulled together paella while attending journalism school at Columbia University. The next logical step? Passing on her love of food to thousands of readers each week... and to the Harford County community during this special visit! Books will be available for purchase. Supported by the Harford County Cultural Arts Board.
Sun Nov 9 2:00-4:00 pm

Abingdon Books at Night Book Discussion Group Adult
Savage Girl by Jean Zimmerman
Mon Nov 10 6:30-7:30 pm

Tales for Twos Story Time Age 2
Wed Nov 12 10:15 or 11:00 am

TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)
See Sep 10 for detail
Wed Nov 12 4:00-5:00 pm

Explorer Club: Recycle! Grade K-5
In the third part of the series, “The Four Rs,” we will explore what happens to your recycling. Look for the fourth “R”—Rethink—this winter!
Fri Nov 14 2:00-3:00 pm

International Games Day All Ages
Enjoy a day of gaming at the library. From video games to traditional board games, be part of the fun!
Mon Nov 16 10:00 am-5:00 pm

LEGO® Club See Sep 20 for detail
Sat Nov 15 2:00-3:30 pm

Babys Books Story Time See Sep 3 for detail
Wed Nov 19 10:15 or 11:00 am

Wanted: Gingerbread House Junior Architects Grades K-12
Junior Architects wanted for our third annual Gingerbread House contest. Submit your creation anytime between 10:00 am on Monday, November 24th and Thursday, December 4th 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 4th Friends of the Library meeting. All entries will be displayed through Friday, Dec. 19th.
Mon Nov 24 10:00 am

Tales for Twos Story Time Age 2
Wed Nov 26 10:15 or 11:00 am

Abingdon Hours
Mon & Wed 10:00 am - 8:00 pm
Tue & Thu 1:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Fri & Sat 10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sun (Oct-Apr) 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Drive-thru Window
410-638-3974
Mon - Thu 8:00 am - 7:30 pm
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**September**

**Diaper Gang Story Time**
Ages birth-23 months
Mondays 10:15 or 11:00 am

**Family Drop-In Story Time**
Wednesdays 10:15 am

**Ask a Master Gardener**
All Ages
Master Gardeners will be on hand in the library to share advice and answer your gardening questions. Drop by with your plants and samples of gardening problems.
Sat Sep 6 10:00 am-noon

**Bedtime Math Pajama Party**
Age 3-grade 2
Love bedtime stories? Wondering how to incorporate math into the bedtime routine for your child? Find out how during our Pajama Party and leave with activities to use at home. Children encouraged to come in their pajamas!
Thu Sep 11 6:30-7:30 pm

**Bel Air Friends of HCPL Meeting**
Mon Sep 22 5:15-6:30 pm

**Friends Book Sale Collection**
Sat Sep 13 10:00 am-4:00 pm

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

**Fall Bingo**
Grades 6-12
Come to the library and play bingo for fun and prizes!
Tue Sep 16 4:00-5:00 pm

**Meet the Author: Rafael Alvarez**
Adult
Throughout his career, Rafael Alvarez has written about his hometown & the people who populate it. Hear about his latest work on the diverse faces of Baltimore, *Tales from the Holy Land*. Books will be available for purchase. Supported by the Harford County Cultural Arts Board.
Wed Sep 17 6:30-8:00 pm

**Science Cafe: Crazy Concoctions**
Grades 3-8
Explore science through a variety of hands-on experiments and demonstrations.
Wed Sep 17 6:30-7:30 pm

**Bel Air Fiction Book Discussion Group**
Adult
*Tales from the Holy Land: Stories* by Rafael Alvarez
Thu Sep 18 6:30-7:45 pm

**Toddlers Tales Story Time**
Ages 18-35 months
Fri Sep 5 10:15-10:45 am

**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 Distance Between Us: A Memoir* by Reyna Grande, the Maryland Humanities Council’s 2014 One Maryland One Book selection.
Mon Sep 8 1:00-3:00 pm

**Compost and Lasagna Gardening**
Adult
Don’t send your valuable vegetable peels and coffee grounds to the landfill! Let the Master Gardeners show you how to create a compost. Never heard of Lasagna Gardening? It’s a simple no-dig, no-till way of starting your garden. Plan now for next year!
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**Science Café**
Grades 9-Adult
Learn from a local expert about a specific science and technology topic that affects our everyday lives! Drop in for coffee and stay for the discussion. Presented through a partnership with the Northeastern Maryland Technology Council (NMTC). Go to nmtdsciencecafe.org or nmtd.org for additional information.
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**Friends Book Sale Collection**
@ Loading Dock
Sat Sep 20 10:00 am-4:00 pm

**Paint Your Pumpkins**
Grades 6-12
Get into the spirit of Halloween! Paint and decorate a small pumpkin. Pumpkins provided.
Tue Sep 23 4:00-5:00 pm

**You and Health Insurance: Making a Smart Choice**
Adult
This 2-hour program helps you explore the information you need to make the best health insurance decision for you and your family. In addition to going over the Affordable Care Act, Dr. Virginia Brown of the University of Maryland-Extension will present and review a workbook designed to help you feel more confident in your selection.
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**TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)**
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Make a difference in the library. Have your voice heard! Bring your friends. Make new ones!
Wed Sep 3 3:00-5:00 pm

**Bel Air Mysterious Minds Mystery Group**
Adult
Love reading mysteries? Call the branch for this month’s selection.
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**DIY Haunted Houses**
Grades 6-12
Come make a haunted house decoration at the library. Supplies provided.
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**Friends Book Sale**
Preview Sale: Friends Members Only
Thu Oct 9 5:00-7:30 pm

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**Friends Book Sale Collection**
@ Loading Dock
Sat Sep 27 10:00 am-4:00 pm

**Just Write**
Writers Conference
See page 7 for detail
Sun Sep 28 10:00 am-3:45 pm

**October**

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**Bel Air Mysterious Minds**
Meeting
See Sep 3 for detail
Wed Oct 1 6:30-7:45 pm

**Toddlers Tales Story Time**
Ages 18-35 months
Fri Oct 3 10:15-10:45 am

**Friends Book Sale Collection**
@ Loading Dock
Sat Oct 4 10:00 am-4:00 pm

**Ask a Master Gardener**
See Sep 6 for detail
Sat Oct 4 10:00 am-noon

**Bel Air Books At The Center**
Meeting
See Sep 8 for detail
The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry
by Gabrielle Zevin
Mon Oct 6 1:00-3:00 pm

**October Story Time Series**
Ages 3-K
A four week series of themed preschool story times. Registration begins Tuesday, September 23. Tue Oct 7 11:15-11:45 am

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Family Craft Night 🧵 All Ages
Bring the whole family for fun and express your creativity as we create seasonal crafts for all ages.
Thu Oct 9 6:30-7:30 pm

Friends Book Sale
Fri Oct 10 10:00 am-4:30 pm
Sat Oct 11 10:00 am-4:30 pm

National Spinning and Weaving Week, October 6-12
All Ages / Drop in for a spinning and weaving demonstration by members of the Warped Weavers Guild.
Examples of their beautiful craft will also be on display all month.
Sat Oct 11 11:00 am-1:00 pm

