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September, October,
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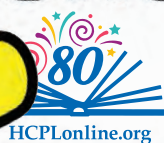
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HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Monday, September 1

Labor Day

Monday, October 13

Staff In-Service Day

Friday, October 31 &

Saturday, November 1

Abingdon Library Closed
for Annual Gala

Tuesday, November 11

Veterans Day

Wednesday, November 26

Libraries Close Early at 5:00 pm

Thursday, November 27 &

Friday, November 28

Thanksgiving

ADMIN HOURS

Monday - Friday

8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

BRANCH HOURS

Monday - Thursday

10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Friday - Saturday

10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

DRIVE-THRU HOURS*

Monday - Thursday

9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Friday - Saturday

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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ABINGDON*

2510 Tollgate Rd

410-638-3990

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BEL AIR*

100 E. Pennsylvania Ave

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DARLINGTON*

3535 Conowingo Rd

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629 Edgewood Rd

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FALLSTON

1461 Fallston Rd

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HAVRE DE GRACE

120 N. Union Ave

410-939-6700

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JARRETTSVILLE*

3722 Norrisville Rd

410-692-7887

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JOPPA

655 Towne Center Dr

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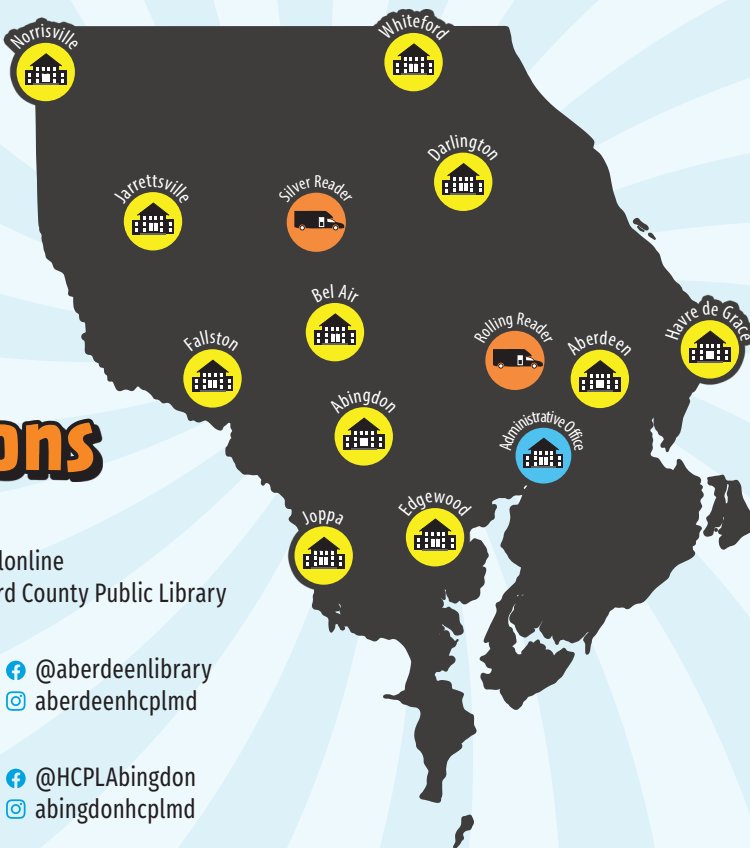
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Guest Presenters





Select programs:

Leadership Lessons from West Point and the Battlefield Adult

Bel Air Sat Sep 6 2:00-3:00 pm
Living Historian Kenneth Serfass portrays General Ulysses S. Grant as he shares fascinating stories, real-world examples, and timeless lessons on leadership that apply both in the military and everyday life.

The Path to Writing Grade 9-12 & Adult

Bel Air Sat Sep 13 2:00-4:00 pm
Join D.A. Jennings, award-winning author of children's books and creative writing teacher at Harford Community College, as she presents a mini course on getting started or continuing your writing journey. Whether you want to write poetry, song lyrics, essays, short stories, or novels... this free course will help you unleash your imagination.

Learn to Play Mahjong   Adult
Fallston Mon Sep 15, 22 6:00-7:30 pm
Learn the basics of Mahjong in this two-part beginner workshop with facilitator Amy Wright. Hands-on instruction, fun gameplay, and all materials provided. Plan to attend both dates.

A Long Look Backwards: Life from the Pen of Asia Booth, Sister of John Wilkes Adult

Jarrettsville Mon Sep 15 6:30-7:30 pm
Presented by first-person reenactor and Lincoln assassination researcher Kate O'Connor, "A Long Look Backwards" tells the story of Asia Booth, a woman torn between the expectations of sisterhood and society.

Chemistry in the Library: Hidden Life of Spices Grade 3-8

Jarrettsville Sat Sep 20 11:00 am-noon
Join chemist Dr. Rose Pesce-Rodriguez from the Army Research Laboratory and the American Chemical Society for hands-on experiments exploring the hidden life of spices.

Ghost Hunt in the Library Adult

Jarrettsville Sat Sep 20 6:45-9:00 pm
The Baltimore Paranormal Society will conduct a ghost hunt to see if paranormal

activity lurks in the library, and you will join in on the investigation!

Mahjong Play Day Adult

Fallston Mon Sep 29 6:00-7:30 pm
Play Mahjong in a relaxed environment with facilitator Amy Wright. Basic knowledge of the game is preferred.

Flight Path: Building for Birds

All Ages

Edgewood Wed Oct 1 6:00-7:30 pm
In celebration of World Migratory Bird Day, learn about bird migration and how you can make your space more bird-friendly. Presented by Linn Griffiths, Education Chair of the Harford Bird Club.

Sip & Savor: The Joyful World of Coffee, Tea, and Connection Adult

Havre de Grace Wed Oct 1 6:00-7:00 pm
Martin Grams, owner of the Screaming Bean in Aberdeen, will take you on a flavorful journey through the world of coffee and tea, highlighting their unique histories, cultural traditions, and the joy they bring to everyday life.

Warped Weavers Demonstration All Ages

Abingdon Sat Oct 4 2:00-4:00 pm
Whiteford Wed Oct 15 3:00-5:00 pm
Celebrate National Weaving and Spinning Month with The Warped Weavers Guild as they share the craft of weaving.

Birds of Harford County and Beyond Adult

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Joppa Thu Oct 16 6:30-8:00 pm
Joppa resident Greg Futral showcases his local bird photography, inviting you to discover beauty in the ordinary.

Women Who Kill: Hattie Stone of Havre de Grace Adult

Havre de Grace Wed Oct 22 6:00-7:00 pm
Dr. Amy Rosenkrans, secretary of the Maryland Women's Heritage Center, discusses Hattie Stone and the murder trial that rocked Havre de Grace.

Journaling Your Magical Life Grade 9-12 & Adult

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Joppa Sat Nov 8 2:00-3:30 pm
Liz Neal will share easy strategies for journaling and how it can bring more "magic" to your life. You will see the impact journaling has on examining and capturing life's moments.

Harp Music Concerto Adult

Havre de Grace Sat Nov 15 10:30-11:30 am
Baltimore harpist, Jacqueline Pollauf, performs a variety of works for solo harp, showcasing the versatility of the instrument.

Japanese Temari All Ages

Havre de Grace Sat Nov 29 10:30-11:30 am
Bring your curiosity and get ready to fall in love with the ancient craft of Japanese temari (embroidered thread balls). Fiber artist Jen Weber will share information about the history and development of this unusual art, and its present-day prevalence both in Japan and around the world.



Checkout all of our great programs!



ABERDEEN

Harford Community Action Agency (HCAA)

Adult

Tue Sep 2, Oct 7, Nov 4 10:00 am-noon
See ad on page 8 for details.

Baby Story Time Babies

Tuesdays (except 11/11) 10:15-10:45 am
Cozy up with your little one for bounces, books, and music. Please register each child attending.

Craft and Create Adult

10:15-11:30 am

Tue Sep 2 Aromatherapy Dough

Tue Oct 7 Fall Grapevine Wreath

Tue Nov 4 Beaded Message Necklace

Create with other craft lovers.

All supplies provided.

Intro to 3D Design Grade 3-12 & Adult

Tue Sep 2, Oct 7, Nov 4 5:30-6:30 pm

Learn to design a simple project using Tinkercad®, an online 3D design program. We will print your project on our branch 3D printer for pickup at a later time. Children grades 3-5 must be accompanied by an adult.

Teen Anime Club Grade 6-12

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

Wed Oct 1, 15 3:30-5:00 pm

Wed Nov 5, 19 3:30-5:00 pm

A lively discussion of anime and manga in popular culture.

Aberdeen Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale Collection All Ages

Thu Sep 4, Nov 6 Library hours

See ad on page 15 for details.

Aberdeen Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale All Ages

Fri Sep 5, Nov 7 noon-4:30 pm

Sat Sep 6, Nov 8 10:00 am-4:30 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Family and Friends Story Time Family

Saturdays 10:15-10:45 am

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

Knot Just Knitting Adult

Sat Sep 6, Oct 4, Nov 15 noon-1:00 pm

Thu Sep 18, Oct 23, Nov 20 noon-1:00 pm

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

ESL Conversation Circle Adult

Mon Sep 8, Nov 10 10:15-11:15 am

English-language learners of any level are invited to practice conversation in a friendly, relaxed environment.

Books Before Bed Family

Mon Sep 8, Nov 24 6:30-7:15 pm

Enjoy an evening story with music, movement, and fun!

Aberdeen Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult

Tue Sep 9, Nov 4 2:00-3:00 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Nintendo Switch™ Free Play Grade 6-12

Wed Sep 10, 24 3:30-5:00 pm

Wed Oct 8, 22 3:30-5:00 pm

Wed Nov 12, 26 3:30-5:00 pm

Unwind with some quality Nintendo Switch™ time!

Sew Much Fun Grade 3-8

Mon Sep 15, Nov 3 4:00-5:00 pm

Discover hand or machine sewing. Projects for all skill levels!

Baby Masterpieces Babies

Tue Sep 16, Oct 14, Nov 18 10:45-11:15 am

Create beautiful pictures using your baby's tiny hands and feet.

Pokémon® Club Family

Tue Sep 16, Oct 21, Nov 18 4:30-5:30 pm

Hang out with fellow fans for card trading and battles!

Teen Dungeons & Dragons® Grade 6-12

Thu Sep 18, Oct 23, Nov 20 4:30-6:00 pm

It's a quest for adventure, treasure, magic, and mayhem! All skill levels welcome.

Playdough Playdate Preschool-Grade 2

Fri Sep 19 2:00-3:00 pm

Thu Oct 16, Nov 6 2:00-3:00 pm

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

Toddler Sensory Play Toddlers

Sat Sep 20 10:45-11:15 am

Tue Sep 30 10:45-11:15 am

Play session where toddlers explore and create using their senses.

Aberdeen Saturday Film Discussion Adult

Sat Sep 20, Oct 18, Nov 22 2:30-4:45 pm

Watch a short film and engage in a lively discussion. Films are curated and moderated by local film buffs Jan and Jack Hirschfeld.

PAWS and Read Grade K-5

Mon Sep 22, Oct 20, Nov 17 6:00-7:00 pm

Get cozy with our doggie volunteers and read a good book during a one-on-one session with a well-trained therapy dog. Please call 410-273-5608 to register.

Rosh Hashanah Craft Family

Tue Sep 23 3:00-4:00 pm

Celebrate Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, by learning about this special holiday and making a fun craft!

Elementary Yoga Grade K-5

Tue Sep 23, 30 4:15-5:00 pm

Tue Oct 7, 14 4:15-5:00 pm

Yoga teacher Donna Hinder introduces yoga exercises through hands-on fun. Wear comfortable, flexible clothing and socks.

