



CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY AUGUST 2025 PROGRAMS



Summer Author Series

Presented by Carroll County Public Library
and Park Books on Main

CAROLE HOPSON

Wednesday, 8/27
at 6:30 PM

Exploration Commons
50 East Main Street

Adults. In conversation with Captain Barbara Bell. Written by Carole Hopson, *A Pair of Wings*, is the riveting, adventurous novel inspired by the remarkable true life of pioneer aviatrix Bessie Coleman, a Black woman who learned to fly at the dawn of aviation and found freedom in the air. Carole Hopson is a Captain on the Boeing 737 for United Airlines, based in Newark, NJ. Books will be available for purchase and signing.



Cost: Free

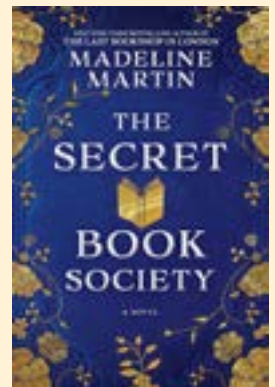
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tinyurl.com/CCPL-Hopson

MADELINE MARTIN

Thursday, 8/28
at 6:30 PM

Exploration Commons
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Adults. In conversation with Jenni L. Walsh. You are cordially invited to *The Secret Book Society*...a captivating new historical novel from Madeline Martin, set in Victorian London about a forbidden book club, dangerous secrets, and the women who dare to break free. Madeline Martin is a *New York Times*, *USA Today*, and internationally bestselling author of historical fiction and historical romance. Books will be available for purchase and signing.



Cost: Free

Scan QR code to register, or go to
tinyurl.com/CCPL-Martin

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Amy Latta • Sarah McCoy • Mariah Fredericks • Stephen G. Evangelista

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Carroll 250 Speaker Series

HOURS & HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Monday – Thursday 9 AM – 8 PM

Friday & Saturday 9 AM – 5 PM

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.

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Play Baby Play

Friday, 8/1 at 9:30 AM

Ages Birth - 24 Months. You're invited to a morning playgroup just for little ones! Come 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.

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Friday, 8/1 from 12 – 5 PM

Ages 16 - Adults. Give blood and save a life. Set up an appointment or drop-in.

Finger Knitting Fun

Friday, 8/1 at 1 PM

Ages 6 - 12. Kids, grab some yarn and get ready for hands-on creativity. All materials will be provided.

Real Estate Talk with Hanna:

Downsizing & Senior Living

Saturday, 8/2 at 10 AM • Registration opens 7/19

Adults. In this seminar, participants will learn about downsizing options and transitioning to retirement communities or assisted living. Explore the unique challenges and considerations for seniors in real estate transactions, and discover resources available for seniors to make informed decisions regarding their real estate needs. The seminar will feature a Q&A session, allowing participants to ask specific questions and gain personalized advice. All attendees need to register.

History of Rock 'n' Roll

Saturday, 8/2 at 1 PM • Registration opens 7/19

Ages 5 - 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. We'll explore its inception in the late '40s and '50s and learn what rock and roll is, and how it differs from pop and other musical genres. We'll also learn about the men, women, and organizations who helped found the genre. Then we'll discuss how musical influences from the '60s and '70s affected rock and roll. Finally, we'll look at how this popular music has changed over the decades. Registration is recommended, but not required.

Monthly Tarot Meetup

Saturday, 8/2 at 2 PM

Adults. Tarot enthusiasts meet monthly on first Saturdays. Each meeting begins with a lesson to guide participants towards enriching their knowledge of tarot. We'll spend the second half of the meeting in exploration of spreads and by reading for fellow participants. Glenda Walsh Crouse, a tarot teacher/reader of 20 years, will lead the meetings.

This program is designed for entertainment purposes only.

Radical Reptiles

Monday, 8/4 at 10:30 AM and 2 PM

All Ages. Nicole Osborne presents an exciting line-up of exotic reptiles in this interactive program, with a chance to hold/touch the reptiles! Learn about reptile care, fun facts, and more!

Poetry Reading: Archer O'Brien

Monday, 8/4 at 6 PM • Registration opens 7/21

Ages 14 - Adults. Join us for an evening poetry reading with Archer O'Brien. A PhD candidate at Mount Saint Mary's University, Archer O'Brien has dealt with cerebral palsy from birth. He has overcome many mental, physical, and psychiatric obstacles, such as surviving 42 surgeries throughout his lifetime. He has written "Glass Half Full," a collection of free verse poems that he composed over the course of one year. Archer's unique point of view is one he hopes can be transformative to his audience. Books will be available for purchase from the author. All attendees need to register.

Yoga with Meditation

Monday, 8/4 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 7/21

Friday, 8/15 at 10 AM • Registration opens 8/1

Monday, 8/18 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 8/4
Friday, 8/29 at 10 AM • Registration opens 8/15

Ages 13 - Adults. Experience the many benefits of yoga and meditation. This class, taught by Rebecca Berg, welcomes students of all levels. Adaptations for using a chair will be shared if participants are uncomfortable getting on the floor. Meditation exercises will be incorporated into the practice. Please wear comfortable clothing; bring a blanket, yoga mat, and a strap (or belt or towel). All attendees need to register.

Clay Flower Frog

Tuesday, 8/5 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 7/22

Ages 14 - Adults. Is your summer garden overflowing with beautiful blooms? Would you like to do more with that grocery store bouquet? Join us as we create our own decorative flower frog made from clay that sits on top of a vase or mason jar. You won't believe how quickly you can use your flower frog to create a pretty flower arrangement! All attendees need to register.

Writing Group

Wednesdays at 9:15 AM • 8/6 - 8/27

Adults. Writers of all levels and genres are invited to join our weekly writing group. It is a flexible, drop-in, stay-as-long-as-you-like environment. The primary goal is to dedicate quiet time away from the daily chaos to make consistent progress on your novel or children's book. Bring your current project to work on during this time. At 10 AM, we will brainstorm, critique, and share knowledge about upcoming events and the book publishing industry. You are welcome to share a short piece of writing during this time for critique.

Line Dancing with Lori

Wednesday, 8/6 at 2 PM • Registration opens 7/23

Tuesday, 8/12 at 5 PM • Registration opens 7/29

Tuesday, 8/19 at 5 PM • Registration opens 8/5

Wednesday, 8/20 at 2 PM • Registration opens 8/6

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.

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Eldersburg Branch Anime Club

Wednesday, 8/6 at 6 PM

Ages 11 - 17. Join us at CCPL's Eldersburg Branch for all things anime and manga! Watch the first episode of an anime, make anime-themed Perler bead crafts, discuss your favorite series, share your artwork, and more!

Eldersburg Hooked on Crochet

Wednesdays at 6 PM • 8/6 - 8/27

Mondays at 12:30 PM • 8/11, 8/25

Ages 12 - Adults. Join this friendly crochet group open to beginners and experienced crocheters alike. Those new to crocheting should bring a size J hook and a light-colored, worsted-weight yarn to the class.

Spanish Language Practice Circle

Thursdays at 10 AM • 8/7, 8/21

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

Understanding Football for Beginners

Thursday, 8/7 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 7/24

Ages 12 - Adults. Get ready for some football! Learn the fundamentals with Coach Dave Ferguson, Century High School Head Varsity Football Coach, as he explains the basics of football. Whether you're on the couch or in the stands, get ready to cheer on your favorite team this season with confidence! Registration is recommended, but not required.

Coffee with the Classics:

The Awful Truth

Friday, 8/8 at 10 AM

Adults. Join us for our August film, the delightful romantic comedy *The Awful Truth*, starring Cary Grant and Irene Dunne.

Rocks and Geodes

Friday, 8/8 at 2 PM • Registration opens 7/25

Ages 11 - 17. Join us to crack open geodes and paint some rocks. All materials will be provided for you.

Ask a Master Gardener

Saturday, 8/9 from 10:30 AM - 12 PM

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

Mix & Mingle Mondays

Mondays at 9:30 AM • 8/11, 8/25

Ages Birth - 8. Looking to make new friends and create meaningful social experiences for your little one? Join our playgroup—a dedicated time and space for fun and connection! While the kids play and explore, the grown-ups can relax and socialize.

Open Mah Jongg

Monday, 8/11 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. Please bring a current National Mah Jongg League card. If you don't have a card, one will be provided.