LEGO® Club 📌 See Sep 13 for detail
Sat Oct 11 2:00-3:30 pm

Friends Book Sale
$5.00 a bag day
Sun Oct 12 1:00-4:00 pm

October Story Time Series 📚 See Oct 7 for detail
Tue Oct 14 11:15-11:45 am

Introduction to the Maryland Archives
Adult
Michael McCormick, Director of Reference Services, will present the resources available at the Maryland State Archives.
Wed Oct 15 6:00-7:30 pm

Science Club: Newton’s Laws 📚 Grades 3-8 / Explore science through a variety of hands-on experiments and demonstrations.
Wed Oct 15 6:30-7:30 pm

Bel Air Fiction Book Discussion Group
Adult
Roosevelt’s Beast: a Novel
by Louis Bayar
Thu Oct 16 6:30-7:45 pm

Toddler Tales Story Time 🎨 Ages 18-35 months
Fri Oct 17 10:15-10:45 am

Bring Your Garden Indoors: Winterizing Your Annuals 🌾 Adult / Expand your knowledge of the history of houseplants and their many benefits. The Master Gardeners will show you how to select and care for these wonderful treasures of nature.
Sat Oct 18 10:15 am-noon

INTERNATIONAL WEEK
OCTOBER 19-25 All Ages
Celebrate different cultures from around the world at the Bel Air Branch during International Week. Enjoy story times, drop-in crafts and fun activities.

Flags of the World Bingo 📚 All Ages / Prizes included!
Mon Oct 20 6:30-7:30 pm

Celebrate United Nations Day Story Time! 🌍 Ages 3-K
Fri Oct 24 10:15-11:15 am

Children’s Games from Around the World 🧵 Grades 1-1/2 / Have you ever played Semut, Orang, Gajah? Or Morabara? Come try these and other games played by children in other countries.
Sat Oct 25 2:00-3:00 pm

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Random Fandom 🎧 Grades 6-12
Tue Oct 21 3:30-5:00 pm

Science Café 🍹 See Sep 24 for detail
Wed Oct 22 7:00-8:30 pm

Successful and Sustainable Gardening in a Changing Climate 🌿 Adult
Dr. Sara Via of the University of Maryland-College Park studies how insects and plants interact with each other and with their environments. This makes her a great source for determining how to get the most out of your garden in these days of strange weather patterns and invasive bugs. Come out and pick her brain before you plant your next garden!
Thu Oct 23 6:30-8:00 pm

November

Food Revolution 🍹 Adult
Food. Everyone loves it. Everyone has to eat it. Do you know why it is so important to eat locally? Join our discussion with local farmers about the importance of understanding where your food comes from and why.
Sat Nov 1 10:15 am-noon

Bel Air Books At The Center
See Sep 8 for detail
The Light Between Oceans: a Novel
by M. L. Stedman
Mon Nov 3 1:00-3:00 pm

Experiment and Explore! Story Time 🛍️ Ages 3-K
Learn about a new math or science concept through fun stories, hands-on experiments, crafts and exploration.
Tue Nov 4 11:15 am-12:15 pm

TAG! (Teen Advisory Group) 🕵️‍♂️ See Sep 3 for detail
Wed Nov 5 3:00-5:00 pm

Teen After Hours - Halloween Edition 🎃 Grades 6-12
Spooky tales, a costume contest, and loads of fun! What could be better than hanging out after hours at the library with your friends?
Fri Oct 24 6:00-9:00 pm

I’ve Just Seen a Ghost!
Grade 8-Adult / Ever watch ghost shows on TV and wonder if what they capture is real? Interested in learning more about paranormal research? Allow the team from Maryland Ghost Trackers to answer your questions. The team will show you how to debunk evidence, explain the equipment used to capture evidence and share some of their best stories from haunted locations.
Sat Oct 25 1:00-3:00 pm

Bel Air Friends of HCPL Meeting
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Science Club: Did I Hear That Right? Experiments with Sound 🎧 Grades 3-8
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Family Craft Night 🧵 See Oct 9 for detail
Thu Nov 13 6:30-7:30 pm

Alternatives to Lawns: Meadows & Ground Covers 🌿 Adult / Learn advantages of reducing your turf grass. The Master Gardeners will discuss landscaping with ground covers and suggest alternative perennials.
Sat Nov 15 10:15 am-noon

Nutrition and Lyme Disease
Adult
Harford Lyme Advocates, a Chapter of the National Capital Lyme Disease Association, invites you to attend a support group meeting. A guest speaker will be present to discuss nutrition and Lyme Disease. For more information, email harfordlymeadvocates@gmail.com.
Sat Nov 15 2:00-4:00 pm

Meet the Winner! Jason Hisley of Cupcake Wars
Grades 6-Adult
What does it take to be a great baker, a successful small business owner AND compete in Food Network pastry competitions? Ask Jason Hisley! Jason is the owner and executive chef of La Cakerie but you may also recognize him from shows like Sweet Genius and Cupcake Wars (which he won!) Jason will be talking about his whirlwind journey to Cupcake success and what it takes to succeed in the food world today.
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Grades 6-12
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**September**

**Pre-Hours Preschool Party 🌟**
Ages birth-K / Come to the Darlington library before we open for stories, crafts, and activities.
*Thu Sep 4  11:00 am-noon*

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

**Darlington Book Discussion Group**
*Adult*
*The Language of Flowers*
*by Vanessa Diffenbaugh*
*Tue Sep 16  6:30-7:30 pm*

**Time to Hibernate**
*All Ages*
*Why are all the forest animals so sleepy? We’ll be reading about them and enjoying a fun craft in this warm, woodsy program.*
*Mon Oct 20  4:00-5:00 pm*

**Darlington Book Discussion Group**
*Adult*
*Still Life* by Louise Penny
*Tue Oct 21  6:30-7:30 pm*

**Pre-Hours Preschool Party 🌟**
*See Sep 4 for detail*
*Thu Sep 18  11:00 am-noon*

**Birding at the Conowingo Dam**
*Middle school-Adult*
*Are you a birdwatcher or interested in learning about birds? Join us for a walk along the Susquehanna River to see eagles, gulls, migrating songbirds, and more! Bring your binoculars and meet at Fisherman’s Park, just below the Conowingo Dam.*
*Sat Sep 20  9:00 am*

**It’s Apple Time! Story Time 🍏**
*Children of all ages*
*Sat Sep 27  11:00 am-noon*

**October**

**Pre-Hours Preschool Party 🌟**
*See Sep 4 for detail*
*Thu Oct 2  11:00 am-noon*

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**Darlington Hours**
*Mon-Wed  3:00 pm - 8:00 pm*
*Thu  noon-5:00 pm*
*Fri  1:00 - 5:00 pm*
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*Mon  Sep 1  Labor Day*
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**Celebrating Our Friends**

The HCPL Board of Trustees and staff would like to sincerely thank each of our 11 Friends groups for their continuing support of the Library. Friends members play an important role helping the Library “connect people with information and promote the love of reading in the community.”