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

Thu Sep 25 *Kin: Rooted in Hope* by Carole Boston Weatherford

Thu Oct 23 *The Paris Express* by Emma Donoghue

Thu Nov 20 *Small Things Like These* by Claire Keegan

Stitch & Sew Grade 9-12 & Adult

Mon Sep 29 6:00-7:30 pm

Explore hand or machine sewing with a small project.

Bloom in Fall Flower Crowns Grade 6-12

Thu Oct 9 3:00-4:30 pm

See ad on page 9 or 10 for details.

Hooray for Firefighters! Family

Sat Oct 11 11:00 am-noon

Celebrate firefighters and National Fire Prevention Month by getting an up-close look at a fire truck, learn about fire safety, and meet some of our local firefighters!

Sound Bath: Soothing Sounds for Relaxation

  Grade 9-12 & Adult

Sat Oct 11 2:00-3:00 pm

Join sound healing practitioner, yoga instructor, and reiki master, Linnea Tober for an afternoon of relaxation, calm, and tranquility as she creates soothing sounds using crystal bowls.

Pumpkin Painting Preschool-Grade 5

Fri Oct 17 2:00-3:00 pm


See ad on page 9 for details.


Diwali Craft Preschool-Grade 5

Mon Oct 20 4:00-5:00 pm

Celebrate Diwali, the Hindu festival of lights, by learning about this special holiday and making a fun, festive craft!



Halloween Dance Party  Family
Mon Oct 27 6:00-7:00 pm
See ad on page 13 for details.

Scary Stories from Around the World 
Grade 6-12
Wed Oct 29 3:30-5:00 pm
See ad on page 10 or 13 for details.

Celebrate Aberdeen Library's 50th Anniversary All Ages
Mon-Sat Nov 3-8 Library hours
Help us celebrate 50 years of the library building at the corner of Franklin and Parke Streets. We will have activities to celebrate this milestone all week. Reception Nov 3 from 6:00-7:30 pm.

Dinosaur Sculptures  Grade K-5
Mon Nov 10 6:00-7:00 pm
See ad on page 19 for details.

ABINGDON

Adult Anime Adult
Tue Sep 2, Oct 7, Nov 4 6:30-7:30 pm
Share in the love of Japanese animation and comics! Enjoy anime watching, manga discussions, games, creating, and more!

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

Deep Discussions: The Food and Culture Connection  Adult
Wed Sep 3, Oct 1, Nov 5 2:00-3:00 pm
This series explores a single topic throughout the quarter, inviting you to engage with books, articles, movies, and other resources to fuel our discussion. Each month we'll dive deeper into our topic. Bring your own books, talk to a librarian for ideas, or register to be emailed a list of resources!


Teen Anime Club Grade 6-12
Wed Sep 3 3:30-5:00 pm
Wed Oct 1, 15 3:30-5:00 pm
Wed Nov 5, 19 3:30-5:00 pm
A lively discussion of anime and manga in popular culture.

Pro Football 101 All Ages
Wed Sep 3 6:00-7:30 pm
See ad on page 9 for details.

Lip Gloss Charm Workshop  Grade 6-12
Thu Sep 4 3:30-5:00 pm
Head back to school in style! Bring your own lip gloss and design a charm to match.

Art Lab Family
Thu Sep 4, Oct 2, Nov 6 4:00-5:00 pm
Explore the works and styles of famous artists and create your own masterpiece!


Puzzle Swap All Ages
Fri Sep 5, Oct 3, Nov 7 10:00 am-4:00 pm
Bring in puzzles you would like to trade in for others!

Baby Story Time  Babies
Mondays (except 11/3) 10:15-10:45 am
Cozy up with your little one for bounces, books, and music. Please register each child attending.

Tech Time: Open Session Adult
Mon Sep 8, Nov 10 6:30-7:30 pm
Learn how to download books and magazines, stream movies and TV, and much more using your HCPL card!

Books on Tap at Abingdon Grill  Adult
6:30-8:00 pm
Wed Sep 10 *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng
Wed Oct 8 *We Used to Live Here* by Marcus Kliewer
Wed Nov 12 *The Anthropocene Reviewed* by John Green

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

Mahjong Open Learn & Play: Hong Kong Rules  Adult
Fri Sep 12, Oct 3, Nov 14 1:00-4:00 pm
A relaxed environment for new and experienced players.

Dungeons & Dragons® for Kids!  Grade 3-8
Mon Sep 15, Oct 20, Nov 17 4:00-6:00 pm
Play a D&D adventure built especially with kids in mind.

Search Like a Librarian Grade 9-12 & Adult
Mon Sep 15 6:00-7:00 pm
Learn the pros and cons of different search methods. Ideal for parents, high school students, and other researchers!

Sing & Dance with Me Family
Tue Sep 16, Oct 7, Nov 4 10:15-10:45 am
Let's get moving and grooving with interactive songs and movement activities!


Abingdon Afternoon Book Discussion Adult
2:00-3:00 pm
Wed Sep 17 *Kin: Rooted in Hope* by Carole Boston Weatherford
Wed Oct 15 *Murder on the Orient Express* by Agatha Christie
Wed Nov 19 *The Eighties* by Joanna Miller

Teen After Hours: Anime Edition  
Grade 6-12
Fri Sep 19 5:00-7:30 pm
Play games, listen to music, and have fun while the library is closed. Please call 410-638-3990 for a parent permission slip.

Teen Time Grade 6-12
Wed Sep 24, Oct 22, Nov 26 3:30-5:00 pm
Play video and board games, make a craft, and have a great time with friends!

Adult LEGO® Club: Sorting Party
Grade 9-12 & Adult
Sat Sep 27, Nov 29 11:00 am-4:00 pm
We supply the LEGO® bricks. You supply the imagination! Sort, play, build, and have some fun while giving us a helping hand.

Dungeons & Dragons®: A Band of New Players Adult
Mon Sep 29, Nov 3 6:00-7:30 pm
It's a quest for adventure, treasure, magic, and mayhem! All skill levels welcome.

Sensory Story Time  Family
Tue Sep 30, Oct 21, Nov 25 10:15-11:00 am
A multi-sensory story time for families of children of all abilities. After registering, please call 410-636-3990 to discuss any accommodations.

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

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



Sign-up for eNews!

Get the latest news on programs and events from the library direct to your inbox every Thursday morning.



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hcplonline.org/enews.php

MARYLAND STEM FESTIVAL

October 7-November 12

Night at the Planetarium – Visible Energy: The Science

of Light **R** Family

Southampton Middle School	Tue	Oct 7	6:00-6:45 pm & 7:00-7:45 pm
Swan Creek School	Thu	Oct 9	6:00-6:45 pm & 7:00-7:45 pm
Southampton Middle School	Tue	Oct 14	6:00-6:45 pm & 7:00-7:45 pm
Edgewood Middle School	Thu	Oct 16	6:00-6:45 pm & 7:00-7:45 pm

Use the darkness of the planetarium to explore the origin, properties, and uses of light energy in the universe and our modern lives. Registration opens two weeks prior to the event. Please call 410-612-1600 to register.

DIY Birdfeeders **F** Grade 3-8

Abingdon **Fri Oct 17 1:00-3:00 pm**

Using soy butter and pinecones, make a treat for the feathered friends in your backyard!

STEM Fun Friday **F** Preschool-Grade 2

Havre de Grace **Fri Oct 24 10:00-11:30 am**

A fun-filled open play session to explore Sphero Indi Coding Cars and OSMO digital games.

3D Printer Demo Day **F** Family

Darlington **Sat Oct 25 2:00-3:00 pm**

See our 3D printer in action and take home a small 3D printed object while supplies last.

Not So Spooky STEM **R** Grade 3-8

Bel Air **Wed Oct 29 2:00-3:30 pm**

Fast-paced and fun, kids will use scientific methods to make hypotheses and draw conclusions while dissecting pumpkins, making ghosts fly with electricity, and dissolving candy corn! Presented in partnership with University of Maryland Extension Harford County 4-H's educator, Marylisa Schaedel.

3D Printed Dinosaurs **R** **F** Grade K-8

Norrisville **Fri Nov 7 10:15-11:00 am**

View our 3D printer in action and decorate your own mini 3D printed dinosaur!

Paleontology Party **R** **F** Family

Fallston **Wed Nov 12 6:00-7:30 pm**

Celebrate Dinovember by learning how to be a paleontologist! Excavate dinosaur bones while learning about fossils!

Warped Weavers Demonstration **R** All Ages

Sat Oct 4 2:00-4:00 pm

See ad on page 3 for details.

Death Café **R** **F** Adult

Mon Oct 6 6:30-7:30 pm

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

TAG (Teen Advisory Group) **R** Grade 6-12

Thu Oct 9, Nov 13 3:30-5:00 pm

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

Lawyer in the Library **R** Adult

Fri Oct 10 11:00 am-noon

See ad on page 11 for details.

Film Discussion Group: *The Babadook* **R** Adult

Sat Oct 11 2:00-3:00 pm

This month, watch *The Babadook* – available on Kanopy – and come ready for a lively group discussion with fellow movie lovers.

Hooray for Firefighters! **R** Family

Thu Oct 16 2:00-4:00 pm

Celebrate firefighters and National Fire Prevention Month by getting an up-close look at a fire truck, learn about fire safety, and meet some of our local firefighters!

Knot Just Knitting **R** Adult

Thu Oct 16 5:30-7:00 pm

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

DIY Birdfeeders **F** Grade 3-8

Fri Oct 17 1:00-3:00 pm

See ad on page 6 or 9 for details.

Cosplay Carnival **R** Grade 6-12

Sat Oct 18 2:00-4:00 pm

See ad on page 10 for details.

Baby Masterpieces **R** Babies

Thu Oct 23 10:15-11:00 am

Create beautiful pictures using your baby's tiny hands and feet.

Cozy Adult Story Time **R** Adult

Thu Oct 23 6:00-7:00 pm

See ad on page 9 for details.

Retro Gaming: Open Play **R** Adult

Fri Oct 24 1:00-4:00 pm

Play a variety of retro games like Mexican Train Dominoes, Bridge, Cribbage, Loteria, and more.

Halloween Hullabaloo **F** Family

Sat Oct 25 10:00 am-noon

See ad on page 13 for details.

Ballet Chesapeake Presents *The Nutcracker* Family

Sat Nov 8 11:00-11:45 am

This classic is a must-see this holiday season! Enjoy an abridged version of the story of *The Nutcracker* performed by Ballet Chesapeake, followed by a story time and short dance lesson.

Teen Crafternoon Grade 6-12

Wed Nov 12 3:30-5:00 pm

Join us for crafting fun! All supplies provided.

We Dig Dinos! Family

Thu Nov 13 2:00-4:00 pm

See ad on page 19 for details.

Craft and Create: Kimekomi Balls Adult

Tue Nov 18 10:30-11:30 am

Create with other craft lovers.

All supplies provided.

BEL AIR

Toddler Story Time Toddlers

Tuesdays 10:15-10:45 am

Enjoy energetic and engaging stories, music, and movement!

Bright Beginnings Preschool

Tue Sep 2, Oct 7, Nov 4 1:30-3:00 pm

Prepare for kindergarten by learning letters, numbers, concepts, STEM, and playing group games.

Baby Story Time Babies

Wednesdays 9:15-9:45 am & 10:15-10:45 am

Cozy up with your little one for bounces, books, and music. 9:15 am program is before opening hours; attendees may enter the building via the Meeting Room door. Please register each child attending.

ArtVentures Grade K-8

Wed Sep 3, Oct 1, Nov 5 2:00-3:30 pm

Discover the world of art – and create some too! Great for homeschool families but all are welcome!

