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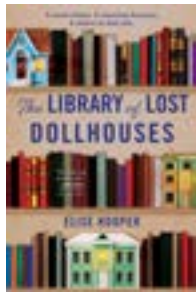
To Be Read Author Series

ELISE HOOPER

Online through StreamYard,
YouTube, and Facebook



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Monday, 11/10 at 6:30 PM

Adults. Join CCPL and *Two Sides to the Story* podcast for an online author talk with Elise Hooper. A native New Englander, Elise Hooper spent several years writing for television and online news outlets before getting an MA and teaching high school literature and history. Her debut novel, *The Other Alcott*, was a nominee for the 2017 Washington Book Award. Three more novels—*Learning to See*, *Fast Girls*, and *Angels of the Pacific*—followed, all centered on the lives of extraordinary but overlooked historical women. Her latest book, *The Library of Lost Dollhouses*, is inspired by a dollhouse that's been in her family for five generations.



Cost: Free

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JAMIE BRENNER

In person at Exploration Commons
50 East Main Street



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Thursday, 11/13 at 6:30 PM

Adults. Meet Jamie Brenner and hear about her latest novel, *The Weekend Crashers*, a humorous and poignant story about love, second chances, and the unyielding bonds between mothers and daughters during a knitting retreat. Jamie Brenner is the bestselling author of seven novels, including *The Forever Summer* and *Blush*. She spends her winters writing in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, and her summers visiting the beach towns that inspire her books. An author talk will be followed by a book signing and book sales. Presented by Carroll County Public Library and Park Books on Main.



Cost: Free

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Presented by Lou Giles

HOURS & HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Monday – Thursday 9 AM – 8 PM

Friday & Saturday 9 AM – 5 PM

CCPL will be closed on

Tuesday, 11/11 for Veterans Day

Wednesday, 11/26 at 12 PM through
Friday, 11/28 for Thanksgiving

Check library.carr.org for weather-related closings and program updates.

The library is committed to making programs available to everyone. Persons requiring assistance are encouraged to discuss needs with a librarian. Children 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

We often take photos and videos at the library to document library activities and share with our community. If you or your child do not wish to be in a photo or video, please tell a librarian.

ELDERSBURG BRANCH

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Goldilocks and the Three Bears Puppet Show

Saturday, 11/1 at 10 AM

Monday, 11/3 at 9:30 AM and 6:30 PM

Ages 3 - 12. Goldilocks is off to get her mom some flour from the store. Should she go the long way or take the shortcut and risk running into bears?

Robot Pumpkin Smash

Saturday, 11/1 at 3 PM

Ages 4 - Adults. Join the Robo-Lions, a team of students, as they fire up their robots for Robot Pumpkin Smash! This program is a collaboration between PIE3 (Partnership in Inspiration for Engineering Education and Entrepreneurship), Robo-Lions, and Carroll County Public Library.

This is one of many Maryland STEM Festival events being held around the state.

It's All Fun & Games To Me

Mondays at 1 PM • 11/3 - 11/24

Adults. Join us on Monday afternoons to play games and meet new people.

Make Bookmarks for South Carroll Senior Center

Tuesday, 11/4 at 2 PM

Ages 12 - 17. Decorate bookmarks for the South Carroll Senior Center's library! Teens will earn service hours by participating in this program!

Knit and Chat

Tuesday, 11/4 at 6 PM

Ages 8 - Adults. Join us for this monthly meet-up with other knitters of all ages to relax, knit, get ideas for projects, and more.

Youth Community Service Group

Tuesdays at 6:30 PM • 11/4, 11/18

Ages 12 - 18. Connect with your community and earn service learning hours while collaborating on projects that will benefit Eldersburg and beyond.

Writing Group

Wednesdays at 9:15 AM • 11/5 - 11/26

Adults. Writers of all levels and genres are invited to join our weekly writing group.

Ask the Department of Human Services (DHS)!

Wednesday, 11/5 from 9:30 - 11:30 AM

Adults. Staff from the Carroll County Department of Social Services will be available to share community resources and DSS services.

Social workers are unable to provide clinical and therapeutic services, direct financial support, or make eligibility determinations.

Senior Planet: Intro to Estate Planning Resources & Tools

Wednesday, 11/5 at 2 PM • Registration opens 10/22

Adults. In this lecture, you'll get an overview of some common documents found in an estate plan. We'll also cover some free or low-cost resources and digital tools to help you get started with a simple estate plan. All attendees need to register.

LEGO® Builders Club

Wednesday, 11/5 at 4:30 PM

Ages 6 - 12. Join us for a LEGO® program where you tackle a new design each time! We supply the bricks, and you supply the creativity!

Eldersburg Hooked on Crochet

Wednesdays at 6 PM • 11/5 - 11/19

Mondays at 12:30 PM • 11/10, 11/24

Ages 12 - Adults. Join this friendly crochet group open to beginners and experienced crocheters alike.

Spanish Language Practice Circle

Thursdays at 10 AM • 11/6, 11/20

Adults. Join us for a friendly and informal group gathering to practice speaking Spanish together. A partner from The Literacy Council of Carroll County will lead this program.

Fun with LEGO® Sumo-Bots

Thursday, 11/6 at 4:15 PM • Registration opens 10/23

Ages 8 - 12. Come see how robots compete in a sumo-style match. This workshop will be guided by the coach and members of the Pie3 robotic team, Gear Freaks.

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Gentle Yoga

Thursday, 11/6 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 10/23

Thursday, 11/13 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 10/30

Adults. This gentle yoga class allows students of various abilities and physical conditions to develop their yoga practice comfortably. No experience is necessary. All attendees need to register.

Yoga with Meditation

Friday, 11/7 at 10 AM • Registration opens 10/24

Monday, 11/10 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 10/27

Friday, 11/21 at 10 AM • Registration opens 11/7

Monday, 11/24 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 11/10

Adults. Experience the many benefits of yoga and meditation. This class, taught by Rebecca Berg, welcomes students of all levels. All attendees need to register.

Carroll County Health Department's Health on Wheels Mobile Services

Friday, 11/7 from 10 AM - 12 PM

All Ages. Health on Wheels will offer a range of services, including reproductive health services, HIV and Hepatitis C testing, blood pressure screening, smoking cessation, Naloxone training, peer support services, assistance with vaccines, and more. Not all services will be available at all locations.

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Grown-up Craftapalooza ●●

Saturday, 11/8 from 10 AM - 1 PM

Ages 14 - Adults. Drop in and choose from a random assortment of fun crafts to make and take home. We supply the materials; you supply the creativity!

Tai Chi for Wellness and Rehabilitation ● R

Saturday, 11/8 at 3:30 PM • Registration opens 10/25

Adults. Tai chi is a mind/body practice incorporating breath and gentle movements to focus the mind. This program will assist the body in recovering from illness and maintaining wellness. All levels are welcome.

Play and Explore ●

Mondays at 10:30 AM • 11/10 - 11/24

Ages Birth - 5. Come play with us! Help your child practice fine motor, gross motor, and social/emotional skills through the art of play!

Fiber Art for Kids ●

Monday, 11/10 at 4:30 PM

Ages 6 - 11. Learn about different fiber art techniques and make your own fiber art piece. This month we will learn basic embroidery stitches to create your own embroidered bookmark.

Eldersburg Branch Anime Club ●

Wednesday, 11/12 at 6 PM

Ages 11 - 17. Join us for all things anime and manga! Watch the first episode of an anime, make anime-themed crafts, discuss your favorite series, share your artwork, and more!

Eldersburg Teen Advisory Board ●

Thursday, 11/13 at 6 PM

Ages 12 - 17. Calling all teens with a love of the library! Help us plan teen programming and influence our teen collections. We want you for our Teen Advisory Board! Need service hours? We've got those too!

