

Harford County Public Library

# H&H

Headlines & Happenings



DECEMBER 16 JANUARY FEBRUARY 2017

# Welcome!

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410-273-5600, 410-838-3749,  
410-575-6761  
Mon - Fri 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

## Library Board of Trustees Meetings

Bel Air  
Thu Jan 19 6:30 pm  
Thu Feb 16 6:30 pm

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*Wanderers* by Ira Silverberg



This year we celebrated the Library's 70th anniversary; it was a year of fresh beginnings: opening the new Havre de Grace Library and the newly renovated Bel Air Children's Department, in addition to offering an expanded array of online courses and resources. As winter approaches, we are facing the chilly weather with events and activities to delight everyone. Winter Reading kicks off for adults and teens on December 21, the first official day of winter, with the theme, *A Good Book is MUSIC to My Ears!* We are looking for some great new books while enjoying some wonderful new collections. Are you a little rusty playing an instrument or just

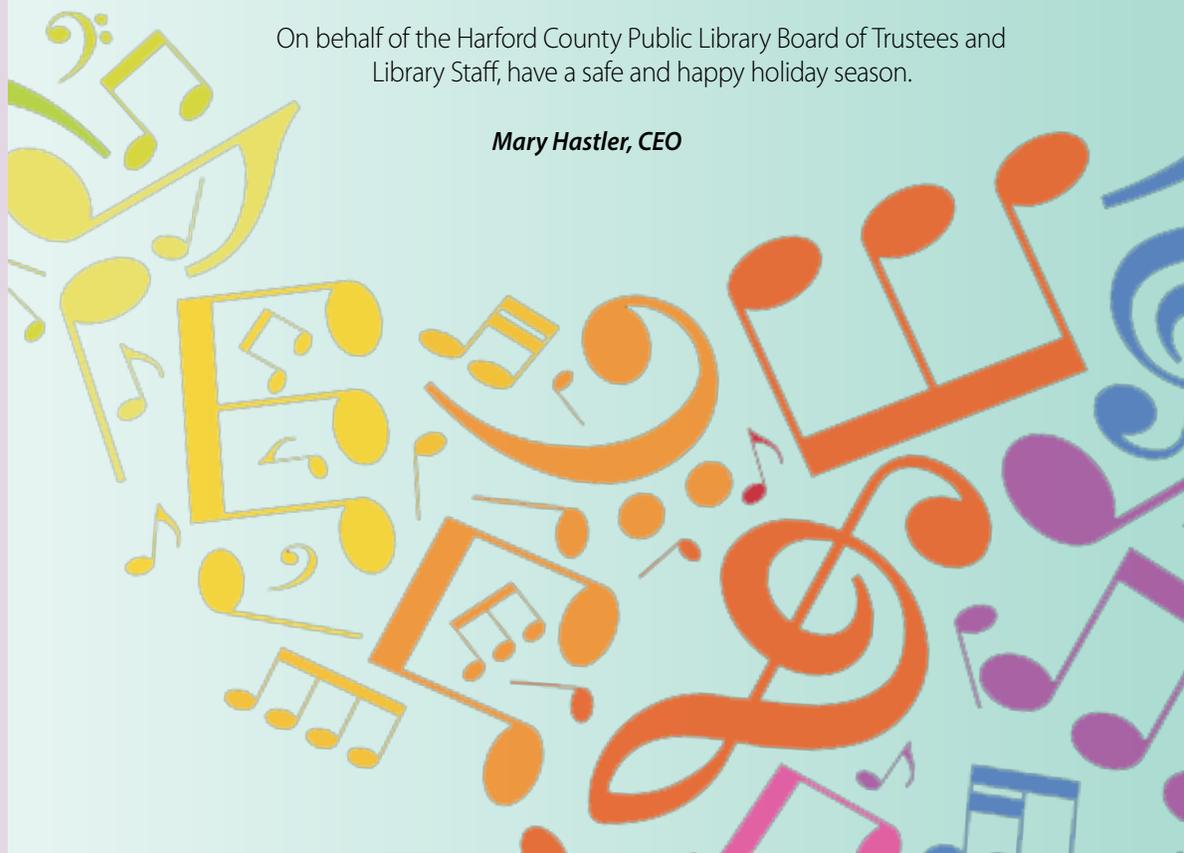
learning how to play? Check out *ArtistWorks*, available on the Library website, and learn how to play through self-paced video lessons from Grammy Award-winning music and artistic professionals. For our younger customers, the long months make it the perfect time to learn a new instrument by checking out the Library's new Leap MUSIC collection and borrowing a guitar, violin, ukulele and more.

Have you checked out the new Board Game collection launched November 19 on International Game Day? The collection includes traditional, as well as popular new games such as *Big Boggle*, *Parcheesi*, *Jumbo Sequence*, and more! Coming this January, to help to escape the winter doldrums, and to entertain the family, the new *Binge Box* film collection will launch. Whether it's a movie series you didn't get to see, or a theme you enjoy, there will be a *Binge Box* you'll crave at the Library.

For our youngest customers, the Library continues to offer curriculum based pre- and early literacy activities including *On Track for Reading 2017*. *Lapsit*, *Wiggles* and *Explorer* story time gangs are encouraged to read and stay on track for both reading and school readiness. Visit the renovated Bel Air Children's Department for interactive spaces and materials for children, birth through middle school.

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

**Mary Hastler, CEO**



# Holiday Open House

You are invited to join us as we celebrate the holiday season with crafts and holiday music.

Jarrettsville	Wed	Nov 30	4:00 - 7:00 pm
Whiteford	Mon	Dec 5	3:00 - 5:00 pm
Darlington	Mon	Dec 5	3:00 - 8:00 pm
Havre de Grace	Tue	Dec 6	4:00 - 7:00 pm
Fallston	Wed	Dec 7	4:00 - 7:00 pm
Edgewood	Mon	Dec 12	4:00 - 7:00 pm
Norrisville	Tue	Dec 13	5:30 - 8:00 pm
Joppa	Wed	Dec 14	6:00 - 7:30 pm

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Wanted: Gingerbread House Junior Architects



Submit your creation to the Abingdon Library anytime between 10:00 am Monday, November 28 and Monday, December 12 at 5:00 pm.

Choose to compete in one of three categories:

1. Best Traditional
2. Best Book/Library Inspired
3. Most Creative

Entries will be divided into two age groups for each category:

Grades K-5 & Grades 6-12

We are pleased to welcome back Shelley Stannard, owner of Flavor Cupcakery, as our special guest judge.

Winner announcement at 6:00 pm on Monday, December 12

**Dec-Feb**

**Lapsit Story Time**

A gentle time to bond with your child.

Fridays 10:15-10:45 am

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**Family & Friends Story Time** 🖐️

A delightful time with something for everyone.

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 6:00-7:00 pm

**Sensory Time: Stories and Play** 🖐️🔗

Inclusive story time for families with children who have sensory integration challenges. Geared toward preschool and elementary aged children. Sibling participation encouraged. There will be time to mingle after each session.

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday 6:00-7:00 pm

**Aberdeen Youth Program** ⑥

Grades 6-12

Meet up with friends in the lounge! Enjoy a variety of games and activities

Tuesdays & Thursdays 3:00-5:00 pm

**Anime/Manga Club**

Grades 6-12 / Meet other teens interest in anime/manga. Play a variety of anime themed games, discuss your new favorite shows, and check out displays of library manga. Cosplay encouraged!

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 3:00-5:00 pm

**Coding Club** 🧑🏫

Grades 6-12

Interested in HTML, JavaScript, Ruby or Python? Join in and get coding.

4<sup>th</sup> Monday 6:00-7:00 pm

Except Dec

**Color Me Calm** Adults

Transform intricate designs into personalized art while you unwind and de-stress with some coloring fun.

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday 1:00-2:00 pm

**Job Search Assistance** Adults

Do you need help?

- filling out online job applications
- creating a resume
- finding jobs online

If the answer is YES, come to the Aberdeen Library!

Tuesdays & Thursdays 2:00-3:00 pm

**Science Wednesdays!** 🧑🏫🔗

Grades K-8 / Drop in to explore our science station every week for a new hands-on activity.

Wednesdays Library Hours

**Ukulele Club** All Ages

Join us to play the ukulele! If you would like to learn we can provide instruction. Fun for the whole family! It would be best if participants brought their own instruments. If you want to try out the group on a one-time basis, we have two extra ukuleles to share.

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday (Dec)

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday (Jan & Feb) 11:00 am-12:30 pm

**Urban Essence Diva's Book Group** Adults

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

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday 6:30-7:30 pm

**December**

**Holiday Train Display**

All Ages / All Aboard! Stop by the Aberdeen Library to enjoy our 2nd annual holiday train garden display!

Dec 1-31 Library hours

**Board Games at the Library**

High School & Adults  
Enjoy a variety of silly, tactical, and challenging board games brought in, and taught, by Bel Air Games.

Sat Dec 3 2:00-4:30 pm

**Sounds of the Season**

All Ages / St. Joan of Arc School Choir

Wed Dec 7 4:00-5:00 pm

**LEGO Club** 🧑🏫🔗 All Ages

We supply the LEGOs.

You supply the imagination!

Fri Dec 9 3:00-4:00 pm

**'Tis the Season for Holiday Crafts!** All Ages

Bring the whole family for fun and express your creativity!

Sat Dec 10 2:00-3:00 pm

**Gingerbread Construction Company** 🧑🏫🔗 All Ages

Come build something fun! Bring a bag of decorating candy. Hard hats not required!

Sun Dec 11 2:00-3:00 pm

**Books on Tap** 🧑🏫🔗 Adults

Bold Titles, Refreshing Talk!

*As You Wish* by Cary Elwes

Greene Turtle, 1113 Beards Hill Rd., Aberdeen, MD 21001.

Everyone welcome! To register: Books on Tap Meetup or at the branch.

Mon Dec 12 6:30-8:00 pm

**Austen Afternoon at the Movies** Adults

Celebrate Jane Austen's Birthday with an afternoon movie *Sense and Sensibility* [1995]

Sat Dec 17 2:00-4:30 pm

**Science Club: Gum Drop Engineering** 🧑🏫🔗🧑🏫

Grades K-8

Explore architecture and engineering while building with gumdrops!

Wed Dec 21 6:00-7:00 pm

**January**

**LEGO Club** 🧑🏫🔗 All Ages

We supply the LEGOs. You supply the imagination!

Fri Jan 6 3:00-4:00 pm

**Family Movie Night @ The Library** 🧑🏫🔗 All Ages

Come prepared to have fun watching a movie at the library after hours. You can even bring a picnic style dinner! Doors will open at 5:45 pm and ends when the movie finishes.

Fri Jan 6 6:00-9:00 pm

**Parenting in the 21st Century: Pregnancy and Infancy**

Adults

Parenting starts before your child is even born. Learn how to prepare to be the parent of an infant and gain insight on how to navigate the world of having a baby.

Sat Jan 7 2:00-4:00 pm

**Books on Tap** 🧑🏫🔗 Adults

Bold Titles, Refreshing Talk!

Bring your favorite non-fiction/biography to discuss.

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Mon Jan 9 6:30-8:00 pm

**Aberdeen Friends of HCPL Meeting** Adults

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

Tue Jan 10 2:00-3:00 pm

**Student Art Show** All Ages

Enjoy art by students of Hall's Cross Roads Elementary.

Tue Jan 10 6:00-7:00 pm

**Celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day** 🧑🏫🔗 All Ages

Celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day by making and displaying a Peace Dove. Activity available in branch January 17-31. Join us on the 15th to kick off the celebration!

Sun Jan 15 2:00-3:00 pm

**Winter StoryWalk** 🧑🏫🔗

All Ages

Stroll through the library and read and play along with the story *Snowflake Bentley* by Jacqueline Briggs Martin. Discover the magic and science of snowflakes and then make your own snowflake! Activity available in branch January 17th-31st.

Tue Jan 17 Library hours

**Science Club: Gross Science**

🧑🏫🔗🧑🏫 Grades K-8

Join us for some of the grossest science you'll ever see!

Wed Jan 18 6:00-7:00 pm

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**Play to Learn!** 🖐️

Birth to 5 years  
Children learn through play! Enjoy play-filled activities with your child that develop early learning and reading skills and receive information for playing and learning at home.

Sat Jan 21 10:00 am-5:00 pm

**Artshop**

Interactive...captivating...entertaining!  
Offered in partnership with the Harford Center for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities and The Harford County Department of Community Services.

Wed Jan 25 1:00-2:00 pm

**Aberdeen Senior Center Book Discussion Group**

Seniors

*How I Became a North Korean* by Krys Lee. Participants at least 55 years of age meet for a book discussion at the Aberdeen Senior Center.

Fri Jan 27 10:30-11:45 am

**Technology for Today: Digital Music** 🎧

Explore free digital music apps available through the library. Rediscover classics and find new favorites through Hoopla and Freegal. Tablets are provided for class use. Bring your library card to class. If you do not have a library card, contact the branch to find out how to register.

Sat Jan 28 10:15-11:15 am

**February****LEGO Club** 🧱

All Ages  
We supply the LEGOs. You supply the imagination!

Fri Feb 3 3:00-4:00 pm

**Harlem Renaissance** 🎨

All Ages  
Celebrate Black History month by exploring the art, poetry and music of the Harlem Renaissance! Activities available in branch from February 4th-28th. Join us on the 4th from 2-4 pm for special activities to kick off the celebration!

Sat Feb 4 2:00-4:00 pm

**Super Bowl Fun** All Ages

Get ready for the Super Bowl - vote for your favorite team, play a game of sports bingo and test your football knowledge.

Sun Feb 5 2:00-3:00 pm

**Student Art Show** All Ages

Enjoy art by the students of Church Creek Elementary!

Tue Feb 7 6:00-7:00 pm

**Valentine's Day Craft Fun!**

All Ages  
Join us for making a Valentine's Day card and decoration.