Family and Friends Story Time Family

Mondays & Thursdays 10:15-11:00 am

Sat Sep 13, Oct 11, Nov 8 10:15-11:00 am

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

Afternoon Trivia at the Center Adult

Thu Sep 4, Nov 6 12:45-2:00 pm

Participants at least 55 years of age meet for a spirited game of trivia! Please call McFaul Activity Center at 410-638-4040 for more details.

TAG (Teen Advisory Group) Grade 6-12

Thu Sep 4, Oct 2, Nov 6 3:30-4:30 pm

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

Rubik's Cube Club Grade 3-8

Thu Sep 4, Oct 2, Nov 6 5:00-6:00 pm

Solve the original and explore other types of puzzle cubes while sharing strategies and algorithms with other fans of this nostalgic toy.

Baby Masterpieces Babies

Fri Sep 5, Oct 3, Nov 7 10:15-11:00 am

Create beautiful pictures using your baby's tiny hands and feet.

Puzzle Swap All Ages

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

Sat Oct 5, 18 10:00 am-5:00 pm

Sat Nov 1, 15 10:00 am-5:00 pm

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

Leadership Lessons from West Point and the Battlefield Adult

Sat Sep 6 2:00-3:00 pm

See ad on page 3 for details.

Acts of Kindness Family

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

Mon-Sat Sep 8-13 Library hours

Cheer Bags for Harford Family House Shelter

Tue-Sat Oct 14-18 Library hours

Cards for Firefighters

Mon-Sat Nov 10-15 Library hours

Thankful Boxes for Manna House

Soup Kitchen at Bel Air UMC

Mon Nov 10 1:00-4:00 pm

Holiday Cards for Troops

ESL Conversation Circle Adult

Mon Sep 8 11:00 am-noon

Wed Oct 8 11:00 am-noon

Thu Nov 13 11:00 am-noon

English-language learners of any level are invited to practice conversation in a friendly, relaxed environment.

Romp and Run Babies & Toddlers

Mon Sep 8, Oct 6, Nov 10 1:00-2:00 pm

Explore ways to encourage your child's motor and social skills in a relaxed environment.

Introductory Dungeons & Dragons Adult

Tue Sep 9, Oct 14 6:00-7:45 pm

Learn to play in sessions that are ideal for new players as well as those who are not so new.

Homeschool Open House Family

Tue Sep 9 6:00-7:30 pm

Explore Harford County Public Library's many resources and services available to homeschooling families!

Books on Tap at Sean Bolan's Adult

6:30-8:30 pm

Tue Sep 9 *Long Island* by Colm Toibin

Tue Oct 14 *James* by Percival Everett

Bold titles, Refreshing talk! Everyone's welcome!

Sean Bolan's Irish Pub, 12 S. Main St, Bel Air.

Sew Much Fun Grade 3-8

Wed Sep 10, Oct 8, Nov 12 4:00-7:00 pm

Discover hand or machine sewing. Projects for all skill levels!

Craft and Create Adult

1:00-2:30 pm

Thu Sep 11 Sunflowers

Thu Nov 20 Yarn Art

Create with other craft lovers.

All supplies provided.

Preschool Music and Movement Preschool

Fri Sep 12, Oct 10, Nov 14 10:15-10:45 am

Explore music and movement through stories, songs, and play!

Lawyer in the Library Adult

Fri Sep 12 11:00 am-noon

See ad on page 11 for details.

The Path to Writing Grade 9-12 & Adult

Sat Sep 13 2:00-4:00 pm

See ad on page 3 for details.

Inclusive Mondays Adult

Mon Sep 15, Oct 6, Nov 10 10:00 am-noon

Enjoy crafts, puzzles, and games for all ability levels.

Middle School Homeschool Meet-Up

Grade 6-8

Mon Sep 15, Nov 17 2:00-3:30 pm

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

Bel Air Nonfiction Book Discussion Adult

6:30-7:30 pm

Mon Sep 15 *Crying in H Mart* by Michelle Zauner

Mon Oct 20 *Starry Messenger* by Neil deGrasse Tyson


Mon Nov 17 *Atlas of the Heart* by Brené Brown

Art and Stories Preschool-Grade 2

Tue Sep 16 1:30-2:30 pm

Get creative and enjoy stories and art-themed, hands-on projects.



Wingspan Game Time  Grade 9-12 & Adult
 Tue Sep 16 6:00-7:30 pm
 Wed Oct 22 6:00-7:30 pm
 Thu Nov 6 6:00-7:30 pm
 Play this popular board game at the library.
 Open to new players, experienced players,
 and bird lovers!

Homeschool Connect  Grade K-8
 Wed Sep 17, Oct 8, Nov 19 2:00-3:30 pm
 Join us for a variety of fun and educational
 activities. Please call 410-638-3151 for
 more information.



Harford Community Action Agency (HCAA) has programs that support our community. Stop by and chat with an HCAA representative to learn more about their programs and services.* Visit harfordcaa.org for more information.



hcplmd.org/HCAA

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

Adult

Celebrate Constitution Day


All Ages


September 17 Library hours



Drop in to read the U.S. Constitution and put your own signature on this special document. Look for displays, programs, and other patriotic activities at all Harford County Public Library locations.



Pokémon Club  Family
 Thu Sep 18, Oct 23, Nov 20 6:00-7:30 pm
 Hang out with fellow fans for card trading and battles!

Intergenerational Story Time  Family
 Fri Sep 19, Oct 17, Nov 21 10:00-11:00 am
 Share stories, songs, and rhymes during an intergenerational story time with the residents of Brightview Senior Living – Bel Air (300 West Ring Factory Road). Please register adults and children attending.

Sensory Story Time  Family
 Fri Sep 19, Oct 24, Nov 21 10:15-11:00 am
 A multi-sensory story time for families of children of all abilities. After registering, please call 410-638-3151 to discuss any accommodations.

Teen Crafternoon: Scarf Painting  
 Grade 6-12
 Fri Sep 19 3:30-4:30 pm
 Create a beautiful faux painted scarf using markers. All supplies provided.

LEGO Club Grade K-8
 Sat Sep 20, Oct 25, Nov 22 2:00-3:30 pm
 We supply the LEGO bricks. You supply the imagination!

Bel Air Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult
 Mon Sep 22, Oct 27, Nov 24 6:00-7:00 pm
 See ad on page 15 for details.

Create a Felt Pumpkin  Grade 3-8
 Tue Sep 23 1:30-2:30 pm
 See ad on page 9 for details.


Chalk Our Walks Family
 Tue Sep 23 6:00-7:30 pm
 Help beautify the library's walkway with your artistic talent and our sidewalk chalk!


Bel Air Evening Book Discussion Adult
 6:30-7:30 pm
 Tue Sep 23 *The Correspondent* by Virginia Evans
 Tue Oct 28 *With a Vengeance* by Riley Sager
 Tue Nov 25 *What Happened to the McCrays?* by Tracey Lange

Growing Up Wild   Preschool-Grade 2
 Wed Sep 24, Oct 22, Nov 12 2:00-3:30 pm
 See ad on page 17 for details.


Family Book Discussion: One Maryland One Book Selection All Ages
 Wed Sep 24 6:30-7:30 pm
 Discuss this year's One Maryland One Book selection, *Kin: Rooted in Hope*, a middle grade novel in verse by Carole Boston Weatherford with art by Jeffery Boston Weatherford.


Walk and Roll Babies-Preschool
 Thu Sep 25, Oct 23 11:00 am-noon
 Meet in the lobby, then walk with us to the playground in Shamrock Park while enjoying songs, rhymes, and games along the way.

Messy Makers  Preschool-Grade 2
 Fri Sep 26 10:15-11:00 am
 Make fun, artistic (and messy!) creations using a variety of art supplies and techniques.

Master Gardeners: Moon Gardens for Night Pollinators  Adult
 Sat Sep 27 10:30 am-12:30 pm
 See ad on page 17 for details.


Adult LEGO Club Adult
 Sat Sep 27, Nov 15 1:30-4:00 pm
 We supply the LEGO bricks. You supply the imagination!

Genealogy After Hours  Adult
 Fri Oct 3 5:30-8:30 pm
 See ad on page 14 for details.


Pokémon Trainer Day with Retro Replay  Family
 Sat Oct 4 2:00-4:00 pm
 Staff from Retro Replay will teach you how to play the Pokémon Trading Card Game, trading techniques, and how to avoid scams.

Bel Air Books at the Center Adult
 1:00-3:00 pm
 Mon Oct 6 *The Mysterious Affair at Styles* by Agatha Christie
 Mon Nov 3 *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury
 Participants at least 55 years of age meet for a spirited book discussion.

Friends Members-Only Charity Book Sale
 All Ages
 Thu Oct 16 noon-7:30 pm
 See ad on page 15 for details.

Flip It! Fun with Animation  Grade 3-8
 Thu Oct 16 2:00-3:00 pm
 Here's your chance to become a cartoon artist! Watch how cartoons are made and then create your own moving animations that magically run, jump, and fly across the page!

Bel Air Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale
 All Ages
 Fri Oct 17 10:00 am-4:30 pm
 Sat Oct 18 10:00 am-4:30 pm
 Mon Oct 20 10:00 am-6:00 pm
 See ad on page 15 for details.

Experiment and Explore  Preschool
 Tue Oct 21 1:30-2:30 pm
 Learn about science, music, math, and art concepts through hands-on activities and fun demonstrations!



Visit hcplmd.org/autumn
for a full list of programs!



Select programs:

Pro Football 101 All Ages

Abingdon Wed Sep 3 6:00-7:30 pm
Learn all about pro football; an introduction to history, players, positions, scoring, and rules. Open to all!

Craft and Create

Create with other craft lovers.
All supplies provided.

Sunflowers R F Adult

Bel Air Thu Sep 11 1:00-2:30 pm

Book Page Wreath R F Grade 9-12 & Adult

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

Fall Watercolors R F Grade 9-12 & Adult

Norrisville Thu Oct 16 6:30-7:30 pm

Candy BINGO Family

Edgewood

Thu Sep 18, Oct 23, Nov 20 4:30-5:30 pm

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

Create a Felt Pumpkin R Grade 3-8

Bel Air Tue Sep 23 1:30-2:30 pm

Learn hand-sewing basics, including a few decorative embroidery stitches, as you create a felt pumpkin. Adults are welcome to attend with a child, but please register only the child.

Crafternoon: Fall R F Family

Norrisville Tue Sep 23 2:00-3:00 pm
Join us for some crafting fun!

Autumn Tales R F Family

Norrisville Tue Oct 7 10:15-11:00 am
Enjoy stories, songs, and a craft about the season of falling leaves!

Fall Owl Keychain R F Grade 6-12

Havre de Grace Wed Oct 8 3:00-4:00 pm
Celebrate autumn by creating your own fall owl keychain!

Bloom in Fall Flower Crowns R F

Grade 6-12

Aberdeen Thu Oct 9 3:00-4:30 pm
Use fake flowers and leaves to craft a seasonal flower crown! All supplies provided.

Pumpkin Party R F Toddlers-Preschool

Jarrettsville Wed Oct 15 10:15-11:00 am
Enjoy everything pumpkin! Stories, songs, games, and crafts!

Plaid Fall Wreath R F Grade 9-12 & Adult

Jarrettsville Wed Oct 15 4:00-6:00 pm
Make a bold and snazzy fall wreath that's all dressed up in plaid.

Pumpkin Fest R F Family

Joppa Wed Oct 15 6:30-7:30 pm

Celebrate the amazing pumpkin! Build a catapult for pumpkin chunkin, explore the inside of a pumpkin, paint a pumpkin, and more!

DIY Birdfeeders F Grade 3-8

Abingdon Fri Oct 17 1:00-3:00 pm

Using soy butter and pinecones, make a treat for the feathered friends in your backyard!