Teen Service Learning: Paint Bookends for the Library

Tuesday, 8/12 at 2 PM

Ages 12 - 17. Earn service hours by painting bookends to decorate the shelves at CCPL's Eldersburg Branch!

Knit and Chat

Tuesday, 8/12 at 6:30 PM

Ages 8 - Adults. Join us for this monthly meet-up with other knitters of all ages to relax, knit, get ideas for projects, receive help on current projects, gain new skills, and learn to knit if you don't know how. There will also be an optional show-and-tell and a yarn exchange each month.

Ask the Department of Human Services (DHS)!

Wednesday, 8/13 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.

Circus Science with Gregory May

Wednesday, 8/13 at 2 PM

All Ages. Run away and join the circus without leaving home! Have you ever imagined yourself in the circus? Well, silly scientist Gregory May has lived it! As a former Ringling Brothers performer, Baltimore City science teacher, and Port Discovery Children's Museum educator, he uses amazing tricks to explore the circus world and the core scientific principles that make it work. Multiple volunteers will assist Circus Greg with his tricks in this energetic and audience interactive performance for children and families of all ages.

Offsite Events

at Piney Run Park, 30 Martz Rd.

**WILD about Wildflowers:
Daytime Hike at Piney Run Park**

Wednesday, 8/27 at 1 PM

Registration opens 8/13

Ages 11 - 17. Join us at the Piney Run Nature Center for a daytime hike led by a naturalist! Identify and learn about wild plant life and make wildflower seed bombs and pressed flower bookmarks!

Storytimes for Kids

Saturday Adventures

Saturdays at 10 AM • 8/2 - 8/30

Ages Birth - 8. Stories, songs, dancing, crafts - there will be something new and different each week.

Infant Lapsit Storytime

Tuesdays at 9:30 AM • 8/5 - 8/26

Ages Birth - 24 Months. Infants and young babies who are crawlers/pre-walkers and their caregivers are invited to this laid-back, gentle program to enjoy nursery rhymes and stories together and begin to build literacy skills, all from the comfort of their favorite grownup's lap.

Read and Play

**Tuesdays at 10:30 AM • Thursdays at 9:30 AM
8/5 - 8/28**

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

Move & Groove Storytime

Wednesdays at 9:30 and 10:30 AM • 8/6 - 8/27

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.

Family Storytime

Thursdays at 10:30 AM • 8/7 - 8/28

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

Starlight Storytime

Wednesday, 8/13 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.

Book Clubs



Free Spirit Book Club

Saturday, 8/9 at 2 PM

Adults. This month's selection is *Lady Tan's Circle of Women* by Lisa See.

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Papercraft Studio

Thursday, 8/14 at 6 PM

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

Gentle Yoga

Thursday, 8/14 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 7/31

Thursday, 8/28 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 8/14

Ages 13 - Adults. This gentle yoga class allows students of various abilities and physical conditions to develop their yoga practice comfortably. Please wear comfortable clothing; bring a mat and a blanket. All attendees need to register.

Chalk the Walk

Friday, 8/15 at 9:30 AM

Ages 6 - 12. Join the chalk party! Decorate the library's sidewalks for summer and share your creativity with the community.

Mah Jongg Marathon

Saturday, 8/16 from 10 AM - 4 PM

Registration opens 8/2

Adults. Play American Mah Jongg at the library! We welcome experienced and newer players for casual, non-competitive play. There will be multiple prize drawings. Registration is encouraged, but drop-ins are welcome.

Fusible Bead Magnets

Monday, 8/18 at 2 PM

Ages 8 - 18. Unleash your creativity with fun Perler bead magnets! Choose colors, shapes, and designs to make unique magnets for your room, art, or gifts.

Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Tuesday, 8/19 at 2 PM

Ages 11 - 17. Battle your friends in a *Super Smash Bros.* tournament on the library's Nintendo Switch. See if you have what it takes to be a champion.

Wonderfully Wicked Oz-tacular

Thursday, 8/21 at 1 PM

All Ages. Join us *Over the Rainbow* for a *Wicked* good time! Follow the yellow brick road and celebrate all things Oz!

Little Builders

Friday, 8/22 at 10 AM

Ages 2 - 5. Let's build! We will build towers, bridges, buildings, and have fun!

Fall & Winter Primer:

Putting Your Garden to Bed

Friday, 8/22 at 2 PM • Registration opens 8/8

Ages 12 - Adults. Join us for this special presentation on preparing your garden for fall and winter. Learn about some great ways you can prepare your garden and why it is so valuable to leave leaves for the pollinators. All attendees need to register.

Read with a Furry Friend

Saturday, 8/23 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.

Tai Chi for Wellness and Rehabilitation

Saturday, 8/23 at 3:30 PM • Registration opens 8/9

Ages 13 - 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. The instructor is certified through the Tai Chi for Health Institute. All levels are welcome.

Mah Jongg 101

Monday, 8/25 at 6 PM • Registration opens 8/11

Adults. In this introductory class, you will learn the basics of this ancient and challenging tile game. We will follow the National Mah Jongg League rules of play. Exercise your brain while having great fun!

Carroll County Workforce Development Day

Tuesday, 8/26 from 10 AM - 2 PM

Adults. Explore invaluable career resources at Carroll County Workforce Development's pop-up event. Discover free training opportunities, learn how to connect with employers, and receive personalized support to revamp your resume.

Rainbow Recess

Tuesday, 8/26 at 1 PM

Ages 6 - 12. Join us for active fun with the parachute and stretchy band, just like you do in elementary school recess! Kids will enjoy teamwork games, movement, and laughter in this high-energy program designed to get everyone moving and having fun.

Messy Art

Wednesday, 8/27 at 2 PM

Ages 3 - 6. What are we making? Whatever you want-and it's going to be beautiful! And messy! Make sure to wear clothes you don't mind getting messy.

Open Chess

Wednesday, 8/27 at 6 PM

All Ages. Drop in to show your skills with other chess players! Chess players of all levels are welcome.

Back from the Beach Book Sale

Friday, 8/29 - Saturday, 8/30 during library hours

All Ages. Shop a large selection of items at special prices.

All About Owls

Friday, 8/29 at 2 PM • Registration opens 8/15

Ages 6 - 12. Join us for a special visit by a screech owl from the Piney Run Park Nature Center! Participants will also perform an owl pellet dissection. Learn all about owl behavior, diet, and habitat. Only kids need to register.

Create a Workshop Apron

Friday, 8/1 at 1 PM • Registration opens 7/18

Ages 16 - Adults. Makers! We will work on sewing machines to create a workshop apron with pouches and loops designed for makers. Sewing certification required to attend. \$8.00

Cooking Basics: Pasta Making

Saturday, 8/2 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 7/19

Ages 12 - Adults. Learn to make fresh pasta from scratch in this hands-on class! You'll mix, knead, roll, and cut dough while practicing making classic shapes like fettuccine.

Cooking for Wellness: Tofu Curry

Monday, 8/4 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 7/21

Ages 15 - Adults. School is starting, and life seems to always get busier, whether or not we have kids! If you're looking for a quick plant-based meal that you can make during the busiest of weeks, try a tofu curry! Enjoy while discussing mindful eating with a registered dietitian. This class is provided through our partnership with Carroll Hospital. \$5.00

Soundscaping: Intro to FL Studio and Roland Keyboard

Monday, 8/4 at 6 PM • Registration opens 7/21

Adults. Learn the basics of music creation with an intro to *FL Studio* and a look into a few of the unique features of our own Roland FP-90X keyboard.

Digitizing Sewing Patterns

Tuesday, 8/5 at 10 AM • Registration opens 7/22

Adults. Attendees will learn how to take a physical sewing pattern and digitize it for various uses. All attendees need to register.

Intro to Basic Sewing Skills (Skill Level 0)

Tuesday, 8/5 at 5 PM • Registration opens 7/22

Thursday, 8/28 at 10 AM • Registration opens 8/14

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.

Laser Skills: Print and Cut

Wednesday, 8/6 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 7/23

Ages 16 - Adults. Learn how to print-and-cut with the Epilog Fusion Pro. We will explore how the Epilog's IRIS™ Camera Registration System works to for extremely precise cutting and engraving. We will work in *Adobe Illustrator* to create a print-and-cut file that can be used with the Camera Registration System. Laser certification is required for all attendees, and familiarly with *Adobe Illustrator* is encouraged.