Papercraft Studio ●

Thursday, 11/13 at 6 PM

Adults. Attend our monthly session to work on and finish projects, share ideas and layouts, share or exchange supplies, and have fun! Bring your own supplies and projects.

Big Art Small Hands ●

Friday, 11/14 at 10 AM

Ages 2 - 5. Join us for a morning of open-ended art. Explore your child's creativity and help strengthen their fine motor skills through art.

Coffee with the Classics: *High Noon* ●

Friday, 11/14 at 10 AM

Adults. Join us for our November selection, the classic western *High Noon*, starring Gary Cooper and Grace Kelly. Refreshments will be served.

Wicked Party Lock-In ● R

Friday, 11/14 at 6 PM • Registration opens 10/31

Ages 11 - 17. Celebrate the *Wicked* fandom with crafts and activities. All attendees need to register.

Sykesville Painting Club Workshop with Karen Peck ●

Saturday, 11/15 at 1 PM

Adults. The library is partnering with the Sykesville Painting Club to offer this workshop by Karen Peck.

Please register and pay at <https://tinyurl.com/spc-karen-peck-workshop>. Cost of Workshop: Members \$35.00, Non-Members \$45.00

Curious Kids ●

Monday, 11/17 at 4:30 PM

Ages 5 - 8. Calling all curious kids! Join us each session to share a story, art project, and hands-on STEM activity.

Open Mah Jongg ●

Monday, 11/17 at 6 PM

Adults. Join us for a friendly game of American Mah Jongg. We welcome experienced players and newer players for casual, non-competitive play.

Line Dancing with Lori ● R

Tuesday, 11/18 at 5 PM • Registration opens 11/4

Tuesday, 11/25 at 5 PM • Registration opens 11/11

Adults. Join us for an evening of fun and fitness in this beginner's line dancing class. All attendees need to register.

Navajo Code Talkers ●● R

Thursday, 11/20 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 11/6

Ages 11 - Adults. Staff from the National Museum of the Marine Corps will be joining us virtually for a tour of their World War II Gallery, where they will spotlight the incredible contributions of the Navajo Code Talkers.

Read with a Furry Friend ●●

Saturday, 11/22 at 2 PM

Ages 4 - 17. Come to the library and read a story to a book-loving dog from My Caring Paws. Struggling readers are encouraged to participate.

The Hidden Life of Spices ●●

Saturday, 11/22 at 2 PM

Ages 7 - 18. Join a chemist from the American Chemical Society for a hands-on program on the chemistry of spices.

Carroll County Workforce Development Day ●

Tuesday, 11/25 from 12 - 4 PM

Adults. Explore invaluable career resources at Carroll County Workforce Development's pop-up event.

Storytimes for Kids

Read and Play

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 AM

11/4 - 11/6, 11/13 - 11/25

Ages Birth - 24 Months. Join your little one at a storytime featuring interactive books, rhymes, music, and movement, followed by playgroup activities.

Family Storytime

Mondays at 9:30 AM

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 AM

11/4 - 11/10, 11/13 - 11/25

Ages Birth - 8. Come talk, sing, read, write, and play together in a format appropriate for young children.

Little Learners

Tuesdays at 1:30 PM • 11/4, 11/18 - 11/25

Ages 3 - 6. A special storytime just for preschoolers! Activities will promote pre-reading and school-readiness skills in preparation for kindergarten. Adult caregivers are welcome.

Move & Groove Storytime

Wednesdays at 9:30 AM and 10:30 AM

11/5 - 11/26

Ages Birth - 8. This energetic storytime encourages creative movement and dance to help develop gross motor skills, coordination, and spatial awareness while fostering a love of stories.

Saturday Adventures

Saturdays at 10 AM • 11/8 - 11/29

Ages Birth - 8. Come to the library every Saturday morning for a new adventure!

Starlight Storytime

Wednesday, 11/19 at 6:30 PM

Ages 2 - 5. Wear your pajamas, bring your favorite stuffed animal, and enjoy a cozy evening of stories and songs. Perfect for families with young children. Siblings are welcome to attend this program.

Book Clubs



Free Spirit Book Club Saturday, 11/8 at 2 PM

Adults. This month's selection is *James* by Percival Everett.

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Adobe Illustrator Skill Builder: Tools & Shortcuts ●● R

Saturday, 11/1 at 2 PM • Registration opens 10/18

Ages 16 - Adults. Boost your speed and confidence in *Adobe Illustrator* with this hands-on class focused on essential tools and time-saving shortcuts. Attendees should have a basic understanding of *Illustrator* and some experience creating independent projects.

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Cooking for Wellness: Diabetes Awareness Month ●● R \$

Monday, 11/3 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 10/20

Ages 15 - Adults. For Diabetes Awareness Month, this recipe for Shrimp Tacos will be focusing on a low-carb version that will be paired with a discussion on basic nutrition with diabetes. This class is provided through our partnership with Carroll Hospital. **\$5.00**

Beginner Sewing Level 1: Make a Canvas Tote (Class 2) ●● R \$

Tuesday, 11/4 at 9:30 AM • Registration opens 10/21

Ages 16 - Adults. Get acquainted with the sewing machine and basic tools of the trade. Apply the learned skills and more to make a lined canvas tote bag with coordinating handles. **\$10.00**

Kids Cook: Tasty Tostadas ● R \$

Tuesday, 11/4 at 2:30 PM • Registration opens 10/21

Ages 8 - 12. In this hands-on class, we'll make refried beans and guacamole. Participants will then enjoy their tasty tostadas with all the toppings. **\$5.00**

Making Movies: Intro to Premiere Pro ●● R

Wednesday, 11/5 at 2 PM • Registration opens 10/22

Ages 15 - Adults. See what's behind the silver screen in this introduction to Adobe's high-end video editing software, *Premiere Pro*!

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Introduction to Arduino ●● R

Thursday, 11/6 at 10 AM • Registration opens 10/23

Ages 12 - Adults. Join us for a workshop where we'll explore various beginner Arduino projects using components from the Arduino education kits available for use in the makerspace. All attendees need to register.

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Custom Engraved Leatherette Journals ●● R \$

Thursday, 11/6 at 4 PM • Registration opens 10/23

Ages 16 - Adults. In this beginner-friendly class, we will utilize our laser engravers to mark a custom design of your own onto a custom leatherette journal! All attendees need to register. **\$6.00**

If you have previously taken this class at EC50, please do not register so that someone else may have the opportunity to attend. This is one of many Maryland STEM Festival events being held around the state.

Open Sewing Studio ●● R

Saturday, 11/8 at 10 AM • Registration opens 10/25

Ages 16 - Adults. Open Sewing Studio is an opportunity to enjoy freestyle sewing with other sewists. All skill levels are welcome. You must bring your own sewing supplies and tools. Note: This is not an instructional class; no materials will be provided.

Note: there are two listings for this class, please register to bring your own machine -or- reserve one from our makerspace.

Engraved Metal Business Cards ●● R

Saturday, 11/8 at 2 PM • Registration opens 10/25

Ages 16 - Adults. In this class, we will be engraving a metal business card using *Adobe Illustrator* to create a simple design with text and graphics. This class does not result in independent laser cutter use certification. All attendees need to register.

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Design an Augmented Reality Scavenger Hunt Game with Delightex ●● R

Monday, 11/10 at 1 PM • Registration opens 10/27

Ages 12 - Adults. Join us to learn how to create and code a simple augmented reality scavenger hunt. Using *Delightex* (formerly *Cospaces Edu*).