Sat Feb 11 2:00-3:00 pm

**Baltimore Unrest: The Holy Week Uprising 1968** 🕒

Adults / In the spring of 1968, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated. Dr. Peter Levy examines uprisings that took place across the United States, with a special focus on the one that took place in Baltimore, Maryland, which played a crucial role in the rise of Spiro Agnew as a national symbol of the New Right.

Sun Feb 12 2:00 pm

**Books on Tap** 📖

Adults  
Bold Titles, Refreshing Talk!  
*Seinfeldia* by Jennifer Armstrong  
Greene Turtle, 1113 Beards Hill Rd., Aberdeen, MD 21001.

Everyone welcome!  
To register: Books on Tap Meetup or at the branch.

Mon Feb 13 6:30-8:00 pm

**Science Club: African**

**American Inventors** 🧪 📖  
Grades K-8 / Explore the science, inventions, and innovations of great African American scientists and inventors.

Wed Feb 15 6:00-7:00 pm

**Technology for Today: Apps**

Adults  
Explore apps that can help you keep track of personal and family commitments, create reminders and make everyday tasks easier.

Sat Feb 18 10:15-11:15 am

**Artshop** See Jan 25 for detail

Wed Feb 22 1:00-2:00 pm

**LEGO Club** 🧱

All Ages  
We supply the LEGOs. You supply the imagination!

Sun Feb 26 3:00-4:00 pm

**Aberdeen Hours**

Mon & Wed 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Tue & Thu 1:00 pm - 8:00 pm

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

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

**Holiday Closings**

Fri Dec 23- Mon Dec 26

Christmas Holiday

Sun Jan 1-Mon Jan 2

New Year's Holiday

Mon Jan 16 M L King Jr. Day

Mon Feb 20 Presidents' Day



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**Dec-Feb**

**Lapsit Story Time**

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Wednesdays 9:45-10:15 am

**Wiggles Story Time** 🖐

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Wednesdays 10:15-11:00 am  
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**Explorer Story Time** 🖐

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Mondays 10:15-11:00 am

**Family & Friends Story Time** 🖐 All Ages

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Fridays 10:30-11:00 am  
& 11:30-noon

**Sensory Time: Stories and Play** 🖐 3 to 8 years

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2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday 10:30-11:30 am

**"Knitty" by Nature** Adults

Do you enjoy knitting, or other stitching crafts like crochet or cross-stitch? Do you want to meet other people with the same interests? Bring your current project and join us as we sit, stitch, and admire the view of nature out the windows of the Abingdon Library.

4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays 3:00-4:30 pm

**LEGO Club** 🧱 Grades K-8

We provide the LEGOs. You provide the imagination!

3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday 2:00-3:30 pm

**Manga/Anime Club** Grades 9-12

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

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays 4:00-5:00 pm

**TAG (Teen Advisory Group)**

Grades 6-12

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

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays 4:00-5:00 pm

**December**

**Tech Time: 3D Design** 🧑🏫 🧑🏫

Grades 6-Adults / Learn to create models of shapes that are suitable for 3D printing, use in video games, and video. In this class you will learn to create models using the free software you can download from the internet for use on your own computer.

Sat Dec 3 10:00 am-noon

**Parenting in the 21st Century: Navigating the Special Education System**

Adults / Does your child have an IEP or Section 504 plan? Are you concerned about your child's academic performance? Learn about how the special education system works, receive advice on how to best advocate for your child, and meet representatives from organizations within Harford County who can assist you in navigating the special education process.

Sat Dec 3 2:00-4:00 pm

**Tech Time: Introduction to the Innovation Lab** 🧑🏫 🧑🏫

Grades 6-Adults  
See what the Innovation Lab has to offer. Learn to create electronic video, audio, publishing, and 3D designs.

Thu Dec 8 6:00-7:30 pm

**Preschoolers Create Art!** 🖐 🧑🏫

3 to 5 years

Enjoy a story and then explore basic art concepts and create a simple art project to take home based on the story.

Thu Dec 8 6:30-7:30 pm

**Explorer Club: Paint Like Vincent** 🧑🏫 🧑🏫

Grades K-5

Explore the art of Vincent Van Gogh and paint your own masterpiece to take home.

Fri Dec 9 2:00-3:30 pm

**Abingdon Books at Night**

Adults

Join us for our annual holiday celebration. Please contact the Abingdon Branch for more information. Bring your favorite Read of 2016 to share.

Mon Dec 12 6:30-7:30 pm

**Inventor's Portal: Turning Dreams into \$** 🧑🏫 🧑🏫

Adults / Session 5: *Writing the Killer Business Plan*

Seminars for aspiring inventors and those with an idea yearning to convert it into reality. Learn how from experts and those who have succeeded in doing. Sponsored by NMTC, Harford County Public Library and the Office of Economic Development. Find out more <http://nmtc.org>.

Mon Dec 12 6:30-7:45 pm

**Sounds of the Season**

All Ages

Join the Patterson Mill Middle School orchestra and chorus! 7th and 8th grade students will be performing a variety of holiday pieces to get you into the spirit of the season..

Fri Dec 16 11:00 am-noon

**Tech Time: 3D Design** 🧑🏫 🧑🏫

Grades 6-12

See Dec 3 for detail

Sat Dec 17 10:00 am-noon

**Inventor's Portal: Turning Dreams into \$** 🧑🏫 🧑🏫

Adults

The Wrap-up Session  
Sponsored by NMTC, Harford County Public Library and the Office of Economic Development.

Find out more <http://nmtc.org>.

Mon Dec 19 6:30-7:45 pm

**Booked for Lunch**

Adults

Bring your lunch and enjoy a midday discussion of *The Invoice* by Jonas Karlsson.

Wed Dec 21 12:30-1:30 pm

**Holiday Bingo** 🧑🏫

All Ages

Play holiday-themed BINGO for fun and prizes!

Wed Dec 28 2:00-3:30 pm  
6:00-7:30 pm

**January**

**Explorer Club: Snowflake Science** 🧑🏫 🧑🏫

Grades K-5

Drift in to the library and spend time learning about snowflakes.

Fri Jan 6 2:00-3:30 pm

**Abingdon Books at Night**

Adults

Join us for a discussion of the novel *Be Frank with Me* by Julia Claiborne Johnson.

Mon Jan 9 6:30-7:30 pm

**TEDxAbingdonLibrary**

Adults

Join us as we view and discuss the TED topic, *Your Body Language Shapes Who You Are*. Presented by Social Psychologist Amy Cuddy.

Wed Jan 11 6:30-7:30 pm

**Tech Time: Green Screen Class** 🧑🏫 🧑🏫

Adults

Use the Innovation Lab's green screen to place photo subjects in cool backgrounds. Great for greeting cards!

Thu Jan 12 6:00-7:30 pm

**Booked for Lunch**

Adults

Bring your lunch and enjoy a midday discussion of *Winter* by Christopher Nicholson.

Wed Jan 18 12:30-1:30 pm

**Tech Time: Introduction to the Innovation Lab** 🧑🏫 🧑🏫

Grades 6-Adults

See Dec 8 for detail

Thu Jan 19 6:00-7:30 pm

**Tech Time: 3D Printing and Techniques** 🧑🏫 🧑🏫

Grades 6-Adults

Learn to transfer 3D designs into real objects that can be printed on a 3D printer. Participants can use library computers and bring a USB thumb drive or their own laptop.

Sat Jan 21 10:00 am-noon

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**Ice Cream Parlor Imaginative Play** 🍷👤 3 to 5 years

Come hear stories about our favorite treat, ICE CREAM! Then continue the fun by playing in our imaginative play ice cream parlor!

Mon Jan 23 1:30-2:30 pm & 6:30-7:30 pm

**Books on Tap** Adults

Bold Titles, Refreshing Talk! Held at Pairings Bistro, 2105 Laurel Bush Road, Ste 108, Bel Air, MD 21015

For book titles see page 25

Please register: Books on Tap Meetup or at the branch.

Mon Jan 23 6:30-8:00 pm

**Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Book Dedication** Adults

Each February, members of the Iota Nu chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity make a presentation of books to the library and host a speaker.

Sat Feb 4 10:30 am

**TEDxAbingdonLibrary**

Adults / Join us as we view and discuss the TED topic, *What a Planet Needs to Sustain Life*. Presented by Dave Brain, Assistant Professor of Astrophysics and Planetary Science.

Wed Feb 8 6:30-7:30 pm

**Preschool Valentine Party**

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3 to 5 years

Come join the fun as we read stories and sing songs to celebrate Valentine's Day. Your little one will make a craft to take home.

Thu Feb 9 6:30-7:30 pm

**Teen Party Games for the 21st Century** 🍷

Grades 6-12

Charades? Taboo? Hangman? Join the fun as we play party games 21st century style with fun apps!

Fri Feb 10 6:00-9:00 pm

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Adults

Join us for a discussion of the novel *Girl Waits with Gun* by Amy Stewart.

Mon Feb 13 6:30-7:30 pm

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Bring your lunch and enjoy a midday discussion of *Ordinary Grace* by William Krueger.

Wed Feb 15 12:30-1:30 pm

**Tech Time: Green Screen Class**

🍷👤 Adults

See Dec 15 for detail

Thu Feb 16 6:00-7:30 pm

**National Fake Mustache Day**

All Ages

Come join the fun as we celebrate National Fake Mustache Day! Stop by the library to create your own fake Mustache.

Fri Feb 24 10:00 am-5:00 pm

**Abingdon Friends of HCPL Meeting** 🍷 Adults

Mon Feb 27 6:00-7:00 pm

**Books on Tap** Adults

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Mon Feb 27 6:30-8:00 pm

**February**

**Explorer Club: Sink or Float?**

🍷👤 Grades K-5

Learn how a submarine works and then invent your own water vessel.

Fri Feb 3 2:00-3:30 pm



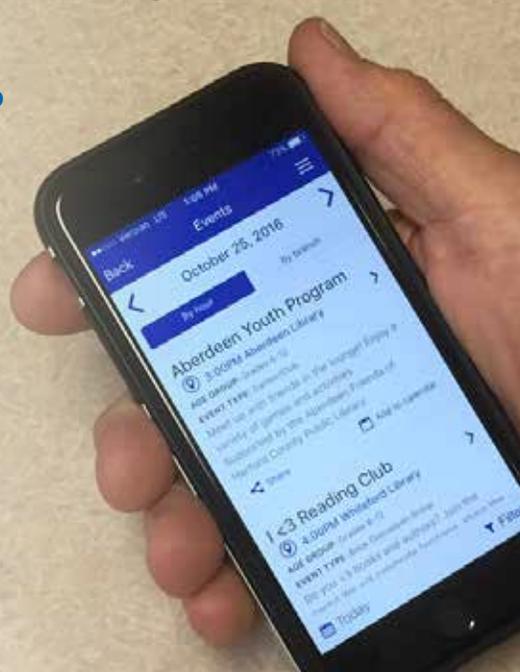
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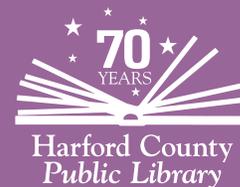
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 Sat 9:00 am - 4:30 pm  
 Sun (Oct-Apr) 1:00 - 4:30 pm

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**Family & Friends Story Time** 🖐

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**Wednesdays & Saturdays**

10:15-11:00 am

**Acts of Kindness Club** ⑥

Grades K-5  
Interested in helping a charity or a neighbor but do not have a project or group in mind? Join the club! Every month we will help out a local group or charity in need and have fun in the process.

**4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday** 6:30-7:30 pm

**Bel Air Friends of HCPL Meeting** Adults

**4<sup>th</sup> Monday** 5:15-6:30 pm  
Except Dec

**Bel Air Mysterious Minds Mystery Group**

Adults  
Love reading mysteries? Call the branch for the monthly selection.  
**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday** 6:30-7:45 pm

**Carefree Art**

Grades K-8  
Drop in and create some art! Every month we will explore a different theme.  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday** 4:30-7:30 pm

**Club Support**

Grades 6-8  
Are you a kid with a chronic illness like diabetes, Crohn's, sickle cell, cancer, asthma, etc.? Join others to hang out, swap stories and tips, play games, make crafts, and run your own club!  
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**December**

**Practical Parenting: Greg Toppo** Adults

Greg has a great career writing about education and learning. He broke several stories for *USA Today* about No-Child-Left-Behind and cheating in public schools. Lately, he has been investigating kids and video games, which are becoming an unstoppable cultural force. The result is *The Game Believes in You*. Offered in partnership with the Harford County Local Management Board and Harford County Government.  
**Thu Dec 1** 6:30 pm

**Bel Air Books at the Center**

Participants at least 55 years of age meet at the McFaul Activities Center for a spirited book discussion. *The Translation of Love: a Novel* by Lynne Kutsukake.  
**Mon Dec 5** 1:00-3:00 pm

**Books on Tap** ⑥

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*Wilde Lake* by Laura Lippman.  
Sean Bolan's, 12 S Main Street, Bel Air, MD 21014  
A different title each month. Everyone welcome! Please register: <http://www.meetup.com/HCPL-Books-on-Tap> or at the branch.  
**Tue Dec 6** 6:30-8:30 pm

**Pruning Year Round with Master Gardeners** ⑥

Adults  
Learn pruning techniques you can use starting with holiday green & extending throughout the seasons.  
**Sat Dec 10** 10:15 am-noon

**Tasty Baltimore: The Lexington Market** 🍷

All Ages  
The Lexington Market has brought the sights, sounds, and taste of Baltimore to the public since 1782. Join Patricia Schultheis for a look at the area's ultimate farmer's market, where more than 9 generations have shopped and sold.  
**Sun Dec 11** 2:00 pm

**Bel Air Fiction Book Discussion Group**

Adults  
*The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper* by Phaedra Patrick  
**Thu Dec 15** 6:30-7:45 pm

**Books On Tap** ⑥

Adults  
Bold titles, Refreshing Talk!  
Bring your favorite book from the past year to discuss!  
MaGerK's Pub & Grill 120 S Bond St, Bel Air. A different title each month. Everyone welcome! Please register: <http://www.meetup.com/HCPL-Books-on-Tap> or at the branch.  
**Tue Dec 20** 6:30-8:30 pm

**January**

**Books On Tap** ⑥

Adults  
Bold titles, Refreshing Talk!  
*A Visit From the Good Squad* by Jennifer Egan. Sean Bolan's, 12 S Main St, Bel Air, MD 21014. A different title each month. Everyone welcome! Please register: <http://www.meetup.com/HCPL-Books-on-Tap>  
**Tue Jan 3** 6:30-8:30 pm

**Fairy Tale Festival** All Ages  
Celebrate Charles Perrault's birthday with crafts and activities based on his timeless stories, *Cinderella*, *Little Red Riding Hood*, *Sleeping Beauty*, and more! Enjoy stories read throughout the day by local community leaders in the Pergola area and special activities in Streamworks.