Intro to Laser Cutting ●●● R

Thursday, 8/7 at 10 AM • Registration opens 7/24

Wednesday, 8/20 at 5 PM • Registration opens 8/6

Ages 12 - Adults. This beginner-level laser cutter class will walk you through design basics, machine use, and safety procedures. At the instructor's discretion, customers who successfully complete this program will be certified to use the Exploration Commons' Fusion Pro and Fusion Edge laser cutters.

Beginner Sewing Level 1: Make a Thread Catcher (Class 1) ●●● R \$

Thursday, 8/7 at 4:30 PM • Registration opens 7/24

Ages 16 - Adults. Get acquainted with the sewing machine and basic tools of the trade. Learn about various fabric stabilizers and how to sew different stitches, including sewing in a straight line. Apply these techniques to make a small fabric basket to catch loose threads. **\$5.00**

Baking Basics: Classic Lemon Bars ●●● R \$

Thursday, 8/7 at 5 PM • Registration opens 7/24

Saturday, 8/23 at 1 PM • Registration opens 8/9

Ages 13 - Adults. Bake delicious classic lemon bars from scratch. Each participant will make a batch to take home and enjoy. **\$10.00**

Cooking Together: Pokémon Kitchen Quest ●●● R \$

Friday, 8/8 at 10:30 AM • Registration opens 7/25

Ages 6 - 12. In this hands-on class, participants will create Pokémon-themed snacks inspired by favorite characters. One registration fee per group, up to four participants. For groups with children ages six and up, children must be accompanied by an adult. **\$15.00**

Next Steps with Arduino ●●● R

Saturday, 8/9 at 2 PM • Registration opens 7/26

Ages 12 - Adults. Microcontrollers are everywhere and are often the unseen heroes of our modern world. From coffee makers to elevators, and even the television remote control, microcontrollers can be programmed to fulfill a variety of simple tasks. The Arduino platform makes working with microcontrollers easy, fun, and offers a way to get started in electronics. Join us for a workshop where we'll explore a few challenging Arduino projects using components from the Arduino education kits available for use in the makerspace. It is recommended that you have taken Introduction to Arduino or have previous experience with an Arduino before this program. All attendees need to register.

Teens Bake: Focaccia Bread Art ●●● R \$

Monday, 8/11 at 11 AM • Registration opens 7/28

Ages 13 - 17. Create your own fanciful bread art using fresh focaccia dough, veggies, and herbs. **\$5.00**

Shrimp Ceviche ●●● R \$

Monday, 8/11 at 6 PM • Registration opens 7/28

Ages 16 - Adults. Warm weather is perfect for crisp, cool shrimp ceviche! We'll make batches of shrimp ceviche and eat it with tortilla chips. **\$5.00**

Making for Seniors: Introduction to 3D Printing and Design with Tinkercad ●●● R

Tuesday, 8/12 at 10 AM • Registration opens 7/29

Adults. Learning new technology should be fun, not intimidating! Join us for a basic hands-on session where we'll create a simple 3D design project to be printed on Exploration Commons' 3D printers. Previous basic computer experience is required. No previous experience with 3D printing or design software is needed.

Introduction to Onshape & 3D Printing ●●● R

Tuesday, 8/12 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 7/29

Ages 16 - 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.

Fantastic Ferments Demo ●●● R \$

Wednesday, 8/13 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 7/30

Ages 15 - Adults. Learn about the health benefits of fermented foods and ways to add them to your everyday diet. In this demo class, we will review many types of products, from kefir to sauerkraut, sample recipes using these gut-healthy products, and discuss how you can use fermented products at home. **\$5.00**

Independent Project Design: Video Editing Workshop ●●● R

Thursday, 8/14 at 6 PM • Registration opens 7/31

Ages 16 - Adults. Do you have a video project you want to edit together but are unsure where to start? This is the class for you! Unlike our other classes, which just cover the introduction to video editing software, this class is specifically oriented to giving you one-on-one assistance.

During this orientation session, we'll review your current project idea and the results you're looking to achieve. You will work on this project on your own time and have access to up to two one-on-one sessions to review progress, discuss challenges, and get support for moving forward. Participants are responsible for bringing their video footage to be looked over.

Open Sewing Studio ●●● R

Saturday, 8/16 at 10 AM • Registration opens 8/2

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.

Intermediate Laser Cutting: Engraving Painted Canvas ●●● R \$

Saturday, 8/16 at 1 PM • Registration opens 8/2

Ages 16 - Adults. This intermediate-level laser design class focuses on the differences between creating designs and navigating unique settings on pre-painted paper canvases. It is recommended that you bring any photos you would like to engrave with you on a flash drive to help save design time. **\$5.00**

Laser Cutting Refresher ●●● R

Monday, 8/18 at 6 PM • Registration opens 8/4

Ages 12 - Adults. If it's been a while since you passed your Exploration Commons laser certification, and you could use a refresher on the process, this class is for you! Get a reintroduction to the basics of using our Epilog Fusion Pro and Edge lasers. Previous Laser Certification is required.

Adobe Illustrator Skill Builder: Tools & Shortcuts ●●● R

Tuesday, 8/19 at 10 AM • Registration opens 8/5

Ages 16 - Adults. Boost your speed and confidence in *Adobe Illustrator* with this hands-on class focused on essential tools and time-saving shortcuts. Gain a solid understanding of *Illustrator* features and keyboard shortcuts to help you create vector designs more efficiently. This class is ideal for those looking to streamline the design process for makerspace projects. Attendees should have a basic understanding of *Illustrator* and some experience creating independent projects.

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

Tuesday, 8/19 at 4:30 PM • Registration opens 8/5

Ages 16 - Adults. Get acquainted with the sewing machine and basic tools of the trade. Learn how to work with different-weight fabrics and sew a boxed corner. Students will also learn about topstitching, reinforcement stitching, and how to use webbing to make bag handles. Apply these skills and more to make a lined canvas tote bag with coordinating handles. **\$10.00**

Bake Together: Soft Pretzels ●●● R \$

Tuesday, 8/19 at 5 PM • Registration opens 8/5

Ages 6 - 18. Join us for a hands-on baking class! We'll learn how to make delicious soft pretzels and a honey mustard dipping sauce to go with them. **\$15.00**

Chef Stories: All About Honey with Mission Beelieve ●●● R

Wednesday, 8/20 at 10:30 AM • Registration opens 8/6

Ages 13 - Adults. Learn what the buzz is all about with Monica Schmitt, Founder and CEO of Taneytown's Mission Beelieve. She will share her extensive knowledge of honey bees and honey processing, including tasting several varieties. We'll make some tasty recipes featuring honey and enjoy them while she discusses the nonprofit she started.

Note: Registration verifies your acceptance of Exploration Commons' program cancellation and kitchen safety procedures.

The Exploration Commons kitchen is not an allergen-free facility.

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Intro to Adobe Illustrator ●●●R

Thursday, 8/21 at 10 AM • Registration opens 8/7

Ages 16 - Adults. Learn the basic features of *Adobe Illustrator*. Participants will have the opportunity to learn and explore the program through hands-on instruction. No experience is required.

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

Thursday, 8/21 at 4:30 PM • Registration opens 8/7

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**

Start Your Day with Protein! ●●●R

Thursday, 8/21 at 5 PM • Registration opens 8/7

Ages 13 - Adults. Guest presenter Amie Howard will be sharing the importance of starting your day with protein. We'll be making and enjoying several protein-based breakfast items. Amie, Nutritionist at BW Primary Care, will share tips, tricks, and recipes to help you incorporate more protein into your morning meals.

Intro to Web Design: Two-Part Class ●●●R

Friday, 8/22 and 8/29 at 2:30 PM

Registration opens 8/8

Ages 12 - Adults. In this hands-on workshop, participants will learn the fundamentals of web design by exploring both HTML and CSS.

