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Programs & Events Newsletter

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JUL/AUG 2023

FANCON is on!

Join us on August 5 at the
Fletcher Branch, Hagerstown!
More information on page 2.



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FANCON 2023



Fletcher Branch, Hagerstown

ALL
AGES

COMICS
CONVENTION

FREE

Calling
ALL FANS:

- Convention Fans
- Comic Fans
- Superhero Fans
- Anime Fans
- Videogame Fans
- Movie Fans
- Art Fans
- Costume Fans
- Fans of All Kinds

Find Fletcher Branch transformed
into a **FANDOM KINGDOM** with:

- Costume & Cosplay Parade
- Button Making & Fan Art
- Food Trucks
- Vendors
- Gaming
- Panels
- More!



Don't miss the presentation from:
Comic Book Couples Counseling!!



SUMMER READING CLUB 2023

June 1 - August 31
SIGN UP TODAY!



Summer Reading Club is
a self-paced reading
challenge for all ages!

Readers use the Beanstack
platform to:

- Log minutes read
- Track badges earned
- Collect prizes along the
way.

Earn prizes for reading
200, 400, and 500
minutes! Complete extra
activity badges to be
entered into raffle prize
drawings.

JULY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 1PM Read with a Pet 2PM Matinee
2 2PM Teen Chess Club 3PM Hungrytown Concert	3 10:15 / 11:15AM Toddler Time 6:30PM Fletcher Film Series	4 Closed for the 4th of July	5 10:15 / 11:15AM Infant Storytime 6:30PM 50 Book Club	6 5PM Game Club 6:30PM Family Storytime	7 11:30AM Pre-k Storytime	8 2PM ShoutMouse Author Panel
9 11:30AM Music Storybox	10 10:15 / 11:15AM Toddler Time 5:30PM True Crime Club	11 5PM Library Game Night 5PM Creative Corner	12 10:15 / 11:15AM Infant Storytime 1PM Grief Support for Children/Families	13 2PM Theatre Performance 5PM Game Club 6PM Write Here, Write Now 6:30PM Family Storytime	14 11AM Starting a Small Business 11:30AM Pre-k Storytime 3:30PM Legos in Library	15 3PM Teen Writer's Workshop
16	17 10:15 / 11:15AM Toddler Time	18 5PM Creative Corner	19 10:15 / 11:15AM Infant Storytime 2PM Duct Tape Wallet Craft	20 5PM Game Club 6:30PM Family Storytime	21 11:30AM Pre-k Storytime	22
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AUGUST

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	Storywalk	1	2	3 11:30AM Thin Line Service Dogs Storytime 5PM Game Club 6:30PM Family Storytime	4 11:30AM Pre-k Storytime	5 
6 2PM Teen Chess Club	7 5PM Teen Chef	8 5PM Library Game Night 5PM Creative Corner	9	10 11:30AM Thin Line Dogs Story 5PM Game Club 6PM Write Here Write Now 6:30PM Family Storytime	11 11:30AM Pre-k Storytime 3:30PM Legos in Library	12 10 AM Around the World Activities
13	14 5:30PM True Crime Club 6:30PM Fletcher Film Series	15 5PM Creative Corner	16 11 AM Reptile Show	17 5PM Game Club 6:30PM Family Storytime	18 11:30AM Pre-k Storytime	19 3PM Teen Writer's Workshop
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CHILDREN

WEEKLY STORYTIMES:

Toddler Time

Mondays in July · 10:15 & 11:15 AM

Ages 18-36 months

Registration required, please call:
(301) 739-3250

Infant Storytime

Wednesdays in July

10:15 & 11:15 AM

Ages 6-18 months

Registration required, please call:
(301) 739-3250

Preschool Storytime

Fridays · 11:30 AM

Ages 3-5

Family Story Night

Thursdays · 6:30 PM

All ages

Read with a Pet

Saturday, July 1 · 1 PM

Children can read with Gimli, the dwelf cat. First come, first served. Gimli will not visit in August due to FanCon.

Saturday Movie Matinee

First Saturday, July 1 · 2 PM

Community Room

7/1: Luca, part of our Summer Friendship Series

No August movie due to FanCon!

Musical Storybox

Sunday, July 9 · 11:30 AM

Join us during our Pre-School Storytime for books and activities all about music.

Cherished Memories

Wednesday, July 12 · 1 - 2 PM

A grief support event helping children and families cope with the death of a loved one.

Legos in the Library

Fridays, July 14 and Aug 11 · 3:30-5 PM

7/14: Build an island you would want to get shipwrecked on! No sharks allowed!

8/11: Build a robot and describe what it does. All materials stay at the library. Ages 4+

SUMMER READING CLUB

Authentic Community Theatre

Thursday, July 13 · 2 PM

Join us for this special performance! Four heroes from various super groups attempt to defeat an Evil Villain. Realizing they can't do it alone, they must work together in order to save the day...thus becoming the Unlikely Heroes we didn't know we needed. All ages

Puppet Show & Bookmobile

Friday, July 28 · 11:30 AM

The WCFL players will present their annual summer puppet show for patrons of all ages. This event will also feature an interactive reader's theater, craft, and visit from the Bookmobile.

Storywalk

Week of July 31 - August 5

My America by Ashley Bryan will be on display at the library each day- stop by to read it!

All Together Now: Around the World

Saturday, August 12 · 10 AM - 3 PM

Travel the world without ever leaving the Storytime Room! Come enjoy games and activities representing all seven continents!

Registration requested:
Ages 3+



Adventures in Fun: Reptile Show

Wednesday, August 16 · 11 AM

Join the fun and learn about reptiles!