Here are just a few ways HCPL Friends touched lives in the community:

- Sponsored exciting programs for the entire family such as living history performances, author events, story times, art shows, teen lock-ins and more!
- Provided unique incentives for participants in the Winter Reading Program.
- Brightened our public spaces by purchasing special furniture and equipment.
- Advocated on behalf of the Library in the community, including budget and legislative hearings.
- Contributed over $50,000 in funds and over 5,600 volunteer hours in FY 2014.

**Don’t Let Another Day Pass… Join Today!**

We invite you to become a Friends member or renew your membership. Getting involved with the Friends is a great way to support your branch and a wonderful opportunity to share your enthusiasm of libraries. Inquire at your local branch for more information on Friends’ memberships.
**Baby & Toddler Story Time**
Fridays 10:30 am

**It's Story Time** Ages birth-K
Wednesdays 10:30 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

**Half-Day LEGO® Fun**
Grades 1 and up
Half-day for the kids? Bring them to the library for LEGO® fun. We supply the LEGO® blocks; kids supply the imagination.
Fri Sep 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 Sep 13 12:30-3:30 pm

**I Signed the Constitution**
Put your own signature on this special document and look for displays and other activities.
Wed Sep 17 Library hours

**Constitution Story Time** Ages 3-K
Wed Sep 17 10:30-11:00 am

**Yu-Gi-Oh Dueling Club**
Grades 6-12
Activities include beginning instruction, tournaments and free play.
Sat Sep 20 12:30-3:30 pm

**A Founding Father’s Slave Story: Oney Judge**
All Ages / When the Washington household moved to Philadelphia, Oney rejoiced - PA Law gave slaves the legal power to free themselves after six months in residence. Unfortunately, the law did not apply to her and George Washington’s slave had to make a plan of escape,
determined to find freedom just as our Constitution was written!
Mon Sep 22 6:30-8:00 pm

**Edgewood Senior Center Book Discussion Group**
Adult
The Distance Between Us: A Memoir by Reyna Grande, the Maryland Humanities Council’s 2014 One Maryland One Book selection.
Tue Sep 23 10:30-11:30 am

**Awesome Afternoon at the Movies** Grades K-Adult
Enjoy a newly-released 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!
Sat Sep 27 2:00-4:00 pm

**Paint Your Pumpkins** Grades 6-12
Get into the spirit of Halloween! Paint and decorate a small pumpkin. Pumpkins provided.
Thu Oct 2 6:00-7:30 pm

**Friends of HCPL Meeting**
Adult
Mon Sep 29 4:15-5:15 pm

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

**Early Voting** at the Edgewood and Jarrettsville Libraries
Thursday, October 23 through Thursday, October 30
Visit HCPLonline.org for more information

**Sep-Nov**

**Booked for Lunch** Adult
Let’s do lunch and enjoy a midday book discussion of Once Upon a Lie by Maggie Barbieri.
Wed Sep 3 11:30 am-12:30 pm

**Etiquette & Espionage** Grades 6-12
Explore the fantastic steampunk world of Mademoiselle Geraldine’s Finishing School for Young Ladies of Quality and be tutored in the fine arts of curtsies and conspiracies.
Thu Sep 4 6:00-7:00 pm

**KNot Just KNitters**
Adult
We also crochet, count stitches and more! Beginner or expert, bring your latest “hook or needle project” and we’ll share Knowledge.
Mon Sep 8 6:30-8:00 pm

**Back to School Pizza Party** Grades 6-12
Celebrate the upcoming school year with pizza and games.
Thu Sep 11 6:00-7:00 pm

**TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)** Grades 6-12
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Fri Oct 3 2:00-3:00 pm

KNot Just KNitters Adult
See Sep 8 for detail
Mon Oct 6 6:30-8:00 pm

TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)
See Sep 11 for detail
Thu Oct 9 7:00-7:45 pm

Jedi Academy
Grades 1-5
As part of Star Wars Reads Day, you can be a Padawan for the day at our Jedi Academy! Come learn how to be a Jedi knight.
Sat Oct 11 11:00 am-noon

Yu-Gi-Oh & More: Gaming Club ⚡
See Sep 13 for detail
Sat Oct 11 12:30-3:30 pm

Teen Read Week - Library Scavenger Hunt ⚡
Grades 6-12
Participate in our library scavenger hunt in honor of Teen Read Week. Instructions can be picked up at the Ask-A-Librarian Desk.
Tue Oct 14-Sat Oct 18 Library hours

Cuentitos: A Bilingual Story Time
Ages Pre-K and up
Spanish and English stories, folktales, and crafts from across Latin America for the whole family!
Wed Oct 15 6:30-7:30 pm

Light Painting ⚡
Grades 6-12
Make a digital masterpiece using our equipment and your imagination!
Thu Oct 16 6:00-7:30 pm

Awesome Afternoon at the Movies
See Sep 27 for detail
Fri Oct 17 2:00-4:00 pm

Scary Plants ⚡
Adult / "Double, double, toil and trouble. How very sad, but these plants are bad! Learn about the scary and the wicked that could be lurking in your garden.
Sat Oct 18 10:30-11:30 am

Yu-Gi-Oh Dueling Club ⚡
See Sep 20 for detail
Sat Oct 18 12:30-3:30 pm

Meet the Author: Sheri Booker
Grades 11-Adult
Baltimore teacher Sheri Booker won a 2014 NAACP Image Award for her memoir Nine Years Under: Coming of Age in an Inner City Funeral Home, which takes a look at death - the shocking and the celebratory - through the eyes of a sheltered young black woman. Welcome Ms. Booker to the library and enjoy an evening about coming of age and the importance of the funeral home in African-American culture. Books will be available for purchase. Registration is suggested.
Mon Oct 20 6:30-8:00 pm

LEAP: Bats! Beasts or Beneﬁciaries? ⚡
Grades 3-8 / Explore the batground of these amazing mammals. The program emphasizes bat myths and describes ways in which these mammals effect beneﬁcial changes in the environment. A variety of bat specimens are used to identify bat characteristics. Presented by the Snyder Foundation.
Tue Oct 21 6:30-7:30 pm

Edgewood Senior Center Book Discussion Group ⚡
Adult / Me Before You by Jojo Moyes
Tue Oct 28 10:00-11:30 am

Halloween Story Time 🎃
Ages birth-K
Celebrate Halloween with stories and songs at the library. It won’t be very scary but there will be a BOO or two. Wear your costume if you’d like!
Fri Oct 31 10:30 am

Friends of HCPL Meeting
Adult
Mon Nov 3 4:15-5:15 pm

KNot Just KNitters
See Sep 8 for detail
Mon Nov 3 6:30-8:00 pm

LEAP: Extreme LEGO® Building
Grades K-5
We’ll be attempting all sorts of new things during this LEGO® building time. Stop in and join the fun.
Tue Nov 4 6:30-7:30 pm

Booked for Lunch ⚡
Adult / Let’s do lunch and enjoy a midday book discussion of Missing You by Harlan Coben.
Wed Nov 5 11:30 am-1:30 pm

