LOCATIONS

ELDERSBURG BRANCH
6400 W. Hemlock Drive, Eldersburg
410-386-4460

FINKSBURG BRANCH
2265 Old Westminster Pike, Finksburg
410-386-4505

MOUNT AIRY BRANCH
705 Ridge Avenue, Mount Airy
410-386-4470 or 301-829-5290

NORTH CARROLL BRANCH
2255 Hanover Pike, Hampstead
410-386-4480

TANEYTOWN BRANCH
10 Grand Drive, Taneytown
410-386-4510

WESTMINSTER BRANCH
50 E. Main Street, Westminster
410-386-4490

EXPLORATION COMMONS AT 50 EAST
50 E. Main Street, Westminster
443-293-3000

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CCPL HOURS & HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Monday – Thursday: 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM
Friday & Saturday: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

CCPL will be closed on Monday, September 4 in observance of Labor Day

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

**Saturday Adventures**

**Saturday, 9/9 at 2 PM**
Adults. This month’s selection is *The Glass Castle* by Jeannette Walls.

**Book Clubs**

**Free Spirit Book Club**

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**Programs for Adults**

**Ask a Master Gardener Plant Clinic**

**Saturday, 9/16 at 10 AM**
Adults. Join Pat Greenwald, Schoolhouse Coordinator, as she presents the history of the Sykesville Historic Colored Schoolhouse and its restoration and use for a Homework Club. All attendees need to register.

**Coffee with the Classics:**

**Witness for the Prosecution**

**Friday, 9/29 at 10 AM**
Adults. Join us for this month’s movie, the legal mystery thriller *Witness for the Prosecution*, directed by Billy Wilder and starring Charles Laughton, Marlene Dietrich, and Tyrone Power. Refreshments will be served.

**Coffee with the Classics**:

**How to Raise Money-Smart Kids**

**Wednesday, 9/20 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 9/6**
Adults. Financial professionals Karen and Michael Stebner will be here to discuss children and money. Topics include allowances, budgeting basics, and more. All attendees need to register.

**Healing Power of Chemistry**

**Saturday, 9/9 at 2 PM • Registration opens 8/26**
Ages 7 - 12. Join a chemist from the American Chemical Society for hands-on experiments exploring chemistry related to health and medicine. Only kids need to register.

**Library Pajama Storytime**

**Wear your pajamas, bring a stuffed animal, and listen to stories before bed.**

**Saturday, 9/9 at 2 PM**
Ages Birth - 8. Join this friendly crochet group open to beginners and experienced crocheters alike.

**Open Mah Jongg**

**Monday, 9/11 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.

**Ready, Set, VIOLIN**

**Mondays at 10 AM - 9/11 - 10/2**
Registration opens 8/28
Ages 2 - 6. Do you have a child that loves the violin but you're not sure if they are ready for lessons? Join the Ready, Set, VIOLIN class to find out! This free, 4-week class provides an opportunity to explore violin lessons without a financial commitment. Only kids need to register.

**Healthy Power of Chemistry**

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**Deep Relaxation Class**

**Wednesday, 9/13 at 7 PM • Registration opens 8/30**
Ages 12 - 17. Calling all teens with a love of the library! Help us plan teen programming and influence our teen collections. Need service hours? We’ve got those too!

**Apples! Apples! Everywhere!**

**Saturday, 9/22 at 10 AM • Registration opens 9/8**
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All Ages. $5 Bag Sale! Ease into fall with some great reads! Stock up on books, videos, music, and more at our $5 (plus sales tax) sale. Special-priced items are not included in our bag sale.

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Saturday, 9/9 at 1 PM
Adults. Please join the Carroll County Chapter of the Maryland Writers Association as we meet to exchange writing and publishing information.

Carroll County Critique Group
Saturday, 9/9 at 3:30 PM
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Sensorimotor Fun
Friday, 9/15 at 10 AM • Registration opens 9/1
Ages 3 - 6. Explore your senses with obstacle courses and sensory bins while parents learn fun sensorimotor activities for home. Presented by Occupational Therapist Donna Bernstein, MS, OTR/L from OT Achievements. Only kids need to register.