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Group Bake: Cranberry Walnut Cinnamon Rolls ●● R \$

Monday, 11/10 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 10/27

Ages 13 - Adults. In this group cooking class, we will make festive quick-rise cinnamon rolls with cranberry and walnut cinnamon sugar filling as well as a maple cream cheese frosting from scratch. **\$10.00**

Beginner Sewing Level 1: Sew a Small Zipper Bag (Class 3) ●● R \$

Wednesday, 11/12 at 9:30 AM

Registration opens 10/29

Ages 16 - Adults. Get acquainted with the sewing machine and basic tools of the trade. Learn to insert a zipper into a small cotton bag with a lining and learn hand-sewing techniques. **\$7.00**

Intro to Laser Cutting ●● R

Wednesday, 11/12 at 4:30 PM

Registration opens 10/29

Monday, 11/24 at 4:30 PM • Registration opens 11/10
Ages 12 - Adults. This beginner-level laser cutter class will walk you through design basics, machine use, and safety procedures.

The 11/12 date is one of many Maryland STEM Festival events being held around the state.

Intro to 3D Scanning ●● R

Thursday, 11/13 at 1 PM • Registration opens 10/30

Ages 13 - Adults. We will demonstrate the use of our handheld Artec Leo 3D Scanner and highlight some recent projects that have been created with it.

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Personalized Snack Boards for Teens ●● R \$

Thursday, 11/13 at 5 PM • Registration opens 10/30

Ages 12 - 17. We'll personalize a bamboo snack board using *Adobe Illustrator* design software and our Fusion Pro laser cutter. Then head to the teaching kitchen to learn some tips and tricks while you fill the board with yummy snacks! **\$12.00**

This is one of many Maryland STEM Festival events being held around the state.

Be a Coffee Connoisseur ● R

Saturday, 11/15 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 11/1

Adults. Learn about bean origins, roasting temperatures, and types of grinding to brew the perfect cup of joe. Sample several varieties and evaluate using coffee flavor descriptors.

Baking Basics: Classic Pumpkin Roll ●● R \$

Monday, 11/17 at 10 AM • Registration opens 11/3

Ages 14 - Adults. This hands-on bake-along class teaches how to make a classic pumpkin roll with cream cheese filling. CCPL's Westminster Branch staff member, Tina Mawhinney, and the Exploration Commons Teaching Kitchen will be teaching. **\$10.00**

Intro to Basic Sewing Skills (Skill Level 0) ●● R

Monday, 11/17 at 10 AM • Registration opens 11/3

Ages 16 - Adults. Learn the basics to feel comfortable using a sewing machine. This introductory-level class includes the EC sewing machine certification necessary for many other classes and/or independent sewing machine use in the makerspace.

Let's Start a Podcast! ●● R

Monday, 11/17 at 6 PM • Registration opens 11/3

Ages 12 - Adults. We will cover the basics of the different recording software we offer and introduce the equipment we provide in the Audio/Video Lab.

Introduction to Onshape & 3D Printing ●● R

Tuesday, 11/18 at 5 PM • Registration opens 11/4

Ages 14 - Adults. Welcome to the world of 3D modeling, design, and 3D printing. In this introductory class, we will review the computer-aided design (CAD) software *Onshape* by diving into the fundamentals and techniques to make a 3D-printed keychain. All attendees need to register.

Decorative Laser Engraved Pie Pan Lid and Pumpkin Pie Class ●● R \$

Wednesday, 11/19 at 5 PM • Registration opens 11/5

Ages 16 - Adults. Join us for a hybrid kitchen and makerspace class! We'll start in the kitchen, making a PA Dutch-style pumpkin pie. While our pies bake and chill, we'll learn some basics of *Adobe Illustrator* as we create graphics to laser engrave on our pie pan lids. **\$30.00**

If you have taken an Engraved Pie Lid class at EC50 in the past, please do not register for this class. This class is intended for new patrons/registrants only.

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R Register online at library.carr.org. \$ and R Registration fee required and register online at explorationcommons.carr.org.

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Beginner Sewing Level 1: ● ● R \$ Sew a Boxy Zippered Pouch (Class 4)

Thursday, 11/20 at 9:30 AM • Registration opens 11/6
Ages 16 - Adults. Get acquainted with the sewing machine and basic tools of the trade. Practice adding a zipper to a sturdy, boxy pouch known as a Dopp bag. **\$10.00**

Taste As You Go: The Art of Seasoning ● ● R
Thursday, 11/20 at 1 PM • Registration opens 11/6
Ages 15 - Adults. Explore the basics of balanced seasoning.

Laser Cutting Refresher ● ● R
Thursday, 11/20 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 11/6
Ages 12 - Adults. This class is for customers who have already been certified for Exploration Commons independent laser use. This class does not result in independent laser cutter use certification.

Basic Animation in Blender ● ●
Friday, 11/21 at 1:30 PM

Ages 16 - Adults. In this beginner-friendly class, you'll discover how to bring your 3D creations to life using keyframes, the timeline, and simple motion techniques. Previous *Blender* experience is required.

Basic Knife Skills ● ● R
Saturday, 11/22 at 10 AM • Registration opens 11/8
Ages 15 - Adults. This hands-on class will cover everything you need to know about caring for your knives and how to use them. You'll learn how to chop, dice, and mince and get plenty of practice with other professional cuts. This is a beginner class. As this is a free program, please cancel if you are unable to attend to allow a waitlisted participant to take the class.

**First Time Makerspace Class:
Engraved Leather Dice Trays** ● ● R \$
Monday, 11/24 at 10 AM • Registration opens 11/10
Ages 16 - Adults. Roll for initiative! In this Dungeons & Dragons-themed program, attendees will design custom artwork to be engraved on leather dice trays. **\$7.00**

Registration for this class is for first-time Makerspace program attendees. Please do not register for this program if you have previously taken one of our Makerspace programs.

Holiday Take and Bake ● ● R \$
Tuesday, 11/25 at 1 PM • Registration opens 11/11
Tuesday, 11/25 at 5 PM • Registration opens 11/11
Ages 16 - Adults. You'll leave with three ready-to-cook-at-home dishes: Bourbon or Maple Sweet Potatoes, Roasted Brussels Sprouts with Pancetta, PA Dutch Potato Bread Filling, and a side of Zesty Cranberry Sauce. Each dish will serve eight to ten people. **\$30.00**

If you have previously taken this class at EC50, please do not register so that someone else may have the opportunity to attend.

Decoupage Pumpkin Centerpieces ● R

Saturday, 11/1 at 10 AM • Registration opens 10/18
Adults. Enhance your autumn decor with personally designed decoupage pumpkins! All supplies provided.

Fainting Goats at the Library! ● ● ● R
Saturday, 11/1 at 2 PM • Registration opens 10/18
All Ages. Fainting goats will be at the library along with Goatsbeard Farm & Apiary, who will teach us about why goats faint. This program will be outside, weather permitting. We will move indoors if needed. All attendees need to register.

**Teen Service Hour Opportunity:
LEGO® Sorting Event** ● R
Tuesday, 11/4 at 2 PM • Registration opens 10/21
Ages 14 - 17. During this teen student service learning opportunity, we will be sorting through a large donation of LEGO® pieces to create usable sets for programs. Students will receive 2 service hours.

Family Bingo ● ● ●
Tuesday, 11/4 at 2:30 PM
All Ages. Join us for an afternoon of family fun playing bingo! Participants of all ages will win new books donated from Penguin Random House.

**Ask the Department of
Human Services (DHS)!** ●
Wednesday, 11/5 from 9:30 - 11:30 AM
Adults. Staff from the Carroll County Department of Social Services will be available to share community resources and DSS services.
Social workers are unable to provide clinical and therapeutic services, direct financial support, or make eligibility determinations.

**Risky Business:
Fraud and Scam Prevention** ●
Thursday, 11/6 at 2 PM
Adults. Sometimes it can be overwhelming understanding cybersecurity and how to protect ourselves from cyber threats. In this seminar, learn best practices for identifying and handling cyber incidents such as fraud, scams, and more. Presented by the Carroll Technology and Innovation Council and the Carroll County Sheriff's Office.