Classic Movie Night
Grades 9-Adult
Thu Nov 6 5:30-8:00 pm

Fall Jewelry ⚡
Adult
Celebrate the colors of autumn as we make handcrafted earrings.
Sat Nov 8 10:30 am-noon

Yu-Gi-Oh & More: Gaming Club ⚡
See Sep 13 for detail
Sat Nov 8 12:30-3:30 pm

Picky Eater Story Time ⚡
Ages 2-K
Mon Nov 10 10:30-11:15 am

Bedtime Math Pajama Party ⚡
Grades 1-5 / Love bedtime stories? Wondering how to incorporate math into the bedtime routine for your child? Find out how during our Pajama Party and leave with activities to use at home. Children encouraged to come in their pajamas.
Mon Nov 10 6:30-7:30 pm

TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)
See Sep 11 for detail
Thu Nov 13 7:00-7:45 pm

Half-Day LEGO® Fun
See Sep 12 for detail
Fri Nov 14 2:00-3:00 pm

Salsa Stories Family Writing Workshop ⚡ All Ages
Explore how special foods spark fond family memories, and how these memories can be transformed into stories with children’s author Lulu Delacre. Lulu explains the creative process of writing and illustrating and guides families in crafting their own short story or poem using the remembered, the known, and the imagined. A great family activity for all ages! Supported by the Harford County Cultural Arts Board.
Sat Nov 15 2:00-5:00 pm

Friends Book Sale
Wed Nov 19 5:00-7:30 pm
Thu Nov 20 1:00-7:30 pm
Fri Nov 21 10:00 am-4:30 pm
Sat Nov 22 10:00 am-4:30 pm

Foreign Film Festival ⚡
See Sep 29 for detail
Mon Nov 24 6:00-8:00 pm

Edgewood Senior Center Book Discussion Group ⚡
Adult / My Antonia by Willa Cather
Tue Nov 25 10:30-11:30 am

Awesome Afternoon at the Movies
See Sep 27 for detail
Sat Nov 29 2:00-4:00 pm

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**November**

**Teen Costume Party ⚡**
Grades 6-12
Enjoy some snacks and play some games at our Halloween after party. Don’t forget your costume!
Sat Nov 1 2:00-4:00 pm

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**Edgewood Hours**

Mon & Wed: 10:00 am - 8:00 pm
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**Drive-thru Window**

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**September**

**TAG! (Teen Advisory Group) ★**
Grades 6-12 / Make a difference in the library. Have your voice heard! Bring your friends. Make new ones!

**Wed Sep 2  5:00-6:00 pm**

**Fallston Friends Evening Book Group ★**
Adult
Share a summer read

**Mon Sep 8  6:30-8:00 pm**

**October**

**Butterflies Are Magic ★**
All Ages
Explore the fascinating world of butterflies and moths from the tiniest egg to the gossamer-winged adult. Color slides are shown along with live insects and preserved specimens from around the world.

**Wed Oct 1  6:30-7:30 pm**

**Crafternoon ★ ★**
Children grades K & up / Come in and get creative with our craft supplies!

**Fri Sep 12  2:00-3:00 pm**

**Lego® Club ★**
Grades K-5
We supply the Lego® blocks, you supply the imagination!

**Wed Sep 10  5:15-6:15 pm**

**November**

**Friends Book Sale Collection @ Loading Dock**
Sat Nov 8  noon-4:00 pm

**Beatles Trivia Night ★**
All Ages
Come Together, Beatles fans, as we continue to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Fab Four’s Invasion of America. Test your Beatles and solo Beatles knowledge in a contest against fellow fans. Come early to play Beatles Rock Band.

**Thu Oct 23  6:45-8:00 pm**

**Friends of HCPL Meeting**

**Sat Oct 25  12:00-4:00 pm**

**1461 Fallston Road  410-638-3003  Fallston**

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The theme this year is Turn Dreams Into Reality at your library. Last year we celebrated it with a pizza contest. This year you can enjoy a library Scavenger Hunt to celebrate Teen Read Week. Visit the Edgewood, Jarrettsville, and Whiteford branches for more details. Have you always dreamed of being an artist? The Jarrettsville Library has a program just for you… Ignite your Creativity! This is a three week art workshop just for teens! I always dreamed of being an artist of some kind whether it is oils, collage, photography, acrylics, or watercolor. Now, I can further my creative passion and take some classes. Can’t wait for my inner artist to come out and create something AWESOME!

And DO NOT forget the ever popular Comic-Con held at the Aberdeen Branch. It will be held at the end of Teen Read Week on Thursday, October 16 and Friday, October 17. This is a CAN’T MISS event! I am SOOOOO excited for Maggie Stiefvater! CAN.NOT.WAIT!

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Are you ready to hit the road? If so or even if you aren’t ready just yet, you can take free Maryland practice tests. Just visit this site: http://hcpl.driving-tests.org/maryland/. The library is partnering with Driving-Tests.Org to bring this great service to you. Do you need a copy of the MD Driver’s Handbook? There is an online version provided for you. I wish I had this service back when I was getting my permit… it would have helped out tremendously! If I had some practice tests, maybe I would have passed the first time… what do they say? “Third time’s a charm.” Did I just confess that it took me more than once to pass?? Hi, my name is Ava and I did not pass my driver’s permit the first time. If you want to pass on the first try, you need to check out this great driving resource loaded with permit tests, FAQs, and much more. See you on the road!
Libraries change lives
Harford County Public Library Havre de Grace Building Renovation & Expansion

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Sep-Nov

Book Jam! by Appointment
Sign up your child for a fun, read-aloud experience with a trained volunteer. Make an appointment and we will match your child up with the perfect reader.

Computers for Beginners by Appointment
Are you still frustrated with the basics of working with a computer? Sign up for a one hour session of one-on-one help.

eServices by Appointment
Learn how to download and use library electronic services on your personal devices. Call or visit the library to make an appointment.

September

Babies ♥ Books Story Time
Birth-24 months / Playgroup follows for meeting and mingling.
Wednesdays 10:30-11:15 am

Family Drop-In Story Time
Fridays 10:30-11:30 am

Havre de Grace Books by Night Book Discussion Group
Adult
The All-Girl Filling Station’s Last Reunion by Fannie Flagg
Thu  Sep 4  6:30-7:30 pm

26th Annual Children’s Art Festival
All Ages
Join us at Millard E. Tydings Park for our annual Children’s Art Festival. Craft projects, face painting and entertainment. No rain location. Contact the Havre de Grace Arts Commission for more information.
Sat  Sep 6  11:00 am-2:00 pm

Coupons: More Bang for Your Buck!
Adult
Learn to save money in these tight economic times.
Wed  Sep 10  6:30-7:30 pm

Celebrate Constitution Day!
All Ages
The Constitution is the landmark legal document of the United States. Visit the branch for displays and activities about the U.S. Constitution.
Wed  Sep 17  10:00 am-8:00 pm

International Talk Like a Pirate Day
All Ages
Unleash your inner buccaneer and embrace “pirattitude” with stories, games and activities. Costumes greatly celebrated but not required.
Fri  Sep 19  10:00 am-5:00 pm

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Coming in October!