**Fri Jan 6** Library hours

**Meet the Author: Brian Jay Jones** Adults

As a self-described Pop Culture Junkie, Brian Jay Jones has explored and revels in those things many of us find guilty pleasure in. As a biographer, he explores those personalities that compel attention and have become a part of the cultural landscape. His first work was on Washington Irving, of headless horseman fame. The next was Jim Hensen and the muppets. His newest takes a look at American Icon, George Lucas in *George Lucas: A Life*.  
**Sun Jan 8** 2:00 pm

**Bel Air Books at the Center**

Seniors / Participants at least 55 years of age meet at the McFaul Activities Center for a spirited book discussion. *The Swans of Fifth Avenue* by Melanie Benjamin.  
**Mon Jan 9** 1:00-3:00 pm

**Experiment and Explore** 🖐🧪

3 to 5 years  
Learn about a new science, technology, engineering or math concept through fun stories, hands-on experiments and exploration.  
**Fri Jan 13** 10:15-11:00 am

**Teen Book Club** Grades 6-12

Join us for a teen's only book club featuring *Challenger Deep* by Neal Shusterman.  
**Tue Jan 17** 1:30-3:00 pm

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Bold titles, Refreshing Talk!

*The Magic Strings of Frankie Presto*  
by Mitch Albom.MaGerk's Pub and Grill 120 S Bond St,  
Bel Air, MD 21014A different title each month. Everyone  
welcome! Please register: <http://www.meetup.com/HCP-Books-on-Tap> or  
at the branch.

Tue Jan 17 6:30-8:30 pm

**STEM Club- Grades K-2** 📖🔬

Join us for STEM activities.

Wed Jan 18 5:30-6:00 pm

**STEM Club- Grades 3-8** 📖🔬

Join us for STEM activities.

Wed Jan 18 6:30-7:15 pm

**Bel Air Fiction Book****Discussion Group** Adults*The One-in-a-Million Boy*

by Monica Wood

Thu Jan 19 6:30-7:45 pm

**Seed Starting with Master****Gardeners** 📖 AdultsLearn when, where & how to start  
your seeds indoors & outdoors for a  
successful spring garden.

Sat Jan 21 10:15 am-noon

**Parenting in the 21st Century:  
Handling Behavior and****Misbehavior** AdultsHow do you address your child's  
behavior when there are so many  
factors affecting it (stress, impulsivity,  
and maturity to name a few)? Explore  
a variety of strategies you can add  
to your "bag of tricks" to help reduce  
your child's misbehavior.

Sat Jan 21 2:00-4:00 pm

**Castle Forts - BYOB (blankets)**

📖👉 3 to 5 years

Caregivers, bring your preschooler  
and some blankets/sheets to make a  
castle fort and then read books and  
play with toys in your own cozy tent.  
All this before the library opens.

Tue Jan 24 9:30-10:30 am

**The Harford Wordsmiths**

Adults

Connect with fiction writers from all  
over the area. Discuss your work,  
learn from others and get great tips  
to navigate the publishing world.

Tue Jan 24 6:00-7:30 pm

**Science Cafe** 📖🔬

Grades 9-Adult

Learn from a local expert about a  
specific science and technology  
topic that affects our everyday lives!  
Presented through a partnership  
with the Northeastern Maryland  
Technology Council (NMTTC). Go to  
<http://nmttc.org/science-cafe> for  
additional information.

Wed Jan 25 7:00-8:30 pm

**Aqua Charades** 📖🔬

Grades K-2

Come explore the importance of  
water for people, animals and plants  
in this fun interactive program.

Thu Jan 26 2:00-3:00 pm

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for a spirited book discussion.*The Muse* by Jessie Burton.

Mon Feb 6 1:00-3:00 pm

**Books On Tap**

Adults

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*March* by John Lewis, Andrew Aydin  
and Nate Powell.Sean Bolan's, 12 S Main St, Bel Air, MD  
21014. A different title each month.Everyone welcome! Please register:  
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or at the branch.

Tue Feb 7 6:30-8:30 pm

**Dance Party Hearty** 🎉

Birth to 5 years

Wear your dancing shoes and festive  
clothes to boogie down with us!

Sat Feb 11 10:15-11:00 am

**Happy Birthday****Laura Ingalls Wilder** 📖

Grades 3-8

Laura Ingalls Wilder, author of the  
classic *Little House* books, turns 150  
this year! Come celebrate with games,  
history and crafts.

Sat Feb 11 2:00-3:00 pm

**STEM Club- Grades K-2** 📖🔬

See Jan 18 for detail

Wed Feb 15 5:30-6:00 pm

**STEM Club- Grades 3-8** 📖🔬

See Jan 18 for detail

Wed Feb 15 6:30-7:15 pm

**Bel Air Fiction Book****Discussion Group** Adults*Miss Jane* by Brad Watson.

Thu Feb 16 6:30-7:45 pm

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concept through fun stories, hands-  
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**Landscape Design with****Master Gardeners** 📖

Adults

Get the facts you need to create a  
garden plan that will guide your  
home landscape design.

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Tue Feb 21 6:30-8:30 pm

**Science Cafe** 📖🔬

Grades 9-Adult / See Jan 25 for detail

Wed Feb 22 7:00-8:30 pm

**Potato Chips - The Marvelous  
Invention of George Crum**

📖🔬 Grades 6-12

Celebrate Black History Month  
and African American potato chip  
inventor, George Crum as we  
sample and vote for our favorite  
potato chip variety.

Thu Feb 23 3:30-5:00 pm

**Bel Air Hours**

Mon &amp; Wed 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Tue &amp; Thu 11:00 am - 8:00 pm

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

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

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

Fri 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Sat 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

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

**Holiday Closings**

Fri Dec 23- Mon Dec 26

Christmas Holiday

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**Dec-Feb**

**Family & Friends Story**

**Time** 🖐️ A delightful time with something for everyone.  
**Thursdays** 11:00 am-noon

**Darlington Friends Book Sale**

Ⓢ All Ages  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday** 10:00 am-2:00 pm

**Family Craft Night** Ⓢ

All Ages  
 Bring the whole family and express your creativity as we create crafts for all ages. Supported by the Darlington Friends of HCPL.  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday** 6:30-7:30 pm

**PAWS and Read!** Ⓢ

All Ages  
 Read to a furry friend. Join PAWS for Reading for a one-on-one reading session with a well-trained therapy dog.  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday** 4:30-5:30 pm

**December**

**Holiday Open House** Ⓢ

All Ages / Celebrate the holiday season with crafts, games, holiday music and refreshments.  
**Mon Dec 5** 3:00-8:00 pm

**Darlington Friends of HCPL Meeting** Ⓢ Adults

**Thu Dec 8** 1:00-2:30 pm

**Darlington Book Discussion Group** Adults

*The Bad-Ass Librarians of Timbuktu* by Joshua Hammer  
**Tue Dec 20** 6:30-7:30 pm

**Holiday BINGO** Ⓢ All Ages

Play holiday-themed BINGO for fun and prizes!  
**Thu Dec 29** 5:00-6:00 pm

**January**

**Darlington Friends of HCPL Meeting** Ⓢ Adults

**Thu Jan 12** 1:00-2:30 pm

**Darlington Book Discussion Group** Adults

*The Kitchen House* by Kathleen Grissom  
**Tue Jan 17** 6:30-7:30 pm

**Teen Pizza & Games** Ⓢ

Grades 6-12  
 Hang out at the library with other teens while the library is closed!  
**Fri Jan 27** 5:00-6:30 pm

**February**

**Darlington Friends of HCPL Meeting** Ⓢ Adults

**Fri Feb 10** 1:00-2:30 pm

**Darlington Book Discussion Group** Adults

*Our Souls at Night* by Kent Haruf  
**Tue Feb 21** 6:30-7:30 pm

**Darlington Hours**

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

**Holiday Closings**

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**Just Write.**

For Adults

**DISCOVER THE STORY • PUBLISH THE BOOK**

**HARFORD WRITERS' GROUP**

The Writers' Group critiques, motivates, shares experiences and knowledge, and propels your writing to the next level.  
<http://harfordwritersgroup.org/>

Jarrettsville

**Thu Dec 1** 6:00-8:00 pm

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Connect with fiction writers from all over the area. Discuss your work, learn from others and get great tips to navigate the publishing world.

Bel Air

**Tue Jan 24** 6:00-7:30 pm

**Tue Feb 21** 6:00-7:30 pm

**JUST WRITE**

**Dani Pettrey and Character Development**

A hands-on workshop in character development with author Dani Pettrey. Make your characters more vivid and believable with help from this best-selling author!

Havre de Grace

**Tue Jan 24** 6:30 pm

**Michele Chynoweth and Marketing for Authors**

Marketing expert and author Michele Chynoweth takes you through a plan to get your work recognized and build your reader base.

Havre de Grace

**Tue Feb 28** 6:30 pm

# ON TRACK FOR READING

for children Birth - Age 5

**December 21 – March 4**

**Talking! Singing! Reading!  
Writing! Playing!**

These five early learning practices strengthen pre-literacy skills and set our youngest customer on track for reading!

Parents and caregivers can visit their library branch to register starting December 21, or sign up online at [hcoponline.beanstack.org](http://hcoponline.beanstack.org).



**Choose the track that's right for you: Lapsit, Wiggles, Explorer**  
Pick up your game board for simple, fun, learning activities to do with your child.

## Dec-Feb

### Wiggles Story Time 🖐️

An energetic time for wiggly kids.  
Fridays 10:30-11:15 am

### Family & Friends Story

**Time** 🖐️ A delightful time with something for everyone.  
Wednesdays 6:00-7:00 pm

### Artsy Little Hands ⑥ 🖐️

18 months to 3 years  
Through engaging activities kids will explore and experiment while focusing on the process of creating art, rather than the outcome.  
Wednesdays 11:30 am-noon  
Dec 14 & 21, Jan 11 & 25, Feb 8 & 22

### TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)

Grades 6-8  
Thursdays 4:00-5:00 pm  
Dec 1, Jan 5, Feb 2 & 23

### Teen After School Club

Grades 6-12  
No place to go after school? Come to the library for tons of fun. Bring your friends!  
Dec 1, Jan 5, Feb 23 3:00-5:00 pm

### Yu-Gi-Oh Dueling

Grades 6-12  
Saturdays 12:30-3:30 pm  
Dec 17, Jan 21, Feb 18

### Yu-Gi-Oh Gaming

Grades 6-12  
Saturdays 12:30-3:30 pm  
Dec 10, Jan 14, Feb 11

## December

### Edgewood Friends DVD Sale

All Ages / One day DVD sale.  
Sat Dec 3 10:00 am-4:30 pm

### Booked for Lunch ⑥

Adults  
Let's do lunch and enjoy a midday book discussion of *The Husband's Secret* by Liane Moriarty  
Wed Dec 7 noon-1:00 pm

### Hour of Code 🧑‍🔬

Grades K-8  
Join us during Computer Science Education Week for a one-hour hands-on introduction to coding! Learning the basics of computer science helps nurture creativity and problem solving skills, and prepare students for any future career.  
Wed Dec 7 6:00-7:00 pm

### Lego Club 🧑‍🔬 Grades K-5

We supply the Legos, you supply the imagination!  
Fri Dec 9 2:00-3:00 pm

### Family Night @ the Library:

**Movie Night** ⑥ All Ages  
Sneak in after hours and enjoy a family friendly movie.  
Fri Dec 9 6:00-8:00 pm

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Sat Dec 10 11:00 am-noon

### Holiday Open House ⑥

All Ages  
Celebrate the holiday season with music, crafts, and refreshments!  
Mon Dec 12 4:00-7:00 pm

### Minute to Win it All Ages

60 seconds to complete interactive challenges made from ordinary items found in a typical home  
Tue Dec 13 3:00-4:30 pm

### Color Me Calm ⑥ Adults

Transform intricate designs into personalized art while you unwind and de-stress with some coloring fun. Creations can be taken home or put on display at the library.  
Sat Dec 17 10:00-11:00 am

### Gingerbread Construction

**Company** ⑥  
Grades K-5 / Come build something fun! Bring one bag of candy to share. Hard Hats not required!  
Tue Dec 20 5:00-6:00 pm

## January

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Fri Jan 6 2:00-3:00 pm

### Family Night @ the Library:

**Movie Night** ⑥ All Ages  
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Fri Jan 6 6:00-8:00 pm

### Yoga With Gemma ⑥ ⑥ Adults

Learn about the benefits of yoga, a variety of basic poses, and how to practice a flowing style of Hatha Yoga. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat if you have one.  
Mon Jan 9 6:30-8:00 pm

### Booked for Lunch ⑥

Adults  
Let's do lunch and enjoy a midday discussion of *The Trespasser* by Tana French.  
Wed Jan 11 noon-1:00 pm

### I have a Dream/ Martin Luther King Day Crafts

Grades K-5  
Join us to make crafts symbolic of Martin Luther King's message - that all colors of people are equal.  
Tue Jan 17 5:00-6:00 pm

### Winter Tie Dying ⑥

Grades 6-12  
Make your winter colorful with creative tie dye shirts  
Mon Jan 23 5:30-7:00 pm

### Edgewood Senior Center Book Discussion Group

Adults  
Join us at the Edgewood Senior Center to discuss *Leave Me* by Gayle Forman.  
Tue Jan 24 10:30-11:30 am

### Earn It/Plan It/Keep It

Adults  
Learn the benefit of creating a spending/saving plan versus allowing your luck to determine where your hard earned money goes. Powerpoint, games and handouts. Presented by Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna's Homeownership Program.  
Tue Jan 24 6:30 pm

### Retro Video Games for Adults

Adults  
Nintendo? Xbox? When was the last time you played one? Stop in and show your skill with some of these classic game systems.  
Sat Jan 28 2:00-4:00 pm

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## February

### Booked for Lunch ☺ Adults

Let's do lunch and enjoy a midday discussion of *Lilac Girls* by Martha Hall Kelly.