Sensory Sensitive Storytime
Friday, 9/15 at 11:30 AM • Registration opens 9/1
All Ages. This inclusive program welcomes children of all abilities and their caregivers to a supportive, judgment-free storytime. Only kids need to register.

PAWS to Read
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Access History with Digital Maryland
Monday, 9/18 at 6:30 PM
Adults. Digital Maryland is a collaborative, statewide digitization program that provides partners resources to make their cultural materials accessible online. Digital Maryland’s online collections currently host over 260,000 items from over 100 partners across the state. Join us as we discuss the genealogy and research materials available with Digital Maryland, how the project works, and how you can get involved! Program sponsored by the Carroll County Genealogical Society. A Celebrating America program.

Card Kit Crafty Box
Kit Pickup Starting Friday, 9/22
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Adults. Register to pick up a box containing library materials for crafty inspiration, including two rubber stamp sets, two card bases with envelopes, an ink pad, and other crafty extras to help unleash your creativity. Please return the stamp sets, ink pad, and box when you are done crafting. All attendees need to register.

Cuentos Bilingües/Bilingual Storytime
Friday, 9/22 at 10 AM
Ages 2 - 10. Join us for Spanish Bilingual Storytime! There will be singing, dancing, activities, stories, and rhymes in Spanish and English. Children of all ages and their caregivers are welcome to join us. Edades 2 - 10. ¡Ven a la biblioteca para el programa de cuentos bilingües en español e inglés! Habrá cantos, bailes, actividades, cuentos y rimas en español e inglés. Los niños de todas las edades y sus cuidadores están invitados al programa.

Painter’s Palette
Monday, 9/25 at 6 PM • Registration opens 9/11
Ages 17 - Adults. Join us for an evening of painting at the library. Attendees will receive instruction and create beginner-level artwork inspired by autumn colors and scenes. Please wear old clothes or bring an apron. All supplies will be provided.

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Plant This, Not That: Native Plant Alternatives to Invasive Species
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Offsite Event
TRIVIA NIGHT
at Bistro 91 in Finksburg
Bistro 91, 3000 Gamber Rd.
Tuesday, 9/12 at 7 PM
Registration opens 8/29
Adults. What trivia tidbits are rattling around in your head? Grab a few friends and join us for Trivia Night at Bistro 91! Prizes are provided by Bistro 91. Registration required. Only one person per team needs to register.

Storytimes for Kids

Read and Play
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9/5 - 9/28
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
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Ages 2 - 3. This lively, fast-paced storytime for young children includes books, songs, fingerplays, and movement.

Pajama Party Storytime
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D&D One-Shot: Noises in the Night • R
Friday, 9/1 at 12:30 PM • Registration opens 8/18
Ages 11 - 17. Join us for a fun-filled, self-contained one-shot adventure! This one-shot is friendly to both new and returning players. Please bring your own level one character or choose one of our pre-generated ones to make your own. All attendees need to register.

Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Tournament • R
Saturday, 9/2 at 1 PM • Registration opens 8/19
Ages 12 - 17. Come one, come all to this battle of dexterity, strategy, and improvising! Tournament rules and stages will be gone over before the tournament begins. All attendees need to register.

Mount Airy Knitters
Wednesdays at 10 AM • 9/6 - 9/27
Adults. Join the Mount Airy Knitters for a weekly roundtable of knitting, conversation, and fun. All experience levels are welcome.

Mount Airy Senior Book Discussion Group
Thursday, 9/28 at 12 PM
This month we will discuss Still Life by Louise Penny.

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Autumn Animals
Friday, 9/8 at 10 AM
Ages 6 - 11. Join Carroll County Recreation & Parks as we learn about animals in our backyard during the fall and winter and meet some, too!

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Wildwood Park Gazebo, 400 Park Ave.
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Serenity Journaling
Friday, 9/15 at 2 PM
Adults. It’s important to take time for yourself during these hectic, and often, uncertain times. Serenity journaling is an opportunity to take a few minutes to slow down, think, and write. Join Maria as she provides us with some topics, both contemporary and remembrance, that we can write about and relax. You can also take this time to journal about whatever is on your mind, or in your heart. After we free-write together, sharing is optional but encouraged.