Exciting reads and group fun for ages 9-14!

What is Jr Book Groups to Go? It is 10 copies of a selected book and a discussion guide with information and activities in a sturdy canvas bag! Perfect for teachers, parents, homeschoolers or scout groups looking to lead reading fun!

Titles include Secret Garden, Bridge to Terabithia, Holes, Because of Winn Dixie and dozens of others.

Available at the Bel Air Library or have it delivered to the branch of your choice for convenient pickup.
September

Jarrettsville Science Club
Grades K-8
See how fun science can be. Each month will feature experiments and explorations of different areas of science.
Wed  Sep 3  4:00-5:00 pm

Scrabblers
All Ages
 Participate in this lively word game.
Thu  Sep 4  1:00-4:00 pm

TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)
Grades 6-12
Make a difference in the library. Have your voice heard! Bring your friends. Make new ones!
Thu  Sep 4  4:00-5:00 pm

Jarrettsville Evening Book Discussion Group
Adult
Please contact the branch for this month's book selection.
Mon  Sep 8  6:30-7:30 pm

Cheess Club
Grades 9-Adult
Drop by and play chess with other adults. Analyze games, discuss and enjoy!
Tue  Sep 9  6:30-7:30 pm

Meet the Author: Maggie Barbieri
Grades 11-Adult
With “wicked humor and an oddball cast” (Entertainment magazine), mystery writer Maggie Barbieri writes the popular Murder 101 series. She is also the author of compelling and complicated standalone mysteries that make us think. Meet Ms. Barbieri in person and enjoy an afternoon of mystery and the start of her new series, Once Upon a Lie! Books will be available for purchase. Registration is suggested.
Sat  Sep 13  2:00-4:00 pm

Babies ♥ Books Story Time
6-24 months
Playgroup follows for meeting and mingling.
Mon  Sep 15  10:30-11:00 am

The Library Stitchers
All Ages
Whether your stitches are knitted, crocheted or stitched in another way, come join us!
Tue  Sep 16  2:00-4:00 pm

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Family Swap Meet
All Ages
Our Family Swap Meet will cover babies, toddlers, pre-school and school-age kids so that all parents can be sure to exchange their hand-me-downs for various necessities and new treasures! Clear your home of gently used toys, girls and boys clothes, games, puzzles, storybooks, even bikes and watch your kids get excited when they receive something new, all for a swap!
Sat  Sep 20  10:00 am-noon

Jarrettsville Novel Ideas Book Discussion Group
Adult
Defending Jacob by William Landay
Mon  Sep 22  10:30 am-noon

Bald Friar Petroglyphs
All Ages
Petroglyphs are prehistoric depictions carved in rock. The Bald Friar site is, or was, Maryland’s largest and best known petroglyph site. Dr. Charles Hall, Maryland State Terrestrial Archeologist, will host a presentation of these fascinating treasures found along the Susquehanna River corridor.
Tue  Sep 23  6:30-8:00 pm

Teen Movie Night
Grades 6-12
Bring your friends and join us after hours for a movie. Those attending will choose from four movie titles when they register. Snacks provided.
Fri  Sep 26  5:30-8:00 pm

Etiquette & Espionage
Grades 6-12 / Explore the fantastic steampunk world of Mademoiselle Geraldine’s Finishing School for Young Ladies of Quality and be tutored in the fine arts of curtsies and conspiracies.
Mon  Sep 29  3:30-5:00 pm

The Jarrettsville Wordsmiths
Grades 9-Adult
Here is an opportunity to network with other writers! Discuss your work, learn from others and get great tips to help you advance in the world of publishing. Topic: Say It--I Love Writing!
Tue  Sep 30  6:00-7:30 pm

October

Down on the Farm Story Time
Ages 2-K
Wed  Oct 1  10:30-11:15 am

Jarrettsville Science Club
See Sep 3 for detail
Wed  Oct 1  4:00-5:00 pm

Scrabbler
See Sep 4 for detail
Thu  Oct 2  1:00-4:00 pm

TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)
See Sep 4 for detail
Thu  Oct 2  4:00-5:00 pm

4H at the Library
All Ages
Come and see what 4H is all about! The Jarrettsville Library will host a local 4H club for an open house of demonstrations and crafts. Information about the county 4H program will be available. No registration required.
Sat  Oct 4  1:00 pm

Ignite Creativity for Teens
Grades 6-Adult / A three week art workshop for teens. See ad page 24
Sun  Oct 5  2:00-3:30 pm

Babies ♥ Books Story Time
See Sep 15 for detail
Mon  Oct 6  10:30-11:00 am

LEGO® Club
See Sep 18 for detail
Mon  Oct 6  6:00-7:30 pm

National Spinning and Weaving Week, October 6-12
All Ages / Drop in for a spinning and weaving demonstration by members of the Warped Weavers Guild. Examples of their beautiful craft will also be on display all month.
Tue  Oct 7  1:00-5:00 pm

Harford County Sheriff’s K9
All Ages / An informational talk will be presented by the Harford County Sheriff’s K9 Unit followed by an outdoor demonstration with the dogs.
Wed  Oct 8  6:30-8:00 pm

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Chess Club
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Bath Time Blues Story Time
Ages 2-K
Wed  Oct 15  10:30-11:15 am
November

Babies♥Books Story Time 🎀
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Mon Oct 3  10:30-11:00 am

LEGO® Club 🌈
See Sep 18 for detail
Mon Nov 3  6:00-7:30 pm

NaNoWriMo Write-In
Grades 9-Adult / Spend time with other NaNoWriMo participants as you work to achieve your 50K word goal in our quiet meeting room.
Wed Nov 5  11:00 am-3:00 pm

Jarrettsville Science Club 🌈
See Sep 3 for detail
Wed Nov 5  4:00-5:00 pm

Scrabblers
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Thu Nov 6  1:00-4:00 pm

TAG! (Teen Advisory Group) 🌈
See Sep 4 for detail
Thu Nov 6  4:00-5:00 pm

NaNoWriMo Write-In
See Nov 5 for detail
Sun Nov 9  1:00-4:30 pm

Talking Turkey Story Time 🎅
Ages 2-K
Wed Nov 12  10:30-11:15 am

Tea with a Twist: Cooking with Tea 🌈
Grades 9-Adult
Forget the Liptons! Tea by Two in Bel Air takes us through the fabulous world of tea and how to use it to make just about everything a little bit better, from a snowy evening, to cookies and roasts!
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The Library Stitchers
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Jarrettsville Novel Ideas Book Discussion Group 🌈
Adult
The Language of Flowers by Vanessa Diffenbaugh
Mon Oct 27  10:30 am-noon

The Jarrettsville Wordsmiths
See Sep 30 for detail
Topic: Revision Hurdles
Sun Nov 30  1:00-4:30 pm