Pumpkin Painting R F Preschool-Grade 5

Aberdeen Fri Oct 17 2:00-3:00 pm

Celebrate fall by joining us to paint mini pumpkins! All supplies provided.

Pumpkin Spice Tasting R Grade 6-12

Edgewood Tue Oct 21 3:00-4:00 pm

'Tis the season for all things pumpkin spiced. Come try some goodies!

Cozy Adult Story Time R Adult

Abingdon Thu Oct 23 6:00-7:00 pm

Escape to an hour of relaxing story time for adults with cozy stories, meditation exercises, and some light stretching. Bring a pillow and/or yoga mat, blanket, camping chair, etc.

Leaf Art R F Family

Norrisville Fri Oct 24 10:15-11:00 am

Get creative and make art using leaves! Please wear clothing you don't mind getting messy.

Paint Night: Fall Gnome R F Family

Fallston Wed Nov 5 6:00-7:30 pm

Follow step-by-step instructions to create a masterpiece to take home! All experience levels welcome.

Seasonal Wreath Craft R F

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Bel Air Mon Nov 10 6:00-7:30 pm

Create a festive seasonal wreath. All supplies provided.

Autumn Animals Story Time R F

Toddlers-Preschool

Jarrettsville Wed Nov 19 10:15-11:00 am

Read, sing, and create an autumn animal craft!

Edgewood Library Friendsgiving Grade 6-12

Edgewood Thu Nov 20 5:30-7:00 pm

Celebrate Friendsgiving with a cozy afternoon of games and gratitude with friends. Hang out and make new memories!

October 1-31

TEENtober™


TeenTober™ is hosted by libraries across the country each October, celebrating teens and promoting year-round teen programs. It shines a light on the innovative ways that librarians help teens learn new skills to fuel their passions both inside and outside of the library.

Hangout and have fun with these select programs!

RoboMasterminds for Teens   Grade 6-12
Havre de Grace Thu Oct 2 noon-2:00 pm
Work in small groups to build and program an autonomous robot using sensors, then test and refine the programs to solve competition tasks. Funded by the National Defense Education Program.


Fowl Play: Halloween Duck-Off   Grade 6-12


Fallston Thu Oct 2 4:00-5:30 pm
Decorate a duck in your favorite spooky, silly, or fandom-inspired costume or cosplay. All ducks will be displayed in the library for public voting, and the most egg-cellent design will be crowned winner on Halloween!


Candy Sushi   Grade 6-12
Norrisville Fri Oct 3 3:30-4:30 pm
It's a craft, not a snack! Create a sushi presentation like no other using pre-packaged candy and treats.


Fall Owl Keychain   Grade 6-12
Havre de Grace Wed Oct 8 3:00-4:00 pm

Celebrate autumn by creating your own fall owl keychain!

Bloom in Fall Flower Crowns   Grade 6-12
Aberdeen Thu Oct 9 3:00-4:30 pm
Use fake flowers and leaves to craft a seasonal flower crown! All supplies provided.

Gamers & Artists, Unite!  Grade 6-12
Jarrettsville Thu Sep 11, Oct 9 4:30-5:45 pm
Play Nintendo Switch™ and board games or hang out at the artists' corner and paint a masterpiece.

Teen After Hours: TeenTober   Grade 6-12
Darlington Sat Oct 11 5:00-7:00 pm
Join in for a fun Halloween themed STEM challenge conducted by the 4-H group of Harford County. Please call 410-638-3750 for a parent permission slip.

Ping Pong Tournament  Grade 6-12
Joppa Thu Oct 16 11:30 am-1:00 pm & 1:00-3:00 pm
Battle of the paddles! Prizes will be awarded. Join us for one or both sessions.


3D Sugar Skull Painting   Grade 6-12
Fallston Fri Oct 17 3:30-4:30 pm
A colorful experience bringing stunning sugar skulls to life! Decorate 3D printed sugar skulls for the Day of the Dead with paints, markers, or sharpies!

Cosplay Carnival Grade 6-12
Abingdon Sat Oct 18 2:00-4:00 pm
Join us in the Innovation Lab as we create custom backgrounds for your cosplay characters and hangout in your fandom attire.

Pumpkin Spice Tasting  Grade 6-12
Edgewood Tue Oct 21 3:00-4:00 pm
'Tis the season for all things pumpkin spiced. Come try some goodies!

So You Want to be a SFX Artist?  

Grade 9-12 & Adult
Fallston Wed Oct 22 5:30-6:30 pm
Up your Halloween game by learning the fundamentals of special effects makeup! All supplies provided.

Teen After Hours: Five Nights at Freddy's Trivia   Grade 6-12
Joppa Fri Oct 24 5:00-7:30 pm
Play games, listen to music, and have fun while the library is closed. Please call 410-612-1660 for a parent permission slip.

High School Homeschool Meet-Up  Grade 9-12

Bel Air Mon Oct 27 2:00-3:30 pm
High school homeschoolers, catch up with friends and meet some new ones. We supply activities for some relaxed fun.

Scary Stories from Around the World  Grade 6-12

Aberdeen Wed Oct 29 3:30-5:00 pm
What goes bump in the night around the globe? Join us for an expo of monsters and other tales. Bring your friends and your favorite stories to tell.

Scary Movie Friday  Grade 9-12
Joppa Fri Oct 31 noon-5:00 pm
Celebrate the spooky season by watching scary movies all afternoon!

Teen Crafternoon: Halloween Spell Books   Grade 6-12

Fallston Tue Oct 7 4:00-5:30 pm
Make your own spooktacular Halloween spell book from old library books. All supplies provided.



Scan or visit: hcplmd.org/teentober25
to discover more!



Dungeons & Dragons® at the Center **F**

Fri Oct 24 12:45-3:00 pm

Participants at least 55 years of age meet for an introduction to the tabletop role-playing game! Please call McFaul Activity Center at 410-638-4040 for more details.

Teen Crafternoon: DIY Paper Accessories **F**

Grade 6-12

Fri Oct 24 3:30-4:30 pm

Make a keychain or jewelry out of paper! All supplies provided.

Master Gardeners: Techniques, Tips, and Tricks for Winter Sowing Seeds **R** Adult

Sat Oct 25 10:30 am-12:30 pm

See ad on page 17 for details.

High School Homeschool Meet-Up **R**

Grade 9-12

Mon Oct 27 2:00-3:30 pm

See ad on page 10 for details.

Bedtime Stories with Pets on Wheels **R**

Family

Mon Oct 27 5:30-7:00 pm

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

Bel Air Evening Book Discussion Adult

6:30-7:30 pm

Tue Sep 23 *The Correspondent* by Virginia Evans

Tue Oct 28 *With a Vengeance* by Riley Sager

Tue Nov 25 *What Happened to the McCrays?* by Tracey Lange

Not So Spooky STEM **R** Grade 3-8

Wed Oct 29 2:00-3:30 pm

See ad on page 6 for details.

Very Scary Horror Movie Discussion Group **R**

Adult

Wed Oct 29 6:00-7:30 pm

See ad on page 13 for details.

Bel Air Friends of HCPL Charity Children's Book Sale All Ages

Fri & Sat Oct 31 & Nov 1 10:00 am-4:30 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Halloween Dance Party Family

Fri Oct 31 10:15-11:00 am

See ad on page 13 for details.

Yoga Story Time **R** Family

Fri Nov 7 2:00-3:00 pm

Enjoy fun stories, yoga, dance, movement, and music! Bring a mat or towel. Adults are welcome to join their children.

Seasonal Wreath Craft **R** **F** Grade 9-12 & Adult

Mon Nov 10 6:00-7:30 pm

See ad on page 9 for details.

Teen Reading Hour Grade 6-12

Thu Nov 13 6:30-7:30 pm

Looking for a calm spot to curl up with a good book? Bring a book, a blanket or pillow, and share your favorite reads, then sit back and get lost in your story.

Master Gardeners: What Is and Isn't Organic Gardening **R** Adult

Sat Nov 15 10:30 am-12:30 pm

See ad on page 17 for details.

Playdough Playdate **R** Preschool-Grade 2

Tue Nov 18 1:30-2:30 pm

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

Teen Crafternoon: Make Your Own Fidget **F**

Grade 6-12

Fri Nov 21 3:30-4:30 pm

Make your own fidget spinner! All supplies provided.

DARLINGTON

Family and Friends Story Time Family

Thursdays 10:15-10:45 am

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

Darlington Afternoon Book Discussion **R**

Adult

1:00-2:00 pm

Thu Sep 4 *Northwoods* by Amy Pease

Thu Oct 2 *Kin: Rooted in Hope* by Carole Boston Weatherford

Thu Nov 6 *Save Our Souls* by Matthew Pearl

Darlington Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult

Thu Sep 11 1:00-2:00 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Bugs & Books **R** Family

Wed Sep 17, Oct 15 2:00-3:00 pm

See ad on page 17 for details.

Playdough Playdate Family

Thu Sep 18 11:00 am-noon

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

Darlington Whispering Pages: A Quiet Book Club, Pages on the Patio **R** Adult

Tue Sep 23, Oct 21 6:00-7:00 pm

A quiet time for relaxing, reading, and reflecting in front of the fireplace on Darlington's patio.

Teen After Hours: TeenTober **R** **F** Grade 6-12

Sat Oct 11 5:00-7:00 pm

See ad on page 10 for details.

Gear Up for Halloween **F** Family

Thu Oct 16 2:00-4:00 pm

See ad on page 13 for details.

Lawyer in the Library

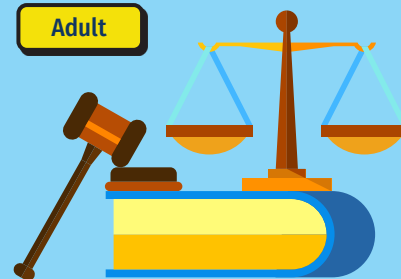
This free* brief legal advice clinic, by appointment only, features counsel from the Harford County Bar Foundation (HCBF). They offer legal advice for family issues like divorce and custody; help filling out forms; and more.

*A \$5.00 administrative fee is due to the HCBF at the time of appointment – cash only. Call 410-836-0123 for an appointment and more information.

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Adult



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12TH ANNUAL

FILM THIS!

BOOK TRAILERS CONTEST

CALLING ALL TEENS!

Create short videos promoting your favorite book. A panel of library staff will review all submissions.

Submissions accepted from December 12, 2025 to February 13, 2026.

Winners announced at the premiere on March 13, 2026 at the Abingdon Library.



See a librarian for official rules and submission guidelines.



Grade 6-12

3D Printer Demo Day Family
Sat Oct 25 2:00-3:00 pm
See ad on page 6 for details.

Halloween Trail Walk Family
Wed Oct 29 5:45-6:30 pm
See ad on page 13 for details.

Sew Much Fun   Grade 3-12
Fri Nov 7 1:30-3:30 pm
Discover hand or machine sewing. Projects for all skill levels!

Stuffed Animal Sleepover Family
Wed Nov 12 6:30-7:00 pm
Drop off your stuffed animal for a sleepover! Wear your pajamas to a nighttime story time before we say goodbye to our friends for the night.

Holiday Open House  Family
Mon Dec 1 5:00-7:30 pm
Celebrate the holiday season with crafts and refreshments.

EDGEWOOD

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

Video Game Club Grade 6-12
Wednesdays 3:00-4:30 pm
Tue Sep 23 1:00-2:30 pm
Thu Oct 16 1:00-2:30 pm
Fri Oct 29 1:00-2:30 pm
Play games, relax, and have a great time with friends!


Crafternoon Family
Thu Sep 4, 25 4:30-5:30 pm
Thu Oct 9 4:30-5:30 pm
Thu Nov 6 4:30-5:30 pm
Join us for some crafting fun!