Read with a Furry Friend
Saturday, 9/16 at 2 PM
Ages 3 - Adults. KPETS’ trained reading dogs provide a relaxed, informal atmosphere for kids to practice reading. Every dog enjoys a good story!

Movie Mondays: On Golden Pond
Monday, 9/18 at 1 PM
Adults. Join us one Monday a month for a classic film. This month’s movie is On Golden Pond, starring Henry Fonda, Katharine Hepburn, and Jane Fonda. The film is rated PG and is 1 hour and 49 minutes. Refreshments will be served.

Easy Crafting Afternoon: Diamond Painting
Saturday, 9/23 at 1 PM • Registration opens 9/9
Adults. Join us for a sparkling, crafty afternoon. We will be creating glittering paw print coasters with diamond painting. All attendees need to register.

Mount Airy Teen Advisory Board
Tuesday, 9/26 at 6:30 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! If this is your first time joining us, please print and complete a copy of the volunteer application.

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Craftapalooza
Monday, 9/25 at 2 PM
Ages 3 - 12. It’s a DIY frenzy! We’ve gathered extras of our favorite crafts from past storytimes and programs, and we need your help to bring them to life. Join us for an afternoon of cutting, pasting, drawing, and creating.

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Trading Card Games Club
Tuesday, 9/12 at 6:30 PM
Adults. Stop by for a monthly, informal poetry journal writing group where we’ll share a cup of tea and write poetry. All experience levels are welcomed; supportive group discussions are encouraged but optional. Please bring your favorite notebook, a pen, and your imagination.

LEGO® Creations
Saturday, 9/9 at 2 PM
Ages 5 - Adults. Join us for a LEGO® program where you can build whatever you would like! We supply the blocks and you supply the creativity!

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Glass Jar and Bottle Painting • R
Saturday, 9/30 at 12:30 PM • Registration opens 9/16
Ages 11 - 18. Join us for a fun crafty Saturday! We’ll turn mason jars, glass bottles, and other glass dishes into fun decoration pieces and creative storage! One glass object will be provided per registrant; feel free to bring your own. All attendees need to register.
North Carroll Knitters Group
Tuesday, 9/5 and 9/19 at 1 PM
Adults. Knitters and crocheters are welcome to join this group to share tips, projects, and patterns.

Fall Healthy Cooking Series: Nutritious Snacks
Tuesday, 9/5 at 6 PM • Registration opens 8/22
Adults. Join Weis Dietitian Christina Pelletier, MS, RDN, LDN, to learn how to create a delicious and nutritious snack. All attendees need to register. Refreshments will be served.

North Carroll Writers Group
Thursdays at 10 AM • 9/7 - 9/28
Adults. This writing group allows beginners, unpublished, and published writers to network, learn, vent, and feel inspired to move to the next level.

Read to a Dog
Thursday, 9/7 at 6 PM
Ages 4 - 12. Reading to a dog can increase a child’s self-esteem and confidence levels in reading.

Penn Mar Meet-up
Mondays at 9 AM • 9/11 - 9/25
All Ages. Get together at the library for a fun social time for neurodiverse adults.

Preschool Vision Screening
Tuesday, 9/12 from 9:30 AM - 12 PM
Ages 2 - 6. Drop by for a free vision screening for preschool-aged children. Offered in partnership with the Lineboro-Manchester Lions Club.

Frankentoys
Monday, 9/18 at 6 PM • Registration opens 9/4
Ages 11 - 17. We’ll provide some old toys for you to take apart, cut, glue, and put together however you want.

Ask a Master Gardener
Tuesday, 9/19 at 9:30 AM
Adults. Bring your questions about fall gardening to a Carroll County Master Gardener and pick up tips, handouts, and more.

Multiple Sclerosis Support Group
Thursday, 9/21 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. Please email Nadine Rosendale (nadiner@ carr.org) with questions.

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2328 Hanover Pike
Wednesday, 9/6 at 11 AM
Adults. This month’s selection is The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman.

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Adults. This month’s selection is Horse by Geraldine Brooks.