Chef Stories: Mediterranean Meatballs with Ötzi Chefs ●●●R\$

Monday, 8/25 at 1 PM • Registration opens 8/11

Ages 11 - Adults. Join guest chefs Dom and Stephanie Greco from Ötzi Mediterranean Market & Eatery as they share the rich culinary traditions of the Mediterranean. In this hands-on class, we'll prepare flavorful meatball recipes and explore the ingredients, techniques, and stories that make them special. All attendees need to register. **\$8.00**

Quick Dinner Series: Shepherd's Pie ●●●R\$

Monday, 8/25 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 8/11

Adults. Attendees will work alongside another guest to create Shepherd's Pie. We'll layer beef and cheesy potatoes in this baked meal. All attendees need to register. **\$10.00**

Introduction to Arduino ●●●R

Tuesday, 8/26 at 5 PM • Registration opens 8/12

Ages 12 - Adults. Microcontrollers are everywhere and are often the unseen heroes of our modern world. From coffee makers to elevators, and even the television remote control, microcontrollers can be programmed to fulfill a variety of simple tasks. The Arduino platform makes working with microcontrollers easy, fun, and offers a way to get started in electronics. 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.

Puerto Rican Patatas Bravas ●●●R\$

Wednesday, 8/27 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 8/13

Adults. Patatas Bravas are one of the most popular items on any Spanish tapas menu. In this hands-on class, you'll learn how to fry up crispy potatoes and top them with bold, flavorful sauces inspired by Puerto Rican cuisine. Participants will make and enjoy a portion of spicy Patatas Bravas. **\$5.00**

Cook Together: Studio Ghibli Bento Bash ●●●R\$

Thursday, 8/28 at 2 PM • Registration opens 8/14

Ages 6 - 18. Join fellow Studio Ghibli enthusiasts for a fun, hands-on class in the kitchen. Share your love for Studio Ghibli films, discuss your favorite characters, and create a bento box lunch inspired by these beloved stories. One registration fee per group, up to four participants, including at least one child (ages 6-18) and one adult. The minimum group size is two. Please list the names and ages of all participants (ages 6 and up) when registering. **\$15.00**

Let's Start a Podcast! ●●●R

Thursday, 8/28 at 6 PM • Registration opens 8/14

Ages 15 - Adults. Do you want to get into podcasting but don't know where to start? Then this is the class for you! We will cover the basics of the different recording software we offer and introduce the equipment we provide in the Audio/Video Lab.

Basic Knife Skills ●●●R

Saturday, 8/30 at 10 AM • Registration opens 8/16

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.

Radical Reptiles ●●●R

Friday, 8/1 at 10 AM • Registration opens 7/18

All Ages. Nicole Osborne presents an exciting line-up of exotic reptiles in this interactive program, with a chance to hold/touch the reptiles! Learn about reptile care, fun facts, and more! All attendees need to register.

Memory Lane Playback ●●●R

Monday, 8/4 at 1 PM • Registration opens 7/21

Ages 3 - Adults. Memory Lane Playback is an interactive form of improvisational theatre that invites audience members to share stories we act out. Attendees will participate in improvisational theatre through stories shared by the group. Playback aims to create community, understanding, and connection. All attendees need to register.

Garden Gifts ●●●R

Tuesday, 8/5 at 1 PM • Registration opens 7/22

Ages 6 - 12. Participants will discover the amazing variety of flowers in the library gardens and their purpose. Using their senses, they will examine the different plants to discover the unique characteristics. Each participant will then have an opportunity to share their findings by creating a flower chart of descriptive words, and finish the program by creating their own bookmark using flowers that were dried naturally. Only kids need to register.

Ask the Department of Human Services (DHS)! ●

Wednesday, 8/6 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.

Color Our World™ with Bugs ●●●R

Thursday, 8/7 at 1 PM • Registration opens 7/24

All Ages. Come see Ryan the Bug Man and his amazing collection of live and carefully preserved bugs! Learn all about the colors of the bugs in our world and get a chance to touch the bugs too. All attendees need to register.

Sensory Sensitive PAWS to Read ●●●R

Friday, 8/8 at 10:45 AM • Registration opens 7/25

Ages 4 - Adults. An inclusive visit with book-loving therapy dogs for people and children of all abilities. Research shows that reading to animals boosts reading skills and helps with social skills and emotional health for all ages. Registration is preferred, but walk-ins are welcome. Only kids need to register.

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

Note: Registration verifies your acceptance of Exploration Commons' program cancellation and kitchen safety procedures.

The Exploration Commons kitchen is not an allergen-free facility.

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Volunteer Opportunity ● R at the Finksburg Branch Garden

Saturday, 8/9 at 9 AM • Registration opens 7/26

Saturday, 8/23 at 9 AM • Registration opens 8/9

Ages 14 - 17. Are you in need of service hours? Do you like working outside and don't mind getting your hands dirty? If so, this may be the perfect volunteer opportunity for you! We are looking for students ages 14-17 to assist our local master gardeners with the maintenance of the Finksburg Branch Garden. Please dress appropriately, wear sunscreen, and bring water. Garden clean-up days are weather-dependent. All attendees need to register.

Carroll County Writers Group ● Saturday, 8/9 at 1 PM

Adults. Please join the monthly meeting of the Carroll County Writers Association as we discuss our writing efforts.

Carroll County Critique Group ● Saturday, 8/9 at 3:30 PM

Adults. Please join the monthly meeting of the Carroll County Critique Group as we discuss our writing efforts.

Painter's Palette for Kids ● R Friday, 8/15 at 1 PM • Registration opens 8/1

Ages 5 - 12. Join us for an evening of painting at the library. Participants will receive instruction and create beginner-level artwork inspired by our Summer Reading theme, *Color Our World™*. Please wear old clothes or bring an apron. All supplies will be provided. Only kids need to register.

Rocks and Geodes ● R Saturday, 8/16 at 11 AM • Registration opens 8/2

Ages 11 - 17. Join us to crack open geodes and paint some rocks. All materials will be provided for you.

PAWS to Read ● ● ● R Saturday, 8/16 at 2 PM • Registration opens 8/2

Ages 4 - Adults. Come to the library to visit with or read to book-loving therapy dogs. Research shows that reading to animals boosts reading skills in children and helps with social skills and emotional health for all ages. Adults and seniors can also come to de-stress and relax with a fuzzy friend. Walk-ins are welcome! Only kids need to register.

Dungeons & Dragons ● R Summer Adventure

Saturday, 8/16 at 2 PM • Registration opens 8/2

Ages 11 - 18. Calling brave heroes for a quest in Dungeons & Dragons! Whether this is your first adventure or your twentieth, join us for an afternoon of fantastic deeds! A choice of playable sixth-level characters, dice, pencils, and other necessary supplies will be provided. All attendees need to register.

Read with a Ballerina ● R

Monday, 8/18 at 10 AM • Registration opens 8/4

Ages 3 - 12. Children will enjoy storytime and an excerpt performance from the Contempic School of Ballet. All attendees need to register.

Ask a Master Gardener Plant Clinic ● ● ● Thursday, 8/21 from 10 AM - 12 PM

All Ages. Bring your questions to a Carroll County Master Gardener and pick up tips, handouts, and more. The Ask a Master Gardener table will be set up in the Finksburg Branch lobby.

Club Friendship: ● ● ● R Libraries Are for Everyone

Thursday, 8/21 at 1 PM • Registration opens 8/7

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! All attendees need to register.

Meet and Greet a Miniature Horse ● ● ● R Friday, 8/22 at 10 AM • Registration opens 8/8

All Ages. Join the fun as we meet a miniature horse from Full Moon Farms. We'll have a brief informative presentation, a Q&A session, and a chance to meet the mini horse. Bring your camera and share this special event! All attendees need to register.

Water Balloon Wednesdays ● Wednesday, 8/27 at 1 PM

Ages 6 - 12. Be prepared for a splash, and bring your own towel! The program is weather-dependent.

Chess at the Library ● ● ● Wednesday, 8/27 at 5 PM

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

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

Friday, 8/29 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, health education, and more. Not all services will be available at all locations.

Offsite Events

at Bistro 91, 3000 Gamber Rd.

TRIVIA NIGHT at Bistro 91

Tuesday, 8/12 at 7 PM

Registration opens 7/29

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
8/5 - 8/28**

Ages Birth - 24 Months. Enjoy 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
8/5 - 8/28**

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

Pajama Party Storytime

Tuesdays at 6:30 PM • 8/5 - 8/26

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 • 8/6 - 8/27

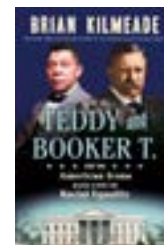
Ages Birth - 8. We'll share books, stories, rhymes, music, and movement. Come talk, sing, read, write, and play together.

