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<u>Capture the Flag: Harford County Public Library Offers an</u> <u>Ethical Hacking Cybersecurity Competition</u>

Bel Air Library hosts the event on November 3

Bel Air, Md., October 3, 2018 -- Harford County Public Library offers Capture the Flag, an ethical hacking cybersecurity competition for prizes, on November 3 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Bel Air Library, 100 East Pennsylvania Avenue. The event is free of charge.

Participants will use various hacking tools, coding skills and puzzle solving to work through puzzles, locate strings of code and score points for their team. Entry-level participants, from high school students to college students, may form a team or join one and must register in advance at magicinc.org/our-events. Space is limited, so early registration is recommended.

Capture the Flag events are based on content developed by Johns Hopkins and extended and modified by Mid-Atlantic Gigabit Innovation Collaboratory (MAGIC).

"Our customers who participate in Capture the Flag will have an incredible day," said Mary Hastler, CEO of Harford County Public Library. "Cybersecurity is an important part of our county's workforce, and this activity will bring it to life in a safe and exciting way for all involved to experience."

Harford County Public Library operates 11 branches located throughout Harford County. The library serves more than 194,000 registered borrowers of all ages and has an annual circulation of more than 4.7 million. Harford County Public Library is the recipient of a 2018 Graphic Design USA American Inhouse Design Award. For more information, visit hcplonline.org.



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