Wed Feb 1 noon-1:00 pm

### Lego Club 🧱 Grades K-5

We supply the Lego blocks, you supply the imagination!

Fri Feb 3 2:00-3:00 pm

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Mon Feb 13 6:30-8:00 pm

### Hearts and Crafts

Join us and make something special for those you love!

Tue Feb 14 5:00-6:00 pm

### LEAP Simple Machines ☺ 🧠

Grades K-8

Machines are devices that make it easier to do work. Lifting, pulling, carrying and dividing objects requires the expenditure of energy, and simple machines direct that energy in efficient ways to accomplish tasks with minimal force applied. Learn more about the six simple machines, including the lever, the wheel and axle, the inclined plane, the wedge, the screw and the pulley through hands-on experiments.

Wed Feb 15 6:00-7:00 pm

### Mastering Your Credit

Adults

Learn how to read your credit report and find out what's really affecting your credit score. PowerPoint, games and handouts. Presented by Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna's Homeownership Program.

Tue Feb 21 6:30-8:00 pm

### Teen Afterschool Club

Casino Edition Grades 6-12

Enjoy classic card games and more

Thu Feb 23 3:00-5:00 pm

### Edgewood Senior Center

#### Book Discussion Group

Adults

Join us at the Edgewood Senior Center to discuss *American Heiress:*

*The Wild Saga of the Kidnapping, Crimes and Trial of Patty Hearst* by Jeffrey Toobin.

Tue Feb 28 10:30-11:30 am

### Edgewood 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

### Drive-thru Window

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

Fri 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

### Holiday Closings

Fri Dec 23- Mon Dec 26

Christmas Holiday

Sun Jan 1-Mon Jan 2

New Year's Holiday

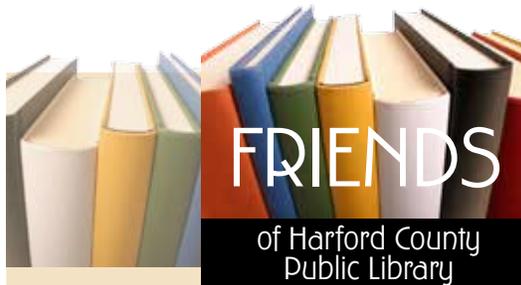
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Join the Friends! Support your library by volunteering for special projects and assisting with book sales that help fund Library programs and services.

## Meetings

<b>Aberdeen</b>	Tuesday, January 10	2:00-3:00 pm
<b>Abingdon</b>	Monday, February 27	6:00-7:00 pm
<b>Bel Air</b>	Monday, January 23 Monday, February 27	5:15-6:30 pm 5:15-6:30 pm
<b>Darlington</b>	Thursday, December 8 Thursday, January 12 Friday, February 10	1:00-2:30 pm 1:00-2:30 pm 1:00-2:30 pm
<b>Edgewood</b>	Monday, January 23 Monday, February 27	4:15 pm 4:15 pm
<b>Fallston</b>	Tuesday, January 24	6:00 pm
<b>Havre de Grace</b>	Monday, December 5 Monday, February 6	11:30 am 11:30 am
<b>Jarrettsville</b>	Wednesday, December 7	6:30 pm
<b>Joppa</b>	Monday, January 30	6:00-8:00 pm
<b>Norrisville</b>	Tuesday, January 10	7:00-8:00 pm
<b>Whiteford</b>	Tuesday, January 10	3:00 pm

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Dec 9, Jan 6, Feb 3

**TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)** ⑥

Grades 6-12  
Make a difference in the library. Have your voice heard! Bring your friends. Make new ones!  
1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday 3:30-4:30 pm

**December**

**Fallston Friends Evening Book Discussion Group** ⑥

Adults  
*Midwife of Hope* by Patricia Harman  
Mon Dec 5 6:30-8:00 pm

**Fallston Holiday Open House** ⑥

All Ages  
Celebrate the holiday season with crafts and music. Light refreshments.  
Wed Dec 7 4:00-7:00 pm

**Creativity Club** ⑥

Adults / Come write, draw, knit -- any form of art you practice. We will gather to work together and inspire each other. You are welcome to bring artwork to share. Craft supplies and coloring sheets will be available.  
Mon Dec 12 5:00-7:00 pm

**Ugly Sweater Workshop** ⑥

Grades 6-12  
All creative teens are invited to an Ugly Sweater Workshop. We will supply all kinds of tacky decorations to "enhance" your sweater. Who will have the best/ugliest design? Use one of our sweaters or bring your own sweater to decorate and keep.  
Fri Dec 16 3:30-4:30 pm

**Fallston Critics Without Credentials Book Discussion Group** ⑥ Adults

*Lilac Girls* by Martha Hall Kelly  
Wed Dec 21 10:00 am-noon

**January**

**Celebrate Universal Letter Writing Week** ⑥

All Ages / Come to the library and enjoy a letter writing session. Re-discover the joy of writing a letter by hand. We will provide a variety of paper, cards, and envelopes.  
Jan 9-14 Library hours

**Fallston Friends Evening Book Discussion Group** ⑥

Adults / *People of the Book* by Geraldine Brooks  
Mon Jan 9 6:30-8:00 pm

**Creativity Club** ⑥ Adults

See Dec 12 for details  
Thu Jan 12 1:00-3:00 pm

**The Sweet Sound of Music: The Science Behind Your Favorite Song** ⑥

Grades 6-8 / Join Rob Lieb, PhD of the Senior Science Society of Harford County to explore the amazing technology behind the music on your favorite playlist.  
Tue Jan 17 6:00-7:30 pm

**Fallston Critics Without Credentials Book Discussion Group** ⑥ Adults

*The Little Paris Bookshop* by Nina George  
Wed Jan 18 10:00 am-noon

**February**

**Fallston Friends Evening Book Discussion Group** ⑥

Adults / *Macbeth* by Shakespeare  
Mon Feb 6 6:30-8:00 pm

**Creativity Club** ⑥ Adults

See Dec 12 for detail  
Mon Feb 13 5:00-7:00 pm

**Toddlers on the Move** 🖐

18 months to 3 years  
Explore music, singing and dancing while helping to enhance your child's motor development skills.  
Tue Feb 14 1:15-2:00 pm

**Valentine String Art** ⑥

Grades 6-8 / Make a heart-themed craft to keep or give as a gift using push-pins and embroidery floss. All supplies provided. While supplies last.  
Tue Feb 14 3:30-4:30 pm

**Fallston Critics Without Credentials Book Discussion Group** ⑥ Adults

*When Breath Becomes Air* by Paul Kalanithi  
Wed Feb 15 10:00 am-noon

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Mon & Wed 10:00 am - 8:00 pm  
Tue & Thu 1:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
Fri & Sat 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

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**BOOK TRAILERS CONTEST**

**CALLING ALL TEENS!**  
TO CREATE SHORT VIDEOS PROMOTING YOUR FAVORITE BOOK. JUDGES WILL CHOOSE THE WINNING SUBMISSIONS.  
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**Mondays & Wednesdays**  
10:30-11:00 am

### Wiggles Story Time 🐾

An energetic time for wiggly kids.

**Mondays** 11:00-11:45 am

### Explorer Story Time 🐾

An engaging time for curious kids.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Friday** 10:30-11:15 am  
Sep 9, Oct 14

### Family & Friends Story

**Time** 🐾 A delightful time with something for everyone.

**Wednesdays** 11:00-11:45 am

### Chess Club All Ages

Learn to play chess or take on a player challenge. Monthly play, all levels.

**4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday** 6:30-7:45 pm

### Conversations in Photography

Adults / Why do we take photographs? What are some historical perspectives? Who do we emulate? Is a photograph a window into the soul? What makes one photograph a work of art over another one?

**2<sup>nd</sup> Monday** 6:30-7:30 pm

### Knot Just Knitting

Adults

Knitters, crocheters, cross-stitchers, and more are all welcome to come work on a project, share ideas, and learn a new stitch or two.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday** 3:00-4:30 pm & 6:00-7:30 pm

### LEGO Club 🧱

We supply the LEGOs!

You supply the imagination!

**Thursdays** 6:30-7:30 pm

Dec 15, Jan 12, Feb 9

### Teen Advisory Group ☺

Grades 6-12

Plan programs. Make suggestions for the Library. Earn volunteer credit. Have fun!

**2<sup>nd</sup> Monday** 3:30-5:00 pm

## December

### Havre de Grace Books by

**Night** Adults

*The Summer Before the War*  
by Helen Simonson

**Thu Dec 1** 6:30-7:30 pm

### Color Me Calm

Adults

Transform intricate designs into personalized art while you unwind and de-stress with some coloring fun. Creations can be taken home or put on display at the library.

**Fri Dec 2** 1:00-2:30 pm

### PAWS and Read! 🐾

All Ages

Get cozy with our doggy volunteers and read a good book...or five. Join PAWS for Reading for a one-on-one reading session with a well-trained therapy pet. Bring a favorite book or select one of ours. Please call the Havre de Grace Library to register for a time.

**Sat Dec 3** 10:30-11:30 am

### Paper Bead Fun with the Paper Bead Girl

Grades 6-12

Learn about the art of paper beads. Meet the Paper Bead Girl and create some amazing beaded wonders.

**Sat Dec 3** 2:00-3:30 pm

### Havre de Grace Friends of the Library Meeting

Adults

Get updates about Library events; make new acquaintances; volunteer at the library; plan for the next Used Book Sale. The Friends meet every other month.

**Mon Dec 5** 11:00 am-12:30 pm

### Havre de Grace Books on Tap

Adults

Bold Titles, Refreshing Talk! Held at Laurrapin, 209 North Washington Street, Havre de Grace.

*For book titles see page 25*

Please register: Books on Tap Meetup or at the branch.

**Mon Dec 5** 6:30-8:00 pm

### Shakin' the Family Tree

Adults

A monthly meeting to discuss all things genealogy. Everyone welcome from beginners to seasoned explorers of your family tree.

**Mon Dec 5** 6:30-7:45 pm

### Holiday Open House ☺

All Ages

Happy Holidays! Enjoy the sounds of the season with local musicians; craft a holiday decoration to take home; and have a sweet treat on us.

**Tue Dec 6** 4:00-7:00 pm

### Paint Along 🎨 ☺

Adults

Follow along with an instructor to create a beautiful acrylic masterpiece. All supplies will be provided.

Please wear clothes you don't mind getting messy.

**Wed Dec 7** 6:00-7:30 pm

### Havre de Grace Senior Center Book Club

Adults

*My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's Sorry* by Fredrik Backman

The book club works with our librarian/facilitator to select books each quarter and then enjoy a lively discussion monthly at the Community Activities Center.

**Thu Dec 8** 10:00-11:00 am

### Healthy Kids: Yoga & Your Body 🧘 ☺

Grades K-8

Homeschool health science series for children. Learn about your body and the benefits of yoga with guided exercises. Presented by Beach Bee Yoga.

**Thu Dec 8** 1:30-2:30 pm

### Christmas in World War II

Adults

Come see the sights and hear the sounds of Christmas in World War II. Learn about how the effects of rationing and blackout conditions changed how the holidays were celebrated. Presented by historian, Mary Rasa.

**Thu Dec 8** 6:30-7:30 pm

### PAWS and Read! 🐾

All Ages

*See Dec 3 for detail*

**Thu Dec 8** 6:30-7:30 pm

### Havre de Grace Candlelight Tour @ the Library ☺

All Ages

The library will open its doors for tours during the 44th Annual Havre de Grace Candlelight Tour. Several local authors will be on hand to sign their books just in time for the holidays along with holiday music.

**Sat Dec 10** 4:00-8:00 pm

### A Peachy Business : Memories of an East Baltimore Hon

Adults

Meet Leonora "Peachy" Dixon, previous owner/operator of Peachy 'N Bohs Place, a East Baltimore Cafe. As an enterprising businesswoman of the 80's, Peachy is a survivor. Join her for an evening of stories. Book sale and author signing.

**Tue Dec 13** 6:30-7:30 pm

### Teen After Hours 🎮 ☺

Grades 6-12

This is the night we open the library just for teens to play games, surf the net, do crafts and enjoy snacks!

**Fri Dec 16** 4:30-8:00 pm

# Love is in the Air!

## ROMANCE AUTHOR PANEL

5 best-selling romance authors  
add heat to our February!

Join authors

**Rebecca York • Catherine Asaro  
Lisa Kamps • Diane Cosby • Alix Rickloff**

for a rousing conversation on romance!

**WHITEFORD LIBRARY**  
**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9**  
**6:30 PM For Adults**

*Books will be for sale and signing.*



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City**   
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### Tasty Baltimore: The Lexington Market

All Ages

The Lexington Market has brought the sights, sounds, and taste of Baltimore to the public since 1782.

Join Patricia Schultheis for a look at the area's ultimate farmer's market, where more than 9 generations have shopped and sold.

Bel Air

Sunday, December 11 2:00 pm



### Flaming Baltimore: Memories of the Great 1904 Fire

All Ages

The Great Baltimore Fire of 1904 and the People Who Remembered It allows us to see the fire through the eyes of the people who lived through it. Presented by Fire Museum of Maryland.