Tea & Tidbits at Steeped Tea Café
Wednesday, 9/20 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 9/6
3223 Main Street, Manchester
Adults. Tea & Tidbits will be a tasting of eight teas, with some tidbits of traditional English tea foods: classic scones, cucumber finger sandwiches, and hot milk cake. We will also share tea knowledge and history. Refreshments will be served.

Crazy for Crafting
Thursday, 9/28 at 6 PM • Registration opens 9/14
Adults. Join us for some fun and easy craft projects each month. No experience or creative skills are needed. This month we will be making felt leaf embroidery hoop art. All attendees need to register.

Storytimes for Kids

Read and Play
Fridays at 10 AM • 9/1 - 9/29
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Move and Learn
Tuesdays at 10 and 11 AM • 9/5 - 9/26
Ages Birth - 3. A theme-based storytime featuring interactive stories, music, and movement, followed by playgroup activities that allow children to practice skills and socialize.

Family Storytime
Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10 AM
9/6 - 9/28
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Family Fun Night
Wednesdays at 6:30 PM • 9/6 - 9/27
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Meet-up Mondays
Mondays at 10:30 AM • 9/11 - 9/25
All Ages. Get together at the library for a fun social time for you and your children. We’ll provide the space, toys, and activities, and you provide the fun. Play is an important part of developing early literacy skills. Learn and make new friends at the same time!

ONLINE EVENTS

Dungeons & Dragons Online • on Zoom • Tuesday, 9/12 at 4 PM • Registration opens 8/29
Ages 12 - 17. Join us for a session of Dungeons & Dragons played entirely online! This session is for beginners and avid players alike. All attendees need to register.

Insects Trivia Night • on Zoom • Monday, 9/18 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 9/4
Ages 10 - Adults. Calling all nature enthusiasts! Test your knowledge of all types of creepy crawlies during this exciting trivia quiz! All attendees need to register.

Deep Relaxation Class Online • on Zoom • Wednesday, 9/20 at 7 PM • Registration opens 9/6
Ages 13 - Adults. All experience levels are welcome to participate in this one-hour virtual hatha yoga practice. All attendees need to register.

OFFSITE EVENTS

North Carroll Senior Center
Wednesday Book Club
North Carroll Senior Center
2328 Hanover Pike
Wednesday, 9/6 at 11 AM
Adults. This month’s selection is The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman.

North Carroll Senior Center
Thursday Book Club
North Carroll Senior Center
2328 Hanover Pike
Thursday, 9/14 at 1 PM
Adults. This month’s selection is Horse by Geraldine Brooks.

Tea & Tidbits at Steeped Tea Café
Wednesday, 9/20 at 6:30 PM • Registration opens 9/6
3223 Main Street, Manchester
Adults. Tea & Tidbits will be a tasting of eight teas, with some tidbits of traditional English tea foods: classic scones, cucumber finger sandwiches, and hot milk cake. We will also share tea knowledge and history. Refreshments will be served.

Crazy for Crafting
Thursday, 9/28 at 6 PM • Registration opens 9/14
Adults. Join us for some fun and easy craft projects each month. No experience or creative skills are needed. This month we will be making felt leaf embroidery hoop art. All attendees need to register.

North Carroll Book Discussion Group
Monday, 9/25 at 6:30 PM
Adults. This month’s selection is the 2023 One Maryland One Book selection, There There by Tommy Orange.

R Register beginning 2 weeks before a program at library.carr.org.
Storytimes for Kids

Twos and Threes Together
Tuesdays at 10 AM - 9/5 - 9/19
Ages 2 - 3. This lively, fast-paced storytime for young children includes books, songs, fingerplays, and movement. Siblings are welcome to attend this program.

Read and Play
Wednesdays at 10 AM - 9/6 - 9/27
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.

Ready, Set, School!
Wednesdays at 11 AM - 9/6 - 9/27
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.

Family Storytime
Thursdays at 10 AM - 9/7 - 9/28
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.

ABCs & 123s: Autumn
Friday, 9/11 at 10 AM - Registration opens 8/18
Ages 2 - 5. Join the fun as we explore letters and numbers. We'll offer lots of engaging, hands-on activities to make learning fun!

