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and are closed on Wednesday, January 1 for the New Year holiday.

All HCPL locations will close at 5:00 pm on Tuesday, December 31

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Tuesday, December 31 11:30 am-noon – Bel Air Library

Tuesday, December 31 11:30 am-noon – Darlington Library Time to ring in the new year at the library! Count down to the New Year with us...at noon! *Supported by the Friends of HCPL. **Noon Year's Eve Celebration**

LEGO Elf Trap

CHILDREN & FAMILIES



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

the Aberdeen Friends of HCPL. **Hanukkah Craft**

Hanukkah Craft

Family

Explore the works and styles of famous artists and create your own masterpiece at our family art lab event!

TEENS

Art Lab Family

Art Lab

Saturday, December 28 2:00-3:00 pm – Aberdeen Library

Thursday, January 2 4:00-5:00 pm – Abingdon Library

Inclusive Teen Tuesdays y **Inclusive Teen Tuesdays** Grade 6-12 Tuesday, January 7 6:00-7:30 pm - Bel Air Library Teens of all abilities are invited to play games, make crafts, and hang out with friends! Supported by the Bel Air Friends of HCPL.

Teen Movie Time Grade 6-12

Inclusive Teen Tuesdays

Looking to relax after a long day? Come out, kick your feet up and enjoy a movie with us!

Grade 6-12

Teen Movie Time Teen Writing Club

are encouraged to bring their own laptop or journal to write in. Each person

Tuesday, January 7 3:00-4:30 pm – Edgewood Library

Thursday, January 9 3:30-5:00 pm – Bel Air Library Whether you're already working on a writing project or want a space to explore new stories, join our group of budding writers to share your craft. Participants

attending must register prior to the program.* **Register for Teen Writing Club**

ADULTS

Meet The Author: J.R. Miller Grade 9-12 & Adult Thursday, January 9 6:30-7:30 pm – Abingdon Library Author and Maryland native J.R. Miller returns to discuss his latest novel, Now We Are Orphans. Set in Lourdes, France against the backdrop of WWII, Now We Are Orphans tells the story of a boy's journey from his family in France, to

orphanages in England, and eventually to the United States. It is a story of family loved, lost, and rediscovered. Purchase your copy of Now We Are

Wednesday, January 8 6:00-7:30 pm – Havre de Grace Library

Orphans from your favorite bookseller and bring it along for the author to sign.

The Tea Trolley will be serving tea over a presentation of tea basics. Snow date: January 22. Supported by the Havre de Grace Friends of HCPL. Each person attending must register prior to the program.*

Register for Meet The Author: J.R. Miller

Registration recommended.

Register for Tea-ology

Friends of HCPL Meetings Adult Various times and locations

Tea-ology

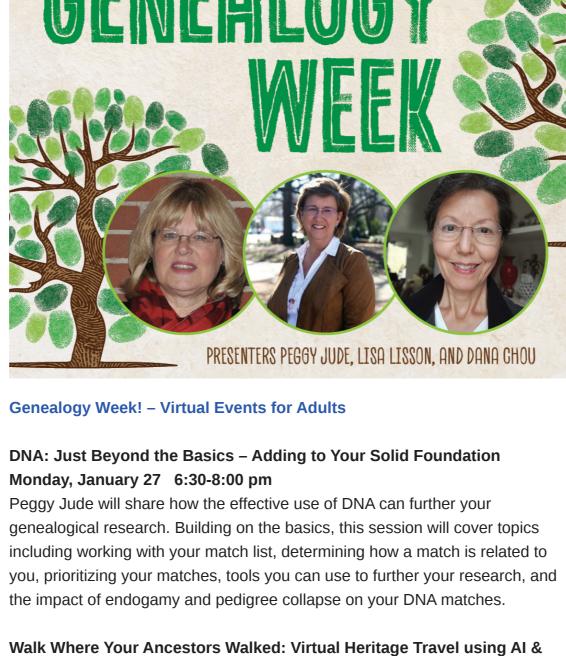
Adult

MORE THAN BOOKS

HGPL

Join the Friends! Support your library by volunteering for special projects that help fund library programs. **Friends of HCPL Meetings**

2025



Online Resources Tuesday, January 28 6:30-8:00 pm Grab your family history notes, and let's take a trip with presenter, Lisa Lisson... no plane ticket required! We'll take a trip to where your ancestors lived. We'll

walk where they walked, and see what they saw. Virtual heritage travel increases understanding of the cultural, political, and economic circumstances surrounding our ancestors which helps us as family historians to find our ancestors and connect with them at a deeper level. Using FamilySearch.org: A FREE Genealogy Resource Website! Thursday, January 30 6:30-8:00 pm

This program offers an overview of the features and resources available at FamilySearch.org. We'll look at building one's family tree, searching historical records, saving photos and other memories, and the unique live help services available from FamilySearch.org and its local affiliate libraries and centers. You

can access FamilySearch.org from HCPL's website. **Genealogy Week!**

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