Jarrettsville

Sunday, January 8 2:00 pm



### Baltimore Unrest: The Holy Week Uprising 1968

Adults

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated April 4th, 1968 in Memphis, Tennessee, shortly before Holy Week. Dr. Peter Levy examines uprisings that took place across the United States, with a special focus on the one that took place in Baltimore, Maryland, which played a crucial role in the rise of Spiro Agnew as a national symbol of the New Right.

Aberdeen

Sunday, February 12 2:00 pm

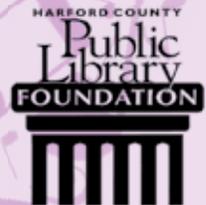
# Join us for Winter Reading

December 21 to March 4



Adults read or listen to at least five books and teens at least three books. Once you complete the program, stop in to your library and pick up a special collector's mug.\*

Special thanks to the Winter Reading Sponsors



Program ends on March 4th but you may complete as early as December 28th. \*Available while supplies last

**PAWS and Read! ⑥**

All Ages / See Dec 3 for detail

Sat Dec 17 10:30-11:30 am

**Multicultural Book Club for Teens!** Grades 6-12

Read and discuss books that have characters with diverse backgrounds. We will also learn about different cultures and lifestyles!

Wed Dec 28 6:30-7:30 pm

**Countdown to Noon Dance Party ⑥ 𠆗**

3 to 5 years &amp; Grades K-5

Put on your dancin' shoes and join us for a countdown celebration on New Year's Eve to ring in 2017 a few hours early!

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

**January****Paint Along ⑥ ⑥**

Adults / See Dec 7 for detail

Wed Jan 4 6:00-7:30 pm

**Havre de Grace Books by Night ⑥ Adults***A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman

Thu Jan 5 6:30-7:30 pm

**PAWS and Read! ⑥**

All Ages / See Dec 3 for detail

Thu Jan 5 6:30-7:30 pm

**Color Me Calm**

Adults / See Dec 2 for detail

Fri Jan 6 1:00-2:30 pm

**Havre de Grace Books on Tap**

Adults / See Dec 5 for detail

Mon Jan 9 6:30-8:00 pm

**Shakin' the Family Tree**

Adults

A monthly meeting to discuss all things genealogy. Everyone welcome from beginners to seasoned explorers of your family tree.

Mon Jan 9 6:30-7:45 pm

**Speeches of Martin Luther King** Grades 9-Adults

Listen to highlights of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s most famous speeches.

Discuss their relevancy today.

Tue Jan 10 6:30-7:30 pm

**STEM Voyagers - Simple Machines ⑥ ⑥**

All Ages

Listen to a book about simple machines and then explore the science of simple machines with experiments, crafts and activities related to the theme.

Wed Jan 11 6:30-7:30 pm

**Havre de Grace Senior Center Book Club**

Adults

*The Summer Before the War* by Helen Simonson

The book club works with our librarian/facilitator to select books each quarter and then enjoy a lively discussion monthly at the Community Activities Center.

Thu Jan 12 10:00-11:00 am

**Healthy Kids: Dangerous Substances ⑥ ⑥**

Grades K-8

Homeschool health science series for children. Learn about disease prevention with hands on demonstrations. Presented by Upper Chesapeake Health.

Thu Jan 12 1:30-2:30 pm

**PAWS and Read! ⑥**

All Ages / See Dec 3 for detail

Sat Jan 14 10:30-11:30 am

**Introduction to Kirtan**

Adults

Kirtan is call and response chanting accompanied by musical instruments.

This introductory workshop will be led by Lisa Bellamy.

Sat Jan 14 2:30-4:30 pm

**Family Game Night**

All Ages

Try some of the library's new Board Games or challenge a friend to a game of *Scrabble*. Open play.

Tue Jan 17 4:00-7:30 pm

**PAWS and Read! ⑥**

All Ages / See Dec 3 for detail

Thu Jan 19 6:30-7:30 pm

**Teen After Hours ⑥ ⑥**

Grades 6-12 / See Dec 16 for detail

Fri Jan 20 4:30-8:00 pm

**Digital Photography @ the Library ⑥**

Adults

The Harford County Photography Group presents a 10-20 minute tutorial and then a time of "Show and Tell." Topics are listed on the group's Meetup page. Learn more about technique, equipment, and best practices.

Mon Jan 23 6:30-8:00 pm

**Just Write Monthly: Dani Pettrey and Character Development**

Adults

A hands-on workshop in character development with author Dani Pettrey. Make your characters more vivid and believable with help from this best-selling author!

Tue Jan 24 6:30 pm

**Books on Tap: On Tour** Adults

Bold Titles, Refreshing Talk!

*The Lowland* by Jhumpa Lahiri

For location &amp; to register: Books on Tap Meetup or at the branch.

Mon Jan 24 6:30-8:00 pm

**Multicultural Book Club for Teens!** Grades 6-12

See Dec 28 for detail

Wed Jan 25 6:30-7:30 pm

**PAWS and Read! ⑥**

All Ages / See Dec 3 for detail

Sat Jan 28 10:30-11:30 am

**February****Family Paint Along ⑥ ⑥**

Grades K-5

Children will enjoy a story and work together with parents in a guided painting session to create a book-based acrylic painting. All supplies will be provided. Please wear clothes you don't mind getting messy.

Wed Feb 1 6:00-7:30 pm

**Havre de Grace Books by Night ⑥ Adults***Foreign Agent* by Brad Thor

Thu Feb 2 6:30-7:30 pm

**PAWS and Read! ⑥**

All Ages / See Dec 3 for detail

Thu Feb 2 6:30-7:30 pm

**Color Me Calm**

Adults / See Dec 2 for detail

Fri Feb 3 1:00-2:30 pm

**Dark Side of the Rainbow**

Adults

Come experience Dark Side of the Rainbow on the big screen! This is the cinematic pairing of the Pink Floyd album, *Dark Side of the Moon*, with the visuals of *The Wizard of Oz*. Feel free to bring a picnic style dinner to enjoy while you watch the movie.

Fri Feb 3 5:30-7:30 pm

**Chinese New Year Celebration & Stories ⑥**

Celebrate the Year of the Rooster and learn about the culture of China with a bilingual story time and craft.

Sat Feb 4 6:30-8:00 pm

**Havre de Grace Books on Tap**

Adults / See Dec 5 for detail

Mon Feb 6 6:30-8:00 pm

**Shakin' the Family Tree** Adults

A monthly meeting to discuss all things genealogy. Everyone welcome from beginners to seasoned explorers of your family tree.

Mon Feb 6 6:30-7:45 pm

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18 ⑥ = Registration required. Register online or by calling the branch. Begins two weeks prior to all children's programs. Always open! Check HCPLonline.org for program updates.

**STEM Voyagers - Wind and Air**

All Ages  
Listen to a book about wind and air and then explore the science of wind and air with experiments, crafts and activities related to the theme.  
Wed Feb 8 6:30-7:30 pm

**Havre de Grace Senior Center Book Club**

Adults  
*The Widow* by Fiona Barton  
The book club works with our librarian/facilitator to select books each quarter and then enjoy a lively discussion monthly at the Community Activities Center.  
Thu Feb 9 10:00-11:00 am

**Healthy Kids: First Aid & Safety**

Grades K-8  
Homeschool health science series for children. Learn about and practice first aid with tips for staying safe. Presented by Havre de Grace Ambulance Corps.  
Thu Feb 9 1:30-2:30 pm

**PAWS and Read!**

All Ages  
*See Dec 3 for detail*  
Sat Feb 11 10:30-11:30 am

**Black History and the Chesapeake Bay** Adults

Many stories abound of the role African Americans played on the waters of the Bay. Engage in this historical walk through.  
Sat Feb 11 2:00-3:00 pm

**Books on Tap: On Tour** Adults

Bold Titles, Refreshing Talk!  
*Warm Bodies* by Isaac Marion  
For location and to register: Books on Tap Meetup or at the branch.  
Tue Feb 14 6:30-8:00 pm

**PAWS and Read!**

All Ages / *See Dec 3 for detail*  
Thu Feb 16 6:30-7:30 pm

**Teen After Hours**

Grades 6-12 / *See Dec 16 for detail*  
Fri Feb 17 4:30-8:00 pm

**Recycling from the Craft Closet** All Ages

See what you can make from our odds and ends. Or bring items from your own "craft closet!"  
Sat Feb 18 10:30-11:30 am

**Family Game Night** All Ages

Try some of the library's new Board Games or challenge a friend to a game of Scrabble. Open play.  
Tue Feb 21 4:00-7:30 pm

**Multicultural Book Club for Teens!**

Grades 6-12  
*See Dec 28 for detail*  
Wed Feb 22 6:30-7:30 pm

**Academy Awards Throwback Thursday**

Adults  
Celebrate the Oscars in a Throwback Thursday kind of way by previewing and voting on your favorite movies from the past 80 years. Costumes and discussion welcome.  
Thu Feb 23 6:00-8:00 am

**PAWS and Read!**

All Ages  
*See Dec 3 for detail*  
Sat Feb 25 10:30-11:30 am

**Digital Photography @ the Library**

Adults  
The Harford County Photography Group presents a 10-20 minute tutorial and then a time of "Show and Tell." Topics are listed on the group's Meetup page. Learn more about technique, equipment, and best practices.  
Mon Feb 27 6:30-8:00 pm

**Just Write Monthly: Michele Chynoweth and Marketing for Authors** Adults

Marketing expert and author Michele Chynoweth takes you through a plan to get your work recognized and build your reader base.  
Tue Feb 28 6:30 pm

**Havre de Grace 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**

Fri Dec 23- Mon Dec 26  
Christmas Holiday  
Sun Jan 1-Mon Jan 2  
New Year's Holiday  
Mon Jan 16 M L King Jr. Day  
Mon Feb 20 Presidents' Day



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**I Love Havre de Grace Community Art Quilt**

The Havre de Grace Library is celebrating its first year in the new building by making an art quilt that showcases why the community loves Havre de Grace and the Library.

Get creative and tell us why you love Havre de Grace by creating a six inch quilt block to add to the quilt. Pieced and appliqued blocks are preferred, although artistic pieces created with fabric pens and dyes are also welcome.

Visit the Havre de Grace Library for an entry form.  
Submission deadline April 15, 2017

**Dec-Feb**

**Wiggles Story Time** 🖐️  
An energetic time for wiggly kids.  
Mondays 10:30-11:30 am

**Explorer Story Time** 🖐️  
An engaging time for curious kids.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 10:30-11:00 am

**Family & Friends Story Time** 🖐️  
A delightful time with something for everyone.  
Fridays 10:30-11:30 am

**December**

**Holiday Craft**  
All Ages / Stop by the Jarrettsville library this month to create a festive holiday craft!  
Dec 1-31

**Harford Writers' Group @ The Library**  
Adults / Share your writing with like-minded people and improve your craft! The Writers' Group critiques, motivates, shares experiences and knowledge, and propels your writing to the next level. Open to adults of all writing levels.  
<http://harfordwritersgroup.org/>  
Thu Dec 1 6:00-8:00 pm

**Baltimore Genealogy Group**  
Adults  
The Baltimore Genealogy Group meets each month to explore family history using a variety of resources.  
Thu Dec 22 6:30-8:00 pm

**January**

**Find the Hidden Object**  
Grades K-8  
Help us find the hidden object and receive a prize!  
Jan 1-31

**Flaming Baltimore: Memories of the Great 1904 Fire** 🧒  
All Ages  
The Great Baltimore Fire of 1904 and the People Who Remembered It allows us to see the fire through the eyes of the people who lived through it. Presented by Fire Museum of Maryland.  
Sun Jan 8 2:00 pm

**Jarrettsville Evening Book Discussion Group**  
Adults / Contact the branch for this month's selection.  
Mon Jan 9 6:30-7:30 pm

**Make Your Home Energy Efficient** Adults  
As heating and cooling expenses hit your pocketbook, learn what you can do to lower your bills. Presented by Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna's Repair Program.  
Tue Jan 10 6:30 pm

**PAWS and Read!** 🐾  
Grades K-5  
Is your child a shy or reluctant elementary reader with a love of dogs? If so, call the branch to register to read to a certified Pet Partners therapy dog.  
Sat Jan 14 11:00 am-1:00 pm

**Baltimore Genealogy Group**  
Adults  
See Dec 22 for detail  
Thu Jan 26 6:30-8:00 pm

**February**

**Find the Hidden Object**  
Grades K-8  
Help us find the hidden object and receive a prize!  
Feb 1-28

**Shall We Dance @ the Library** 🕺  
Adults  
A fun evening of dance instruction on swing and the hustle.  
Fri Feb 10 7:00-10:00 pm

**PAWS and Read!** 🐾  
Grades K-5  
See Jan 14 for detail  
Sat Feb 11 11:00 am-1:00 pm

**Jarrettsville Evening Book Discussion Group**  
Adults / Contact the branch for this month's selection.  
Mon Feb 13 6:30-7:30 pm

**Baltimore Genealogy Group**  
Adults  
See Dec 22 for detail  
Thu Feb 23 6:30-8:00 pm

**Teen After Hours** 📺  
Grades 6-12  
This is the night we open the Library just for teens! Watch a movie, play games, surf the net, and just relax and have FUN!  
Fri Feb 24 5:30-8:00 pm

**Jarrettsville Hours**

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

**Drive-thru Window**

410-692-7898  
Mon - Thu 9:00 am - 7:30 pm  
Fri & Sat 9:00 am - 4:30 pm  
Sun (Oct-Apr) 1:00 - 4:30 pm

**Holiday Closings**

Fri Dec 23- Mon Dec 26  
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**Embroidery at the Library**  
Adults / Bring your projects and even your machine to the library, and work on embroidery with this fun, crafty group.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 6:00-8:00 pm

**LEGO Club** 🧱  
Grades K-8 / We supply the LEGOs, you supply the imagination!  
1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday 6:00-7:30 pm