Apple Fun
Friday, 9/8 at 10 AM - Registration opens 8/25
Ages 2 - 6. Join the fun as we celebrate apples. We'll share apple stories, songs, activities, and a craft.

Come Create
Monday, 9/11 at 6 PM - Registration opens 8/28
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.

Taneytown Anime Club
Wednesday, 9/13 at 6 PM - Registration opens 8/30
Ages 11 - 17. Join us to watch the latest and greatest anime with other Taneytown teens! Refreshments will be served.

Sign with Me
Fridays at 10 AM
9/15  Registration opens 9/1
9/29  Registration opens 9/15
Ages 2 - 6. Let's get together to learn sign language! Learn to communicate using our eyes and hands.

Super Smash Bros. Tournament for Kids
Saturday, 9/16 at 11 AM - Registration opens 9/2
Ages 6 - 10. CCPL’s Taneytown Branch is having a monthly Super Smash Bros. tournament for kids, so join us to show you're the best Super Smash Bros. player!

Super Smash Bros. Tournament for Teens
Saturday, 9/16 at 1 PM - Registration opens 9/2
Ages 11 - 17. CCPL’s Taneytown Branch is having a monthly Super Smash Bros. tournament for teens, so join us to show you're the best Super Smash Bros. player!

Senior Planet: Getting Started with iPhone Health Apps
Monday, 9/18 at 9:30 AM - Registration opens 9/4
Adults. Learn to add health details to your profile, set up your medical ID, and add emergency contact info. Please bring your iPhone to this workshop. Senior Planet programs target the 60+ community, but all are welcome!

Offsite Event

A Walk in the Park
Thursday, 9/21 at 11:30 AM
Memorial Park
Md Route 140 at Park Drive, Taneytown
All Ages. Join us for a walk in the park as we enjoy the Story Stroll at Taneytown Memorial Park! We'll act out the story together, then do some fun activities. Pack a picnic lunch if you wish and stay to play with new friends.

Rain Date: Thursday, 9/28 at 11:30 AM

Car Seat Safety Event
Thursday, 9/28 at 10:30 AM
Ages Birth - 8. Child car safety seats can be very challenging and confusing to install! The Carroll County Health Department will perform car seat safety checks and assist families to ensure they use child seats correctly. Appointments are suggested but not required. Call 410-876-4448 to make an appointment.

Music with Me
Thursday, 9/28 at 1:30 PM - Registration opens 9/14
Ages 2 - 6. Join the fun with your child as we celebrate the joys of music with instruments, dancing, and more!

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**Catch Up with Critters from Bear Branch**

**Friday, 9/1 at 10 AM**

Ages 4 - 12. Join Ms. Jenna as we meet some critters that call Bear Branch Nature Center home. Let’s learn about their habits and habitats!

**Play Baby Play**

**Friday, 9/8 at 10 AM**

Ages Birth - 3. You’re invited to a morning playgroup just for little ones! 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.

**English Paper Piecing Block (of the Month) Party:**

**Blocks 1-3 (Issues 123, 124, 125)**

**Tuesday, 9/12 at 5 PM - Registration opens 8/29**

Ages 16 - Adults. Join us to stitch the Love Patchwork Blocks themed around autumn with a fun glow-in-the-dark touch. No prior painting experience is necessary! Note: The paint we use can stain clothing, so please wear old clothes to this event. All attendees need to register.

**Police Dog Demonstration**

**Saturday, 9/16 at 3:30 PM**

All Ages. Learn about the Westminster Police K9 Unit. Police dog Leo will be here to show off her police skills.

**Transferring to Medicare Part 1**

**Wednesday, 9/20 at 5 PM - Registration opens 9/6**

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 transferring 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 for Medicare beneficiary out-of-pocket costs. These are not all low-income programs. All attendees need to register.

**Transferring to Medicare Part 2**

**Wednesday, 9/27 at 5 PM - Registration opens 9/13**

Adults. 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. All attendees need to register.