Morning Trivia at the Center Adult
Fri Sep 5, Oct 3, Nov 7 10:00-11:00 am
Participants at least 55 years of age meet for a spirited game of trivia! Please call the Edgewood Activity Center at 410-612-1622 for more details.

Harford Community Action Agency (HCAA) Adult
Tue Sep 9, Oct 14 10:00 am-noon
See ad on page 8 for details.

Beaded Planter Craft  Adult
Tue Sep 9 4:30-5:30 pm
Enjoy crafting a small potted planter for display in your home or office.

Edgewood Afternoon Book Discussion Adult
1:00-2:00 pm
Wed Sep 10 *Dream Count* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie




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Medical Mobile Van

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

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

Wed Oct 8 *Broken Country* by
Clare Leslie Hall


Wed Nov 12 *The Original Daughter* by
Jemimah Wei

Pop Up STEM Family
Thu Sep 11 4:30-5:30 pm
Thu Oct 2, 16 4:30-5:30 pm
Thu Nov 13 4:30-5:30 pm
Stop in for surprise hands-on STEM activities!

Hand Sewing for Beginners  Adult
Mon Sep 15 5:30-6:30 pm
Celebrate National Sewing Month by learning how to use needle and thread to sew basic stitches.

Teen Anime Club Grade 6-12
Tue Sep 16, Oct 14, Nov 4 3:00-4:00 pm
A lively discussion of anime and manga in popular culture.

Story Time Celebration Family
Wed Sep 17 10:15-10:45 am
Join us for a fun time with books, music, games, and crafts as we celebrate our new Wednesday Story Time!

Adult LEGO® Club  Adult
Wed Sep 17, Oct 22 4:30-5:30 pm
Thu Nov 13 4:30-5:30 pm
We supply the LEGO® bricks. You supply the imagination!

Morning Documentaries at the Center Adult
Thu Sep 18 10:00-11:00 am
Participants at least 55 years of age meet for an educational documentary viewing. Please call the Edgewood Activity Center at 410-612-1622 for more details.

Candy BINGO Family
Thu Sep 18, Oct 23, Nov 20 4:30-5:30 pm
See ad on page 9 for details.

Back to School Jam Grade 6-12
Thu Sep 18 5:30-7:00 pm
Just because you are back in school doesn't mean the party stops! Continue the party at the library and socialize with friends.

Edgewood Books at the Center Adult
10:30-11:30 am
Tue Sep 23 *Good Dirt* by
Charmaine Wilkerson
Tue Oct 28 *Kin: Rooted in Hope* by
Carole Boston Weatherford
Tue Nov 25 *The Other March Sisters* by
Ally Malinenko, Linda Epstein,
and Liz Parker
Participants at least 55 years of age meet for a spirited book discussion. Please call the Edgewood Activity Center at 410-612-1622 for more details.

LEGO® Club Grade K-8
Tue Sep 23, Oct 16, Nov 6 2:00-3:00 pm
We supply the LEGO® bricks. You supply the imagination!

Planting Party Grade 6-12
Thu Sep 25 3:00-4:00 pm
Learn how to get outside in the fall and grow things you can eat!

Sing & Dance with Me! Family
Tue Sep 30, Oct 21, Nov 18 10:15-11:00 am
Let's get moving and grooving with interactive songs and movement activities!

Flight Path: Building for Birds
All Ages
Wed Oct 1 6:00-7:30 pm
See ad on page 3 or 17 for details.

A SELECTION of SPOOKTACULAR PROGRAMS at HCPL



Ghost Hunt in the Library **R** Adult
Jarrettsville Sat Sep 20 6:45-9:00 pm
The Baltimore Paranormal Society will conduct a ghost hunt to see if paranormal activity lurks in the library, and you will join in on the investigation!

Fowl Play: Halloween Duck-Off **R F**
Grade 6-12
Fallston Thu Oct 2 4:00-5:30 pm
Decorate a duck in your favorite spooky, silly, or fandom-inspired costume or cosplay. All ducks will be displayed in the library for public voting, and the most egg-celent design will be crowned winner on Halloween!

Gear Up for Halloween **F** Family
Darlington Thu Oct 16 2:00-4:00 pm
Get into the spooky spirit by making decorations, wearing costumes, and parading around the grounds, including visiting the Harford County Ag Center.

Halloween Hullabaloo
Enjoy spooky-themed crafts, games, and dancing. Costumes encouraged.
Havre de Grace **R F** Babies-Grade 5
Thu Oct 16 2:00-3:30 pm

Abingdon **F** Family
Sat Oct 25 10:00 am-noon

Edgewood Family
Thu Oct 30 4:30-5:30 pm

3D Sugar Skull Painting **R F** Grade 6-12
Fallston Fri Oct 17 3:30-4:30 pm
A colorful experience bringing stunning sugar skulls to life! Decorate 3D printed

sugar skulls for the Day of the Dead with paints, markers, or sharpies!

Teen After Hours: Five Nights at Freddy's Trivia **R F** Grade 6-12

Joppa Fri Oct 24 5:00-7:30 pm
Play games, listen to music, and have fun while the library is closed. Please call 410-612-1660 for a parent permission slip.

Foul Play in the Stacks: A Murder Mystery Experience **R F** Grade 9-12 & Adult
Jarrettsville Sat Oct 25 6:30-8:00 pm
Assume the role of a character and solve a murder. Decipher clues and examine alibis to find the true culprit.

Halloween Dance Party Family
Dance to classic songs with a Halloween twist. Wear your dancing shoes or favorite costume!
Aberdeen **F** Mon Oct 27 6:00-7:00 pm
Joppa Tue Oct 28 10:15-11:00 am
Bel Air Fri Oct 31 10:15-11:00 am

Halloween Crafts **R F** Family
Norrisville Mon Oct 27 6:00-7:00 pm
Get ready for Halloween by making some spooktacular crafts!

Scary Stories from Around the World **F**
Grade 6-12
Aberdeen Wed Oct 29 3:30-5:00 pm
What goes bump in the night around the globe? Join us for an expo of monsters and other tales. Bring your friends and your favorite stories to tell.

Halloween Trail Walk Family
Darlington Wed Oct 29 5:45-6:30 pm
Walk the trail behind the library and listen to spooky stories and rhymes as we go. Halloween costumes are encouraged! Meet on the patio.

Very Scary Horror Movie Discussion Group **R** Adult
Bel Air Wed Oct 29 6:00-7:30 pm
Join us as we discuss the 1966 Italian horror classic *Kill Baby Kill*. Use your HCPL card to access the movie for free on Kanopy.

Trick or Treat All Ages
Joppa
Thu Oct 30 10:00 am-8:00 pm
Fri & Sat Oct 31 & Nov 1 10:00 am-5:00 pm
Stop into the library in your costume and get a treat!

Craft and Create: Day of the Dead **R**
Grade 6-12 & Adult
Whiteford Thu Oct 30 6:00-7:00 pm
Create with other craft lovers.
All supplies provided.

Scary Movie Friday **F** Grade 9-12
Joppa Fri Oct 31 noon-5:00 pm
Celebrate the spooky season by watching scary movies all afternoon!



Check out all of our
Book Discussions





Genealogy

Jarrettsville Genealogy Discussion **R** Adult

Jarrettsville Thu Sep 25, Oct 23, Nov 20 6:15-7:45 pm
Join fellow researchers and share techniques, tips, and resources.

Genealogy After Hours **R** Adult

Bel Air Fri Oct 3 5:30-8:30 pm

Local genealogists gather to work independently on their research with input from fellow genealogists. Computers, printing, microfilm, and the Maryland Room will be available for use. Free genealogy printing!

They All Resided in the Same Area: Creating a Locality Guide **R** Adult

Virtual Tue Oct 7 6:30-8:00 pm

Creating a "Locality Guide" for an area where you are researching can help save you time by organizing data. You can also include links to collections, maps, repositories, and more for easy access.

Genealogy Research Workshop **R** Adult

Norrisville Tue Oct 14 2:00-3:00 pm

Geared toward beginners, this workshop covers basic genealogy research topics. Discuss how to use the U.S. Census in research and how to obtain vital records in Maryland. Bring your notes and research questions. The first half is a presentation, the second half is for individual research and one-on-one instruction.

Putting a Face to a Name: Finding Old Family Photos **R** Adult

Virtual Tue Oct 14 6:30-8:00 pm

If you are curious about what your ancestors looked like or if any photographs of them exist, this is the program for you. Explore online and offline resources to search for old family photographs and put a face to your ancestor's name.

A Tour of FamilySearch Labs **R** Adult

Virtual Tue Oct 21 6:30-8:00 pm

Explore emerging FamilySearch features that are not yet ready for public release in "Labs." On their site, you can see what FamilySearch is working on, try the experiments, give feedback, and help shape the future of the website. We'll take a look at what is currently on "Labs," including how AI can help grow your family tree.

October is Family History Month!

Night at the Planetarium – Visible Energy:

The Science of Light **R** Family

6:00-6:45 pm & 7:00-7:45 pm

Tue Oct 7 Southampton Middle School

Thu Oct 9 Swan Creek School

Tue Oct 14 Southampton Middle School

Thu Oct 16 Edgewood Middle School

See ad on page 6 for details.

Freestyle Painting **R** Adult

Wed Oct 15 4:30-5:30 pm

Paint your very own masterpiece with others. All supplies provided.

Computers for Beginners **R** Adult

Mon Oct 20 5:30-7:00 pm

Join us for a hands-on beginner introduction to using a Windows computer or laptop.

Pumpkin Spice Tasting **R** Grade 6-12

Tue Oct 21 3:00-4:00 pm

See ad on page 9 or 10 for details.

Senior Quiz Show at the Center **R** Adult

Fri Oct 24, Nov 14 10:00-11:00 am

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

Halloween Hullabaloo **R** Family

Thu Oct 30 4:30-5:30 pm

See ad on page 13 for details.

3D Printer Demo Days: DINOVEMBER Edition

All Ages

Mon-Fri Nov 3-7 Library hours

See ad on page 19 for details.

RoboMasterminds: LEGO® Pinball **R**

Grade 3-5

Fri Nov 7 2:00-3:30 pm

Develop your understanding of energy and force by building a LEGO®-sized pinball game, with coding and robots. Funded by the National Defense Education Program.

Lawyer in the Library **R** Adult

Fri Nov 14 11:00 am-noon

See ad on page 11 for details.

Edgewood Library Friendsgiving **R** Grade 6-12

Thu Nov 20 5:30-7:00 pm

See ad on page 9 for details.

FALLSTON

Family and Friends Story Time **R** Family

Tuesdays 10:15-10:45 am

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

Baby Story Time **R** Babies

Thursdays (except 11/20) 10:15-10:45 am

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

Master Gardeners: Easy Composting

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Sat Sep 6 10:30 am-noon

See ad on page 17 for details.

Dungeons & Dragons® for Kids!

Grade 3-5

Mon Sep 8, Oct 27, Nov 10 4:00-6:00 pm

Play a D&D adventure built especially with kids in mind.

Fallston Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult

Mon Sep 8 7:00-8:00 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Bullet Journaling 101 Grade 6-12 & Adult

Tue Sep 9 6:30-7:30 pm

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

PAWS and Read Grade K-5

Wed Sep 10, Oct 8, Nov 19 5:00-6:00 pm

Sat Sep 13, Oct 4, Nov 8 10:30-11:30 am

Get cozy with our doggie volunteers and read a good book during a one-on-one session with a well-trained therapy dog. Please call 410-638-3003 to register.

Block Party Family

Fri Sep 12, Nov 7 2:00-3:00 pm

Sat Oct 11 2:00-3:00 pm

Fun for all ages! Build and create with a variety of blocks from LEGO®, DUPLO®, MAGNA-TILES®, and more!