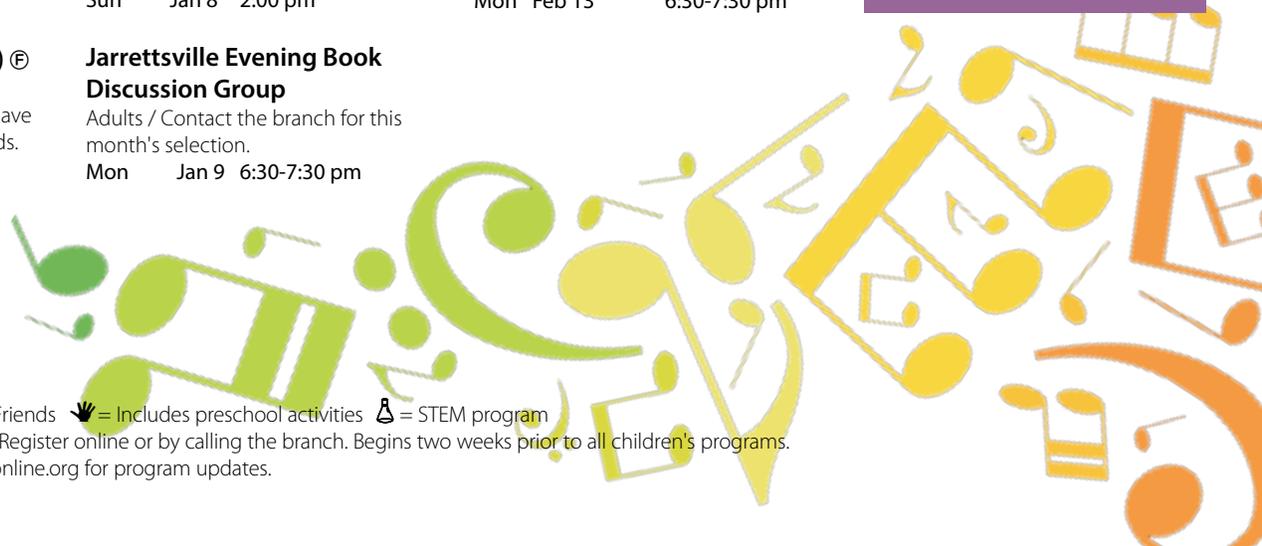
**Play Pinochle**  
Adults / Play Pinochle in a fun and relaxed setting.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 1:00-4:00 pm

**Preschool Playgroup** 🖐️  
Birth to 5 years  
Preschoolers are welcome with their caregivers.  
Wednesdays 10:30-11:30 am  
Except Dec 21, Jan 18, Feb 15

**Scrabblers** Adults  
Play this lively word game at the Library!  
1<sup>st</sup> Thursday 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!  
2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 4:00-5:00 pm

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📺 = Registration required. Register online or by calling the branch. Begins two weeks prior to all children's programs.  
Always open! Check HCPLonline.org for program updates.



**Dec-Feb**

**Lapsit Story Time**

A gentle time to bond with your child while they sit in your lap.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 10:00-10:30 am

**Wiggles Story Time** 🐾

An energetic time for wiggly kids.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 10:30-11:15 am

**Explorer Story Time** 🐾

An engaging time for curious kids.  
Tuesdays 10:30-11:15 am  
Dec 20, Jan 24, Feb 28

**Family & Friends Story Time** 🐾

A delightful time with something for everyone.  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday 10:30-11:15 am

**Genealogy Sharing**

Adults / Discuss topics of interest to the family genealogist.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 6:00-8:00 pm

**Knot Just Knitting** Adults

We also crochet, count stitches, and more! Beginner or expert, bring your latest hook and needle project and we'll share knowledge.  
Mondays 1:30-3:00 pm  
Dec 19, Jan 23, Feb 13

**TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)**

Grades 6-12  
Make a difference in the Library. Have your voice heard! Bring your friends. Make new ones!  
Saturdays 2:00-3:00 pm  
Dec 10, Jan 21, Feb 18

**Teen After Hours** Ⓜ Ⓟ

Grades 6-12  
This is the night we open the library just for teens! Teens can play games, listen to music and have fun while the library is closed.  
\*Please call the library to obtain the parent permission slip\*  
Fridays Dec 2, Jan 13, Feb 10  
5:00-8:00 pm

**Teen Time @ the Library** Ⓜ

Grades 6-12  
Hang out at the library! Play video and board games and have a great time with your friends!  
Tuesdays 4:00-5:30 pm

**Toddlers Create Art** 🐾

18 months to 3 years  
Enjoy a story and then explore basic art concepts and create simple art projects based on the story's theme.  
1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday 10:30-11:30 am

**Toddlers on the Move** 🐾

18 months to 3 years  
Enjoy a story and then explore basic music concepts and make music based on the story's theme.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday 10:30-11:00 am

**December**

**Watt Watchers** Ⓜ

Adults  
Looking for a more comfortable home and lower energy bills? BECOME A WATT WATCHER! Join us for two free energy workshop sessions.  
Thu Dec 1 6:00-8:00 pm

**Homeschool Fridays**

Grades K-5  
Topics may include: literature, music, art and health! Partnering with the Southern Harford Homeschool Co-Op.  
Fri Dec 2 10:30 am-noon

**Just Sew: Table Runner & Place Mats** Ⓜ Ⓟ

Grades K-8  
Come as a family and work together on these simple holiday home decor projects. Supply list available at the branch.  
Sat Dec 3 2:00 -5:00 pm

**Craft n' Go** Ⓜ Adults

Sit and complete a craft in a bag at the library and take home a finished project.  
Dec 5-10

**It's your turn** Ⓜ Adults

Enjoy a cup of coffee or tea as we play board games. Each month will feature either a traditional favorite or a popular, but lesser known board game.  
Mon Dec 5 1:00-2:00 pm

**Mittens for Munchkins** Ⓜ

Adults / Learn to knit mittens for local Joppatowne children. Those completed will be placed on the mitten tree and delivered to local elementary schools. Contact the branch for required needle information.  
Mon Dec 5 6:30-8:00 pm

**Paint Along** Ⓜ Ⓟ

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

**Watt Watchers** Ⓜ Adults

See Dec 1 for detail  
Thu Dec 8 6:00-8:00 pm

**Homeschool Fridays**

Grades K-5  
Topics may include: literature, music, art and health! Partnering with the Southern Harford Homeschool Co-Op.  
Fri Dec 9 10:30 am-noon

**Half-Day Fun: Create an Ornament** Ⓜ

Grades K-5  
Have a half day of school? Come to the library and make an ornament for yourself or a gift!  
Fri Dec 9 2:00-3:00 pm

**It's Your Move!**

Grades 6-12  
Join us as we play board games. Each month will feature either a traditional favorite or a popular, but lesser known board game.  
Sat Dec 10 3:00-4:00 pm

**Just Sew: Hats, Mittens & Scarves** Ⓜ Ⓟ

Grades K-8  
Come as a family and work together on these easy winter projects. Supply list available at branch.  
Mon Dec 12 5:00-8:00 pm

**Teen Cookie Decorating Wars** Ⓜ Ⓟ

Grades 6-12  
It's cookie vs. cookie in this ultimate decorating challenge. Who will be crowned cookie champ?  
Tue Dec 13 6:00-7:30 pm

**Holiday Open House** Ⓜ

All Ages  
Join all your friends and neighbors as we celebrate the holidays with music, art and refreshments. Winners of "Joppa is..." Community Art Show will be announced.  
Wed Dec 14 6:00-7:30 pm

**Ice and Decorate a Holiday Tree** All Ages

Ice and decorate a holiday tree.  
Wed Dec 14 7:00-8:00 pm

**Joppa Evening Book Discussion** Adults

Adults  
*Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail* by Cheryl Strayed  
Thu Dec 15 6:30-7:30 pm

**Homeschool Fridays**

Grades K-5 / See Dec 9 for detail  
Fri Dec 16 10:30 am-noon

**Elf Party** Ⓜ All Ages

Spread some ginormous holiday cheer with games and Buddy the Elf themed crafts while watching the movie *Elf*.  
Sat Dec 17 2:00-4:00 pm

**Booked for Lunch** Adults

*The Orphan Train*  
by Christine Baker Kline  
Mon Dec 19 noon-1:00 pm

**Knot Just Knitting** Adults

We also crochet, count stitches, and more! Beginner or expert, bring your latest hook and needle project and we'll share knowledge.  
Mon Dec 19 1:30-3:00 pm

**Winter Reading Kickoff** ⑥

Adults  
Sign up during the first day of Winter Reading and receive a treat!  
Wed Dec 21 10:00 am-8:00 pm

**Experiment and Explore:****Just for Teens** ⑥ ⑦ ⑧

Grades 6-12  
Join us for lots of science fun with hand-on experiments and exploration!  
Tue Dec 27 6:00-7:30 pm

**Holiday Bingo**

All Ages  
Play holiday-themed BINGO for fun and prizes!  
Thu Dec 29 2:00-2:30 pm

**Bricks and Flicks** ⑥ ⑧

All Ages  
Enjoy building with LEGO blocks while watching a family friendly movie. We supply the LEGOs and you supply the imagination!  
Fri Dec 30 2:00-4:00 pm

**January****Half Day Fun: Broom Hockey**

Grades K-5  
Have a half day of school? Come to the library and learn to play broom hockey.  
Fri Jan 6 2:00-3:00 pm

**I Want to Be Veterinarian!** ⑥

All Ages  
Discover what it is like to be a Veterinarian, through stories and exploration stations.  
Sat Jan 7 2:00-3:00 pm

**Craft n' Go** ⑥ Adults

Sit and complete a craft in a bag at the library and take home a finished project.  
Jan 9-14

**It's your turn** ⑥

Adults / See Dec 5 for detail  
Mon Jan 9 1:00-2:00 pm

**Experiment and Explore: Just for Teens** ⑥ ⑦ ⑧

Grades 6-12  
Join us for lots of science fun with hand-on experiments and exploration!  
Tue Jan 10 6:00-7:30 pm

**Crocheting and Knitting 101**

Adults  
Beginners, please bring size 8, 9 or 10 knitting needles or size H or I crochet hook and 200 yards of a worsted weight yarn in a lighter color. Our first project is a towel holder. Second project is a scarf. More advanced knitters/crocheters are welcome to join us to increase skills or sit and stitch.  
Thu Jan 12 6:30-8:00 pm

**Just Sew: Mending Class** ⑥ ⑦

Grades K-8  
Start 2017 off right with this New Year's Resolution mending class. Bring your mending and supplies and we'll learn how to repair zippers, tears, hems, buttons, the works!  
Sat Jan 14 2:00-5:00 pm

**Experiment and Explore: Sound** ⑥ ⑦ ⑧

18 months to 5 years  
Learn all about sound through fun stories, hands-on experiments and exploration.  
Tue Jan 17 10:30-11:30 am

**Preschool Yoga and Stories**

⑥ ⑦ ⑧ 3 to 5 years  
Exercise your bodies and minds as you learn Yoga stretches and enjoy books. Yoga teacher Donna Hinder will be introducing yoga exercises through hands-on fun. Wear comfortable, flexible clothing and socks. Space is limited.  
Wed Jan 18 1:00-1:45 pm

**Winter Reading Catch Up!**

Adults  
Come and share the latest books you have read. Our librarian will share the latest new books. Tea and coffee will be available.  
Thu Jan 19 1:00-2:00 pm

**Tea-logy** ⑥ ⑦

Adults  
The Tea Trolley will be serving tea and scones over a presentation of tea basics. Includes a brief overview of the history of tea development and traditions, and differences in types of tea and the best ways to brew them.  
Thu Jan 19 6:30-7:30 pm

**It's Your Move!**

Grades 6-12  
See Dec 10 for detail  
Sat Jan 21 3:00-4:00 pm

**Booked for Lunch**

Adults  
At the Edge of Summer by Jessica Brockmole  
Mon Jan 23 noon-1:00 pm

**Simple Sewing for Kids** ⑥ ⑦

All Ages  
Get creative and learn a new skill in this 3 week class while you make either a child's mermaid tail or shark tail blanket. Classes are fun, relaxing and informative. Children with an adult are welcome. Contact branch before 1st session for materials list and details.  
Mon Jan 23 5:00-8:00 pm

**Paint Along** ⑥ ⑦

Adults / See Dec 6 for detail  
Tue Jan 24 6:00-8:00 pm

**Preschool Yoga and Stories**

⑥ ⑦ ⑧ 3 to 5 years  
See Jan 18 for detail  
Wed Jan 25 1:00-1:45 pm

**Hands on STEM time** ⑥

Grades 3-5  
Want to have an adventure in science, or already have mad science skills? Join us for awesome hands-on experimentation. A different topic each session.  
Wed Jan 25 6:30-7:30 pm

**Joppa Evening Book**

**Discussion** Adults  
We Were Liars by E. Lockhart  
Thu Jan 26 6:30-7:30 pm

**Bricks and Flicks** ⑥ ⑧

All Ages / See Dec 30 for detail  
Sat Jan 28 2:00-4:00 pm

**Simple Sewing for Kids** ⑥ ⑦

All Ages / See Jan 23 for detail  
Mon Jan 30 5:00-8:00 pm

**Joppa Friends of HCPL**

**Meeting** ⑥ Adults  
Join the Friends! Support your library by volunteering for special projects and assisting with book sales that help fund Library programs and services.  
Mon Jan 30 6:00-8:00 pm

⑥ = Funded by the HCPL Friends ⑦ = Includes preschool activities ⑧ = STEM program

⑩ = Registration required. Register online or by calling the branch. Begins two weeks prior to all children's programs. Always open! Check HCPLonline.org for program updates.

**Play to Learn!** 🖐️

Birth to 5 years  
Children learn through play! Enjoy play-filled activities with your child that develop early learning and reading skills and receive information for playing and learning at home.

Tue Jan 31 10:30-11:30 am

**The Library Rocks!** 🎸 📖

Grades 6-12  
The library rocks--literally! Join us as we play Guitar Hero and make music-inspired crafts.