**Movie Book Discussion Club**

**Thursday, 9/28 at 5 PM**

Ages 16 - Adults. We will discuss which was better, the book or the movie. This month we’re talking about The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas. Please read the book before the meeting. We will watch the film together and then discuss the book and the movie to discover which is better! The film is rated PG-13.

**Saving Seeds from Your Garden**

**Saturday, 9/30 at 11 AM - Registration opens 9/16**

Ages 10 - Adults. Join the Carroll County Master Gardeners for this hands-on program to learn how to save seeds from your garden. Feel free to bring your disease- and pest-free plant material or materials will be provided.

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**Family Storytime**

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**9/11 - 9/28**

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**9/12 - 9/28**

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**Pajama Party Storytime**

**Tuesdays at 7 PM - 9/12 - 9/26**

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

**Book Clubs**

**ALL MY RAGE**

**SABAA TAHIR**

**Diverse Voices Book Club**

**Tuesday, 9/26 at 5 PM**

**Registration opens 9/12**

Ages 16 - Adults. Our September selection is the 2023 Carroll Reads title, All My Rage by Sabaa Tahir.

**Chromebooks**

To check out a Chromebook, scan the QR code or go to:


You can now borrow a Chromebook with broadband access from CCPL. Everything is provided to access the Internet through Wi-Fi or broadband service.

Funded by a Maryland Emergency Education Relief (MEER) Grant through the Department of Housing and Community Development Office of Statewide Broadband, these devices will help us address the deficit of broadband resources available to unserved and underserved students in Carroll County.
This introductory seminar will explore the Fusion 360 Fashion Design Software for Ages 12 - Adults. Learn the basics of using Tinkercad Adults. First in our Spices & Herbs series. This class will teach 3D design using Fusion 360, examine resources for continued learning, and get hands-on experience. Fusion 360 is professional-level software, and participants should be proficient in using a Windows PC. All attendees need to register.

Medieval Makes and Munchies $25.00
Saturday, 9/2 and 9/9 at 1 PM
Registration opens 8/19

Tuesday, 9/5 at 4 PM and Saturday, 9/9 at 1 PM
Registration opens 8/22

Adults. Learn digital design techniques to personalize a wooden platter with a cast iron skillet on our laser cutter, creating a unique keepsake. Then, step into the teaching kitchen to recreate a royal feast of skillet-baked quickbread, steak on a stake, and non-alcoholic mead. Attendees will register for class #1 (9/2 or 9/5) for the maker portion and will automatically be registered for class #2 on Saturday, 9/9, for the kitchen portion. Up to 2 attendees per registration, which includes one project (1 custom platter, food/drink for up to 2). Must be able to attend both class #1 and class #2. All attendees need to register.

Intro to Basic Sewing Skills $20.00
Thursday, 9/7 at 10 AM • Registration opens 8/24
Ages 14 - Adults. Learn the necessary basics to feel comfortable using a sewing machine. This is a beginner-level class; you will leave feeling confident about the next steps to take toward sewing your projects. This program includes Exploration Commons Sewing Machine Certification for independent use.

Whole Grains Under Pressure $20.00
Thursday, 9/7 at 2 PM • Registration opens 8/24
Ages 15 - Adults. Discover the versatility of your electronic pressure cooker as we delve into the world of whole grains. In this demo class, learn the secrets to perfectly cooked whole grains. We will prepare two plant-based dishes that showcase whole-grain cooking.

Easy Chicken Tikka Masala with Tinkercad $5.00
Friday, 9/8 at 11 AM • Registration opens 8/25
Ages 15 - Adults. Tikka Masala is a popular Indian food featuring a spiced creamy tomato sauce. This demo class features Chicken Tikka Masala and homemade garam masala spice blend.

Cooking for Wellness: Cooking Demo $20.00
Monday, 9/11 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 8/28
Ages 15 - Adults. Chronic pain can have many sources. Whatever the reason you may have chronic pain, there is something in common we can all do to help alleviate it: practice a healthy diet. Join Registered Dietitian Dana Mealing for an easy recipe that addresses chronic pain concerns, along with a presentation on the anti-inflammatory diet as it relates to chronic pain.