Offsite Events

at Bistro 91, 3000 Gamber Rd.

TRIVIA NIGHT at Bistro 91
Tuesday, 11/18 at 7 PM
Registration opens 11/4

Adults. All prizes are provided by Bistro 91.

*Only one person per team needs to register.
Please keep the team size to 8 or less.*

Storytimes for Kids

Read and Play

Tuesdays at 9:45 AM • Thursdays at 11 AM
11/4 - 11/6, 11/13 - 11/25

Ages Birth - 24 Months. Join your little one at a storytime featuring interactive books, rhymes, music, and movement, followed by playgroup activities.

Twos and Threes Together

Tuesdays at 11 AM • Thursdays at 9:45 AM
11/4 - 11/6, 11/13 - 11/25

Ages 2 - 3. This lively storytime includes books, songs, fingerplays, and movement.

Pajama Party Storytime

Tuesdays at 6:30 PM • 11/4, 11/18 - 11/25

Ages Birth - 8. Wear your pajamas, bring your favorite stuffed animal, and listen to stories before bed. This storytime introduces stories through books, songs, and activities.

Family Storytime

Wednesdays at 9:45 AM • 11/5 - 11/19

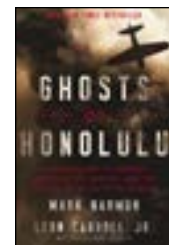
Ages Birth - 8. Come talk, sing, read, write, and play together in a format appropriate for young children.

Ready, Set, School!

Wednesdays at 11 AM • 11/5 - 11/19

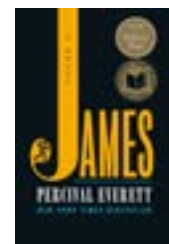
Ages 3 - 6. Fun, hands-on activities will teach listening, pre-reading, math, movement, music, and art skills.

Book Clubs



Veterans Book Club

Monday, 11/10 at 6 PM
Adults. This month's selection is *Ghosts of Honolulu* by Mark Harmon and Leon Carroll, Jr. A Celebrating America program.



Finksburg Book Club

Wednesday, 11/19 at 6:30 PM

Adults. This month's selection is *James* by Percival Everett.

Note: Registration verifies your acceptance of Exploration Commons' program cancellation and kitchen safety procedures. The Exploration Commons kitchen is not an allergen-free facility. Closed-toed shoes are required in the teaching kitchen.

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Crochet Granny Squares ● R

Thursday, 11/6 and 11/20 at 6:30 PM
Registration opens 10/23

Adults. In the first class of this series, attendees will learn how to make and customize granny squares. Supplies will be provided, but attendees are encouraged to bring their preferred crochet hook. In the second class, attendees will complete a second granny square and use both squares to make fingerless mitts. All attendees need to register.

Cuentos Bilingües/Bilingual Storytime ●

Friday, 11/7 at 10 AM

Ages 2 - 10. Join us for Spanish Bilingual Storytime! ¡Ven a la biblioteca para el programa de cuentos bilingües en español e inglés!

Open Mah Jongg ●

Fridays at 1:30 PM • 11/7, 11/21

Adults. Join us for a friendly game of American Mah Jongg. We welcome experienced players and newer players for casual, non-competitive play.

History of Spying: Part 1 ●

Saturday, 11/8 at 9:30 AM

Adults. This two-part series offers an overview of the U.S. Intelligence Community (IC) from World War I to the present. Celebrating America program.

Carroll County Writers Group ●

Saturday, 11/8 at 1 PM

Adults. Please join the monthly meeting of the Carroll County Chapter of the Maryland Writers Association.

Carroll County Critique Group ●

Saturday, 11/8 at 3:30 PM

Adults. Join the meeting of the Carroll County Critique Group as we discuss our writing efforts.

Sensory Sensitive Storytime ● ● ●

Friday, 11/14 at 10 AM

All Ages. This inclusive program welcomes children of all abilities and their caregivers to a supportive, judgment-free storytime.

Sensory Sensitive PAWS to Read ● ● ● R

Friday, 11/14 at 10:45 AM • Registration opens 10/31

Ages 4 - Adults. An inclusive visit with book-loving therapy dogs for people and children of all abilities. Registration is preferred, but walk-ins are welcome. Only kids need to register.

History of Spying: Part 2 ●

Saturday, 11/15 at 9:30 AM

Adults. This two-part series offers an overview of the U.S. Intelligence Community (IC) from World War I to the present. A Celebrating America program.

A Wickedly Good Craft Party ●

Saturday, 11/15 at 11 AM

Ages 11 - 17. Are you excited for *Wicked: For Good*? Join us to celebrate the *Wicked* fandom with various *Wicked* and *Wizard of Oz* themed crafts!

PAWS to Read ● ● ● R

Saturday, 11/15 at 2 PM • Registration opens 11/1

Ages 4 - Adults. Come to the library to visit with or read to a book-loving therapy animal. Registration is optional; walk-ins are welcome! Only kids need to register.

Caring for Your Family Treasures ● ●

Monday, 11/17 at 6:30 PM

Ages 13 - Adults. Learn to preserve and protect your family's rare books, scrapbooks, photographs, and other personal treasures. Discuss where to store items, what boxes and other storage options are best, and what environments and other factors are most damaging to your materials. Program presented by Natalie DeMuro, a Special Collection Archivist at Enoch Pratt Free Library. This program is presented in partnership with the Carroll County Genealogical Society. A Celebrating America program.

Chess at the Library ● ● ●

Wednesday, 11/19 at 5 PM

Ages 7 - Adults. Show off your best moves against other chess players! Experienced and novice chess players are welcome.

Club Friendship: Libraries Are for Everyone ● ● R

Thursday, 11/20 at 1 PM • Registration opens 11/6

Ages 13 - Adults. We welcome teens and adults of all abilities, along with support staff, to join us for games, crafts, music, and more in a sensory-friendly environment! All attendees need to register.

Give Thanks Storytime ●

Monday, 11/24 at 11 AM
Wednesday, 11/26 at 10 AM

Ages 3 - 6. It's almost Thanksgiving! What are you thankful for? Celebrate as we read stories, sing, dance, and create.

Carroll County Health Department's Health on Wheels Mobile Services ● ● ●

Tuesday, 11/25 from 10 AM - 12 PM

All Ages. Health on Wheels will offer a range of services, including reproductive health services, HIV and Hepatitis C testing, blood pressure screening, smoking cessation, Naloxone training, and more. Not all services will be available at all locations.

Holiday Swag ● R

Saturday, 11/29 at 10 AM • Registration opens 11/15

Adults. Get into the holiday spirit by learning the art of crafting stunning holiday swags using fresh greenery and a variety of festive embellishments! Whether a seasoned crafter or a beginner, this class provides everything you need to make beautiful, handcrafted holiday swags to brighten your home and spread festive cheer.

Terrible Teddy Workshop: Create a Huggable Monstrosity! ●

Saturday, 11/1 at 2 PM

Ages 6 - 11. Create the most terrible teddy bear ever—the wonkier the design, the better! We will provide the material; you just need to bring your creativity. No sewing experience required. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Ready Carroll 'On the Go' Emergency Preparedness ● R

Monday, 11/3 at 6 PM • Registration opens 10/20

Adults. Are you prepared for a tornado or flood to visit your town? Ready Carroll "On the Go" is part of Carroll County's emergency preparedness series that consists of safety tips and guides so you may be better prepared at home in the event of a local emergency. All attendees need to register.

Mock Interviews ● R

Tuesday, 11/4 from 5:30 - 7:30 PM
Registration opens 10/21

Ages 12 - 18. Wear your best interview clothes and see what a job interview could be like. Please sign up for a 15-minute time slot to reserve your space!