Ready, Set, School!

Wednesdays at 11 AM • 8/6 - 8/27

Ages 3 - 6. An independent storytime that prepares children for school. Fun, hands-on activities will teach listening, pre-reading, math, movement, music, and art skills.

Book Clubs



Veterans Book Club Monday, 8/11 at 6 PM

Adults. This month's selection is *Teddy and Booker T.* by Brian Kilmeade. A Celebrating America program.



Finksburg Book Club Wednesday, 8/20 at 6:30 PM

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

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Storytimes for Kids

Siblings are welcome to attend these programs.

Saturday Storytime

Saturdays at 10 AM • 8/2 - 8/30

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 Storytime

Mondays and Thursdays at 10 AM

8/4 - 8/28

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.

Let's Move!

Mondays at 11 AM • 8/4 - 8/25

Ages Birth - 8. Join us for an interactive storytime where we're learning through movement. We'll explore books, rhymes, and songs with lots of wiggles and giggles!

Read and Play

Tuesdays at 10 AM • 8/5 - 8/26

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.

Twos and Threes Together

Tuesdays at 11 AM • 8/5 - 8/26

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

Pajama Party Storytime

Thursdays at 6:30 PM • 8/7 - 8/28

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 appropriate for young children.

Read with a Furry Friend: Adaptive Program for Adults

Friday, 8/1 at 10 AM

Ages 13 - Adults. Trained reading dogs from My Caring Paws will be here to enjoy a meet-and-greet with new adult friends!

Dungeons and Dragons Club

Saturday, 8/2 at 1 PM • Registration opens 7/19

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.

Ink-credible Prints!

Saturday, 8/2 at 2 PM

Ages 6 - 12. Come learn a fun and easy way to create relief printmaking art! We'll be using Styrofoam (and even a potato or two!) to carve and print our own colorful summer art. You can even make multiple prints of one design! Wear clothes you don't mind getting paint on or a smock and join us for an afternoon of color fun!

Swords and Stories: A Fantasy Celebration

Tuesday, 8/5 at 3 PM

Ages 11 - 18. Join us for an evening of fantasy-themed fun! Create dragon jars, sword keychains, and story prompts for a magical adventure!

Building Block Playtime

Wednesday, 8/6 at 10 AM

Ages Birth - 6. Did you know block play contributes to early childhood development? Join us as we stack, sort, build bridges, and lay the foundation for building confidence, self-esteem, and the problem-solving skills needed to succeed later in school, all while having fun with blocks!

Mount Airy Knitters

Wednesdays at 10 AM • 8/6 - 8/27

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, 8/7 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.

Baby Beach Day

Friday, 8/8 at 10 AM

Ages Birth - 5. It's a beach day...at the library! Bring your babies and visit the beach from the comforts of the library!

LEGO® Creations

Saturday, 8/9 at 2 PM

Ages 6 - 12. Join us for a LEGO® program where you can build whatever you would like! We supply the blocks and you supply the creativity! Siblings are welcome to attend this program.

Death Café: Conversations About Death

Monday, 8/11 at 6 PM

Adults. Our society shuns talking about death and dying, even though we will all eventually die. Join us as we openly discuss and explore our mortality. Our goal is to destigmatize discussions about death and dying. All opinions and thoughts are welcomed and encouraged. Please note that this is a discussion group, not a grief support or counseling session. Refreshments will be served.

Roblox Party

Tuesday, 8/12 at 3 PM • Registration opens 7/29

Ages 11 - 17. Join us for crafts and activities inspired by Roblox! Make Roblox crafts, play IRL Dress to Impress, and more!

Ask the Department of Human Services (DHS)!

Wednesday, 8/13 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.

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Book Clubs



**Mount Airy Book
Discussion Group**
**Wednesday, 8/20
at 1 PM**

Adults. This month's selection is *A Gentleman and a Thief: The Daring Jewel Heists of a Jazz Age Rogue* by Dean Jobb.



**Mount Airy Senior
Book Discussion
Group**
Thursday, 8/28 at 1 PM

Adults. This month's selection is *The Taking of Jemima Boone* by Matthew Pearl.

Offsite Events

on Main Street, Mount Airy

Celebrate Mount Airy!

Saturday, 8/23 from 5 - 8 PM

All Ages. Come join CCPL's Mount Airy Branch at Celebrate Mount Airy on Main Street, the town's annual community block party! This event is free and is a partnership with the Town of Mount Airy.

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TTRPG Day!

Wednesday, 8/13 at 12 PM

Ages 6 - 11. Let's learn to play a new tabletop role-playing game at the library! Each month, we will highlight a different game, and provide resources and book recommendations based on the game we're playing.

Mount Airy Scrapbook Club

Wednesday, 8/13 at 6 PM

Ages 16 - Adults. Join us for a monthly scrapbooking club where you bring your materials from home, spread out, and work on your projects. Meet other scrapbook lovers and share ideas. We can provide some paper and cutting materials as well.

Read with a Furry Friend

Saturday, 8/16 at 2 PM

Ages 3 - Adults. Every dog enjoys a good story! Trained reading dogs from My Caring Paws will provide a relaxed, informal atmosphere for kids to practice reading.

Carroll County Health Department's Health on Wheels Mobile Services

Tuesday, 8/19 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, assistance with vaccines, WIC services by appointment, and health education. Not all services will be available at all locations.

Gentle Yoga

Monday, 8/25 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 8/11

Adults. Gentle Yoga is a slower-paced, calming style of yoga that focuses on relaxation, ease of movement, and mindfulness. Class will include basic postures, gentle stretching and exploration of the breath and body connection. Students are encouraged to bring a yoga mat if they have one and wear comfortable clothing. Studio mats will be available if a person does not have one. All attendees need to register.

Mount Airy Teen Advisory Board

Tuesday, 8/26 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!

ASL Practice Club

Wednesday, 8/27 at 6 PM

Ages 5 - Adults. Join us for our ASL (American Sign Language) Practice Club! We will have conversational games and prompts to help keep your skills up. All fluency levels are welcome!

Nature! Science! Art?

Friday, 8/29 at 10 AM

Ages 6 - 11. Nature, science, and art come together in a super-fun mashup as we learn about pH sensitive & photo-sensitive colors and dyes! We'll be making prints and dyeing scarves with natural plants...and the help of science!

Mini Musicians

Friday, 8/1 at 1 PM • Registration opens 7/18

Friday, 8/8 at 1 PM • Registration opens 7/25

Friday, 8/15 at 1 PM • Registration opens 8/1

Friday, 8/22 at 1 PM • Registration opens 8/8

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!

North Carroll Knitters Group

Monday, 8/4 and Tuesday, 8/19 at 1 PM

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

Rocks and Geodes

Monday, 8/4 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 7/21

Ages 11 - 17. Join us to crack open geodes and paint some rocks. All materials will be provided for you.

Create, Explore, and More: Fantastic Figures

Tuesday, 8/5 at 10 AM • Registration opens 7/22

Ages 8 - 13. Join us to design and create several different figures out of various materials.

Transitioning to Medicare Part 1

Tuesday, 8/5 at 5 PM • Registration opens 7/22

Adults. Are you or someone you care about eligible for Medicare? Come and find out how to maximize your Medicare health benefits. There are many decisions to make when you are transitioning to Medicare. 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. We will also cover Medicare Savings Programs, which help pay out-of-pocket costs for Medicare beneficiaries. These are not all low-income programs. All attendees need to register.

Storytimes for Kids

Read and Play

Mondays and Fridays at 10 AM

8/1 - 8/29

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

Move and Learn

Mondays at 11 AM • 8/4 - 8/25

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

Family Fun Night

Wednesdays at 6:30 PM • 8/6 - 8/27

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

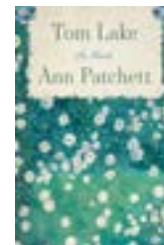
Family Storytime

Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10 AM

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Book Clubs



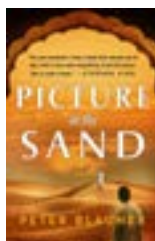
North Carroll Book Discussion Group

Monday, 8/25 at 6 PM

Adults. This month's selection is *Tom Lake* by Ann Patchett.