National Girlfriends’ Month: Personalized Nesting Canisters $5.00
Monday, 9/11 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 8/28
Ages 12 - Adults. Do you want to get into podcasting but don’t know where to start? This is the class for you! We will cover the basics of the different recording software we offer, along with an introduction to the equipment we provide in the Audio/Video Lab.

Robot Coding with Pepper $5.00
Monday, 9/18 at 1 PM • Registration opens 9/2
Ages 12 - Adults. Code with Pepper, CCPL’s social humanoid robot! Program Pepper to strike up a conversation using the drag-and-drop interface, Choreographer. No previous coding experience is required.

Pepper was funded by a Library Services and Technology Act Grant from the Maryland State Library and Institute of Museum and Library Services.
Books and Bites:
Boba Tea and Asian Reads
Wednesday, 9/12 at 10 AM • Registration opens 9/6
Ages 12 - Adults. Get familiar with embroidery machines and the tools and materials you need to create a successful project. Through both lecture and demonstration, learn about Exploration Commons’ Bernina 535E Embroidery Machine, types of hoops and stabilizers, and use embroidery motifs. Attendees may schedule an appointment to complete the Embroidery Machine Independent Certification after completing this class.

Arduino Workshop
Wednesday, 9/20 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 9/6
Ages 13 - Adults. Microcontrollers are everywhere and are often the unseen heroes of our modern world. Microcontrollers can be programmed to fulfill various simple tasks, from coffee makers to elevators and even the television remote control. The Arduino platform makes working with microcontrollers easy, fun and offers a way to get started in electronics. Join us for a workshop to explore various beginner Arduino projects using components from the Arduino education kits available in the makerspace.

Basic Knife Skills
Thursday, 9/21 at 10 AM • Registration opens 9/7
Ages 16 - 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.

Cut and Sew Pants in 1/4 Scale
Thursday, 9/21 at 10 AM • Registration opens 9/7
Ages 16 - Adults. Preparing and sewing a garment in ¼ scale will allow you to experience the process of completing a simple pair of pull-on pants without the fear of failure. Real-life pattern sizing and references will be provided for you to use your new skills to create a full-scale garment on your own. You must have the EC Sewing Machine Certification for Independent Use to register for this class. Registrants without this certification will have their registration canceled.

Sheet Pan Dinners
Friday, 9/22 at 1:30 PM • Registration opens 9/8
Ages 12 - 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!

Homeschool Baking Class:
Soft Pretzels
Monday, 9/25 at 1 PM • Registration opens 9/11
Ages 10 - 13. Work in pairs to learn how to make delicious soft pretzels and a honey mustard dipping sauce to go with them! $5.00

Tinkercad: Beyond the Basics
Monday, 9/25 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 9/11
Ages 12 - Adults. Join us to explore Tinkercad’s 3D design capabilities further. Utilizing both basic and intermediate design tools and methods, we’ll make 3D-printed dice. Previous Tinkercad experience is strongly recommended.

Intro to CNC Routing
Tuesday, 9/26 and Wednesday, 9/27 at 10 AM • Registration opens 9/12
Ages 12 - Adults. This two-part program will introduce you to design basics, machine use, and safety procedures for our Iconic CNC router. Session one will focus on project design and the VCarve software. Session two covers machine use, including hands-on time with the CNC machine. At the instructor’s discretion, customers who successfully complete both sessions of this program will be certified to use Exploration Commons’ CNC machine. All program registrants must complete the prerequisite online Iconic CNC Machine Use and Safety Training before attending the first session of this program. All attendees need to register.

Craft Beer Week:
Soft Pretzels with Pub Beer Cheese
Tuesday, 9/26 at 5 PM • Registration opens 9/12
Ages 14 - Adults. Join us for a hands-on baking class! Participants will work in pairs to make delicious soft pretzels and a pub beer cheese dip to go with them. $12.00

Sewing: Serger Basics
Tuesday, 9/26 at 5:30 PM • Registration opens 9/12
Ages 14 - Adults. In this class, you will learn about the sewing, cutting, proper threading, and operating basics of the versatile serger/overlock sewing machine. You will be inspired to incorporate serger/overlock techniques into your sewing projects to achieve better results. This is a beginner-level class, and no sewing experience is required. This program includes Exploration Commons Serger Certification for independent use.