Registration requested:
All ages



Storytime:

Thin Line Service Dogs

**Thursdays, July 27 and Aug 3 & 10
11:30AM**

Join us for storytime with Thin Line Service Dogs! Read with a different dog each week and receive a trading card! Gather ALL three and receive a coloring book!

TEEN

MONTHLY PROGRAMS:

Teen Chess Club

Sundays, July 2 and August 6
2-4 PM

Join us every first Sunday of the month!

Teen Chef

Monday, July 3 and August 7 · 5 PM

July: Come get your hands dirty (or at least cold) while we make raspberry ice cream in a bag! Let's enjoy the seasonal fruits in a cool way!

June: As summer heads toward its end, come learn how to make a classic cheeseburger for grilling season. You don't have to cook outside to enjoy this summer dinner staple!

Registration required:
online or call
301-739-3250



Creative Corner

Tuesdays · 5 PM

Ms. Bonnie opens the craft cabinets for creative fun: jewelry, self-portraits, and so much more, check it out!

Game Club

Thursdays · 5 -7 PM

Challenge your fellow gamer teens on the Nintendo Switch! Have a friendly round on the new foosball table! Break out the board games, come have a friendly match of chess or Jenga, or anything in between!

Teen Writer's Workshop

Saturday, July 15 and Aug 19 · 3-4 PM

Join us every 3rd Saturday of the month!

ShoutMouse Author Panel

Saturday, July 22 · 2 PM **NEW DATE******

We will host 3 of the teen authors of *What It Cost Us*, a collaborative novel by 10 diverse young writers from Washington, DC. The book recreates the historic year 2020.

Tween & Teen: Positive Message Duct Tape Wallets

Wednesday, July 19 · 2 PM

Join us in the Teen Room for a kindness craft!

Registration required:
Ages 9-18



Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

TAB is now accepting applications for next school year. Do you have what it takes? Learn some leadership skills as you help plan programs and direct the Teen Dept. throughout the next school year. Apply online:



The Washngteenian Blog

Any Washington County teen can submit book reviews, artwork, photography, or any style original writings to be considered for publication. SSL hours are available for submitting content! Submit via email to: teensdept@washcolibrary.org.

Teen Discord Server

@Bit.ly/WCFLYADiscord

Teens can join our Discord server to share ideas on over a dozen channels about your interests designed by teens for teens! Join the chat about art, manga, books, and so much more.

VolunTeen

Earn SSL hours and help us out as part of our VolunTeen program. Apply online:



ADULT/TEEN

MONTHLY PROGRAM:

¡Conversemos! Spanish/English Chat Group

Mondays, July 31 and August 28
5:30 - 6:30 PM

Conference Room 334

Want to brush up on your language skills, but need speaking practice? Look no further! This informal group for speakers of both English and Spanish is the perfect opportunity to learn in a fun, no-pressure environment.

¡Conversemos! Grupo de Chat español/inglés

Quiere repasar sus conocimientos lingüísticos, pero necesita practicar el habla? ¡No busque más! Este grupo informal para hablantes de inglés y español es la oportunidad perfecta para aprender en un ambiente divertido y sin presiones.



**ADULT
MONTHLY PROGRAMS:**

Murder True Crime Club

**Mondays, July 10 and Aug 14
5:30 - 6:30 PM**

Conference Room 334

Calling all true crime fans! Join us every 2nd Monday of the month for a club that covers all things true crime- books, news, podcasts, and more.

The Fletcher Film Series

**Every other Monday, July - August
6:30 PM**

Community Room 308/309

Come join us for our film series! Each month movies will be shown based around a common theme.

July's theme: "By the Sea"

7/10: *Jaws* (R)

7/24: *Mama Mia!* (PG-13)

August's Theme: "Doggone It!"

8/7: *Isle of Dogs* (PG-13)

8/21: *Best in Show* (PG-13)

Game Night at the Library

Tuesdays, July 11 and August 8 · 5 PM

Conference Room 334

Drop in to play a board game or two, or solve a murder mystery! Join us the 2nd Tuesday of every month.

Write Here, Write Now

**Thurs, July 13 & 27 and Aug 10 & 24
6 - 7:30 PM**

Conference Room 334

Do you like to write? Do you wish you had dedicated time to devote to the craft? Come spend time writing, talking about writing, and workshopping!

Financial Literacy Series

**Thursdays, July 27 and August 31
2 - 3 PM**

Conference Room 334

Join Ladetra Robinson of Reach and keep your finances healthy! Learn daily money management, mastering your credit, conquering debt, getting & keeping your car on the road, and more!

Workshop: Starting a Small Business

Friday, July 14 · 11 AM - 1 PM

Computer Lab- 315A

This workshop will clarify some of the myths and realities of small business ownership. Start a self-assessment to determine your readiness to become a small business owner, set a plan of action to complete your self-assessments by seeking feedback from stakeholders, such as family, friends, and potential customers. Get exclusive access to grant opportunities, professional consulting, and 1:1 mentorship. Learn more about various business resources and program opportunities available to you. **Registration required** - email Ruth Chavez: <rchavez@ndi-inc.org>



Storywalks

Enjoy reading a book
as you stroll outside.