Offsite Events

at North Carroll Senior Center, 2328 Hanover Pike



North Carroll Senior Center Wednesday Book Club

Wednesday, 8/13 at 11 AM

Adults. This month's selection is *Picture in the Sand* by Peter Blauner.



North Carroll Senior Center Thursday Book Club

Thursday, 8/14 at 1 PM

Adults. This month's selection is *Mockingbird Summer* by Lynda Rutledge.

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North Carroll Writers Group

Tuesdays at 5:30 PM • Thursdays at 10 AM • 8/5 - 8/28

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.

The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs

Wednesday, 8/6 at 10 AM

Ages 3 - Adults. Join Fun-In-It Storytelling as they present Jon Scieszka's *The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs*!

Make a Bookmark and a Resin Charm

Wednesday, 8/6 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 7/23

Ages 11 - 17. Design and create a bookmark and a resin charm to take with you.

Carroll 250: Samuel Dewees and America's Two Wars of Independence

Wednesday, 8/6 at 6:30 PM • Registration now open

Adults. See back cover for details.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover

Thursday, 8/7 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 7/24

Ages 4 - 10. Bring one of your stuffed animal friends to this storytime, and then leave your friend to spend the night at the library. After the library closes, the real fun begins! We will take pictures of all the adventures that your stuffed animal friend goes through while at the library. You can pick up your stuffed animal friend starting when we open at 9 AM on Friday, August 8. At pickup, you will also get photos and a letter showing what your friend did at the library overnight.

Read to a Dog

Thursday, 8/7 at 6 PM

Ages 4 - 12. Read to a puppy from the Seeing Eye Puppy Raising Program! Reading to a dog can increase a child's self-esteem and confidence levels in reading, especially for struggling readers.

Wizard of Oz Crafts

Monday, 8/11 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 7/28

Ages 8 - 17. Come by to make some Oz-themed crafts. We'll be making a witch's feet bookmark, a tin-man heart charm, witch's slime, and more!

Create, Explore, and More:

Luminary Jars and Clay Creations

Tuesday, 8/12 at 10 AM • Registration opens 7/29

Ages 8 - 13. We will be making luminary jars and making a creation of air dry clay.

Transitioning To Medicare Part 2

Tuesday, 8/12 at 5 PM • Registration opens 7/29

Adults. Are you or someone you care about eligible for Medicare? Come and find out how to maximize your Medicare health benefits. This seminar focuses on Medicare Supplement/Medigap and Medicare Advantage plans. Learn about the different Medigap plans and your period of guaranteed issue rights under original Medicare. These secondary/supplemental plans can cover some or all of Medicare's out-of-pocket costs. We will also discuss a different way to obtain all services covered by Medicare and more: Medicare Advantage Plans. All attendees need to register.

Carroll County Workforce Development Day

Wednesday, 8/13 from 10 AM - 2 PM

Adults. Explore invaluable career resources at Carroll County Workforce Development's pop-up event. Discover free training opportunities, learn how to connect with employers, and receive personalized support to revamp your resume.

Indoor/Outdoor Target Range

Wednesday, 8/13 at 1:30 PM

Ages 8 - 17. Join us for two different target ranges. We will have an indoor target range for Nerf weapons and an outdoor range for water guns. We will provide all the Nerf weapons and water guns.

Club Friendship:

Libraries Are for Everyone

Thursday, 8/14 at 1 PM • Registration opens 7/31

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!

Create, Explore, and More:

Tricky Trap Making 101

Tuesday, 8/19 at 10 AM • Registration opens 8/5

Ages 8 - 13. We will be designing, creating, and testing out traps.

Meal Prep 101

Tuesday, 8/19 at 6 PM • Registration opens 8/5

Adults. Eating healthy can become the easy option when the ingredients are already prepared. Join Weis Dietitian Christina, MS, RDN, LDN in learning tips and tricks for easy meal prep. The presentation will be followed by a Southwest Black Bean-Quinoa Bowl recipe demonstration that participants will be able to sample. Pick up recipes, *Weis Healthy Bites Magazine*, healthy hand-out tips, and a \$5.00 Weis coupon. All attendees need to register.

Ask the Department of Human Services (DHS)!

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Sweet Beginnings with Hershey's Chocolate

Wednesday, 8/20 at 1 PM

Ages 2 - 10. Join us for a fun and educational program about the Milton Hershey School in which students can learn about history, entrepreneurship, and philanthropy, as well as about chocolate! The program is designed so children and their parents will learn about this unique American success story.

Multiple Sclerosis Support Group

Thursday, 8/21 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.

Create, Explore, and More:

Giant Games

Tuesday, 8/26 at 10 AM • Registration opens 8/12

Ages 8 - 13. Join us to try out giant versions of games including Jenga, checkers, tic-tac-toe, and more.

Crazy for Crafting

Thursday, 8/28 at 6 PM • Registration opens 8/14

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 learn the art of quilling and complete a small project. All attendees need to register.

English Language Practice Group

Fridays at 9 AM • 8/1 - 8/29

Adults. Join us for a friendly group gathering to practice speaking English. This program, led by a partner from The Literacy Council of Carroll County, is geared toward adults who are English language learners.

Spanish Language Practice Circle

Fridays at 10:30 AM • 8/1, 8/15

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

Summer Lunch at the Library

Mondays - Fridays at 12 PM • 8/1 - 8/22

All Ages. CCPL's Taneytown Branch will partner with Carroll County Public Schools and the US Department of Agriculture to provide free summer meals for kids and teens. Thanks to a Caring and Sharing Ministries sponsorship, adult lunches will also be provided at no charge. Adults may pick up a meal to go, but to comply with Federal regulations, children must eat at the library.

Book Chat

Friday, 8/1 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, 8/1 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. Whether you write novels, short stories, poems, or anything in between, this group is for you!

Summer Puzzle Race

Saturday, 8/2 at 10 AM • Registration opens 7/19

Ages 12 - Adults. Do you love to do jigsaw puzzles? Form a team of up to four players and join us for a puzzle race competition! All teams will get the same 500-piece puzzle and race to see which team can assemble it first. Note: One player will register per team; please include the names of other teammates when you register.

Drop-In Diamond Painting

Tuesdays at 5:30 PM • 8/5 - 8/12, 8/26

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

Color Our World™ with Bugs

Thursday, 8/7 at 10 AM

All Ages. Come see Ryan the Bug Man and his amazing collection of live and carefully preserved bugs! Learn all about the colors of the bugs in our world and get a chance to touch the bugs too.

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Repurposed Crafts: Yogurt Jar Creations

Thursday, 8/7 at 6 PM • Registration opens 7/24

Adults. Transform glass yogurt containers into something useful and beautiful. All supplies will be provided — you only need to bring your creativity!

Rocks and Geodes

Saturday, 8/9 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 7/26

Ages 11 - 17. Join us to crack open geodes and paint some rocks. All materials will be provided for you.

Come Create

Monday, 8/11 at 6 PM • Registration opens 7/28

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

Wackadoo! It's a Bluey Bash!

Wednesday, 8/13 at 10 AM • Registration opens 7/30

Ages Birth - 8. We are celebrating all things *Bluey* with fun activities and more.

Taneytown Anime Club

Wednesday, 8/13 at 6 PM • Registration opens 7/30

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.

Hooks & Needles

Thursday, 8/14 at 5:30 PM

Adults. Bring your crochet, knitting, embroidery, or any other portable project to the library to work alongside other crafters. Get out of the house and enjoy some company while you stitch a few more rows. Drop in anytime; no instruction will be provided.

Carroll County Health Department's Health on Wheels Mobile Services

Friday, 8/15 from 11 AM - 1 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, assistance with vaccines, WIC services by appointment, and health education. Not all services will be available at all locations.

Storytimes for Kids

Read and Play

**Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 10 AM
8/5 - 8/12, 8/19 - 8/27**

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.

Twos and Threes Together

Tuesdays at 11 AM • 8/5 - 8/26

Ages 2 - 3. This lively, fast-paced storytime for young children includes books, songs, fingerplays, and movement. Siblings are welcome to attend this program.

Family Storytime

Thursdays at 10 AM • 8/14, 8/28

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.