Tue Jan 31 6:00-7:00 pm

**February****Preschool Yoga and Stories**

📖 🧘 🖐️

3 to 5 years  
Exercise your bodies and minds as you learn Yoga stretches and enjoy books. Yoga teacher Donna Hinder will be introducing yoga exercises through hands-on fun. Wear comfortable, flexible clothing and socks. Space is limited.

Wed Feb 1 1:00-1:45 pm

**Just Sew: Mending Class** 📖 🧵

Grades K-8  
Start 2017 off right with this New Year's Resolution mending class. Bring your mending and supplies and we'll learn how to repair zippers, tears, hems, buttons, the works!

Thu Feb 2 5:00-8:00 pm

**Half-Day Fun: Acts of Kindness** 📖

Grades K-5  
Have a half day of school? Come to the library and create a project which will help to spread kindness throughout the community!

Fri Feb 3 2:00-3:00 pm

**I Want to Be a Police Officer!** 📖

All Ages  
Discover what it is like to be a Police Officer, through stories and exploration stations.

Sat Feb 4 2:00-3:00 pm

**Craft n' Go** 📖

Adults  
Sit and complete a craft in a bag at the library and take home a finished project.

Feb 5-11

**It's your turn** 📖

Adults / See Dec 5 for detail  
Mon Feb 6 1:00-2:00 pm

**Simple Sewing for Kids** 📖 🧵

All Ages / See Jan 23 for detail  
Mon Feb 6 5:00-8:00 pm

**Potato Chips - The Marvelous Invention of George Crum** 📖 🍟

Grades 6-12  
Celebrate Black History Month and African American potato chip inventor, George Crum as we sample and vote for our favorite potato chip variety. For teens.

Tue Feb 7 6:00-7:00 pm

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

📖 All Ages  
It's a win-win. Get yourself a book and support upcoming programs and services at the Joppa Branch. Join the Friends and select your purchases during the Member's Preview Sale.

Wed Feb 8 6:00-8:00 pm

**Joppa Friends of the Library Book Sale** 📖

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

Feb 9-11

**Crocheting and Knitting 101**

Adults / See Jan 12 for detail  
Thu Feb 9 6:30-8:00 pm

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Buy a book and support the Library! All proceeds of our annual book sale go to future programs and services at the Joppa Branch.

Mon Feb 13 10:00 am-8:00 pm

**Booked for Lunch**

Adults  
*Like Dandelion Dust*  
by Karen Kingsbury  
Mon Feb 13 noon-1:00 pm

**Preschool Yoga and Stories**

📖 🧘 🖐️ 3 to 5 years  
See Jan 18 for detail  
Wed Feb 15 1:00-1:45 pm

**Hands on STEM time** 🧪 📖

Grades 3-5  
Want to have an adventure in science, or already have mad science skills? Join us for awesome hands-on experimentation. A different topic each session.

Wed Feb 15 6:30-7:30 pm

**Just Sew: Mending Class** 📖 🧵

Grades K-8  
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Thu Feb 16 5:00-8:00 pm

**It's Your Move- Live Edition!**

Grades 6-12  
Become the hippo during this life-size version of the popular 1980's game.

Sat Feb 18 3:00-4:00 pm

**Experiment and Explore:**

**Weather** 📖 🧪 🖐️  
18 months to 5 years  
Learn all about weather through fun stories, hands-on experiments and exploration.

Tue Feb 21 10:30-11:30 am

**Preschool Yoga and Stories**

📖 🧘 🖐️ 3 to 5 years  
See Jan 18 for detail  
Wed Feb 22 1:00-1:45 pm

**Baltimore's African American Heritage** 📖

Adults  
In honor of Black History Month, Wayne Schaumburg will look at African Americans who made their mark in Baltimore.

Wed Feb 22 6:30-8:00 pm

**Joppa Evening Book Discussion**

Adults  
Thu Feb 23 6:30-7:30 pm

**Family Paint Along** 📖 🎨

All Ages  
Families will follow an instructor, working together to create a beautiful acrylic masterpiece. Please wear clothes you feel comfortable painting in. All necessary supplies will be provided.

Sat Feb 25 2:00-4:00 pm

**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**

Fri Dec 23- Mon Dec 26  
Christmas Holiday  
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New Year's Holiday  
Mon Jan 16 M L King Jr. Day  
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# CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY

## Speeches of Martin Luther King

Grades 9-Adults

Listen to highlights of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s most famous speeches. Discuss their relevancy in today's times.

Havre de Grace

Tuesday, January 10 6:30-7:30 pm

## Celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day ☺

All Ages

Celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day by making and displaying a Peace Dove. Activity available in branch January 17-31. Join us on the 15th to kick off the celebration!

Aberdeen

Sunday, January 15 2:00-3:00 pm

## I have a Dream/ Martin Luther King Day Crafts

Grades K-5

Join us to make crafts symbolic of Martin Luther King's message - that all colors of people are equal.

Edgewood

Tuesday, January 17 5:00-6:00 pm

## Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Book

**Dedication** Adults

Each February, members of the Iota Nu chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity make a presentation of books to the library and host a speaker.

Abingdon

Saturday, February 4 10:30 am

## Black History and the Chesapeake Bay

☺ Adults

Many stories abound of the role African Americans played on the waters of the Bay. Engage in this historical walk through.

Havre de Grace

Saturday, February 11 2:00-3:00 pm

## Baltimore Unrest: The Holy Week Uprising 1968

Adults

In the spring of 1968, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated. Dr. Peter Levy examines uprisings that took place across the United States, with a special focus on the one that took place in Baltimore, Maryland, which played a crucial role in the rise of Spiro Agnew as a national symbol of the New Right.

Aberdeen

Sunday, February 12 2:00 pm

## Science Club: African American

**Inventors** ☺ ☺ ☺

Grades K-8

Explore the science, inventions, and innovations of great African American scientists and inventors.

Aberdeen

Wednesday, February 15 6:00 pm

## Baltimore's African American Heritage

☺ Adults

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Joppa

Wednesday, February 22 6:30-8:00 pm

## Potato Chips - The Marvelous Invention of George Crum ☺ ☺

Grades 6-12

Celebrate Black History Month and African American potato chip inventor, George Crum as we sample and vote for our favorite potato chip variety.

Bel Air

Thursday, February 23 3:30-5:00 pm

Joppa

Tuesday, February 7 6:00-7:00 pm



Check out a pass for free admission to the Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African American History & Culture!



The **Lewis** through the **Library**  
*free museum admission for library customers*

**REGINALD F. LEWIS MUSEUM**  
of Maryland African American History & Culture

830 East Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD 21202  
(443) 263-1800 [www.LewisMuseum.org](http://www.LewisMuseum.org)

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# BOOKS ON TAP

EAT, DRINK, AND DISCUSS: FOR ADULTS  
6:30-8:00 PM

## @ THE GREENE TURTLE 1113 BEARDS HILL ROAD, ABERDEEN

MONDAY, DEC 12 AS YOU WISH BY CAREY ELWES  
MONDAY, JAN 9 BRING YOUR FAVORITE NON-FICTION/ BIOGRAPHY  
MONDAY, FEB 13 SEINFELDIA BY JENNIFER ARMSTRONG

## @ PAIRINGS BISTRO 2105 LAUREL BUSH ROAD, BEL AIR

MONDAY, JAN 23 THE INVENTION OF WINGS BY SUE MONK KIDD  
MONDAY, FEB 27 COMMONWEALTH BY ANN PATCHETT

## @ SEAN BOLAN'S 12 S. MAIN STREET, BEL AIR

TUESDAY, DEC 6 WILDE LAKE BY LAURA LIPPMAN  
TUESDAY, JAN 3 A VISIT FROM THE GOOD SQUAD BY JENNIFER EGAN  
TUESDAY, FEB 7 MARCH BY JOHN LEWIS, ANDREW AYDIN & NATE POWELL

## @ MAGERK'S 120 S. BOND STREET, BEL AIR

TUESDAY, DEC 20 BRING YOUR FAVORITE BOOK FROM THIS YEAR TO DISCUSS  
TUESDAY, JAN 17 THE MAGIC STRINGS OF FRANKIE PRESTO BY MITCH ALBOM  
TUESDAY, FEB 21 THE COLOR OF WATER BY JAMES MCBRIDE

## @ LAURRAPIN 209 N. WASHINGTON STREET, HAVRE DE GRACE

MONDAY, DEC 5 HEROES OF THE FRONTIER BY DAVE EGGERS  
MONDAY, JAN 9 CHOOSE YOUR OWN MUSICIAN'S BIOGRAPHY  
MONDAY, FEB 6 THE PORTABLE VEBLER BY ELIZABETH MCKENZIE

## @ FALLING BRANCH BREWERY 825 HIGHLAND ROAD, STREET, MD 21154

\*\*PLEASE NOTE TIME IS 6:30-7:00 PM FOR THIS LOCATION\*\*

SATURDAY, JAN 21 LAST BUS TO WISDOM BY IVAN DOIG  
SATURDAY, FEB 11 A MAN CALLED OVE BY FREDERIK BACKMAN

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### HOW TO REGISTER

CLICK... VISIT OUR MEETUP PAGE: [MEETUP.COM/HCPL-BOOKS-ON-TAP](https://www.meetup.com/hcpl-books-on-tap)  
OR CALL... YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY BRANCH



**Dec-Feb**

**Family & Friends Story Time** 🖐

A delightful time with something for everyone. See page 6 for detail  
Wednesdays 10:30-11:15 am

**Wiggles Story Time** 🖐

An energetic time for wiggly kids.  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays 10:30-11:15 am

**December**

**Norrisville Friends Book Sale Preview**

All Ages  
Friends members only.  
Thu Dec 1 5:00-8:00 pm

**Norrisville Friends Book Sale**

All Ages  
Fri Dec 2 10:00 am-5:00 pm  
Sat Dec 3 10:00 am-2:00 pm

**Half-day Fun: Winter Wonderland** 📄 📄

Grades K-5  
Have a half-day of school? Come to the library and make something cool! Join us for winter-themed crafts and a scavenger hunt.  
Fri Dec 9 2:00-3:00 pm

**PAWS and Read!** 📄 📄

All Ages  
Get cozy with our doggy volunteers and read a good book...or five. Volunteers and therapy pets are from PAWS for Reading.  
Sat Dec 10 11:00 am-noon

**Holiday Open House** 📄

All Ages / Celebrate the holiday season with crafts, refreshments, and a special musical performance by the Norrisville Elementary 4th and 5th Grade Chorus.  
Tue Dec 13 5:30-8:00 pm

**B.Y.O.G: Bring Your Own Games Night** 📄 📄

Adults  
Bring your favorite tabletop games (and some friends) and enjoy some light refreshments.  
Wed Dec 14 6:00-8:00 pm

**Paws and Read!** 📄 📄

All Ages / See Dec 10 for detail  
Thu Dec 15 6:30-7:30 pm

**Norrisville Book Discussion Group**

Adults  
*The Hired Girl* by Laura Amy Schlitz  
Mon Dec 19 10:30-11:30 am

**LEGO Club** 📄 📄 📄

Grades K-8 / We supply the LEGOs. You supply the imagination!  
Mon Dec 19 5:00-6:30 pm

**January**

**Norrisville Friends of HCPL Meeting**

Adults  
Attend this meeting to find out how you can support the Library as a volunteer and advocate.  
Tue Jan 10 7:00-8:00 pm

**Paws and Read!** 📄 📄

All Ages / See Dec 10 for detail  
Thu Jan 12 6:30-7:30 pm

**CSI Baltimore: John French**

Adults  
Want to know what really happens when the crime-scene experts show up? Then you won't want to miss John French, a crime-scene supervisor for the Baltimore Police Department's Crime Scene Unit.  
Sat Jan 14 1:00 pm

**B.Y.O.G: Bring Your Own Games Night** 📄 📄

Adults  
Bring your favorite tabletop games (and some friends) and enjoy some light refreshments.  
Wed Jan 18 6:00-8:00 pm

**Paws and Read!** 📄 📄

All Ages / See Dec 10 for detail  
Sat Jan 21 11:00 am-noon

**Norrisville Book Discussion Group**

Adults  
*King Lear* by William Shakespeare  
Mon Jan 23 10:30-11:30 am

**LEGO Club** 📄 📄 📄

Grades K-8 / We supply the LEGOs. You supply the imagination!  
Mon Jan 23 5:00-6:30 pm

**TAG! (Teen Advisory Group)** 📄

Grades 6-12  
Make a difference in the Library. Have your voice heard! Bring your friends and make new ones!  
Fri Jan 27 5:00-6:00 pm

**Teen After Hours** 📄 📄

Grades 6-12  
This is the night we open the library just for teens to play games, surf the net, do crafts and enjoy snacks of course!  
Fri Jan 27 6:00-7:00 pm

**February**

**Half-Day Fun: Hearts and Crafts** 📄 📄

Grades K-5  
Have a half-day of school? Come to the library and make something cool! Join us for Valentine's Day crafts and a scavenger hunt.  
Fri Feb 3 2:00-3:00 pm

**DIY Sock Monsters** 📄

Grades 6-12  
Are your old socks beginning to growl? It's time to gather them up - but not to throw them away! Give those old socks new life using buttons, ribbons, glitter, etc and transform them into cute/scary/funny monsters. All supplies (other than socks) will be included.  
Thu Feb 9 6:30-7:30 pm

**Paws and Read!** 📄 📄

All Ages / See Dec 10 for detail  
Thu Feb 9 6:30-7:30 pm

**LEGO Club** 📄 📄 📄

Grades K-8  
We supply the LEGOs. You supply the imagination!  
Mon Feb 13 5:00-6:30 pm

**B.Y.O.G: Bring Your Own Games Night** 📄 📄

Adults  
See Dec 14 for detail  
Wed Feb 15 6:00-8:00 pm

**Aging in the Community**

Adults & Seniors  
Stay safe, independent and in your home longer with easy do-it-yourself home improvements. Learn about the many home safety equipment and devices readily available, as well as resources that can help you safely grow older in your community. Presented by Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna's Repair Program  
Thu Feb 16 6:30 pm

**Paws and Read!** 📄 📄

All Ages / See Dec 10 for detail  
Sat Feb 18 11:00 am-noon

**Coffee and Canvas** 📄 📄

Adults  
Awaken your inner artist and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea as you create your own acrylic painting. Please bring your own smock. All other art supplies will be provided.  
Thu Feb 23 6:00-7:30 pm

**Norrisville Book Discussion Group**

Adults  
*West with the Night* by Beryl Markham  
Mon Feb 27 10:30-11:30 am

**Norrisville 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

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# Romancing the Chrome

# 6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CAR SHOW

Saturday, April 22, 2017 10:00 am-4:00 pm

Jarrett's Field: 3719 Norrisville Road (Across from the Jarrettsville Library)

- Trophies & Prizes Awarded
- 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Place for each class,
  - Best in Class \$75 (1<sup>st</sup> Place)
  - Best in Show Award \$500!