My America

by Ashley Bryan and Jan Spivey Gilchrist

Sharpsburg · July 3 - 8

Williamsport · July 10 - 15

Clear Spring · July 17 - 22

Hancock · July 24 - 29

Hagerstown · July 31 - August 5

Smithsburg · August 7 - 12

JULY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 11AM Family Storytime
2	3	4 Closed for the 4th of July	5 3:30PM Pre-k Storytime	6	7 11AM Infant Lap-sit	8 11AM Family Storytime
9	10	11 11AM Toddler Time 6PM Movie Night	12 3:30PM Pre-k Storytime	13	14 11AM Infant Lap-sit	15 11AM Family Storytime 9PM Outdoor Movie Night
16	17	18 11AM Toddler Time	19 3:30PM Collaborative Games	20 5:30PM Craft Night: Macrame	21 11AM Infant Lap-sit 4PM Kindness Rocks	22 11AM Family Storytime
23 30	24 31	25 11AM Toddler Time	26 3:30PM Puppet Show & Bookmobile	27	28 11AM Infant Lap-sit	29 11AM Family Storytime

AUGUST

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 11AM Toddler Time	2 3:30PM Pre-k Storytime	3	4 11AM Infant Lap-sit 3PM Groovy with Tie Dye	5 11AM Family Storytime
6	7	8 11AM Toddler Time 2PM Growing Gardeners: Sci of Bugs & Plants	9 2PM Growing Gardeners: Sci of Bugs & Plants	10	11 11AM Infant Lap-sit	12 11AM Family Storytime
13	14	15 11AM Reptile Show	16 3:30PM Pre-k Storytime	17	18 11AM Infant Lap-sit 4PM Self-Care Crafting	19 11AM Family Storytime 8:45PM Outdoor Movie Night
20	21	22 11AM Toddler Time 5:30PM Speaker Boonsboro Historical Society	23 3:30PM Make Your Own Storybook!	24	25 11AM Infant Lap-sit	26 11AM Mr. Jon & Friends
27	28	29 11AM Toddler Time	30 3:30PM Pre-k Storytime	31		

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CHILDREN

WEEKLY STORYTIMES:

Toddler Time

Tuesdays · 11 AM

Gather with other toddlers to learn and enjoy Storytime with numbers, shapes, and colors!

Ages 18-36 months

Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays · 3:30 PM

Have FUN at Storytime! Develop a love of reading and school readiness.

Ages 3+

Infant Lap-sit

Fridays · 11 AM

Bring your baby to the library! Enjoy books with your child in a fun, interactive setting with others.

Ages 0-18 months

Themed Family Storytime

Saturdays · 11 AM

Seasonally themed storytime for all-plus, make and take a craft home!

All ages

Collaborative Games!

Wednesday, July 19 · 3:30 PM

Let's gather together and play games in the community room with friends.

Get Groovy with Tie Dye

Friday, August 4 · 3 PM

Participants can bring their own items to tie dye and we will provide dyeable drawstring bags.

Registration Required:



Make Your Own Storybook!

Wednesday, August 23 · 3:30 PM

Join Ms. Lauren for stories and then create a book of your making. We provide the supplies and you use your own creative ideas.

Registration Required:



SUMMER READING CLUB

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Puppet Show & Bookmobile

Wednesday, July 26 · 3:30 PM

The library staff will present their annual summer puppet show, interactive reader's theater, craft, and Bookmobile visit.

SUMMER READING CLUB

Growing Gardeners: The Science of Bugs & Plants

Tues & Weds, Aug 8 & 9 · 2-4 PM

Explore the way plants & bugs help each other grow with hands on activities with Rebecca Crawshaw. **Registration required**, call 301-432-5723. Ages 8-11

Adventure in Fun: Reptile Show

Tuesday, August 15 · 11 AM

Adventure In Fun brings fascinating animals directly to you with a fun & educational experience that encourages you to engage with nature all around you.

Mr. Jon & Friends

Saturday, August 26 · 11 AM

Join us for Energetic Family Music all about fun, movement, and laughter!

Teen & Tween Kindness Rocks

Friday, July 21 · 4 PM

Let's get messy with our kindness as we paint rocks to show we care! Ages 10-18

Self-Care Crafts: Teen & Tween

Friday, August 18 · 4 PM

Create self-care products like bath bombs & coffee scrubs; learn science behind how they work. Ages 10-18. **Registration Required.**

SUMMER READING CLUB

ADULT

MONTHLY PROGRAMS:

ABC (Afternoon Book Club)

This Club is on hiatus in July/August.

Movie Nights

Tuesday, July 11 · 6 PM

Jerry & Marge Go Large (PG-13)

Summer Outdoor Movie Nights

Bring chairs, blankets, and the whole family to gather on the field next to the Library (behind the Police Station) to watch a movie!

Saturday, July 15 · 9 PM

Tom & Jerry (PG)

Saturday, August 19 · 8:45 PM

Puss in Boots: The Last Wish (PG)

Historical Society Speaker

Tuesday, August 22 · 5:30 PM

Join an interesting talk about local history. Society Members will also be at the Bowman House July 23 and August 27 from 2:00-4:30 PM to discuss local history.

Adults Craft Night: Macrame

Thursday, July 20 · 5:30 PM

Learn Macrame and create a plant holder. Materials included. **Registration Required.**

JULY & AUGUST

SUN		MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
COLOR KEY Children Teens Summer Reading Club Adults							1 JULY
	2	3	4 Closed for the 4th of July	5 11:30AM Adult Book Discussion	6	7 11:30AM Storytime	8
	9	10	11	12 2PM Authentic Community Theatre	13	14 11:30AM Storytime	15
	16	17 Storywalk	18 3:45PM Lego Building Club	19	20	21 11:30AM Storytime	22 10:30AM Quilled Frame
	23	24	25	26	27	28 11:30AM Storytime	29
	30	31	1 AUGUST 10:30AM Puppet Show & Bookmobile	2 11:30AM Adult Book Discussion	3	4 11:30AM Storytime	5
	6	7	8	9	10	11 11:30AM Storytime	12
	13	14	15 3:45PM Lego Building Club	16	17	18 11:30AM Storytime	19 10:30AM Sand Art

CHILDREN WEEKLY STORYTIME:

Weekly Storytime

Fridays · 11:30 AM

Join us for 30 minutes of stories, songs, movement, and more.
Ages 2-5 with an adult

Lego Building Club

Tuesdays, July 18 and Aug 15 · 3:45 PM

Duplos and Legos provided. Try the monthly challenge or come up with your own design!