Gentle Yoga Adult

Mon Sep 15, Oct 20, Nov 10 10:30-11:30 am

Certified yoga Instructor Erin Leach will guide

you through this gentle approach to yoga designed for all ages, body types, and physical abilities. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat or towel.

Learn to Play Mahjong Adult

Mon Sep 15, 22 6:00-7:30 pm

See ad on page 3 for details.

3D Design for Adults Grade 9-12 & Adult

Tue Sep 16 6:30-7:30 pm

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

Inclusive Wednesdays Adult

Wed Sep 17, Oct 15 10:30 am-noon

Enjoy crafts, puzzles, and games for all ability levels.

Paint Night Family

6:00-7:30 pm

Wed Sep 17 Sea Serpent

Wed Nov 5 Fall Gnome

Follow step-by-step instructions to create a masterpiece to take home! All experience levels welcome.

Fallston Books at the Center Adult

2:00-3:00 pm

Thu Sep 18 *Kin: Rooted in Hope* by Carole Boston Weatherford

Thu Oct 16 *Everything is Tuberculosis* by John Green

Thu Nov 20 *The President's Wife* by Tracey Enerson Wood

Participants at least 55 years of age meet for

a spirited book discussion. Please call the Chenoweth Activity Center at 410-638-3260 for more details.

Intro to 3D Design Grade 3-12

Fri Sep 19 3:30-4:30 pm

Thu Nov 6 2:00-3:00 pm

Learn to design a simple project using Tinkercad®, an online 3D design program. Bring a flash drive if you would like to save your design for printing at a later date. Adults accompanying children do not need to register.

Magic Tree House® Book Club Grade 3-5

4:30-5:30 pm

Mon Sep 22 *Dinosaurs Before Dark*

Mon Oct 6 *The Knight At Dawn*

Mon Nov 3 *Mummies in the Morning*

Join our monthly book club centered around a different book from the popular *Magic Tree House®* series! There will be a discussion followed by a craft that ties into the book.

Fantasy Craft Day Family

Wed Sep 24 6:00-7:30 pm

Calling all young fantasy fans! Come out for an evening of fantasy and fairy tale-themed crafts!

Craft and Create Grade 9-12 & Adult

6:00-7:30 pm

Thu Sep 25 Book Page Wreath

Wed Oct 1 Painted Brick Books

Thu Nov 13 Macrame Cord Rainbow

Create with other craft lovers.

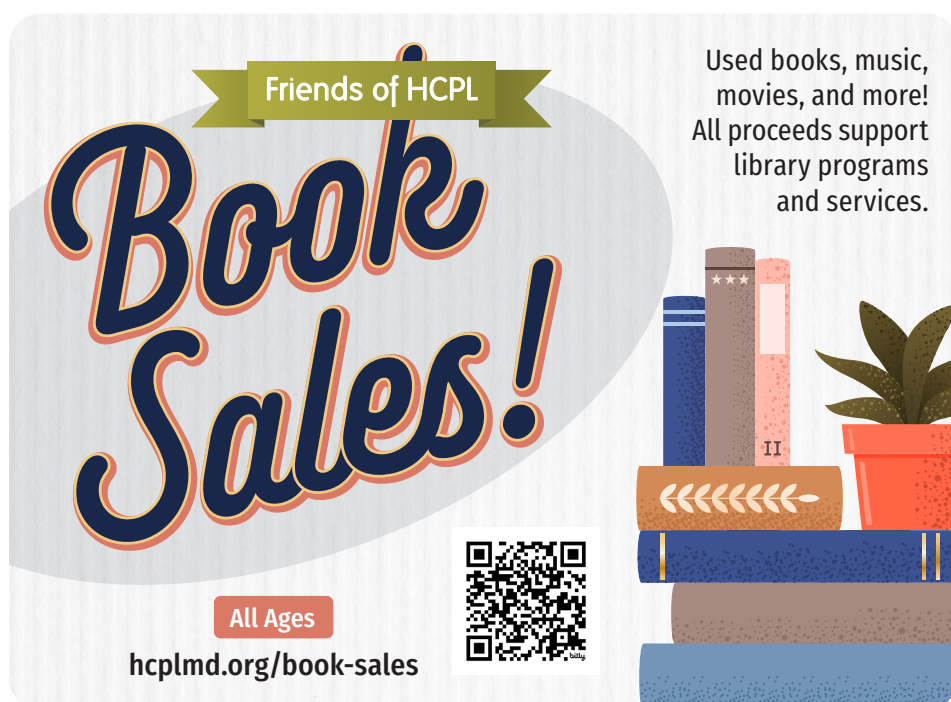
All supplies provided

Teen Time Grade 6-12

Thu Sep 25 3:00-4:30 pm

Tue Oct 21, Nov 18 3:00-4:30 pm

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




Friends of HCPL

Book Sales!

Used books, music, movies, and more!
All proceeds support library programs and services.

All Ages

hcplmd.org/book-sales



FRIENDS OF HCPL Meetings

Adult

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



hcplmd.org/FriendsMeetings

Mahjong Play Day **R** **F** Adult
 Mon Sep 29 6:00-7:30 pm
See ad on page 3 for details.

Fowl Play: Halloween Duck-Off **R** **F**
 Grade 6-12
 Thu Oct 2 4:00-5:30 pm
See ad on page 10 or 13 for details.

Master Gardeners: Putting Your Garden to Bed for the Winter **R** Grade 9-12 & Adult
 Sat Oct 4 10:30 am-noon
See ad on page 17 for details.

HCPL Cares

Help keep Harford County strong and vibrant by considering a contribution to any one of these donation drives.

SOCKtober October 1-31

A countywide collection drive during October for new socks, hats, mittens, and gloves of all sizes, sponsored by Harford County Government, in partnership with Harford County Public Library. The donated items will be distributed to local individuals and families experiencing or on the brink of homelessness and to veteran organizations in the area.

Branch Holiday Donation Drives November 1-30

During the month of November, each HCPL location will be collecting donations for a selected local organization in need.



Teen Crafternoon: Halloween Spell Books **R** **F** Grade 6-12
 Tue Oct 7 4:00-5:30 pm
See ad on page 10 for details.

3D Sugar Skull Painting **R** **F** Grade 6-12
 Fri Oct 17 3:30-4:30 pm
See ad on page 10 or 13 for details.

So You Want to be a SFX Artist? **R** **F**
 Grade 9-12 & Adult
 Wed Oct 22 5:30-6:30 pm
See ad on page 10 for details.

Fallston Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale Collection All Ages
 Sat Nov 1, 8 10:00 am-noon
See ad on page 15 for details.

Bad Art Night **R** **F** Grade 6-12
 Tue Nov 4 6:00-7:00 pm
 Create a disaster-piece using an assortment of crafting materials and art supplies. No artistic abilities required. This is fun art, not fine art.

Paleontology Party **R** **F** Family
 Wed Nov 12 6:00-7:30 pm
See ad on page 6 or 19 for details.

Friends Members-Only Charity Book Sale All Ages
 Wed Nov 19 5:00-7:00 pm
See ad on page 15 for details.

Fallston Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale All Ages
 Thu Nov 20 10:00 am-7:30 pm
 Fri Nov 21 10:00 am-4:30 pm
 Sat Nov 22 10:00 am-2:00 pm
See ad on page 15 for details.

HAVRE DE GRACE

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

Teen Time **F** Grade 6-12
 3:00-4:15 pm
 Tuesdays (except 9/23, 10/28, 11/4)
 Play video and board games, make a craft, and have a great time with friends!

Baby Bunch **F** Babies
 Wed Sep 3, Oct 1 10:15-11:00 am
 Bring your baby to play and socialize with others. Enjoy various play stations, music, and sensory activities.

PAWS and Read **F** Grade K-5
 Sat Sep 6, 20 10:30-11:30 am
 Sat Oct 4, 18 10:30-11:30 am
 Sat Nov 1, 15 10:30-11:30 am
 Get cozy with our doggie volunteers and read

a good book during a one-on-one session with a well-trained therapy dog.

Books Before Bed Family
 Mon Sep 8, 22 6:15-6:45 pm
 Mon Oct 6, 20 6:15-6:45 pm
 Mon Nov 3, 17 6:15-6:45 pm
 Join us for an evening story time with music, movement, and fun!

Havre de Grace Books at the Center Adult
 10:00-11:00 am
 Thu Sep 11 *Kin: Rooted in Hope* by Carole Boston Weatherford
 Thu Oct 9 *Keeper of Hidden Books* by Madeline Martin
 Thu Nov 13 *Let's Call Her Barbie* by Renee Rosen
 Participants at least 55 years of age meet for a spirited book discussion.

Picture Book Playtime **F** Toddlers-Grade 2
 Fri Sep 12, Oct 3 10:15-11:15 am
 Enjoy a delightful picture book, followed by engaging activities and creative crafts inspired by the story.

Puzzle Swap All Ages
 Sat Sep 13 10:00 am-1:00 pm
 Bring in puzzles you would like to trade in for others!

Harford Community Action Agency (HCAA) Adult
 Tue Sep 16, Oct 21, Nov 18 10:00 am-noon
See ad on page 8 for details.

Busy Little Hands **F** Toddlers-Preschool
 Wed Sep 17, Nov 19 10:15-11:15 am
 Increase pre-literacy skills and dexterity while having fun through creative play.

Havre de Grace Evening Book Discussion Adult
 6:00-7:00 pm
 Wed Sep 17 *Kin: Rooted in Hope* by Carole Boston Weatherford
 Wed Oct 15 *The Boys* by Ron Howard
 Wed Nov 19 *Stolen Queen* by Fiona Davis

Finger Painting Fun **R** **F** Family
 10:15-11:15 am & 2:00-3:00 pm
 Mon Sep 22, Nov 17
 Create a finger painting masterpiece. All supplies provided. Please dress in clothing you won't mind getting messy.

RoboMasterminds: LEGO® Pinball **R** Grade 3-5
 Tue Sep 23 2:00-3:30 pm
 Develop your understanding of energy and force by building a LEGO®-sized pinball game, with coding and robots. Funded by the National Defense Education Program.

DIY Travel Journal **R** **F** Grade 6-12 & Adult
 Tue Sep 23 6:00-7:15 pm

Prepare for a journey or document a past one by creating your own travel journal! If journaling a past trip, please bring pictures to add to your journal.

Language Tango All Ages

Sat Sep 27 1:30-2:30 pm

Let's tango with two resources available free with your library card – Mango Language and Rosetta Stone. Practice your new language skills, let's have a conversation.

Sip & Savor: The Joyful World of Coffee, Tea, and Connection Adult

Wed Oct 1 6:00-7:00 pm

See ad on page 3 for details.

RoboMasterminds for Teens Grade 6-12

Thu Oct 2 noon-2:00 pm

See ad on page 10 for details.

Havre de Grace Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult

Mon Oct 6 11:00 am-12:30 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Fall Owl Keychain Grade 6-12

Wed Oct 8 3:00-4:00 pm

See ad on page 9 or 10 for details.

Halloween Hullabaloo Babies-Grade 5

Thu Oct 16 2:00-3:30 pm

See ad on page 13 for details.

Kid's Paint Party Grade 3-5

Fri Oct 17 1:00-2:30 pm

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

Make Your Own Flannel Board Family

Wed Oct 22 10:15-11:15 am

Make your own flannel board then follow along during a short story time.

Women Who Kill: Hattie Stone of Havre de Grace Adult

Wed Oct 22 6:00-7:00 pm

See ad on page 3 for details.

Havre de Grace Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale Collection All Ages

Fri & Sat Oct 24 & 25 10:00 am-2:00 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

STEM Fun Friday Preschool-Grade 2

Fri Oct 24 10:00-11:30 am

See ad on page 6 for details.