Mount Airy Knitters ●

Wednesdays at 10 AM • 11/5 - 11/26

Adults. Join the Mount Airy Knitters for a weekly roundtable of knitting, conversation, and fun. All experience levels are welcome.

Crafty Activities for Seniors ●

Thursday, 11/6 at 1 PM

Adults. Are you a retiree or an older adult who enjoys making crafts? If so, then please join us for a monthly group session where you'll create something different to take home or share. Available while supplies last.

Club Friendship: Libraries Are for Everyone ● ●

Friday, 11/7 at 1 PM

Ages 13 - Adults. We welcome teens and adults of all abilities, along with support staff, to join us for games, crafts, music, and more in a sensory-friendly environment!

Preschool Science: Forces and Energy ●

Saturday, 11/8 at 10 AM

Ages 3 - 8. Join us for some pint-sized physics experiments to help us learn about forces and energy! Siblings are welcome to attend this program.

This is one of many Maryland STEM Festival events being held around the state.

Ask the Department of Human Services (DHS)! ●

Wednesday, 11/12 from 9:30 - 11:30 AM

Adults. Staff from the Carroll County Department of Social Services will be available to share community resources and DSS services.

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ASL Practice Club

Wednesday, 11/12 at 6 PM

Ages 5 - Adults. Join us for our ASL (American Sign Language) Practice Club! All fluency levels are welcome!

Mini Golf at the Library!

Saturday, 11/15 at 10 AM

Ages 6 - 11. We've turned the library into a mini golf course! Come by for an afternoon of silly mini golf fun.

Read with a Furry Friend

Saturday, 11/15 at 2 PM

Ages 3 - Adults. Trained reading dogs from My Caring Paws will provide a relaxed, informal atmosphere for kids to practice reading.

LEGO® Builders Club

Monday, 11/17 at 5 PM

Ages 5 - Adults. Join us for a LEGO® program where you tackle a new design each time! Bring a grown-up and build together. We supply the bricks, and you supply the creativity. Siblings are welcome to attend this program.

Carroll County Health Department's Health on Wheels Mobile Services

Tuesday, 11/18 from 10 AM - 12 PM

All Ages. Health on Wheels will offer a range of services, including reproductive health services, HIV and Hepatitis C testing, blood pressure screening, smoking cessation, Naloxone training, peer support services, birth certificates, and more. Not all services will be available at all locations.

Ask a Master Gardener

Wednesday, 11/19 from 10 AM - 12 PM

All Ages. Bring your questions to a Carroll County Master Gardener and pick up tips, handouts, and more.

Crafty Activities for Fall!

Wednesday, 11/19 at 6 PM

Ages 10 - Adults. Feel the creativity in the air? Visit us for a craft break and discover what you can make with the materials on hand! Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Crafts available while supplies last.

Dungeons and Dragons Club

Saturday, 11/22 at 1 PM - Registration opens 11/8

Ages 11 - 18. Welcome, adventurers! Join our table as we embark on a fun-filled campaign! Our game is friendly to both new and returning players. Our characters are currently level 1. We will have a number of pre-made character sheets for you to make your own! All attendees need to register.

Dinosaur Terrarium

Saturday, 11/22 at 2 PM

Ages 5 - 11. Create your own miniature dinosaur world! This workshop includes all the materials needed to build a tropical terrarium, complete with dinosaur figures, to bring home. Siblings are welcome to attend this program.

TTRPG Afternoon

Monday, 11/24 at 5 PM

Ages 6 - 11. Let's play a tabletop role-playing game together for International Games Month!

TTRPGs are story-based games focused on player choice and randomized encounters, built around cooperation and group learning. Role-playing games also feature cross-disciplinary activities and skill-building, such as reading, presentation, mathematics, and socioemotional learning.

All resources will be provided. Bring your imagination—we've got the rest!

Mount Airy Teen Advisory Board

Tuesday, 11/25 at 6:30 PM

Ages 12 - 17. Calling all teens with a love of the library! Earn service hours while making friends, beautifying the library, and planning programs!

Board Game Afternoon!

Saturday, 11/29 at 2 PM

All Ages. Let's celebrate International Games Month with an afternoon of board games! All supplies will be provided.

International Games Month is an initiative run by volunteers from around the world to reconnect communities through their libraries around the educational, recreational, and social value of all types of games.

Offsite Events

at Liquidity Aleworks, 8 N. Main Street

Book Bingo at Liquidity Aleworks

Tuesday, 11/18 at 7 PM

Ages 21 and Older. Like regular bingo, but better! Check out the best brewery around, Liquidity Aleworks, for an evening full of fun! Win brand-new book bundles, literary totes, and more provided by The Last Word Bookstore and CCPL's Mount Airy Branch.

Book Clubs



Mount Airy Book Discussion Group
Wednesday, 11/19 at 1 PM

Adults. This month's selection is *I'm Glad My Mom Died* by Jennette McCurdy.

Storytimes for Kids

Siblings are welcome to attend these programs.

Saturday Storytime

Saturdays at 10 AM • 11/1, 11/22 - 11/29

Ages Birth - 8. We'll share books, stories, rhymes, music, and movement.

Family Storytime

Mondays and Thursdays at 10 AM
11/3 - 11/24

Ages Birth - 8. Come talk, sing, read, write, and play together in a format appropriate for young children.

Let's Move!

Mondays at 11 AM • 11/3 - 11/24

Ages Birth - 8. Join us for an interactive storytime where we're learning through movement.

Read and Play

Tuesdays at 10 AM • Wednesdays at 11 AM
11/4 - 11/5, 11/12 - 11/26

Ages Birth - 24 Months. Join your little one at a storytime featuring interactive books, rhymes, music, and movement, followed by playgroup activities.

Twos and Threes Together

Tuesdays at 11 AM • 11/4, 11/18 - 11/25

Ages 2 - 3. This lively, fast-paced storytime for young children includes books, songs, fingerplays, and movement.

Ready, Set, School!

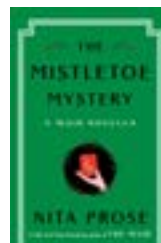
Wednesdays at 10 AM • 11/5 - 11/26

Ages 3 - 6. An independent storytime that prepares children for school.

Pajama Party Storytime

Thursday at 6:30 PM • 11/6 - 11/20

Ages Birth - 8. Wear your pajamas, bring your favorite stuffed animal, and listen to stories before bed. This storytime introduces stories through books, songs, and activities.



Mount Airy Senior Book Discussion Group

Thursday, 11/20 at 1 PM

Adults. This month's selection is *The Mistletoe Mystery* by Nita Prose.

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North Carroll Branch Closure

CCPL's North Carroll Branch will be closed for renovations for approximately 4 weeks, starting Monday, October 13.

Please visit our website for updates.

Carroll County Workforce Development Day

Wednesday, 11/12 from 10 AM - 2 PM

Adults. Explore invaluable career resources at Carroll County Workforce Development's pop-up event.

Storytimes for Kids

Read and Play

Mondays and Fridays at 10 AM • 11/10 - 11/24

Ages Birth - 24 Months. Join your little one at a storytime featuring interactive books, rhymes, music, and movement, followed by playgroup activities that allow children to practice skills and socialize.

Alphabet Train

Mondays at 11 AM • 11/10 - 11/24

Ages 3 - 6. Climb aboard each week to explore a different letter of the alphabet through books, songs, and activities. All adult caregivers are welcome.

Family Storytime

**Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10 AM
11/12 - 11/13, 11/19, 11/26**

Ages Birth - 8. We'll share books, stories, rhymes, music, and movement. Come talk, sing, read, write, and play together in a format appropriate for young children.

Family Fun Night

Wednesday, 11/12 at 6:30 PM

Ages Birth - 8. Wear your pajamas and listen to stories before bed. Join us for family fun, featuring stories, music, crafts, play, and time with friends.