SUMMER READING CLUB

Authentic Community Theatre

Wednesday, July 12 · 2 PM

Four heroes from various super groups attempt to defeat an evil villain. Realizing they can't do it alone, they must work together in order to save the day!

Storywalk

Week of July 17-22

Stroll outdoors and read pages from *My America* by Ashley Bryan and Jan Spivey Gilchrist.

SUMMER READING CLUB

ADULT MONTHLY PROGRAMS:

Adult Book Discussion

**Wednesdays, July 5 and Aug 2
11:30 AM**

Join other adults for a lively discussion and light refreshments. Please see staff to join.

July: *The Guest List* by Lucy Foley

August: Book TBD

Quilled Frame

Saturday, July 22 · 10:30 AM

Learn how to quill flowers to make a beautiful frame decoration.

Sand Art

Saturday, August 19 · 10:30 AM

Create a beautiful sand art decoration. All ages. **Registration required.**

Puppet Show & Bookmobile

Tuesday, August 1 · 10:30 AM

The library staff will present their annual summer puppet show, interactive reader's theater, craft, and Bookmobile visit.

JULY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3	4 Closed for the 4th of July	5 11:30AM Preschool Storytime	6	7 2PM Authentic Community Theatre	8
9	10	11 11AM, 1PM, 3PM, 5PM Harry Potter Escape Room	12 11:30AM Musical Storytime with Dr. Fiddle!	13	14	15 12PM Family Craft: Teacup Fairy Garden
16	17	18 1PM Be a NASA Detective: Expanding Your Senses	19 11:30AM Preschool Storytime 5PM Book Club	20 6PM Finding Health Info Online	21	22
23 30	24 Storywalk 31	25	26 11:30AM Preschool Storytime 1PM Family Craft drop-in 3PM STEM Club	27	28	29

AUGUST

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 1PM Puppet Show & Bookmobile	2 11:30AM Preschool Storytime	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 11:30AM Preschool Storytime	10 6PM Shangö Mountain Taiko-Japanese Drumming Workshop	11	12
13	14	15	16 11:30AM Preschool Storytime 1PM Reptile Show 5PM Book Club	17 6PM Beginning Genealogy Research	18	19 12PM Family Craft: Faux stained glass
20	21	22	23 11:30AM Preschool Storytime 4PM STEM Club	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 11:30AM Preschool Storytime	31		

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CHILDREN WEEKLY STORYTIME:

Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays · 11:30 AM

Join us for stories, movement, games and crafts for preschoolers. Siblings of any age are welcome to attend.

STEM Club

Wednesdays, July 26 & Aug 23 · 4-5 PM

Elementary age students can enjoy group Minecraft or Roblox, build with Legos and Rig-a-Ma-Jigs, and program with Spheros and Cubetto. We have a different activity each month. Ages 5-11

July: LEGOs and games

August: Rig-a-Ma-Jigs

Registration required:



Children's Take & Make

July & August · All Day

A take-home craft kit for children ages 4-8.

July: Popsicle Stick Boat

August: Home-made Sidewalk Chalk Paint

Registration required:



Family Craft Saturdays

Saturdays, July 15 and Aug 19 · 12-2 PM

Come get creative! We offer a different craft each month.

July: Teacup Fairy Garden

August: Make a faux stained-glass "window"

Registration required:



Family Take & Make

July & August · All Day

All month long we offer craft kits for preschool children to enjoy at home. Some may require adult help; while supplies last.

July: Pipe Cleaner mini potted flower garden

Aug: Recycled Wind Chimes

Registration required:



SUMMER READING CLUB

Special: Summer Drop-In Family Craft Day

Wednesday, July 26 · 1-3 PM

Make crafts relating to our summer theme of "All Together Now." All ages

Adventure in Fun: Reptile Show

Wednesday, August 16 · 1 PM

Finish off Summer Reading Club with a visit from reptiles! All ages.

SUMMER READING CLUB

Harry Potter Escape Room

Tuesday, July 11 · 11AM, 1PM, 3PM, 5PM

Teams will solve puzzles, decipher clues and use "spells" to find their way out. Four sessions to choose from. Ages 10+

Registration required:



ADULT MONTHLY PROGRAMS:

Adult Book Club

**Wednesdays, July 19 and Aug 16
5-6 PM**

Join this lively and fun book discussion. Each month participants will discuss a book chosen by a member of the group.

Finding Health Info Online

Thursday, July 20 · 6 PM

This program will explore how to find reliable health and medical information on the internet, focusing on trusted consumer health websites. This program is best suited to adults. Presented by the Maryland State Library Resource Center.

TeenZone Craft

July - August · All Day

Join us for a new craft activity each month in our Young Adults section.

Beginning Genealogy Research

Thursday, August 17 · 6 PM

Genealogy's popularity has increased significantly over the past several years, with new devotees gaining an introduction through shows like Genealogy Roadshow, Who Do You Think You Are?, and Finding Your Roots. Are you interested in joining this ever-growing community of researchers? Join us as we talk about the first steps you should consider taking to begin researching your ancestors, look at resources you can use—both online and in print, and discuss institutions you should consider visiting. Whether you're still thinking about diving into family history research, or you want to sharpen your skills, this program is for you. Presented by the Maryland State Library Resource Center.

Mini Health Fair

Friday, August 25 · 10 AM - 2 PM

Join us for a Mini Health Fair presented by the Washington County Health Department to showcase their services to the public.