Offsite Events



Books and Brews Book Club

**Wednesday, 8/6 at 6 PM
at Brewery Fire, 4337 Old
Taneytown Rd. STE B**

Adults. Do you enjoy reading and talking about books while enjoying excellent craft beer? Then our Books and Brews

book club is for you! This month's selection is *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles.

Touch a Digger & Story Stroll

**Thursday, 8/21 at 10 AM
at Taneytown Memorial Park
Md Route 140 at Park Drive**

All Ages. Join us at Taneytown Memorial Park to find out! We'll stroll around the park as we read and act out this month's Story Stroll story, *Where Do Diggers Sleep at Night?*, then the Taneytown Public Works Department will tell us where their diggers sleep and let us touch a digger!

TANEYTOWN BRANCH

10 GRAND DRIVE • 410.386.4510

Yoga and Pranayama for Stress Relief ●●● R

Saturday, 8/16 at 9:30 AM • Registration opens 8/2

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. Breathing techniques and physical postures will be practiced that can be utilized off your mat and outside this class, to enable you to manage stress and pressure in various settings in your life. The program will be accessible for individuals of varying physical ability and yoga experience, and can be modified to a chair, for those with limited mobility. Participants will need to bring their own yoga mat or towel to practice on. All attendees need to register.

Read with a Furry Friend ●●● R

Saturday, 8/16 at 11 AM • Registration opens 8/2

Ages 3 - Adults. Come to the library to visit with or read to book-loving therapy dogs. Research shows that reading to animals boosts reading skills in children and helps with social skills and emotional health for all ages. 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. ●●● R

Tournament for Kids

Saturday, 8/16 at 1 PM • Registration opens 8/2

Monday, 8/25 at 2 PM • Registration opens 8/11

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! There will be no prizes, just glory for the winner!

Super Smash Bros. ●●● R

Tournament for Teens

Saturday, 8/16 at 2:30 PM • Registration opens 8/2

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

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! There will be no prizes, just glory for the winner!

Minecraft Escape Room for Kids ●●● R

Monday, 8/18 at 2 PM or 4 PM

Registration opens 8/4

Ages 6 - 11. Oh no, you've been pulled through a portal into the game world of *Minecraft*! Will you be able to work together to find the clues and solve the pixelated puzzles to get out in time in our *Minecraft*-themed escape room? Only kids need to register.

Diamond Painting for Teens ●●● R

Tuesday, 8/19 at 2 PM • Registration opens 8/5

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

Diamond Painting ●●● R

Tuesday, 8/19 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 8/5

Adults. Join us for a monthly session of diamond painting! We'll have a new project each month, and no experience is necessary! All attendees need to register.

Ask the Department of Human Services (DHS)! ●●●

Wednesday, 8/20 from 9:30 - 11:30 AM

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Minecraft Escape Room for Teens ●●● R

Wednesday, 8/20 at 2 PM or 4 PM

Registration opens 8/6

Ages 12 - 18. Oh no, you've been pulled through a portal into the game world of *Minecraft*! Will you be able to work together to find the clues and solve the pixelated puzzles to get out in time in our *Minecraft*-themed escape room?

Happy Tooth Fairy Day! ●●● R

Friday, 8/22 at 10 AM • Registration opens 8/8

Ages 2 - 6. Celebrate the magic of fairies and the important role tooth fairies play in promoting dental health. We will have stories, songs, and activities for your enjoyment.

Monday Makers ●●● R

Monday, 8/25 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 8/11

Ages 11 - Adults. Join us to make something new and creative. Instructions will be limited so you can experiment with the materials provided.

There's still time to participate—sign up today!

SUMMER READING JUNE 1 - AUGUST 31

This program is for all ages and is an excellent way to engage the whole family in fun learning activities over the summer.



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Spider-Man Day 2025



Friday, 8/1 from 11 AM - 1 PM

All Ages. Celebrate Spider-Man's 1962 debut with comic book giveaways, a *Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse* movie screening, and more! Embrace your inner wall-crawler and wear your best spider-verse costume! The movie is rated PG. Comic books provided in collaboration with Gotham Comics.

Lunchtime Performances:



Sunday Night Big Band

Friday, 8/1 at 12 PM

All Ages. Join us for our Summer Lunchtime Performance series featuring big band jazz with Sunday Night Big Band! The band will entertain you with instrumental and vocal music in the style that became popular in the 1940s and remains a favorite today. The instrumental harmonies and familiar vocal charts from artists like Sinatra, Basie, and Miller are enjoyable to fans of all ages. The band has been based in Westminster since 2014 and performs in many local venues. In partnership with Fine Tuned Presents.

Needle Little Klatch?



Tuesdays at 5 PM • 8/5, 8/19

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

Westminster Wednesdays



Wednesday, 8/6 at 6 PM

All Ages. Come downtown to enjoy live music in our park. You are welcome to bring a blanket or lawn chair and stay awhile. Check out the many restaurant and retail specials happening while you are on Main Street.

Open Mah Jongg



**Thursday, 8/7, Wednesday, 8/13,
and Thursday, 8/21 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.

The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs



Friday, 8/8 at 10 AM

Ages 3 - Adults. Join Fun-In-It Storytelling as they present Jon Scieszka's *The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs*!

Lunchtime Performances:



The Leister Quartet

Friday, 8/8 at 12 PM

All Ages. Join us for our Summer Lunchtime Performance series featuring swingin' jazz standards with The Leister Quartet. From the smooth melodies of Sinatra and the Great American Songbook to the eclectic solos of Thelonius Monk, with the energy of Brian Setzer, the Monte Leister Quartet will transport you to another place and time. Enjoy their sophisticated menu of swing, jazz, and blues standards as well as smart original compositions. In partnership with Fine Tuned Presents.

Nintendo Afternoon



**Friday, 8/8, Monday, 8/11, Saturday, 8/23,
Friday, 8/29 at 2 PM**

Ages 11 - 17. Join us in our Young Adult Area for gaming on our Nintendo Switch. Bring your friends and take turns playing Mario Kart, Super Smash Bros., and more. Games will be provided.

Painting with a Pal:



Bring an Adult End of Summer Paint Party

Saturday, 8/9 at 2 PM • Registration opens 7/26

Ages 7 - Adults. This is an adult and child program. Each child will paint their own canvas and can bring one adult to paint a canvas. All materials will be provided; one canvas per person. Please wear clothing that can get dirty, as acrylic paint is not washable. Adults and children must each register.

Super Awesome Dance Party with Mr. Craig



Tuesday, 8/12 at 1 PM

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

AccessABILITY Travel



Wednesday, 8/13 at 2 PM • Registration opens 7/30

Adults. Join award-winning speaker on ADA compliance, Danielle Unglesbee, as she shows you how you can drop the D-I-S and instead focus on your ABILITY to easily travel. You will learn about new and existing ways that now allow you to travel even if you face challenges. She will discuss domestic and international travel, cruises, theme park vacations, airplane and rail travel, and accommodations.

Westminster Branch Chess Club



**Thursday, 8/14 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 7/31
Thursday, 8/28 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 8/14**

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. Our club sessions consist of 30 minutes of instruction and one hour of open play. Boards and pieces will be provided, but you are welcome to bring your own set(s) from home. All attendees need to register.

Lunchtime Performances:



Garrett Mabe

Friday, 8/15 at 12 PM

All Ages. Join us for our Summer Lunchtime Performance series featuring rock, pop, and blues favorites with Garrett Mabe. Garrett is a singer/songwriter from the Sykesville area who has been performing all over the country for the past 14 years. His love of different styles of music leads to fun and unpredictable sets where you'll never know what he will play next. If you like what you hear, visit www.garrettmabemusic.com for all of his local and tour dates! In partnership with Fine Tuned Presents.

Storytimes for Kids

Family Storytime

**Mondays at 10 AM • Thursdays at 11 AM
8/4 - 8/28**

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Read and Play

Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 10 AM • 8/5 - 8/27

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.

Twos and Threes Together

Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 11 AM

Thursdays at 10 AM

8/5 - 8/28

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

Pajama Party Storytime

Tuesdays at 7 PM • 8/5 - 8/26

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 appropriate for young children.