Move and Learn

Tuesdays at 10 AM • 11/18 - 11/25

Ages Birth - 8. A theme-based storytime featuring an age-appropriate story, songs, and learning activities, with a concentration on creative movement.

North Carroll Writers Group

**Tuesdays at 5:30 PM • Thursdays at 10 AM
11/13 - 11/25**

Adults. Bring your writing, works-in-progress, or works-in-thought. This writing group allows beginners, unpublished, and published writers to network, learn, vent, and feel inspired to move to the next level. All genres are welcome: novel, short story, essay, poetry, memoirs, spiritual, sci-fi, fiction, and nonfiction. This group is led by Barbara D. Duffey, an experienced writing workshop leader and author of five books.

Club Friendship:

Libraries Are for Everyone

Thursday, 11/13 at 1 PM • Registration opens 10/30

Ages 13 - Adults. The library is more than just books. It's a place to come together as a community. We welcome teens and adults of all abilities, along with support staff, to join us for games, crafts, music, and more in a sensory-friendly environment!

Battle of the Books:

Parent and Coach Information Sharing

Monday, 11/17 at 6:30 PM

All Ages. Join us for an information session about the Battle of the Books! All parents and caregivers who have children who are interested in participating, as well as coaches, are encouraged to attend.

North Carroll Ask a Master Gardener

Tuesday, 11/18 from 9:30 - 11:30 AM

Adults. Bring your questions about fall gardening to the Carroll County Master Gardeners and pick up tips, handouts, and more.

Preschool Vision Screening

Tuesday, 11/18 from 9:30 AM - 12 PM

Ages 2 - 6. Drop by for a free vision screening for preschool-aged children. Testing covers nearsightedness, farsightedness, unequal focusing, and differences in the power of the eyes. Offered in partnership with the Lineboro-Manchester Lions Club.

North Carroll Knitters Group

Tuesday, 11/18 at 1 PM

Adults. Knitters and crocheters are welcome to join this gathering to share tips, projects, and patterns.

Healthy Eating: Intro to Intuitive Eating

Tuesday, 11/18 at 6 PM • Registration opens 11/4

Adults. Join Weis Dietitian Christina to discuss the principles of intuitive eating and how they can shed light on a new perspective surrounding food and nutrition. The presentation will be followed by a Caprese Bites recipe demonstration that participants will be able to sample. Pick up recipes, *Weis Healthy Bites Magazine*, healthy handout tips, and a \$5.00 Weis coupon. All attendees need to register.

Ask the Department of Human Services (DHS)!

Wednesday, 11/19 from 9:30 - 11:30 AM

Adults. Staff from the Carroll County Department of Social Services will be available to share community resources and DSS services; offer application assistance for SNAP, TCA, MA, and more; and assist with child support services.

Social workers are unable to provide clinical and therapeutic services, direct financial support, or make eligibility determinations.

Offsite Events

**at Charlotte's Quest
3400 Wilhelm Drive**

Alphabet Train

Monday, 11/3 at 11 AM

Ages 3 - 6. Climb aboard each week to explore a different letter of the alphabet through books, songs, and activities. Join us near the pavilion at Charlotte's Quest. Weather permitting, please dress to be outside! All adult caregivers are welcome.

Storytime at the Park

Tuesday, 11/4 and Wednesday, 11/5 at 10 AM

Ages Birth - 8. Join us for storytime this autumn at Charlotte's Quest. CCPL's North Carroll Branch librarians will share stories outdoors Tuesdays and Wednesdays while our building is being renovated. Join us near the pavilion at Charlotte's Quest. Weather permitting, please dress to be outside!

**at North Carroll Senior Center
2328 Hanover Pike**



North Carroll Senior Center Wednesday Book Club

Wednesday, 11/12 at 11 AM

Adults. This month's selection is *The Sweet Blue Distance* by Sara Donati.



North Carroll Senior Center Thursday Book Club

Thursday, 11/13 at 1 PM

Adults. This month's selection is *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon.

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Goldilocks and the Three Bears Puppet Show

Wednesday, 11/19 at 6:30 PM
Thursday, 11/20 at 10 AM

Ages 3 - 12. Goldilocks is off to get her mom some flour from the store. Should she go the long way or take the shortcut through the woods and risk running into the ferocious bears? Who else will she meet along the way? Join us as we wind our way through the twists and turns of this adventure with Goldilocks!

Mini Musicians

Thursday, 11/20 at 1 PM • Registration opens 11/6

Ages 3 - 6. Come join us for a creative and exploratory first introduction to music! This program will incorporate piano playing, boomwhackers, and rhythm instruments while teaching children the basics of pitch, patterns, and rhythm. We will learn skills that are beneficial for future piano lessons and other musical instruments too!

Crazy for Crafting

Thursday, 11/20 at 6 PM • Registration opens 11/6

Adults. Join us for some fun and easy craft projects each month. No experience or creative skills are needed. Bring a friend or meet new people who also enjoy crafting. This month, we will be making beautiful holiday greeting cards! All attendees need to register.

Multiple Sclerosis Support Group

Thursday, 11/20 at 6 PM

Adults. Speaking with other people who have multiple sclerosis can be one of the most empowering and helpful things for someone with MS. Sharing stories, feelings, and experiences with people in similar situations is not only therapeutic, but also enlightening, and can often improve emotional health. This group is part of the MS Focus Independent Support Group Network.

Q&A with the Small Business Administration

Friday, 11/21 from 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Adults. Meet with a representative from the Small Business Administration (SBA) for a 30-minute, one-on-one appointment to learn about resources available for small businesses. Schedule an appointment at <https://tinyurl.com/ccpl-northcarroll-sba> or email Denise.Hayes@sba.gov. Walk-ins are welcomed as time allows.

All Aboard the Polar Express

Saturday, 11/22 at 11 AM

Ages 2 - Adults. Storyteller Beth Rebert's delightful presentation of this heartwarming holiday tale will enchant children of all ages! Come dressed in your PJs as this magical story unfolds.

Drop-In Diamond Painting

Tuesday, 11/4 at 5:30 PM

Adults. Join us for a drop-in session of diamond painting! No experience is necessary!

Diamond Painting for Teens

Tuesday, 11/4 at 6 PM • Registration opens 10/21

Ages 12 - 17. We'll have a new diamond painting project each month, and no experience is necessary! All attendees need to register.

Make Your Own Sourdough Starter

Wednesday, 11/5 at 6 PM • Registration opens 10/22

Adults. We'll provide everything you need to make a sourdough starter, explain how to maintain your new starter, and provide recipes to make bread. All attendees need to register.

Carroll County Workforce Development Day

Thursdays from 10 AM - 2 PM • 11/6, 11/20

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Goldilocks and the Three Bears Puppet Show

Thursday, 11/6 at 6:30 PM • Friday, 11/7 at 10 AM

Ages 3 - 12. Goldilocks is off to get her mom some flour from the store. Should she go the long way or take the shortcut through the woods and risk running into the ferocious bears? Who else will she meet along the way? Join us as we wind our way through the twists and turns of this adventure with Goldilocks!

Book Chat

Friday, 11/7 at 1 PM

Adults. Join us for an hour of chatting about books! Come and share what you are reading and get ideas from others about what to read next!

Writer's Circle

Friday, 11/7 at 2 PM

Adults. Join this fun group of writers and aspiring writers as we share what we are working on and listen to feedback from others.

Wicked Party

Saturday, 11/8 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 10/25

Ages 10 - Adults. Are you excited for *Wicked: For Good*? Join us to celebrate the *Wicked* fandom with crafts and activities.

Come Create

Monday, 11/10 at 6 PM • Registration opens 10/27

Adults. Doing crafts improves your mood, reduces stress, and it's fun! All supplies will be provided. All attendees need to register.