Jarrettsville Hours
Mon & Wed  10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Tue & 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
Mon - Thu  9:00 am - 7:30 pm
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Kids Create Art ®
Grades K-8
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The Tuskegee Airmen ®  
Grades 5-Adult
Meet two of the first African American pilots who served in World War II from the East Coast Chapter Tuskegee Airman Inc., who served with distinction during World War II and who will share their experiences in the war.
Mon  Sep 8  6:30-8:00 pm

Knitting for Beginners and Advanced Beginners
Adult
Those interested in learning to knit are welcome. More advanced knitters will learn additional techniques to enhance their knitting skills.
Thu  Sep 11  6:30-8:00 pm

Fall Homeschool Health Course ®
Grades K-3
Are you homeschooling your K-3 student, or students, this fall? 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  Sep 5  10:00-11:00 am

Teen Friday After Hours ®
Grades 6-12 / Teens can hang out at the library after hours. Play games, surf the net, watch movies, do crafts and enjoy snacks of course!
Fri  Sep 5  5:00-8:00 pm

Genealogy Sharing
Adult / Discuss topics of interest to the family genealogist.
Tue  Sep 16  6:00-8:00 pm

I Signed the Constitution
Put your own signature on this special document and look for displays and other activities.
Wed  Sep 17  Library hours

Friends Book Sale ®  
Preview Sale: Friends Members Only
Wed  Sep 17  6:00-8:00 pm

Just the Facts True Story Time
Ages 2-3
Wed  Sep 17  6:00-6:45 pm

Friends Book Sale ®
Bag sale all day
Sat  Sep 20  10:00 am-4:30 pm

Friends Book Sale ®
Bag sale all day
Mon  Sep 22  10:00 am-7:30 pm

La Fiesta  ®  
All Ages
Everyone is invited to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month at our lively fiesta that includes crafts, music, and dancing.
Tue  Sep 23  4:30-7:00 pm

¡Uno, Dos, Tres con Andres!  ®  
All Ages
You’ll be enthralled and entertained at guitarist/singer Andres Salguero’s lively interactive celebration of Hispanic music and dance. Andres and his drummer will have everyone singing, dancing, and speaking un poco de Spanish.
Tue  Sep 23  5:30-6:30 pm

Teen Time @ the Library
See Sep 3 for detail
Wed  Sep 24  3:30-5:00 pm

Joppa Evening Book Discussion
Adult
The Story of Beautiful Girl by Rachel Simon
Thu  Sep 25  6:30-7:30 pm

Fall Homeschool Health Course  
See Sep 3 for detail
Fri  Sep 26  10:00-11:00 am

Classic Movie Night:
Alfred Hitchcock’s Vintage Productions ®
Grades 5-Adult
A classic movie will be shown.
The Birds
Fri  Sep 26  6:00-8:00 pm

Computer and Internet Security Workshop
Adult
This workshop is designed to provide home computer users with the basic knowledge of how to configure and secure their computers.
Tue  Sep 30  6:30-8:00 pm

Family Time  ®
See Sep 4 for detail
Thu  Oct 1  6:00-7:00 pm

Teen Time @ the Library
See Sep 3 for detail
Wed  Oct 2  3:30-5:00 pm

Book Jacket Bingo
Grades 6-12
It’s a special teen edition of Book Jacket Bingo! Your chance to have fun, win prizes, and discover some out-of-this-world reads.
Wed  Oct 1  6:00-7:00 pm

Family Time  ®
See Sep 4 for detail
Thu  Oct 2  6:00-7:30 pm

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Knitting for Beginners and Advanced Beginners
See Sep 11 for detail
Thu Oct 2 6:30-8:00 pm

Fall Homeschool Health Course See Sep 5 for detail
Fri Oct 3 10:00-11:00 am

Kids Create Art See Sep 6 for detail
Sat Oct 4 10:30-11:30 am

Awesome Afternoon at the Movies See Sep 6 for detail
Sat Oct 4 1:00-3:00 pm

An Evening of Salsa Grades 9-Adult
Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month by learning one of the most popular Latin dances. For beginners! Partners encouraged but not necessary.
Mon Oct 6 6:30-7:30 pm

Apple-tastic Story Time Ages 2-K
Tue Oct 7 6:00-6:45 pm

National Spinning and Weaving Week, October 6-12
All Ages / Drop in for a spinning and weaving demonstration by members of the Warped Weavers Guild. Examples of their beautiful craft will also be on display all month.
Tue Oct 7 6:00-8:00 pm

Take the Next Step: Learn to Knit a Pair of Socks Adult
Call ahead to find out what type of yarn and size needles will be needed. Program consists of three sessions.
Thu Oct 9 6:30-8:00 pm

Fall Homeschool Health Course See Sep 5 for detail
Fri Oct 17 10:00-11:00 am

Maker Teens See Sep 20 for detail
Sat Oct 18 1:00-2:30 pm

Slightly Scary Story Time Ages 2-K
Mon Oct 20 11:00-11:45 am

Genealogy Sharing See Sep 16 for detail
Tue Oct 21 6:00-8:00 pm

Teen Time @ the Library See Sep 3 for detail
Wed Oct 22 3:30-5:00 pm

Haunted Gingerbread Houses Grades 6-12
Come make a house with us, scary or sweet; the fun can’t be beat, it’s a craft not a treat!
Wed Oct 22 6:00-8:00 pm

Joppa Evening Book Discussion Adult
The Distance Between Us: A Memoir by Reyna Grande, the Maryland Humanities Council’s 2014 One Maryland One Book selection
Thu Oct 23 6:30-8:00 pm

Fall Homeschool Health Course See Sep 5 for detail
Fri Oct 24 10:00-11:00 am

Teen Friday After Hours See Sep 5 for detail
Fri Oct 24 5:00-8:00 pm

Knitting for Beginners and Advanced Beginners See Sep 11 for detail
Mon Oct 27 6:30-8:00 pm

A Spooky Night at the Library All Ages
Do you think you’ll be scared? See what fun experiments and crafts are waiting for you at the library. Costume parade through the branch will be held. Refreshments will be provided.
Tue Oct 28 4:30-6:30 pm

Teen Time @ the Library See Sep 3 for detail
Wed Oct 29 3:30-5:00 pm

Paint Your Pumpkins All Ages / Get into the spirit of Halloween! Paint and decorate a small pumpkin. Pumpkins provided.
Thu Oct 30 4:00-6:00 pm

Fall Homeschool Health Course See Sep 5 for detail
Fri Oct 31 10:00-11:00 am

Kids Create Art See Sep 6 for detail
Sat Nov 1 10:30-11:30 am

Awesome Afternoon at the Movies See Sep 6 for detail
Sat Nov 1 1:00-3:00 pm

How Corny! Story Time Ages 2-K
Wed Nov 5 10:30-11:30 am or 6:00-7:00 pm

Teen Time @ the Library See Sep 3 for detail
Wed Nov 5 3:30-5:00 pm

Family Time See Sep 4 for detail
Thu Nov 6 6:00-7:30 pm

Knitting for Beginners and Advanced Beginners See Sep 11 for detail
Thu Nov 6 6:30-8:00 pm