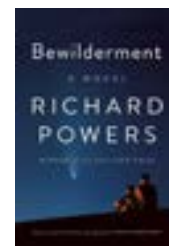
Book Clubs

Diverse Voices Book Club

Tuesday, 8/26 at 5 PM

Registration opens 8/12

Ages 16 - Adults. For August, participants can choose a memoir written by Rex Ogle. Titles include *Free Lunch*, *Punching Bag*, *Road Home*, or *Abuela, Don't Forget Me*. The author will join us virtually for this month's discussion.



Westminster

Book Club

**Wednesday, 8/27
at 2 PM**

Adults. This month's selection is *Bewilderment* by Richard Powers. Books will be available for pickup at CCPL's Westminster Branch.

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Magician Mike Rose: Colorful Magic ●●●

Friday, 8/15 at 2 PM

All Ages. Celebrate our Summer Reading theme, Color Our World™, with magician Mike Rose as he presents a magic show that is unlike any other! His show, "Colorful Magic," consists of impossible magic tricks, off-the-wall comedy, and lots of audience participation. It'll be a fun time you won't want to miss!

Teen After Hours: Roblox Party ● R

Friday, 8/15 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 8/1

Ages 11 - 17. Join us for crafts and activities inspired by Roblox! Snacks will also be provided. All attendees need to register. Refreshments will be served.

Stuff Your Own Colorful Teddy Bear ● R

Saturday, 8/16 at 10 AM • Registration opens 8/2

Ages 2 - 12. Join us for a chance to select a new stuffed friend from an assortment of options. You'll hand stuff your furry friend, place a wish star inside, zip it up, and lock it closed. Then, you'll complete a birth certificate for your new friend before taking it

home. Only kids need to register.

Stuff and Paint Your Own Colorful Teddy Bear ● R

Saturday, 8/16 at 11 AM • Registration opens 8/2

Ages 2 - 12. Join us for a chance to select a new stuffed friend and then paint it with several color options. You'll hand stuff your furry friend, place a wish star inside, zip it up, and lock it closed. Then, you'll complete a birth certificate for your new friend before taking it home. Only kids need to register.

DIY Solar Print Tote Bags ●● R

Saturday, 8/16 at 1 PM • Registration opens 8/2

Ages 12 - Adults. Soak in the sun while creating your own unique solar printed tote bag. All attendees need to register.

Westminster Branch Anime Club ●

Wednesday, 8/20 at 4 PM

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

Mid-Week Movie and Munch ●●●

Mufasa: The Lion King

Wednesday, 8/20 at 5:45 PM

All Ages. We will be watching *Mufasa: The Lion King*; the film is rated PG. Please bring your own bottle of water to enjoy with our salty popcorn. Refreshments will be served.

Line Dancing with Lori ● R

Thursday, 8/21 at 6 PM • Registration opens 8/7

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.

Lunchtime Performances: ●●●

Hickory Wind

Friday, 8/22 at 12 PM

All Ages. Join us for our Summer Lunchtime Performance series featuring acoustic classics with Hickory Wind. Enjoy folk, country, pop, and rock hits from the 1950s through the 1990s in a warm, unplugged setting. In partnership with Fine Tuned Presents.

Westminster Branch Teen Advisory Board ● R

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

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.

Ask the Department of Human Services (DHS)! ●

Wednesday, 8/27 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.

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Mid-Week Movie and Munch: ●●●

Dog Man

Wednesday, 8/27 at 6 PM

All Ages. We will be watching *Dog Man*; the film is rated PG. Please bring your own bottle of water to enjoy with our salty popcorn. Refreshments will be served.

ONLINE PROGRAMS

Watch our online events on listed platform

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

Transitioning to Medicare Part 1

on Zoom • Wednesday, 8/6 at 5 PM

Registration opens 7/23

Adults. 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.

Marlene at Home Gears Up for the Senior Expo

on YouTube and Facebook • Sunday, 8/10 at 3 PM

Adults. Join Marlene at Home gearing up for the 2025 Aging Your Way: Health & Wellness Expo (formerly Seniors on the Go Expo).

Dungeons & Dragons Online

on Zoom • Tuesday, 8/12 at 4 PM

Registration opens 7/29

Ages 12 - 17. Join us for a session of Dungeons & Dragons played entirely online! All attendees need to register.

Transitioning to Medicare Part 2

on Zoom • Wednesday, 8/13 at 5 PM

Registration opens 7/30

Adults. 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.

The Zentangle Method of Drawing-based Mindfulness

on Zoom • Wednesday, 8/13 at 7 PM

Registration now open

Ages 10 - Adults. In this online class, Jill Suffel, CZT (Certified Zentangle Teacher) will lead us through a relaxing drawing activity that starts with four dots and a line. The outcome will amaze you! Please have the following supplies handy: white paper, a black pen, a pencil, and something with which to smudge.



Visit our YouTube channel for more from CCPL!

www.youtube.com/@libraryccpl



AMY LATTA: QUILTING IS FOR EVERYONE

Tuesday, 8/19 at 2 PM
Exploration Commons
50 East Main Street

Ages 10 - Adults. Amy Latta's latest book shows that everyone can quilt! Dive into the charming world of modern quilting with this beginner-friendly guide. Perfect for anyone new to the craft, this book guides readers on their quilting journey by building on fundamental techniques with easy to follow, step-by-step projects. Amy will walk you through a sampling of techniques and projects. Books will be available for signing and purchase. Presented by Carroll County Public Library and Park Books on Main.



Cost: Free

Scan QR code to register, or go to tinyurl.com/CCPL-Latta



TO BE READ: SARAH McCOY

Saturday, 9/6 at 1 PM
Eldersburg Branch
6400 West Hemlock Drive

Adults. In conversation with Kate Quinn. Sarah McCoy is the *New York Times*, *USA Today*, and international bestselling author of the novels *Mustique Island*, *Marilla of Green Gables*, *The Mapmaker's Children*, *The Baker's Daughter*. Her latest spellbinding novel, *Whatever Happened to Lori Lovely?*, is based on a true story: a beautiful young movie star of Hollywood's Golden Age gives up her bright career to become a nun. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

Presented by Carroll County Public Library and Park Books on Main.



Cost: Free

Scan QR code to register, or go to tinyurl.com/CCPL-mccoy



TO BE READ: MARIAH FREDERICKS

Monday, 9/15 at 6:30 PM
Exploration Commons
50 East Main Street

Adults. From Mariah Fredericks comes *The Girl in the Green Dress*, an evocative mystery about the 1920 murder of the gambler Joseph Elwell, featuring *New Yorker* writer Morris Markey and Zelda Fitzgerald. Mariah is the author of the Jane Prescott mystery series. *The Lindbergh Nanny*, her first standalone novel, was nominated for the Agatha and Anthony Awards. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

Presented by Carroll County Public Library and Park Books on Main.



Cost: Free

Scan QR code to register, or go to tinyurl.com/CCPL-fredericks



Corky CARES

Summer Food Drive: June - August

This summer, help feed our hungry neighbors! **Feeding Carroll Together** is a countywide effort to combat hunger in Carroll County. Each of the six CCPL branches will be a collection point for food pantries in their local community. Your non-perishable donations will help stock the pantry shelves and help ensure your neighbors have enough to eat.



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.

Samuel Dewees and America's Two Wars of Independence

Wednesday, 8/6 at 6:30 PM

North Carroll Branch • 2255 Hanover Pike

Adults. Few citizens of the early days of our republic recorded their experiences outside of pension applications; Samuel Dewees, a long-time resident of Carroll County, was an exception. During his lifetime, he published his autobiography of the events he witnessed, as a young drummer of the American Revolution, through running off to defend Baltimore as an older man in the War of 1812. In this presentation, we'll explore some of the chief events of his lifetime that he claimed to have witnessed. A Celebrating America program.

Stephen G. Evangelista, Civil War Historian & Author

Saturday, 9/20 at 2 PM

Eldersburg Branch • 6400 West Hemlock Drive

Ages 12 - Adults. Join author Stephen Evangelista as he explores the topic of his latest book, *Forever Silenced: The Story of the Gettysburg Gun* which offers an extraordinary and sweeping narrative of one of the Civil War's most enduring artifacts: the Gettysburg Gun. This cannon is the only known artillery piece to have fought in the Battle of Gettysburg and survive on its original wooden gun carriage. Books will be available for purchase and signing after the presentation. A Celebrating America program.



Cost: Free

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tinyurl.com/CCPL-dewees



Cost: Free

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