Taneytown Anime Club

Wednesday, 11/12 at 6 PM • Registration opens 10/29

Ages 11 - 17. Join us each month for an anime-themed craft and a chance to watch the latest and greatest anime on Crunchyroll with other Taneytown teens! Refreshments will be served.

Storytimes for Kids

Read and Play

Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 10 AM
11/4 - 11/5, 11/12 - 11/26

Ages Birth - 24 Months. Join your little one at a storytime featuring interactive books, rhymes, music, and movement, followed by playgroup activities.

Twos and Threes Together

Tuesdays at 11 AM • 11/4, 11/18 - 11/25

Ages 2 - 3. This lively storytime includes books, songs, fingerplays, and movement.

Preschool Move and Learn

Wednesdays at 11 AM • 11/5 - 11/19

Ages 3 - 6. Join us for an interactive storytime where we develop school readiness skills using movement, music, and more, while fostering a love of learning!

Family Storytime

Thursdays at 10 AM • 11/6 - 11/20

Ages Birth - 8. We'll share books, stories, rhymes, music, and movement.

Book Clubs



Picture Book Book Club

Monday, 11/10
at 10 AM
Registration
opens 10/27

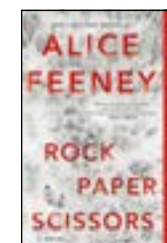
Ages 3 - 6. This month, we are highlighting life on a farm. Join us

for *Farm Boots* by Lisl H. Detlefsen. Participants should bring a favorite farm-themed title to show the group.

Offsite Events

at Brewery Fire

4337 Old Taneytown Rd. STE B



Books and Brews Book Club

Wednesday, 11/5
at 6 PM

Adults. This month's selection is the domestic thriller *Rock Paper Scissors* by Alice Feeney

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Demystifying Senior Living Options ● R

Thursday, 11/13 at 1 PM • Registration opens 10/30

Adults. Learn about different types of communities, prepare yourself with the questions you need to ask both yourself and potential facilities, and explore related topics like downsizing and financial planning.

Hooks & Needles ●

Thursday, 11/13 at 5:30 PM

Adults. Bring your crochet, knitting, embroidery, or any other portable project to the library to work alongside other crafters.

Make a Stuffedie ● R

Friday, 11/14 at 10 AM • Registration opens 10/31

Ages 2 - 5. Join us for a chance to select a new stuffed friend from an assortment of options. We will celebrate your new friend with stories, songs, and fun! Only kids need to register.

Yoga and Pranayama for Stress Relief ● R

Saturday, 11/15 at 9:30 AM • Registration opens 11/1

Adults. This program includes a gentle yoga practice, pranayama (breath exercises), and meditation to allow you to let go of tension, relax, and relieve stress. All attendees need to register.

Read with a Furry Friend ● ● ● R

Saturday, 11/15 at 11 AM • Registration opens 11/1

Ages 3 - Adults. Come to the library to visit with or read to book-loving therapy dogs. Adults and seniors can also come to de-stress and relax with a fuzzy friend. Walk-ins are welcome! All attendees need to register.

Super Smash Bros. Tournament for Kids ● R

Saturday, 11/15 at 1 PM • Registration opens 11/1

Ages 6 - 11. CCPL's Taneytown Branch is holding a *Super Smash Bros.* tournament for kids, so join us to show you're the best player your age in town!

Super Smash Bros. Tournament for Teens ● R

Saturday, 11/15 at 2:30 PM • Registration opens 11/1

Ages 11 - 17. CCPL's Taneytown Branch is holding a *Super Smash Bros.* tournament for teens, so join us to show you're the best player in town!

Diamond Painting ● R

Tuesday, 11/18 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 11/4

Adults. Join us for a monthly session of diamond painting! All attendees need to register.

Ask the Department of Human Services (DHS)!

Wednesday, 11/19 from 9:30 - 11:30 AM

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Thanksgiving Messy Masterpieces ● R

Thursday, 11/20 at 1 PM • Registration opens 11/6

Ages 2 - 6. It's time to create your very own masterpieces to celebrate Thanksgiving!

Rawr! It's a DINOvember Storytime! ● R

Thursday, 11/20 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 11/6

Ages 3 - 8. Join us for a reading of *What the Dinosaurs Did Last Night* by Refe and Susan Tuma.

Turkey Fun ● R

Friday, 11/21 at 10 AM • Registration opens 11/7

Ages 2 - 6. Join the Thanksgiving fun as we celebrate the turkey with stories, activities, songs, and a craft. Only kids need to register.

Carroll County Health Department's Health on Wheels Mobile Services ● ● ● R

Friday, 11/21 from 10 AM - 12 PM

All Ages. Health on Wheels will offer a range of services. Not all services will be available at all locations.

Monday Makers ● ● R

Monday, 11/24 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 11/10

Ages 11 - Adults. Join us to make something new and creative.

Let's Get Crafty ● R

Tuesday, 11/25 at 6 PM • Registration opens 11/11

Adults. We will have a fun and EASY craft project each month. All attendees need to register.

History of Rock 'n' Roll: Part 1 ● ● R

Saturday, 11/1 at 10 AM • Registration opens 10/18

Ages 11 - Adults. Join guest speaker Paul Ruehs, a local history adjunct instructor, as he takes us through the musical genre that we call rock and roll. All attendees need to register.

Read with a Furry Friend ● ● ●

Saturday, 11/1 at 11 AM

Ages 4 - Adults. Trained "reading dogs" provide a relaxed atmosphere for kids to practice reading.

Needle Little Klatch? ● ●

Tuesdays at 5 PM • 11/4, 11/18

Ages 16 - Adults. Join us for a casual, bi-weekly stitching club. All needle-crafters are welcome!

Westminster Wednesdays ● ● ●

Wednesday, 11/5 at 5 PM

All Ages. Come downtown to enjoy live music in our park. Feel free to bring a blanket or lawn chair.

Open Mah Jongg ●

Thursdays at 1 PM • 11/6, 11/20

Wednesday, 11/12 at 1 PM

Adults. Join us for a friendly game of casual, non-competitive American Mah Jongg. This program is for experienced and newer players with some play experience. An instructor will not be present.

Westminster Branch Chess Club ● ● R

Thursday, 11/6 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 10/23

Thursday, 11/20 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 11/6

Ages 11 - Adults. Whether you are a chess newbie or an expert, you will find a community here in Westminster Branch's Chess Club and walk away having learned something new from our personal instructor. All attendees need to register.

Play Baby Play ●

Friday, 11/7 at 10 AM

Ages Birth - 3. Enjoy a warm and inviting space where you and your child can play with our toys, practice gross motor skills on our baby obstacle course, enjoy music, and socialize with others.

ONLINE ZOOM PROGRAMS

Zoom login information will be emailed to participants one hour before the program starts.

Dungeons & Dragons Online

Tuesday, 11/18 at 4 PM • Registration opens 11/4

Ages 12 - 17. Pre-generated characters will be available, and registrants will meet on Zoom the day before to become familiar with any websites used. This session is for beginners and avid players alike. All attendees need to register.

The Zentangle Method of Drawing-based Mindfulness

Wednesday, 11/12 at 7 PM • Registration now open

Ages 10 - Adults. Jill Suffel, CZT (Certified Zentangle Teacher) will lead us through a relaxing drawing activity that starts with four dots and a line.



Visit our YouTube channel for more from CCPL!

www.youtube.com/@libraryccpl

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LEGO® Creations

Saturday, 11/8 at 10 AM

Ages 5 - 18. Join us for a LEGO® program where you can build whatever you would like! We supply the blocks and you supply the creativity!

This is one of many Maryland STEM Festival events being held around the state.