LEGO Club See Sep 12 for detail
Fri Nov 7 3:00-5:00 pm

Teen Friday After Hours See Sep 5 for detail
Fri Nov 7 5:00-8:00 pm

Teen Time @ the Library See Sep 3 for detail
Wed Nov 12 3:30-5:00 pm

Take the Next Step: Learn to Knit a Pair of Socks Adult
See Oct 9 for detail
Thu Nov 13 6:30-8:00 pm

Maker Teens See Sep 20 for detail
Sat Nov 15 1:00-2:30 pm

Giving Thanks Story Time Ages 2-K
Mon Nov 17 11:00-11:45 am

Genealogy Sharing See Sep 16 for detail
Tue Nov 18 6:00-8:00 pm

Teen Time @ the Library See Sep 3 for detail
Wed Nov 19 3:30-5:00 pm

Experiment and Explore! Story Time Ages 3-Grade 2
Wed Nov 20 6:00-7:00 pm

Joppa Evening Book Discussion Adult
The Black Cat by Martha Grimes
Thu Nov 20 6:30-7:30 pm

Classic Movie Night: Alfred Hitchcock’s Vintage Productions Ages 5-Adult
A classic movie will be shown. North by Northwest
Fri Nov 21 6:00-8:15 pm

Knitting for Beginners and Advanced Beginners See Sep 11 for detail
Mon Nov 24 6:30-8:00 pm

Talking Turkey Story Time Ages 2-K
Tue Nov 25 6:00-6:45 pm

Teen Time @ the Library See Sep 3 for detail
Wed Nov 26 3:30-5:00 pm

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Joppa 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

Holiday Closings
Mon Sep 1 Labor Day
Mon Oct 13 Staff In-Service
Tue Nov 11 Veterans Day
Thu Nov 27 Thanksgiving
Fri Nov 28 Thanksgiving

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**Norrisville Hours**

- **Mon & Wed**: 10:00 am - 8:00 pm
- **Tue & Thu**: 1:00 pm - 8:00 pm
- **Fri & Sat**: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

**Holiday Closings**

- **Mon Sep 1**: Labor Day
- **Mon Oct 13**: Staff In-Service
- **Tue Nov 11**: Veterans Day
- **Thu Nov 27**: Thanksgiving
- **Fri Nov 28**: Thanksgiving

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**Computing by Appointment 🌐**

- **All Ages**

**Family Drop-In Story Time 🌴**

- **Wednesdays**: 10:30-11:15 am

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**Sep-Nov**

- **Friends Book Sale 🎉**
  - Thu Sep 4: 1:30-5:00 pm
  - Fri Sep 5: 10:00 am-2:00 pm
  - Sat Sep 6: 10:00 am-2:00 pm

- **Rainbow Loom Saturdays**
  - Grades 1-8
  - Bring your looms and bands, or use our supplies to make colorful jewelry, charms, and more!
  - Sat Sep 13: 10:00 am-4:30 pm

- **Book Jacket Bingo 🎏**
  - Grades 6-12
  - It’s a special teen edition of Book Jacket Bingo! Your chance to have fun, win prizes, and discover some out-of-this-world reads.
  - Sat Sep 13: 2:00-3:00 pm

- **Creatures of the Night Story Time 🌱**
  - Ages birth-K
  - Explore the fascinating world of owls, bats, raccoons, and other nocturnal animals!
  - Wed Oct 29: 10:30-11:30 am

- **LEGO® Club 🎆**
  - Grades K-8
  - We supply the LEGO® blocks, you supply the imagination!
  - Thu Sep 25: 6:00-7:30 pm

- **Rainbow Loom Saturdays**
  - See Sep 13 for detail
  - Sat Sep 27: 10:00 am-4:30 pm

- **Norrisville Book Discussion Group**
  - **Adult**
  - The Distance Between Us: A Memoir by Reyna Grande, the Maryland Humanities Council’s 2014 One Maryland One Book selection.
  - Thu Oct 27: 10:30-11:30 am

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**September**

- **Friends Book Sale 🎉**
  - Thu Sep 4: 1:30-5:00 pm
  - Fri Sep 5: 10:00 am-2:00 pm
  - Sat Sep 6: 10:00 am-2:00 pm

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**October**

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  - Thu Sep 25: 6:00-7:30 pm

- **Rainbow Loom Saturdays**
  - See Sep 13 for detail
  - Sat Sep 27: 10:00 am-4:30 pm

- **Star Wars Scavenger Hunt**
  - All Ages
  - Celebrate Star Wars Reads Day as you search for Star Wars-related items in the library! Claim your prize and make a Star Wars craft after you complete the quest!
  - Sat Oct 11: 11:00 am-4:00 pm

- **Norrisville Book Discussion Group**
  - **Adult**
  - The Distance Between Us: A Memoir by Reyna Grande, the Maryland Humanities Council’s 2014 One Maryland One Book selection.
  - Thu Oct 27: 10:30-11:30 am

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**November**

- **Creatures of the Night Story Time 🌱**
  - Ages birth-K
  - Explore the fascinating world of owls, bats, raccoons, and other nocturnal animals!
  - Wed Oct 29: 10:30-11:30 am

- **LEGO® Club 🎆**
  - Grades K-8
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  - Thu Sep 25: 6:00-7:30 pm

- **Rainbow Loom Saturdays**
  - See Sep 13 for detail
  - Sat Nov 8: 10:00 am-4:30 pm

- **Haunted Gingerbread Houses 🎅**
  - Grades 6-12
  - Come make a house with us, scary or sweet; the fun can’t be beat, it’s a craft not a treat!
  - Sat Oct 25: 2:00-3:00 pm

- **Norrisville Book Discussion Group**
  - **Adult**
  - The Husband’s Secret by Liane Moriarty
  - Thu Nov 20: 6:00-7:30 pm

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SEPTEMBER 17

CONSTITUTION DAY

Mother of a Nation: Martha Washington
Grade 6-Adult
A hostess at Mt. Vernon, Martha Washington spent winters of the war with George and fed, clothed, and wrote letters for his soldiers. Evelyn Swensson, composer and conductor for Opera Delaware and Delaware Children’s Theatre brings Martha to life. She will be seen describing the times in which this famous woman lived and singing and playing the music she loved. Thoroughly researched and presented in authentic period costume, this performance captures the personality of this historic woman.
Abingdon Saturday, September 13 2:00-3:30 pm

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Put your own signature on this special document and look for displays and other activities at these libraries.
Aberdeen, Edgewood, Fallston, Joppa, Whiteford Wednesday, September 17 Library hours

Constitution Story Time
Ages 3-K
Edgewood Wednesday, September 17 10:30-11:00 am

Science Club: Ben Franklin Science
Grades 3-8
Explore some of Ben Franklin’s inventions and the science behind them this Constitution Day!
Aberdeen Wednesday, September 17 6:00-7:00 pm