Free Admission, Contests, Vendors,  
Beer Garden, Pit Beef & More!

Rain Date: Saturday, April 29

Day-of Registration: \$20, 8-10 am  
Pre-Registration: \$15 until 4/15

Rain Date: Saturday, April 29



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## Practical Parenting in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

### Practical Parenting Series



#### Practical Parenting: Greg Toppo

Greg has a great career writing about education and learning. He broke several stories for USA Today about No-Child-Left-Behind and cheating in public schools. Lately, he has been investigating kids and video games, which are becoming an unstoppable cultural force. The result is *The Game Believes in You*.

Offered in partnership with the Harford County Local Management Board and Harford County Government.

Bel Air Thursday, December 1  
6:30 pm

The following programs are offered in partnership with



### Parenting in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

Join Rachel Leach and Laura Hutton as they discuss professional, educational, and personal experiences in parenting children in Harford County, Maryland.

#### Navigating the Special Education System

Does your child have an IEP or Section 504 plan? Are you concerned about your child's academic performance? Learn about how the special education system works, receive advice on how to best advocate for your child, and meet representatives from organizations within Harford County who can assist you in navigating the special education process.

Abingdon Saturday, December 3 2:00-4:00 pm

#### Pregnancy and Infancy

Parenting starts before your child is even born. Learn how to prepare to be the parent of an infant and gain insight on how to navigate the world of having a baby.

Aberdeen Saturday, January 7 2:00-4:00 pm

#### Handling Behavior and Misbehavior

How do you address your child's behavior when there are so many factors affecting it (stress, impulsivity, and maturity to name a few)? Explore a variety of strategies you can add to your "bag of tricks" to help reduce your child's misbehavior.

Bel Air Saturday, January 21 2:00-4:00 pm

## Dec-Feb

### Wiggles Story Time 🐾

An energetic time for wiggly kids.

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

### Family & Friends Story

**Time 🐾** A delightful time with something for everyone.

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

### Bridge Group

Adults

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

**Thursdays 1:00-4:00 pm**

### Genealogy Basics

Adults

Learn the basics of family history research and how to use free online resources, including Ancestry Library Edition. Contact the branch for an appointment.

**Dec 1- Feb 28 Library hours**

### Genealogy Discussion Group

Adults

Discuss topics of interest to the serious genealogist. Those new to genealogy should take Genealogy Basics.

**1<sup>st</sup> Thursday 6:30-8:00 pm**

### Sew Sisters

Adults

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

**2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday 10:00 am-4:00 pm**

### TAG! (Teen Advisory Group) ⑥

Grades 6-12

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

**2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday 3:30-5:00 pm**

Except Dec

### Call for Community Artists!

High School & Adults

Are you a local artist who would like to display your work at the Whiteford Library during the month of February? We are having a Community Art Show in February and would love to display your creations. We will be accepting art pieces for display from January 16-23.

Please call the branch for details.

**Dec 1-Jan 23**

## December

### Holiday Movie Marathon

All Ages

Get in the holiday spirit! Watch just for a few minutes or stay all day! We will be featuring family friendly holiday films shown in our meeting room on the big screen.

**Sat Dec 3 10:30 am-4:00 pm**

### North Harford Friends of the Library Holiday Open House ⑥

All Ages

Start your holidays off right by coming to the North Harford Friends of the Library Holiday Open House and quilt raffle. A lucky winner will go home with the lovely quilt "Rectangle Trip Around the World." There will also be door prizes and refreshments to get you in the holiday spirit.

**Mon Dec 5 3:00-5:00 pm**

### Whiteford Book Discussion

Adults

Bring a book to share.

**Wed Dec 7 3:00-4:00 pm**

### American Girl Holiday Celebration ⑧ ⑥

Grades K-5

Let's celebrate the holidays with our favorite American Girl characters. See how traditions have changed over the years and meet some new friends.

**Thu Dec 8 4:00-5:00 pm**

### Teen After Hours:

#### Let's Get Ugly!

Grades 6-12

Let's see who can create the ugliest holiday garment! Prizes awarded!

**Fri Dec 9 6:00-7:30 pm**

### Discovery Zone: Mini

#### Gingerbread Houses ⑧ ⑥

Grades K-8

Build with us! Learn some basic engineering principles and build a mini gingerbread structure using graham crackers and icing. Bring a bag of decorating candies to share.

**Fri Dec 9 2:00-3:00 pm**

## January

### PAWS and Read! ⑥

Grades K-5 / Register your elementary reader to read to a furry and friendly certified therapy dog from Pets on Wheels. Please call the Whiteford Branch for details and to register at 410-638-3608 or 410-452-8831.

**Wed Jan 4 5:30-7:30 pm**

### Discovery Zone: Snowflake Science ⑧

Grades K-8

Why are no two snowflakes alike? Why do they have six sides? Explore the science & art of snowflakes with us.

**Fri Jan 6 2:00-3:00 pm**

### PAWS and Read! ⑥

Grades K-5 / See Jan 4 for detail

**Sat Jan 7 10:30 am-12:30 pm**

### North Harford Middle School Art Show Reception

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

**Mon Jan 9 6:30-7:30 pm**

### Harford County Wildlife

#### Photography ⑧

Adults

Join Eden Mill Naturalist Frank Marsden for a lively discussion about the hidden treasures of Harford County as he shares his 26 years of wildlife photography with us.

**Thu Jan 12 6:30-8:00 am**

### Teen After Hours: Short Film

Basics Grades 6-12

We will share with you tips and tricks how to make short films with a variety of tools including stop motion animation, just in time for the *FilmThis!* contest in March.

**Fri Jan 13 6:00-7:00 pm**

### Home School Club

Grades K-8

Local home school families, the library is open just for you to use. Join us for a variety of educational and fun activities!

**Tue Jan 17 11:30 am-1:00 pm**

### English Paper Piecing Fabric Fun ⑧ ⑥

Adults

Looking for a fun portable fabric project to do in front of the fireplace or television, while in a waiting room or on your lunch break? Learn the relaxing art of English Paper Piecing to make projects from pincushions to quilts and everything in between. Hand sewing skills recommended.

**Tue Jan 17 6:00-8:00 pm**

### PAWS and Read! ⑥

Grades K-5 / See Jan 4 for detail

**Wed Jan 18 5:30-7:30 pm**

**Sat Jan 21 10:30 am-12:30 pm**

### Seed Swap

Adults

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

**Sat Jan 21 1:00-3:00 pm**

### Books on Tap

Adults

Books on Tap North County Edition! Come get acquainted, meet some other book lovers and taste some delicious beers from Falling Branch Brewery. This month's book is *Last Bus to Wisdom* by Ivan Doig.

**Sat Jan 21 5:30-7:00 pm**

### Knitting Generations ⑧

Family

Learn to knit or bring your current project and knit with us. Beginners should bring size 8,9, or 10 knitting needles and 200 yards worsted yarn. Learn a new skill or pass one along!

**Tue Jan 24 6:30-7:45 pm**

### Whiteford Book Discussion

Adults

*The Muralist* by Barbara Shapiro

**Wed Jan 25 3:00-4:00 pm**

⑥ = Funded by the HCPL Friends 🐾 = Includes preschool activities ⑧ = STEM program

28 ⑧ = Registration required. Register online or by calling the branch. Begins two weeks prior to all children's programs. Always open! Check HCPLonline.org for program updates.

**February**

**PAWS and Read!** ⓘ

Grades K-5 / See Jan 4 for detail  
Wed Feb 1 5:30-7:30 pm

**Discovery Zone: For the Birds**

ⓘ Grades K-8  
Celebrate International Bird Feeding Month by learning about our feathered friends and crafting a one-of-a-kind birdfeeder out of recycled materials.  
Fri Feb 3 2:00-3:00 pm

**PAWS and Read!** ⓘ

Grades K-5 / See Jan 4 for detail  
Sat Feb 4 10:30 am-12:30 pm

**Community Art Show**

**Reception** All Ages  
Celebrate our Community Artists and their creations. Join us to meet the artists!  
Mon Feb 6 6:30-7:30 pm

**Love is in the Air!**

**Romance Author Panel**  
Adults / Five best-selling romance authors add heat to our February! Join authors Rebecca York, Catherine Asaro, Lisa Kamps, Diane Cosby, and Alix Rickloff for a rousing conversation on romance! Books will be for sale and signing.  
Thu Feb 9 6:30-8:00 pm

**Teen After Hours: Chocolate Taste-Off**

Grades 6-12  
Think you can taste the difference between Hershey's, Nestles, Mars or even Godiva? Put your taste buds to the test!  
Fri Feb 17 6:00-7:30 pm

**Books on Tap** Adults

Books on Tap North County Edition! Come get acquainted, meet some other book lovers and taste some delicious beers from Falling Branch Brewery. This month's book is *A Man Called Ove* by Frederik Backman.  
Sat Feb 11 5:30-7:00 pm

**PAWS and Read!** ⓘ

Grades K-5 / See Jan 4 for detail  
Wed Feb 15 5:30-7:30 pm  
Sat Feb 18 10:30 am-12:30 pm

**Home School Club**

Grades K-8 / Local home school families, the library is open just for you to use. Join us for a variety of educational and fun activities!  
Tue Feb 21 11:30 am-1:00 pm

**Whiteford Book Discussion**

Adults  
*Guests on Earth* by Lee Smith  
Wed Feb 22 3:00-4:00 pm

**Grow It Eat It: Garden Design with Master Gardeners**

Adults  
Are you new to gardening and are faced with your first garden design? Or are you an experienced gardener who needs some fresh ideas? Master Gardener Ellen Post will share her great tips for getting the garden of our dreams.  
Thu Feb 23 6:30-8:00 pm

**Knitting Generations** ⓘ

Family  
Learn to knit or bring your current project and knit with us. Beginners should bring size 8,9, or 10 knitting needles and 200 yards worsted yarn. Learn a new skill or pass one along!  
Tue Feb 28 6:30-7:45 pm

**Whiteford 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**

Fri Dec 23- Mon Dec 26  
Christmas Holiday  
Sun Jan 1-Mon Jan 2  
New Year's Holiday  
Mon Jan 16 M L King Jr. Day  
Mon Feb 20 Presidents' Day



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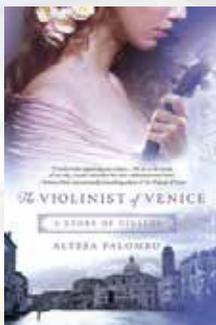
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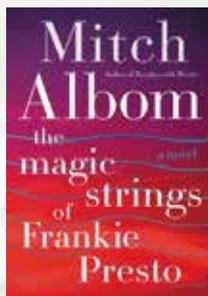
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Join in Winter Reading 2017! See page 17 for details*

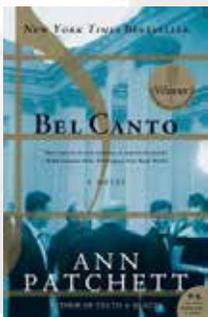
## For Adult Readers:



**The Violinist of Venice**  
by Alyssa Polombo  
The story of the fictional love affair between the famous composer, Vivaldi, and one of his students. Music, history, and passion all combine to make this a gripping tale of forbidden love.



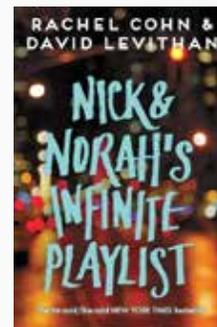
The magical world of music is revealed in Mitch Albom's **The Magic Strings of Frankie Presto**. Legendary fictional guitarist Frankie Presto was a man whose life and music changed the lives of people all over the world.



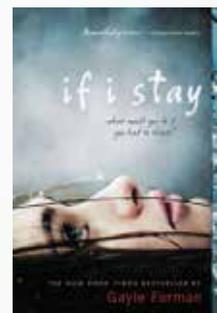
**Bel Canto** by Ann Patchett  
When a world class opera singer is taken hostage by terrorists as she performs at an international event, she uses her voice to appease her captors and to comfort her fellow hostages. Music becomes her only means of communication, and possibly her freedom.

## For Teen Readers:

**Nick & Nora's Infinite Playlist**  
by Rachel Cohn  
Nick, a high school student and rock band member, convinces fellow teen Norah to pretend to be his girlfriend in order to avoid an ex-girlfriend. What Nick swears will only last five minutes turns into something more in one crazy music-filled night.



**If I Stay** by Gayle Forman  
Mila, a gifted teenage cellist, is in limbo in a coma after surviving an auto accident that claimed both her parents and brother. She must decide if she is strong enough to cope with her unimaginable grief and face the music of rebuilding her life after this tragedy.



**Just Listen** by Sarah Dessen  
Socially isolated sixteen-year-old Annabel finds solace in a music-loving classmate after a party that forever altered her life and relationships. The healing power of music and new friendship allows Annabel to come to terms with what happened to her.



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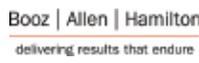
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