SUMMER READING CLUB

Authentic Community Theatre**Friday, July 7 · 2 PM**

Four heroes from various super groups attempt to defeat an Evil Villian. Realizing they can't do it alone, they must work together in order to save the day... thus becoming the Unlikely Heroes we didn't know we needed. All ages

Altogether Now with Dr. Fiddle!**Wednesday, July 12 · 11:30 AM**

Hear the books *Passing the Music Down* by Sarah Sullivan, and *The Man with the Violin* by Kathy Stinson, accompanied by the music of Robbie "Dr. Fiddle" Mann, who will talk about the difference between fiddle and violin, while sharing some history of the old-time music from this region. All ages

Puppet Show & Bookmobile**Tuesday, August 1 · 1 PM**

The Library staff will present their annual summer puppet show, along with an interactive readers theater, and a visit from the bookmobile. All ages will love this fun and interactive show!

**Be a NASA Detective:
Expanding your Senses****Tues- Fri, July 18-21 · 1-3 PM each day**

In this 4-day long "Science in the Summer" program, participants will learn to be more comfortable using tools of science, and making predictions based on their observations. Activities will focus on things we cannot see with our normal vision or sense with our normal senses.

Registration is required:

Ages 8-12

**Shangö Mountain Taiko -
Japanese Taiko Drumming****Thursday, August 10 · 6 PM**

Experience the thunder of Japanese Taiko Drumming! Taiko are the amazing, impressive, and wonderfully powerful heartbeat drums of Japan. Taiko literally means "Big Drum," but also refers to kumi-daiko, the ensemble group drumming that has grown in popularity over the last half century. Workshop presented by the Shangö Mountain Taiko percussion group. All ages

SUMMER READING CLUB

Authentic Community Theatre

Tuesday, July 11 · 2 PM

Join us at Taylor Park (across the street from the Library) for a live storytelling performance: Four heroes from various super groups attempt to defeat an Evil Villain. Realizing they can't do it alone, they must work together in order to save the day...thus becoming the Unlikely Heroes we didn't know we needed.

Puppet Show & Bookmobile

Tuesday, July 25 · 11 AM

The library staff will present their annual summer puppet show! This event will also feature an interactive reader's theater, craft, and visit from the Bookmobile. All ages

SUMMER READING CLUB

Take & Make Crafts for Kids

Pick up a craft kit at the Keedysville Branch with all of the materials necessary. Kits will be different each week!

July: "Crafts are for Giving"- Mail a hug, child/teen hands with ribbon, friendship bracelet, kindness rocks.

August: "Scavenger Hunt"- Come to the Library to get a game sheet and participate in this scavenger hunt all month long!

Crafting Fun: Teen Box

Tuesday & Wednesday, August 8 & 9

It's time to get creative! Teens can make all kinds of crafts with supplies from the Teen Box, including friendship bracelets, duct tape wallets, or origami.



NEW Solar Panels at the Keedysville Branch

JULY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 10 AM Lego Club
2	3 Storywalk	4 Closed for the 4th of July	5 1PM Book Share	6 3:30PM Themed Storytime		8 9:30 AM Sharpsburg Founder's Day
9	10	11 2PM Growing Gardeners: Sci of Bugs & Plants	12 2PM Growing Gardeners: Sci of Bugs & Plants	13 3:30PM Themed Storytime	14	15
16	17 Puzzle Swap	18	19	20 2PM Homeschool Book Club 3:30PM Community Storytime	21	22
23 30	24 31	25	26	27 3:30PM Community Storytime	28	29

AUGUST

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	Tween & Teen Crafts	1	2 1PM Book Share 1PM End of Summer Party Homeschoolers	3 3:30PM Puppet Show & Bookmobile	4	5 10 AM Lego Club
6	7	8	9	10 3:30PM Themed Storytime	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 3:30PM Themed Storytime	18	19
20	21 Puzzle Pin Craft	22	23	24 3:30PM End of Summer Reading Club Party!	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 3:30PM Themed Storytime		

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CHILDREN

WEEKLY STORYTIME:

Themed Storytime

Thursdays · 3:30 PM

Gather with other children for stories and a craft!

Ages 3+

Lego Club

Saturdays, July 1 and August 5 · 10 AM

Build the Lego challenge or make your own creation.

Sharpsburg Founder's Day

Saturday, July 8 · 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Help us celebrate 260 years! Stop in the library and pick up Sharpsburg Trivia questions. Complete the sheet by 1PM and collect a prize! Work alone or as a team.

All ages

SUMMER READING CLUB

Storywalk

Week of July 3 - 8

My America by Ashley Bryan will be on display at Sharpsburg Park; walk & read!

Growing Gardeners: The Science of Bugs & Plants

Tues & Weds, July 11 & 12 · 2-4 PM

Explore the way plants and bugs help each other grow with hands on activities with Rebecca Crawshaw. **Registration required, call 301-432-8825.** Ages 8-11

Special Storytime: Puppet Show & Bookmobile Stop

Thursday, August 3 · 3:30 PM

The WCFL players will present their annual summer puppet show! This event will also feature an interactive reader's theater, craft, and visit from the Bookmobile. All ages

End of SRC Party

Thursday, August 24 · 3:30 PM

Join us for fun as we celebrate the end of a wonderful summer of reading All Together Now!

ADULT
MONTHLY PROGRAMS:

Adult Book Share

**Wednesdays, July 5 and August 2
1 PM**

What are you reading? Tell us about your current favorite summer read.

Puzzle Swap

Week of July 18 · During open hours
Drop off and pick up puzzles! We have a huge variety to choose from. All ages

Homeschool Book Club

Thursday, July 20 · 1 PM
We will discuss Winnie-the Pooh by A.A. Milne. Enjoy activities relating to the book.

Tweens & Teens Crafts

Week of August 1 · During open hours
Stop in and make a friendship bracelet or paint a kindness rock to leave for someone to find.