Havre de Grace Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale All Ages

Fri & Sat Oct 31 & Nov 1 10:00 am-4:30 pm

Mon-Thu Nov 3-6 10:00 am-6:00 pm

Fri & Sat Nov 7 & 8 10:00 am-4:30 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Nature & Gardening

Master Gardeners: Easy Composting

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Fallston Sat Sep 6 10:30 am-noon

Learn why you should be composting and how to set up an easy system to restore your garden soil.

Bugs & Books Family

Darlington

Wed Sep 17, Oct 15 2:00-3:00 pm

In partnership with the Master Gardeners, enjoy stories and explore the roles of bugs in our gardens through hands-on activities.

Growing Up Wild Preschool-Grade 2

Bel Air

Wed Sep 24, Oct 22, Nov 12 2:00-3:30 pm

Enjoy a variety of nature-based, hands-on experiences and activities.

Master Gardeners: Moon Gardens for

Night Pollinators  Adult

Bel Air Sat Sep 27 10:30 am-12:30 pm

Explore moon garden designs and ways to welcome wildlife to these gardens.

Flight Path: Building for Birds All Ages

Edgewood Wed Oct 1 6:00-7:30 pm

In celebration of World Migratory Bird

Day, learn about bird migration and how you can make your space more bird-friendly. Presented by Linn Griffiths, Education Chair of the Harford Bird Club.

Master Gardeners: Putting Your Garden to Bed for the Winter Grade 9-12 & Adult

Adult

Fallston Sat Oct 4 10:30 am-noon

Explore the latest research regarding our winter gardens and cold-weather homes for our beneficial insects.


Master Gardeners: Techniques, Tips, and Tricks for Winter Sowing Seeds

Adult

Bel Air Sat Oct 25 10:30 am-12:30 pm

Unleash your winter sowing potential with this hands-on make-and-take learning experience that's economical and uses limited space.

Master Gardeners: What Is and Isn't

Organic Gardening  Adult

Bel Air Sat Nov 15 10:30 am-12:30 pm

Learn how to use organic gardening principles to control pests and diseases effectively, and why some pesticides are considered organic and others are not.



Dinosaur Dance Party Babies-Grade 2

Fri Nov 14 10:30-11:30 am

See ad on page 19 for details.

Teen After Hours Grade 6-12

Fri Nov 14 4:45-7:15 pm

Play games, craft, do challenges, and have fun while the library is closed. Please call 410-939-6700 for a parent permission slip.

Harp Music Concerto Adult

Sat Nov 15 10:30-11:30 am

See ad on page 3 for details.

Japanese Temari All Ages

Sat Nov 29 10:30-11:30 am

See ad on page 3 for details.



JARRETTSVILLE

Homeschool Connect Grade K-5

Wed Sep 3, Oct 1, Nov 5 10:15-11:15 am

Join us for a variety of fun and educational activities. Please call 410-692-7887 for more information.

Jarrettsville Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult

Wed Sep 3 2:30-3:30 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Jarrettsville Scrabblers Adult

Thu Sep 4, Oct 2, Nov 6 1:00-3:30 pm

Play this lively word game at the library!

Family and Friends Story Time Family

Fridays 10:15-10:45 am

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

Mix It Up! DIY Natural Cleaning Solutions R F Adult

Sat Sep 6 2:00-3:00 pm

Create non-toxic household cleaners using common products you likely have at home. All supplies provided.

Baby Story Time R Babies

Mondays 10:15-10:45 am

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

LEGO® Club Grade K-8

Mon Sep 8, Oct 6, Nov 3 6:00-7:00 pm

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

Jarrettsville Afternoon Book Discussion Adult

2:00-3:00 pm

Tue Sep 9 *Ordinary Grace* by William Kent Krueger

Tue Oct 14 *Kin: Rooted in Hope* by Carole Boston Weatherford

Tue Nov 18 *The Last One at the Wedding* by Jason Rekulak

University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Medical Mobile Van Adult

Thu Sep 11, Oct 9, Nov 13 noon-3:00 pm

See ad on page 12 for details.

Gamers & Artists, Unite! F Grade 6-12

Thu Sep 11, Oct 9 4:30-5:45 pm

See ad on page 10 for details.

A Long Look Backwards: Life from the Pen of Asia Booth, Sister of John Wilkes Adult

Mon Sep 15 6:30-7:30 pm

See ad on page 3 for details.

Playdough Playdate F Family

Wed Sep 17 2:00-3:00 pm

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

Books on Tap at Harford Vineyard & Winery Adult

3:00-4:00 pm

Thu Sep 18 *We Solve Murders* by Richard Osman

Thu Oct 16 *Chaos at the Lazy Bone Bookshop* by Emmeline Duncan

Thu Nov 20 *The Most Wonderful Crime of the Year* by Ally Carter

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

Chemistry in the Library: Hidden Life of Spices R Grade 3-8

Sat Sep 20 11:00 am-noon

See ad on page 3 for details.

Ghost Hunt in the Library R Adult

Sat Sep 20 6:45-9:00 pm

See ad on page 3 or 13 for details.

Jarrettsville Genealogy Discussion Adult

Thu Sep 25, Oct 23, Nov 20 6:15-7:45 pm

See ad on page 14 for details.

Jarrettsville Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale Collection All Ages

Sat Sep 27 10:00 am-4:00 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Jarrettsville Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale All Ages

Tue-Thu Sep 30-Oct 2 10:00 am-7:30 pm

Fri & Sat Oct 3 & 4 10:00 am-4:30 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Hooray for Firefighters! Family

Tue Oct 7 11:00 am-noon

Celebrate firefighters and National Fire Prevention Month by getting an up-close look at a fire truck, learn about fire safety, and meet some of our local firefighters!

Pumpkin Party R F Toddlers-Preschool

Wed Oct 15 10:15-11:00 am

See ad on page 9 for details.

Plaid Fall Wreath R F Grade 9-12 & Adult

Wed Oct 15 4:00-6:00 pm

See ad on page 9 for details.

Foul Play in the Stacks: A Murder Mystery Experience R F Grade 9-12 & Adult

Sat Oct 25 6:30-8:00 pm

See ad on page 13 for details.

Jarrettsville Creamery Fundraiser All Ages

Tue Nov 4 4:00-8:00 pm

Bring your friends and family to support your library by getting a snack or ice cream! The Jarrettsville Creamery will donate 10% of sales during this period to the Jarrettsville Friends of HCPL.

Intro to Cross Stitch R F Grade 9-12 & Adult

Wed Nov 5 3:30-5:30 pm

Learn the basics of counted cross stitch, a cozy craft just in time for the winter season.

Autumn Animals Story Time R F

Toddlers-Preschool

Wed Nov 19 10:15-11:00 am

See ad on page 9 for details.

JOPPA

Family and Friends Story Time Family

Tuesdays (except 10/28) 10:15-11:00 am

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

Joppa Afternoon Book Discussion Adult noon-1:00 pm

Tue Sep 2 *Kin: Rooted in Hope* by Carole Boston Weatherford

Tue Oct 7 *Ordinary Grace* by William Kent Krueger

Tue Nov 4 *Did You Hear About Kitty Karr?* by Crystal Smith Paul

Knot Just Knitting Adult

Thu Sep 4, Oct 2, Nov 6 2:00-3:00 pm

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

Morning Zumba® R F Adult

Fridays 9:30-10:30 am

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

Wake Up and Walk R Adult

Mondays 9:15-10:00 am

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

Gentle Yoga R F Adult

Mondays 5:30-6:30 pm

Certified yoga instructor Stacie Foxwell will

guide you through this gentle approach to yoga that is designed for all ages, body types, and physical abilities.

Vinyasa Yoga Adult

Mondays 6:45-7:45 pm

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

Teen After Hours Grade 6-12

5:00-7:30 pm

Fri Sep 12, Nov 21

Fri Oct 24 Five Nights at Freddy's Trivia
Play games, listen to music, and have fun while the library is closed. Please call 410-612-1660 for a parent permission slip.

Puzzle Swap All Ages

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

Sat Oct 11, 25 10:00 am-5:00 pm

Sat Nov 8, 22 10:00 am-5:00 pm

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

Craft and Create Adult

2:00-3:00 pm

Thu Sep 18 Fall Luminaries

Thu Oct 9 Book Pumpkins

Thu Nov 13 Beaded Metal Bookmarks

Create with other craft lovers.

All supplies provided.

LEGO® Club Grade K-8

Sat Sep 20, Oct 18, Nov 15 2:00-3:00 pm

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

Harford Community Action Agency (HCAA)

Adult

Tue Sep 23, Oct 28, Nov 25 10:00 am-noon

See ad on page 8 for details.

Nintendo Switch™ Free Play Grade 6-12

Tue Sep 23 noon-3:00 pm

Unwind with some quality Nintendo Switch™ time!

Joppa Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult

Tue Sep 23, Oct 14 6:30-7:30 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Teen Crafternoon Grade 6-12

3:00-4:30 pm

Wed Sep 24 Bag Charms

Wed Oct 22 Bleached Tees

Wed Nov 19 Felt Pendant Flags

Join us for crafting fun! All supplies provided.

Paint Along: Acrylic Adult

Wed Sep 24, Oct 29, Nov 19 6:30-7:45 pm

Follow along with instructor Sandra Somervell to create a beautiful masterpiece! Please wear clothes suitable for painting. All supplies provided.

DINO V E M B E R

3D Printer Demo Days: DINO V E M B E R Edition All Ages

Edgewood Mon-Fri Nov 3-7 Library hours

See our 3D printer in action and take home a small 3D printed object while supplies last.

Dinovember Story Time Family

Whiteford Wed Nov 5 10:15-10:45 am

Give a "Roarr!" for stories, songs, and activities about dinosaurs!

3D Printed Dinosaurs Grade K-8

Norrisville Fri Nov 7 10:15-11:00 am

View our 3D printer in action and decorate your own mini 3D printed dinosaur!

Dinosaur Sculptures Grade K-5

Aberdeen Mon Nov 10 6:00-7:00 pm

Celebrate Dinovember by creating your favorite dinosaur out of clay!

Paleontology Party Family

Fallston Wed Nov 12 6:00-7:30 pm

Celebrate Dinovember by learning how to be a paleontologist! Excavate dinosaur bones while learning about fossils!

We Dig Dinos! Family

Abingdon Thu Nov 13 2:00-4:00 pm

Explore the prehistoric world of dinosaurs through interactive play, fossil digs, and creative crafts.

Dinosaur Dance Party Babies-Grade 2

Havre de Grace

Fri Nov 14 10:30-11:30 am

Slip into your snazziest dino digs to dance your socks off and create a dino-tastic masterpiece!





HCPL STORY TIMES



Get ready for stories, music, movement, and fun! Scan the QR code for our complete schedule of story time dates and locations.



QUIET BOOK CLUB

In honor of HCPL's 80th Anniversary, join us for a quarterly series of quiet reading sessions at select Harford County establishments. Enjoy a peaceful atmosphere where the only sounds are the turning of pages and the whispers of imagination. Bring your favorite book or discover a new one from HCPL's collection. Each attendee will receive a commemorative HCPL bookmark!

Wednesday, September 10
6:30-7:30 pm

Fiore Winery & Distillery
3026 Whiteford Rd, Pylesville

Adult | Registration recommended



Discover popular upcoming titles, great seasonal hits, recommended booklists, and more, all curated just for you by our team of librarians!



GIVING TUESDAY

Tuesday, December 2 is
GivingTuesday – a global day of giving that celebrates generosity worldwide.