DIY Autumn Luminaries

Saturday, 11/8 at 1 PM • Registration opens 10/25

Ages 14 - Adults. Create autumn-themed luminaries to light up your evenings as the days grow shorter. All attendees need to register.

Robot Pumpkin Smash

Saturday, 11/8 at 2 PM

Ages 4 - Adults. Join the Robo-Lions, a team of students, as they fire up their robots for Robot Pumpkin Smash! This program is a collaboration between PIE3 (Partnership in Inspiration for Engineering Education and Entrepreneurship), Robo-Lions, and Carroll County Public Library.

This is one of many Maryland STEM Festival events being held around the state.

Transitioning to Medicare Part 1

Wednesday, 11/12 at 5 PM • Registration opens 10/29

Adults. Come and find out how to maximize your Medicare health benefits. This seminar will cover the four parts of Medicare (Parts A, B, C, and D), Medicare Supplement (Medigap) plans, available preventive services, and how to protect yourself from healthcare fraud. All attendees need to register.

Line Dancing with Lori

Thursday, 11/13 at 4:30 PM • Registration opens 10/30

Adults. Join us for an evening of fun and fitness in this beginner's line dancing class. We suggest bringing water and wearing comfortable shoes and clothing for the class. All attendees need to register.

Preschool Play

Friday, 11/14 at 10 AM

Ages 3 - 6. Join us for an open playtime where children can be imaginative and creative while exploring blocks, puzzles, playdough, and more. Siblings are welcome to attend this program.

Celebrate America Recycles Day

Saturday, 11/15 at 10 AM

All Ages. Do you have recycling questions? Stop by to see Ashlee Treece, Manager of the Carroll County Recycling and Conservation Program. There will be interactive games and handouts, and Ashlee will be available to answer your questions.

DND Club: Dungeon Master Training

Saturday, 11/15 at 1 PM • Registration opens 11/1

Ages 11 - 17. In this class, you will receive a crash course in how to be a Dungeon Master and run your own Dungeons & Dragons campaign, with the goal to start a Westminster Branch DND Club in early 2026. All attendees need to register.

Westminster Branch Anime Club

Wednesday, 11/19 at 4 PM

Ages 11 - 17. Join us for all things anime and manga!

Transitioning to Medicare Part 2

Wednesday, 11/19 at 5 PM • Registration opens 11/5

Adults. Come and find out how to maximize your Medicare health benefits. This seminar focuses on Medicare Supplement/Medigap and Medicare Advantage plans. All attendees need to register.

Preschool Science: Looking at Leaves

Friday, 11/21 at 10 AM

Ages 3 - 6. Join us as we investigate looking at leaves! We will read a book, sing, and have a messy time!

Wicked: For Good Premiere Party

Friday, 11/21 from 1 - 4 PM

All Ages. Celebrate the release of *Wicked: For Good* with a premiere party! Drop in for *Wicked*-themed crafts, activities, and giveaways, as well as a showing of the *Wicked* movie. *Wicked* is rated PG.

History of Rock 'n' Roll: Part 2

Saturday, 11/22 at 10 AM • Registration opens 11/8

Ages 11 - Adults. Join guest speaker Paul Ruehs, a local history adjunct instructor, as he takes us through the musical genre that we call rock and roll. All attendees need to register.

The Art of Holiday Gift Wrapping & Design

Saturday, 11/22 at 1 PM • Registration opens 11/8

Ages 15 - Adults. Get in the holiday spirit and unwrap your creative energy! Danielle will demonstrate three unique gift-wrapping techniques that you'll be able to use for years to come. After the demonstration, you'll have time to practice and create your own personal works of art. All materials will be provided. All attendees need to register.

Westminster Branch Teen Advisory Board

Monday, 11/24 at 3:30 PM • Registration opens 11/10

Ages 12 - 17. Calling all teens looking for leadership roles in planning library programs. We want you for our Teen Advisory Board! Need service hours? We've got those too! Participants can join us in person or log in virtually through Zoom by registering.

Super Awesome Dance Party with Mr. Craig: Holiday Edition

Saturday, 11/29 at 2 PM

Ages Birth - 12. Join us for one of Mr. Craig's raucous dance parties. There will be music, dancing, and fun for all.

Storytimes for Kids

Family Storytime

**Mondays at 10 AM • Thursdays at 11 AM
11/3 - 11/24**

Ages Birth - 8. We'll share books, stories, rhymes, music, and movement.

Read and Play

**Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 10 AM
11/4 - 11/5, 11/12 - 11/26**

Ages Birth - 24 Months. A storytime featuring interactive books, rhymes, music, and movement, followed by playgroup activities.

Twos and Threes Together

**Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 11 AM
Thursdays at 10 AM
11/4 - 11/6, 11/12 - 11/26**

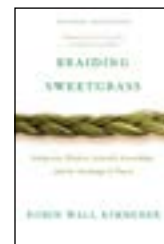
Ages 2 - 3. This lively storytime includes books, songs, fingerplays, and movement.

Pajama Party Storytime

Tuesdays at 7 PM • 11/4, 11/18 - 11/25

Ages Birth - 8. Wear your pajamas, bring your favorite stuffed animal, and listen to stories before bed.

Book Clubs



Diverse Voices Book Club

**Tuesday, 11/25 at 5 PM
Registration opens 11/11**
Ages 16 - Adults. Our November selection is *Braiding Sweetgrass* by Robin Wall Kimmerer.

Offsite Events

**at City Park Gaming & Brew Room
133 E Main St Suite 1G Rear**

Game Day: Splendor

Saturday, 11/1 at 2 PM

Ages 10 - Adults. Librarian Joy Zimmer will teach you how to play *Splendor*! An adult must accompany all participants under the age of 18. The library will not cover the cost of beverages or snacks. However, participants are welcome to support City Park Gaming & Brew Room. *Splendor* is for ages 10+, lasts 30 minutes, and is for 2 to 4 players.



MD TWO FIFTY

Carroll 250 Speaker Series

The Carroll 250 Speaker Series celebrates the United States Semiquincentennial, the 250th anniversary of the 1776 United States Declaration of Independence.

Francis Scott Key **Presented by Lou Giles**

Tuesday, 11/18 at 6:30 PM
Exploration Commons • 50 E. Main Street

Adults. This fascinating talk will focus on Francis Scott Key and will include his family and early years, the War of 1812 and the Dr. Beanes rescue mission, the Star-Spangled Banner, religion, politics (and major cases), and his views on slavery.

About the Presenter

Lou Giles retired in 2012 as a senior executive in the Defense Department. He presently serves as the President of the Society of the War of 1812 in the State of Maryland, a patriotic organization limited to descendants of soldiers who fought in the War of 1812. He is also a member of the Boards of Directors and counsel to the Star-Spangled Banner Flag House in Baltimore. Mr. Giles also volunteers at the Maryland State Archives in Annapolis and as a docent at Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine in Baltimore.

As a passionate amateur historian and genealogist interested in the War of 1812 in Maryland, Mr. Giles enjoys delving into primary

sources, local archives, and historical newspapers to uncover new findings and perspectives and sharing these findings through writing, presentations, and community engagement.

Mr. Giles first became interested in Francis Scott Key in 2014 when he was tasked with providing presentations on Key to visitors to Fort McHenry. His genealogy experience and knowledge of resources available at the Maryland State Archives and National Archives allowed him to uncover records on Francis Scott Key that provide a different perspective from most biographers of Key. He has published several articles on Key, including identifying Key's truce ship on which he authored the Star-Spangled Banner and Key's views on slavery.

He was recently featured in local and national press reporting after winning an appeal against the Veterans Administration, resulting in a ruling allowing enslaved Black Americans who fought in early wars of the United States as servants or waiters to be considered veterans.



Cost: Free

Scan QR code to register or go to
tinyurl.com/ccpl-c250-fsk