Laser Cut Pumpkin Coasters
Thursday, 9/28 at 10 AM • Registration opens 9/14
Ages 13 - Adults. Digitally design a variety of pumpkin ‘faces’ in Adobe Illustrator. Cut and engrave your pumpkin coaster designs on our laser cutter to finish a set of four custom wooden coasters. Some computer experience is recommended. All attendees need to register. $5.00

Kids Intro to Basic Sewing Skills
Thursday, 9/28 at 5 PM • Registration opens 9/14
Ages 10 - 16. Learn the necessary basics to feel comfortable using a sewing machine. This is a beginner-level class; you will leave feeling confident about the next steps to take toward sewing your projects.

Picture to Vector:
Image Tracing in Adobe Illustrator
Friday, 9/29 at 2 PM • Registration opens 9/15
Ages 12 - Adults. Learn how to convert a picture to a vector using the image tracing tool in Adobe Illustrator. We will cover the different uses of this tool and how you can further enhance your designs by creating vector art. Basic Adobe Illustrator experience is recommended.

Edge-Lit Acrylic Sign Making
Saturday, 9/30 at 1 PM • Registration opens 9/16
Ages 8 - Adults. Edge-lit signs are a bright and colorful way to display a message or add flair to your room, desk, or workspace. In this program, you’ll laser engrave artwork of your choice onto a piece of clear acrylic and light it up with a provided multi-color LED light stand, batteries included! All attendees need to register. $8.00
ANGIE KIM:
HAPPINESS FALLS BOOK LAUNCH!
Wednesday, 9/6 at 6:30 PM • Registration now open
Exploration Commons • 50 E. Main St. • Westminster
Adults. Help us celebrate the book launch of Happiness Falls with Angie Kim! Books will be available for purchase and signing. Angie will be in conversation with Joyce Muller from the Carroll County Public Library Board of Trustees. Presented by A Likely Story Bookstore and Carroll County Public Library.
Register for free at ccpl.librarymarket.com/event/angie-kim

TO BE READ: SCOTT SHANE
Wednesday, 9/20 at 6:30 PM • Registration now open
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Adults. A riveting account of abolitionist, liberator, and writer Thomas Smallwood, who bought his own freedom, led hundreds out of slavery, and named the underground railroad, from Pulitzer Prize–winning author and journalist Scott Shane. Flee North tells the story for the first time of an American hero all but lost to history. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Presented by A Likely Story Bookstore, Historical Society of Carroll County, and Carroll County Public Library.
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Mike Lupica has been inducted into the National Sports Media Hall of Fame. He is an award-winning columnist for the New York Daily News and has written 17 New York Times bestsellers.

ABOUT THE BOOK 12 MONTHS TO LIVE
Criminal attorney Jane Smith, tough as nails, has received a terminal diagnosis and doesn’t have much time. She’s hip-deep in the murder trial of the century. Is her own client trying to kill her?

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Purchase Tickets at pattersoncarrollcounty.eventbrite.com
Refund requests will be considered until 14 days before the event.
PAST & FUTURE OF AI

Tuesday, 9/19 at 6 PM • Registration now open
Exploration Commons • 50 E. Main St. • Westminster

Adults. Artificial Intelligence (AI) is flooding headlines and creeping into our everyday lives. Join us for a presentation by David Sherwood about the past and future of AI. David is one of the pioneers in applying artificial neural networks to the field of AI. Not only has he developed a technology for safe and predictable AI, but along the journey, he arrived at several unconventional, if not shocking, conclusions about AI and the nature of understanding, intelligence, and consciousness. Presented by Carroll Community College and Carroll County Public Library.

ONE MARYLAND ONE BOOK

One Maryland One Book (OMOB) brings together diverse people in communities across the state through the shared experience of reading the same book. We invite you to participate in book-centered discussions about There There by Tommy Orange. Funded in part by a Community Accessibility Project Grant from the Carroll County Arts Council and the Maryland State Arts Council.

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