A Founding Father’s Slave Story: Oney Judge
All Ages
Actress Alex Ford portrays Oney Judge, a slave to President and Lady Washington. When the household moved to Philadelphia for the Convention, Oney rejoiced - Pennsylvania Law gave slaves the legal power to free themselves after six months in residence. Unfortunately, as the move was temporary, the law did not apply to Oney. When she learned that Martha intended to give her to her granddaughter, Oney made a plan of escape, determined to find freedom just as our Constitution is written!
Edgewood Monday, September 22 6:30-8:00 pm

Celebrate Constitution Day
All Ages
The Constitution is the landmark legal document of the United States. Visit these branches for displays and activities about the U.S. Constitution.
Havre de Grace, Jarrettsville, Norrisville Wednesday, September 17 10:00 am-8:00 pm
**Charm City SUNDAYS**

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**Programs with a Baltimore Twist**

**2nd Sundays October - April!**

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**Joe Gold: Heavy Seas are Brewing**

Heavy Seas Brewery was started by a sixth generation Baltimorean. After a stint running the family bar, his interest turned to brewing and he rode the tide of the craft beer movement to get to the Heavy Seas brand of today. Join Joe Gold, Sales Manager of Heavy Seas, for a look at this local beer and the pyrate philosophy that helped spawn Baltimore Beer Week and grow the Baltimore beer community!

**Meet the Author: Leah Eskin**

Grades 9-Adult
Pulitzer Prize nominated columnist Leah Eskin writes for the Chicago Tribune but she made Baltimore her home! She’ll be passing on her love of food and talking about her memoir *Slices of Life.* Books will be available for purchase. Supported by the Harford County Cultural Arts Board.

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**Keep an eye out for other uniquely Baltimore topics including painted screens, Wicked Baltimore, and more!**

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**September**

- **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**
  Wednesday 10:30-11:00 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 Group**
  Adult
  Bring your latest project and be creative with company.
  Fridays in Oct/Nov 10:00 am-2:00 pm

- **Genealogy Discussion Group**
  Adult
  Discuss topics of interest to the serious genealogist. Those new to genealogy should take Genealogy Basics.
  Thu Sep 4 6:30-8:00 pm

- **Save Seeds from Your Garden**
  Grades 9-Adult
  Master Gardeners will help us learn to save seeds from our gardens. Find out which seeds to save and how to prepare them.
  Sat Sep 6 1:00-2:00 pm

- **Teen After Hours**
  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 Sep 12 6:00-8:00 pm

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  Preview Sale: Friends Members Only
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  Fri Sep 19 10:00 am-4:30 pm
  Sat Sep 20 10:00 am-4:30 pm

- **Whiteford Book Discussion Group**
  Adult
  Wed Sep 24 6:30-7:30 pm

- **Health 411 Screenings**
  University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Health will be offering blood pressure screenings and healthy heart information. Come to the program or just drop in and get your health screened at no cost. Loads of information--easy in, easy out!
  Thu Sep 25 6:00-8:00 pm

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**October**

- **Genealogy Discussion Group**
  See Sep 4 for detail
  Thu Oct 2 6:30-8:00 pm

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Sat  Oct 18  2:00-3:30 pm

Jumpstart Read for the Record 🎧 All Ages Librarians will be reading Bunny Cakes by Rosemary Wells throughout the day. Join us and help set a reading record!
Tue  Oct 21  2:00 pm, 4:00 pm or 6:00 pm

Pajamarama Story Time 🎈 Ages birth-K / Wear your pajamas to the library as we share stories, rhymes, music and a craft all about sweet dreams and bedtime.
Wed  Oct 22  10:30-11:15 am

Whiteford Book Discussion Group 📚 Adult The Distance Between Us: A Memoir by Reyna Grande, the Maryland Humanities Council’s 2014 One Maryland One Book selection.
Wed  Oct 22  6:30-7:30 pm

Health 411 Screenings 🏥 See Sep 25 for detail
Mon  Oct 27  6:00-8:00 pm

You and Health Insurance: Making a Smart Choice 📊 Adult
This 2-hour program helps you explore the information you need to make the best health insurance decision for you and your family. In addition to going over the Affordable Care Act, Dr. Virginia Brown of the University of Maryland-Extension will present and review a workbook designed to help you feel more confident in making your selection.
Mon  Oct 6  2:00-4:00 pm

Let’s Do Science Club 📚 See Oct 18 for detail
Electric Fashion
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A Healthy You @ The Library

Harford Lyme Advocates 🤝 Adult / Harford Lyme Advocates, a Chapter of the National Capital Lyme Disease Association, invites you to attend monthly support group meetings with information and guest speakers who make living with Lymes much easier.

Guest Speaker Dr. Kathleen Spreen, author of Compendium of Tick-Borne Disease: a Thousand Pearls.
Whiteford Thu  Sep 25  6:00-8:00 pm
General meeting and networking
Jarrettsville Sat  Oct 18  2:00-4:00 pm
Guest Speaker on Nutrition and Lyme Disease
Bel Air Sat  Nov 15  2:00-4:00 pm

Health Insurance Marketplace @ Your Library
hcplonline.org/other/marketplace/

Information and Links that will get you on your way to affordable coverage and peace of mind.
Recommendations

**HARFORD BOOKMARKS**

**FAMILIAR FACES SHARE THEIR FAVORITES**

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**Library Staff Award Winners**

- Sharon Neary and Audrey Fung, Pages at the Bel Air Library and winners in the recent Special Olympics. Sharon won two gold medals and a bronze medal in swimming and Audrey won a silver medal in softball.

- Josh Wingerd, winner of the Success at Work Award from the ARC Northern Chesapeake Region for his outstanding work as a Page at the Edgewood Library.

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**The Hunger Games, Catching Fire, and Mockingjay** by Suzanne Collins

“The main reason I love these books is because I love books that are related to movies. These books are about young adult teenagers at war with people watching them and controlling them. There is also romance in them, that I like.”

—Sharon Neary

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**Two of a Kind: The Sleepover Secret Starring Mary Kate and Ashley** adapted by Judy Katschke

“This book is my favorite because I like Mary Kate and Ashley Olsen. They are funny in the book.”

—Audrey Fung

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**The Rosie Project** by Graeme Simsion

“Don Tillman, a brilliant but socially awkward professor of genetics, decides that it’s time to find a wife by designing a scientific survey to filter out the drinkers, smokers, and the late arrivers. Then he meets Rosie who is definitely not a candidate for The Wife Project. Instead, she becomes The Rosie Project as Don decides that she needs his help to identify her biological father. A sweet, quirky tale that’s a reminder that you don’t find love, it finds you.”

—Margaret Polischeck

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**Catherine the Great** by Robert Massie

“I’ve always loved Russian history and I just finished reading Robert Massie's *Catherine the Great*. All of Massie’s biographies are meticulously researched and detailed but still very readable and this book is no exception. I found myself surprisingly sympathetic to Catherine, who, as despots go, was quite enlightened and progressive. Of course, her romantic life made the book all the more interesting!”

—Karen Hagerman

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**Margaret Polischeck and Karen Hagerman**, Library staff and winners of the Harford County Local Management Board’s Award for Outstanding Service to Children and Youth for their development of Sensory Story Times at the Library.
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