Homeschool End of Summer Party

Wednesday, August 2 · 1 PM

Turn in your bingo card for prizes, paint a kindness rock to leave for someone to find and have some party snacks!

Puzzle Pin Craft

Week of August 22 · During open hours

Stop in and make a decorative pin out of colorful puzzle pieces. Ages tween+



Storywalk at Sharpsburg Park

JULY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				11AM Toddler Time	10:30AM Knit, Crochet, Craft 11AM Preschool Storytime	1 Saturday Storytime
2	3 Storywalk	4 Closed for the 4th of July	5	6 11AM Toddler Time	7 10:30AM Knit, Crochet, Craft 11AM Preschool Storytime	8 10:15AM Writers Group 11:30AM Saturday Storytime
9	10	11 6:30PM Game Night!	12 11AM Infant Storytime 5PM Sea Glass Necklace	13 11AM Toddler Time	14 10:30AM Knit, Crochet, Craft 11AM Preschool Storytime	15 11:30AM Saturday Storytime
16	17 5PM Kindness Rocks	18 2PM Growing Gardeners	19 2PM Growing Gardeners	20 11AM Toddler Time	21 10:30AM Knit, Crochet, Craft 11AM Preschool Storytime	22 10:15AM Writers Group 11:30AM Storytime @ Police Station
23 30	24 5PM Lego Night 31	25 5PM Book Club 7PM Movie Night	26 11AM Infant Storytime	27 11AM Toddler Time	28 10:30AM Knit, Crochet, Craft 11AM Preschool Storytime	29 11:30AM Saturday Storytime

AUGUST

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3 11AM Toddler Time	4 10:30AM Knit, Crochet, Craft 11AM Puppet Show	5 11:30AM Saturday Storytime
6	7 Music Box & Storywalk	8 6:30PM Game Night!	9 11AM Infant Storytime	10 11AM Toddler Time	11 10:30AM Knit, Crochet, Craft 11AM Preschool Storytime	12 10:15AM Writers Group 11:30AM Saturday Storytime
13	14	15 3PM Reptile Show	16 5PM Teen Escape Room	17 11AM Toddler Time	18 10:30AM Knit, Crochet, Craft 11AM Preschool Storytime	19 11:30AM Saturday Storytime
20	21	22 5PM Book Club 7PM Movie Night	23 11AM Infant Storytime 6PM Upcycled Glass Vase	24 11AM Toddler Time	25 10:30AM Knit, Crochet, Craft 11AM Preschool Storytime	26 10:15AM Writers Group 11:30AM Saturday Storytime
27	28 5PM Lego Night	29 6:30PM Game Night!	30	31 11AM Toddler Time		

COLOR KEY

- Children
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CHILDREN WEEKLY STORYTIMES:

Infant Storytime

2nd & 4th Wednesdays · 11 AM

Join us in the Children's Room.

Ages 6-18 months

Toddler Time

Thursdays · 11 AM

Join us in the Community Room.

Ages 18-36 months

Preschool Storytime

Fridays · 11 AM

Join us in the Community Room.

Ages 3-5

Saturday Storytime

Saturdays · 11:30 AM

Join us in the Children's Room. Miss Charlotte has planned exciting themes!

All ages

Make and Take Craft Kits

July: Upcycled Flowers- Create a flower craft from water bottles.

August: Bug Craft- Create a glowing bug from a soda bottle.

Simple STEM Challenge Kits

July: Turtles- Learn about turtle migration through Maryland.

August: Penny Spinner- Learn about physics and motion by creating this spinner.

Storytime in Our Town:

Smithsburg Police Station

Saturday, July 22 · 11:30 AM

Little readers! Join us for our Community Saturday Storytime at the Smithsburg Police Station: 63 Railroad Lane, Smithsburg, MD to learn all about the police. Stories and songs, too!

Lego Nights

Mondays, July 24 and August 28 · 5 PM

LEGO nights are back and we will be building a creation for our friends and a musical instrument or free build.

Storywalk

Week of July 3-8

America the Beautiful Together We Stand by Katharine Lee Bates.

SUMMER READING CLUB

Growing Gardeners: The Science of Bugs & Plants

July 18 & 19 · 2-4 PM

Explore the way plants and bugs help each other grow with hands on activities with Rebecca Crawshaw. **Registration required: call 301-824-7722.** Ages 8-11

Puppet Show & Bookmobile

Friday, August 4 · 11 AM

The WCFL Players and the Bookmobile will be performing an All Together Now puppet show. Space is limited.

Please register online:



Music Box

August 7-12 · Daily

Stop by the branch to experiment with sound, create a tune using our music machine and take home a rain stick craft kit. Our story times will also be music themed this week. Join us!

Storywalk

Week of August 7-12

My America by Ashley Bryan and Jan Spivey Gilchrist

Adventure in Fun Reptile Show

Tuesday, August 15 · 3 PM

Adventure in Fun will be bringing fascinating reptiles to the library. Join us for a fun experience designed to educate and encourage people to engage and interact with nature around them. All ages

Registration required:



It's Game Night!

Tuesdays, July 11 and August 8 & 29

6:30 - 8:30 PM

The library is partnering with DragonXGames to host game night. Dungeons and Dragons, Magic the Gathering, and board games

are available. Bring your favorite board game, too!

Ages 10+

Registration requested:



Sea Glass Necklace

Wednesday, July 12 · 5 PM

Join us to create a beautiful sea glass necklace under the guidance of our new librarian Charlotte Ballard. Everything will be provided. Ages teens and adults.



Upcycled Summer Beach Glass Vase Craft

Wednesday, August 23 · 6 PM

Come to the library and learn how to transform an ordinary glass bottle into a work of art! Learn glass tinting; jute twine wrapping; sea glass charm making; and sea shell bouquet decorating techniques. All materials provided. Space is limited!