Harford County Public Library provides innovative programs that foster creativity and a love of reading for all ages. Support our efforts to continue offering digital access, educational and workforce development resources, early literacy, Summer and Winter Reading Challenges, STREAM (STEM plus Reading and Art!), Silver Reader, author discussions, and more!

Please consider donating to Harford County Public Library by giving to the Foundation and know that 100% of your donation will help fund programs that are vital to the Harford County community.

Visit donate.hcplonline.org to make a donation.

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ONE MARYLAND ONE BOOK 2025

Join one of our book discussions featuring the 2025 OMOB selection. Scan for more information!



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

Thu Sep 25 *Hang the Moon* by
Jeannette Walls
Thu Oct 23 *The Life Impossible* by
Matt Haig
Thu Nov 20 *The Lion Women of Tehran* by
Marjan Kamali

Hooked on Creativity: Introduction to

Crochet (R) (F) Grade 9-12 & Adult

Tue Sep 30, Oct 28, Nov 25 5:00-7:30 pm
Learn to crochet with a beginner project or
work on an existing one with fellow crocheters.

Joppa Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale

All Ages

Wed & Thu Oct 1 & 2 10:00 am-8:00 pm
Fri & Sat Oct 3 & 4 10:00 am-5:00 pm
Mon & Tue Oct 6 & 7 10:00 am-8:00 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Pumpkin Fest (R) (F) Family

Wed Oct 15 6:30-7:30 pm

See ad on page 9 for details.

Ping Pong Tournament (F) Grade 6-12

Thu Oct 16 11:30 am-1:00 pm & 1:00-3:00 pm

See ad on page 10 for details.

Birds of Harford County and Beyond (R) (F)

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Thu Oct 16 6:30-8:00 pm

See ad on page 3 for details.

Friday Family Flicks (F) Family

Fri Oct 17, Nov 7 3:00-5:00 pm

Enjoy a family-friendly movie on our big
screen! Snacks provided.

Halloween Dance Party Family

Tue Oct 28 10:15-11:00 am

See ad on page 13 for details.

Trick or Treat All Ages

Thu Oct 30 10:00 am-8:00 pm

Fri & Sat Oct 31 & Nov 1 10:00 am-5:00 pm

See ad on page 13 for details.

Scary Movie Friday (F) Grade 9-12

Fri Oct 31 noon-5:00 pm

See ad on page 10 or 13 for details.

Journaling Your Magical Life (R) (F)

Grade 9-12 & Adult

Sat Nov 8 2:00-3:30 pm

See ad on page 3 for details.

Ballet Chesapeake Presents *The Nutcracker*
Family

Sat Nov 15 11:00-11:45 am

This classic is a must-see this holiday season!
Enjoy an abridged version of the story of *The
Nutcracker* performed by Ballet Chesapeake,
followed by a story time and short dance lesson.

NORRISVILLE

Puzzle Swap Adult

Mon-Sat Sep-Nov Library hours

Bring in puzzles you would like to trade in for
others! Swapping available Monday-Saturday,
all month long.

Family and Friends Story Time Family

Wednesdays 10:15-10:45 am

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

PAWS and Read (R) Grade K-5

Thu Sep 4, Oct 2, Nov 6 6:00-7:00 pm

Get cozy with our doggie volunteers and read
a good book during a one-on-one session
with a well-trained therapy dog. Please call
410-692-7850 to register.

Wake Up and Walk Adult

Mondays 9:15-10:00 am

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

**Norrisville Whispering Pages: A Quiet Book
Club** Adult

Wed Sep 10, Oct 8, Nov 12 6:00-7:00 pm

Unwind with a cozy hour of quiet reading and
good company – no assigned books, just bring
whatever you're reading or check a book out
from our collection. Weather permitting, we will
meet outside. Bring a camping chair if desired.

LEGO® Club (R) (F) Family

Mon Sep 15, Oct 20, Nov 17 6:00-7:00 pm

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

Water Bath Canning Basics Adult

Tue Sep 16 6:00-7:00 pm

Learn how to safely preserve fresh fruit
in sealed jars using traditional water bath
canning. Discuss types of fruit, the process
and best practices, equipment, finding
trustworthy recipes, and more. Facilitated by
Library Associate, Jill McCullough.

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

Thu Sep 18 Beaded Bookmarks

Thu Oct 16 Fall Watercolors

Thu Nov 20 Mini Cross Stitch

Create with other craft lovers.
All supplies provided.

Norrisville Morning Book Discussion Adult
10:30-11:30 am

Mon Sep 22 *James* by Percival Everett

Mon Oct 27 *Kin: Rooted in Hope* by
Carole Boston Weatherford

Mon Nov 24 *West with Giraffes* by
Lynda Rutledge

Crafternoon: Fall (R) (F) Family

Tue Sep 23 2:00-3:00 pm

See ad on page 9 for details.

Friends Members-Only Charity Book Sale

All Ages

Wed Sep 24 10:00 am-8:00 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Norrisville Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale

All Ages

Thu Sep 25 10:00 am-8:00 pm

Fri & Sat Sep 26 & 27 10:00 am-5:00 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Candy Sushi (R) (F) Grade 6-12

Fri Oct 3 3:30-4:30 pm

See ad on page 10 for details.

Autumn Tales (R) (F) Family

Tue Oct 7 10:15-11:00 am

See ad on page 9 for details.

Genealogy Research Workshop (R) Adult

Tue Oct 14 2:00-3:00 pm

See ad on page 14 for details.

Norrisville Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult

Thu Oct 23 6:30-7:30 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Leaf Art (R) (F) Family

Fri Oct 24 10:15-11:00 am

See ad on page 9 for details.

Halloween Crafts (R) (F) Family

Mon Oct 27 6:00-7:00 pm

See ad on page 13 for details.





3D Printed Dinosaurs Grade K-8

Fri Nov 7 10:15-11:00 am

See ad on page 6 or 19 for details.

Squirrely Tales Family

Fri Nov 21 10:15-11:00 am

Enjoy stories, songs, and a craft about squirrels!

WHITEFORD

Advanced Yoga Adult

Tuesdays 4:00-5:00 pm

Expand your yoga routine with challenging poses like flip dogs, side planks, bridges and wheels.

PAWS and Read Grade K-5

Tue Sep 2, 16 6:00-7:00 pm

Tue Oct 7, 21 6:00-7:00 pm

Tue Nov 4, 18 6:00-7:00 pm

Thu Sep 4, 18 6:00-7:00 pm

Thu Oct 2, 16 6:00-7:00 pm

Thu Nov 6, 20 6:00-7:00 pm

Get cozy with our doggie volunteers and read a good book during a one-on-one session with a well-trained therapy dog. Please call 410-638-3608 to register.

Baby Story Time Babies

Thursdays 10:15-10:45 am

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

Maryland Food Bank's Mobile Market Adult

Thu Sep 4, Oct 2, Nov 6 4:00-6:00 pm

The Maryland Food Bank's Mobile Market is inviting all to receive healthy foods

and resources. Stop by for a full shopping experience (while supplies last).

Gentle Yoga Adult

Fridays (except 11/28) 11:00-11:45 am

A gentle approach to yoga designed for all ages, body types, and physical abilities. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat or towel.

Puzzle Swap Adult

Sat Sep 6, Oct 4, Nov 1 10:00 am-5:00 pm

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

Family and Friends Story Time Family

Mondays (except 9/1 & 10/13) 10:15-10:45 am

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

TAG (Teen Advisory Group) Grade 6-12

Thu Sep 11, Oct 9, Nov 13 3:30-5:00 pm

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

University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Medical Mobile Van Adult

Fri Sep 12 10:30 am-1:30 pm

See ad on page 12 for details.

Books on Tap at Slate Farm Brewery Adult

6:00-7:00 pm

Fri Sep 12 *Kin: Rooted in Hope* by Carole Boston Weatherford

Fri Oct 10 *We Kept Her in The Cellar* by W.R. Gorman

Fri Nov 14 *James* by Percival Everett
Bold titles, Refreshing talk! Everyone's welcome! Slate Farm Brewery, 2128 Whiteford Rd, Whiteford.

LEGO® Club Grade K-8

Sat Sep 13, Oct 11, Nov 8 noon-2:00 pm

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

North Harford Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale Collection All Ages

Sat Sep 13 10:00 am-4:30 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Homeschool Connect Grade K-8

Wed Sep 17, Oct 15, Nov 19 10:00 am-noon

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

Whiteford Afternoon Book Discussion Adult

2:00-3:00 pm

Wed Sep 17 *The Let Them Theory* by Mel Robbins

Wed Oct 15 *Kin: Rooted in Hope* by Carole Boston Weatherford

Wed Nov 19 *Isola* by Allegra Goodman

Friends Members-Only Charity Book Sale

All Ages

Thu Sep 18 4:00-7:30 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

North Harford Friends of HCPL Charity Book Sale All Ages

Fri & Sat Sep 19 & 20 10:00 am-4:30 pm

Mon & Tue Sep 22 & 23 10:00 am-7:30 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Crafternoon Family

Tue Sep 23, Oct 17 2:00-3:00 pm

Join us for some crafting fun!

Craft and Create Grade 6-12 & Adult

6:00-7:00 pm

Thu Sep 25 Mystery Bag Art

Thu Oct 30 Day of the Dead

Thu Nov 20 Quilling Gift Tags

Create with other craft lovers.

All supplies provided.

North Harford Friends of HCPL Meeting Adult

Tue Oct 14 6:00-7:00 pm

See ad on page 15 for details.

Warped Weavers Demonstration All Ages

Wed Oct 15 3:00-5:00 pm

See ad on page 3 for details.

Teen After Hours Grade 6-12

Fri Oct 24 5:00-7:00 pm

Play games, listen to music, and have fun while the library is closed. Please call 410-638-3608 for a parent permission slip.

Dinovember Story Time Family

Wed Nov 5 10:15-10:45 am

See ad on page 19 for details.

Volunteers, businesses, and organizations come together to build amazing custom costumes for children who use wheelchairs – promoting creativity, inclusion, and fun!

WHEELCHAIR Costume Workshop

and INCLUSIVE TRUNK OR TREAT

October 3-4
Coppermine Bel Air Athletic Club

Want to volunteer or request a custom costume for your child?
Learn more: [HCPLonline.org/wcw.php](https://hcplonline.org/wcw.php)
or scan the QR code

Free for all participants!



JOIN THE HCPL Friends!

Join one of Harford County Public Library's Friends Groups and be a vital part of bringing more programs, resources, and opportunities to your local branch!

Why Join the Friends?

- **Boost Your Library** – Help fund exciting events, literacy programs, and special projects.
- **Meet Like-Minded Friends** – Connect with fellow book lovers and community supporters.
- **Be Part of Something Bigger** – Your support helps keep your library thriving for generations to come.

What Do Friends Do?

- Organize book sales, fundraisers, and special events.
- Advocate for sustained library funding and improvements.
- Support literacy, education, and outreach programs.
- Have fun while making a difference!

Get involved today!

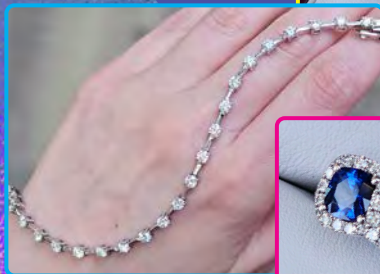
Scan or visit hcplmd.org/friends to fill out an interest form.



**National Friends
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Celebrate our Friends October 19-25!

SAXON'S DIAMOND CENTERS Raffle



**\$10 for 1 ticket
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*Raffle benefits Harford
County Public Library*

**You win – you choose
one of three stunning
pieces, each valued
over \$10,000!**

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FOUNDATION**

Must be 18 years of age to purchase a raffle ticket. One winning ticket will be drawn at the HCPL Foundation Gala on November 1, 2025. Winner does not need to be present to win.

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