Register online or call 240-824-7722.



Kindness Rocks

Monday, July 17 · 5 PM

Teens, paint some kindness rocks to distribute in the town.

Teen Escape Room

Wednesday, August 16 · 5 PM

Can your team solve all the riddles, puzzles and invisible ink clues in time?

**Registration required:
scan QR code or call
301-824-7722.**



ADULT MONTHLY PROGRAMS:

Knit, Crochet & Craft Group

Fridays · 10:30 AM - 1 PM

Bring your own project and join the group.

Writers Group

**Saturdays, July 8 & 22 and
August 12 & 26 10:15 AM**

Join us for this fun and informal group of fellow writers to share writing, feedback, and ideas.

Adult Book Club

Tuesdays, July 25 and August 22 · 5 PM

Join us on the 4th Tuesday of the month as we discuss the book of the month.

July: *The Second Life of Mirielle West* by Amanda Skenandore Measure

August: *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver

Movie Night

Tuesdays, July 25 and August 22 · 7 PM

Join us for free showings of great movies.

7/25: *Till* (PG-13)

8/22: *Champions* (PG-13)



Knit, Crochet & Craft Group

JULY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3 11AM Musical Storytime	4 Closed for the 4th of July	5 11AM Preschool Storytime 11:30AM STEM Playtime	6 1:30PM Book Club	7	8 11AM Friends of the Library Book Donation Day
9	10 Storywalk 11AM Musical Storytime	11	12 11AM Preschool Storytime 11:30AM STEM Playtime	13	14	15
16	17 11AM Musical Storytime	18 4PM Teen Rube Goldberg Machine	19 11AM Preschool Storytime 11:30AM STEM Playtime 3 PM Backyard Birding	20	21	22
23 30	24 11AM Musical Storytime 31	25	26 11AM Puppet Show/Bookmobile 5PM Tween Craft Night	27	28	29

AUGUST

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3 1:30PM Book Club	4	5
6	7 11AM Musical Storytime	8	9 11AM Preschool Storytime 11:30AM Insect Mimicry	10	11	12
13	14 11AM Musical Storytime	15 4 PM Teen Amazing Race	16 11AM Mr. Jon & Friends	17	18 11AM Beekeeper Presentation	19
20	21 11AM Musical Storytime	22	23 11AM Preschool Storytime 11:30AM STEM Playtime	24	25 10 AM Annual Book Sale	26 10 AM Annual Book Sale 11AM Canal Days Festivities
27 12 PM Annual Book Sale	28 11AM Musical Storytime	29	30 11AM Preschool Storytime 11:30AM STEM Playtime 5PM Tween Craft Night	31		

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CHILDREN

WEEKLY STORYTIMES:

Musical Monday Storytime

Mondays · 11 AM

Sing, dance, and learn together!

Ages 0-6

Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays · 11 AM

Books, music, and educational activities!

Weather permitting, this event will be held outside in the summer.

Ages 2-6

STEM Playtime

Wednesdays · 11:30 AM

Join us after Preschool Storytime for educational play, learning a craft, or a STEM project. Weather permitting, this event will be held outside in the summer.

Ages 2-6

Makerspace Tabletop Challenge

Weekly Activities · All Day

Stop by the Makerspace to try a new tabletop challenge every week! Activities offered will include pre-coding, engineering, math, nature, and building challenges.

Ages 5-11

SUMMER READING CLUB

Children's Pen Pal Program

July- All Month

Through our Pen-Pal program, we share messages of kindness and friendship with our local elders. We will collect pictures and postcards created by the children and deliver them to the residents of Homewood, a local assisted living center, and the local Senior Center.

All ages

Storywalk: *My America*

Week of July 10-15

Enjoy a walk through the park area next to the library and read *My America*, by Ashely Bryan and Spivey Gilchrist. A Potomac Audubon Storywalk.

SUMMER READING CLUB

NEW: Tween Craft Night

**Wednesdays, July 26 and August 30
5-6 PM**

Join us for a craft time just for tweens. Too old for storytime? Not ready for our teen programs? This event is just for you!
Ages 8-12

July: Rock painting

August: Create your own relief print

SUMMER READING CLUB

Puppet Show & Bookmobile

Wednesday, July 26 · 11 AM

Join us for a puppet show presented by the children's library staff and stay for an exciting visit from the Bookmobile!

Entomology: Insects Mimicry

Wednesday, August 9 · 11:30 AM

Have you ever wondered why insects look so unusual? Join us for a presentation from Dr. Michael Turell, Research Entomologist, about why insects look the way they do. Insects will be available to be viewed more closely after the presentation. All ages

SUMMER READING CLUB

Mr. Jon & Friends Music

Wednesday, August 16 · 11 AM

Join us for a special guest at storytime! Mr. Jon & Friends will be here to perform some energetic family music all about fun, movement, and laughter!

Buzz Worthy Beekeeper

Friday, August 18 · 11 AM

Join us for a presentation from a Beekeeper from Buzz Worthy Apiary. Learn about how bees work together to help plants grow, flowers bloom, and fruits and vegetables too. All ages

Canal Days at the Library

Saturday, August 26 · 11 AM

Visiting Williamsport for Canal Days festivities? Stop by the library for outdoor fun: storywalk, carnival games, an obstacle course, and the annual Williamsport Library Volunteer Book sale!

Williamsport Spatial Poetry

August- All Month

Join us at our center table space to create spatial poetry using maps and names from Williamsport. This creative collaborative program will have us come together and celebrate the town of Williamsport. All ages

Teen Collaborative Rube Goldberg Machine

Tuesday, July 18 · 4-6 PM

Help us design and engineer a machine we can use in the library. Troubleshoot and create chain reaction machines together with a team and challenge other teams for a friendly competition.

Teen Amazing Race

Tuesday, August 15 · 4-6 PM

Have you ever wanted to challenge yourself to an adventure as seen on The Amazing Race? Teens, join us to on a scavenger hunt/adventure like no other. Challenge your team by solving clues with your mind or take the physical challenges to see which team comes out on top at the finish.

SUMMER READING CLUB

Potomac Valley Audubon Society - Backyard Birding

Wednesday, July 19 · 3 PM

The Potomac Valley Audubon Society will present a program about Backyard bird habitats. Find out ways we can work together to help make our own backyards more bird friendly. All ages

ADULT

MONTHLY PROGRAMS:

****NEW TIME:**

Williamsport Book Club

Thursdays, July 6 and Aug 3 · 1:30 PM

Join us for an engaging book discussion! In this two part Classics Series, we will be reading Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice*. We will also discuss life during the Regency Period, the turn of the 19th Century in England. All are welcome, no previous Book Club experience required.

Williamsport Friends of the Library Book Donation Day

Saturday, July 8 · 11 AM - 1 PM

Donate your gently used books, puzzles, DVDs, and games for the August book sale.

Williamsport Library Annual Book Sale

**Friday and Saturday, August 25 & 26
10 AM - 6 PM**

Sunday, August 27 · 12-4 PM

Visit our Annual Book sale during Canal Days in Williamsport.

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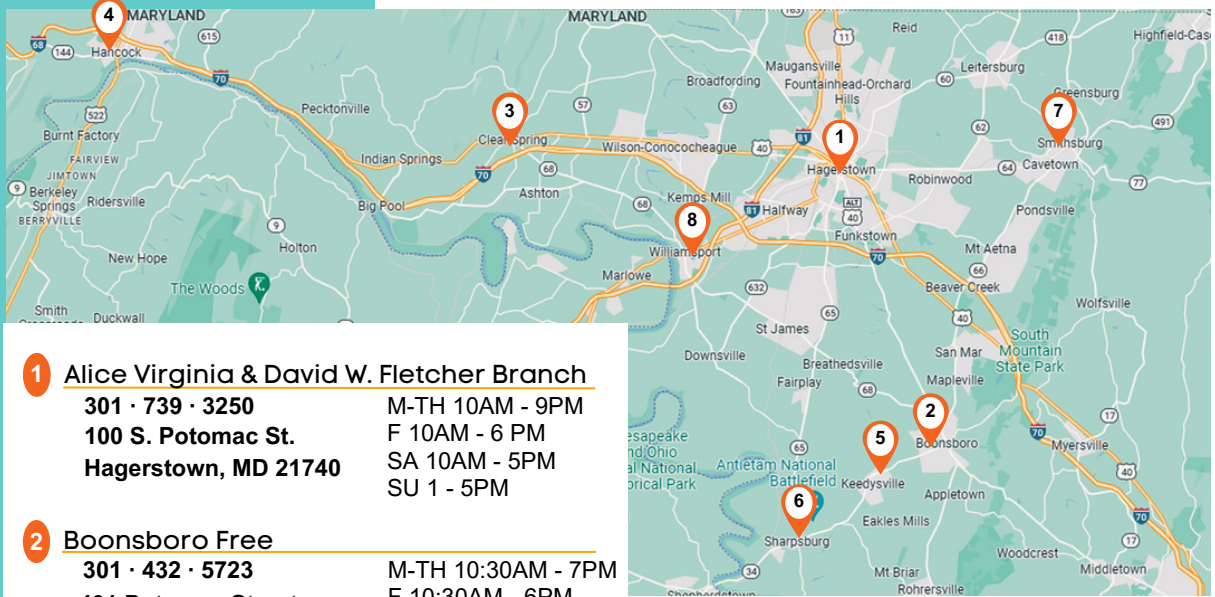
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LIBRARY BRANCH MAP:



1 Alice Virginia & David W. Fletcher Branch

301 · 739 · 3250 M-TH 10AM - 9PM
100 S. Potomac St. F 10AM - 6 PM
Hagerstown, MD 21740 SA 10AM - 5PM
 SU 1 - 5PM

2 Boonsboro Free

301 · 432 · 5723 M-TH 10:30AM - 7PM
401 Potomac Street F 10:30AM - 6PM
Boonsboro, MD 21713 SA 10:15AM - 2PM

3 Clear Spring Memorial

301 · 842 · 2730 T-TH 11:30AM - 7PM
12624 Broadfording Rd. F 11:30AM - 6PM
Clear Spring, MD 21722 SA 10:15AM - 2PM

4 Hancock Veterans Memorial

301 · 678 · 5300 T-W 11:30AM - 7PM
231 Hancock Veterans TH 3 - 7PM
Pkwy Hancock, MD 21750 F 11:30AM - 6PM
 SA 10:15AM - 2PM

5 Keedysville Branch

301 · 432 · 6641 T-W 11AM - 4PM
22 Taylor Drive
Keedysville, MD 21756

6 Sharpsburg Branch

301 · 432 · 8825 T-TH 1:30 - 7PM
106 East Main St. SA 9:15AM - 1PM
Sharpsburg, MD 21782

7 Smithsburg Branch

301 · 824 · 7722 M,W,TH 10:30AM - 7PM
66 West Water St. T 12:30 - 9PM
Smithsburg, MD 21783 F 10:30AM - 6PM
 SA 10:15AM - 2PM

8 Williamsport Memorial

301 · 223 · 7027 M-TH 10:30AM - 7PM
104 East Potomac St. F 10:30AM - 6PM
Williamsport, MD 21795 SA 10:15AM - 3PM

HOLIDAY CLOSURES:

- Independence Day- Tuesday, July 4
- Labor Day- Monday, September 4