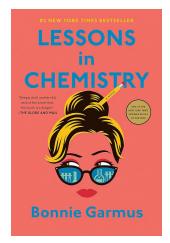


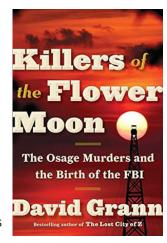


Books we have read, re-read, and love to read.



Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus GARMUS

Set in 1960s California, this blockbuster debut is the hilarious, idiosyncratic and uplifting story of a female scientist whose career is constantly derailed by the idea that a woman's place is in the home, only to find herself starring as the host of America's most beloved TV cooking show.



Killers of the Flower Moon: the Osage murders and the birth of the FBI by David Grann

976.60049752 GRA

Presents a true account of the early twentieth-century murders of dozens of wealthy Osage and law-enforcement officials, citing the contributions and missteps of a fledgling FBI that eventually uncovered one of the most chilling conspiracies in American history.



Chaos & Flames by Tessa Gratton YA GRATTON

Two unlikely allies from rival factions, Darling Seabreak and Talon Goldhoard must work together to navigate treacherous House politics and ancient magic to keep their world from falling apart.



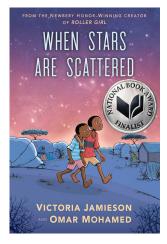
Belle of the Ball by Mari Casta YA 741.5973 COS

A young adult graphic novel about high school wallflower Belle Hawkins, who ends up in a love triangle after tutoring the girlfriend of her crush.



The Last Beekeeper by Pablo Cartaya J CARTAYA

To prove that she belongs in a place where only the smartest and most useful are welcomed, twelve-year-old Yolanda learns that her survival rests on the rediscovery of a long-extinct beehive that could be the answer to everything.



When Stars Are Scattered by Victoria Jamieson and Omar Mohamed

JGN JAM

Omar and his younger brother Hassan live in a refugee camp, and when an opportunity for Omar to get an education comes along, he must decide between going to school every day or caring for his nonverbal brother in this intimate and touching portrayal of family and daily life in a refugee camp.



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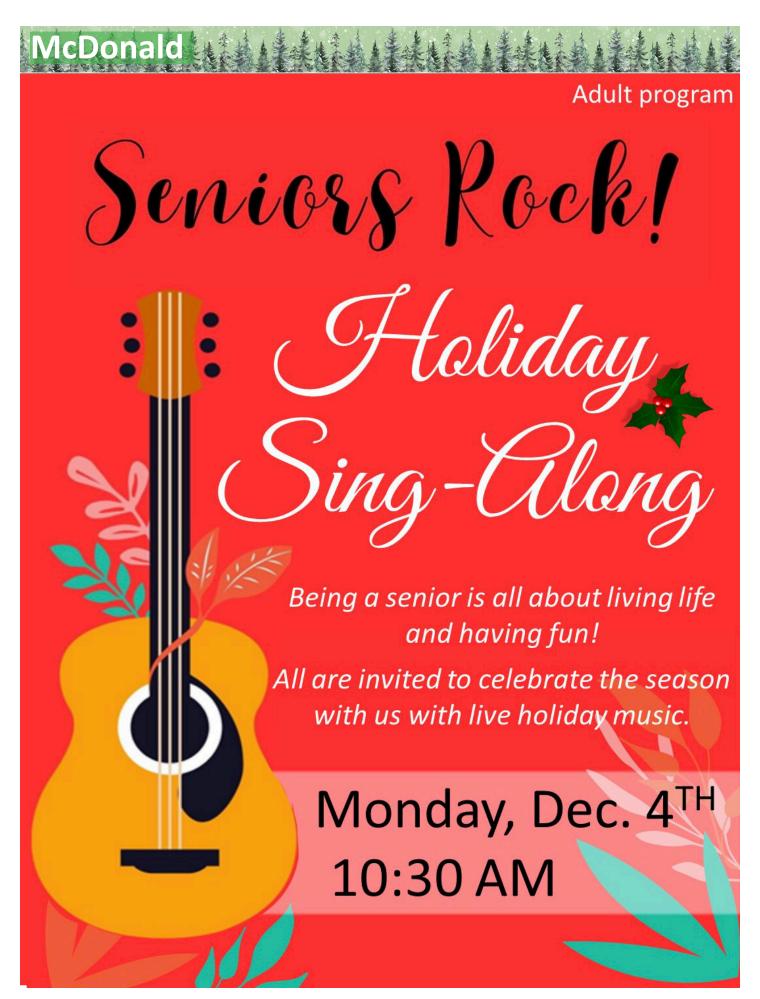
Sensory Friendly Story Time Thursdays @ 10:00AM

Sensory Cafe Craft Hour 1 stand 3 rd Thursdays @ 4:30PM



Meet Ms. Golden! She is a Family & Community Health Agent with Prairie View A&M University. She has a master's degree in Educational Psychology from the University of North Texas. "I am so excited about this partnership", says Ms. Golden, "and I can't wait to meet all of you and offer programs about child development, mental health, and parenting!"

This project is made possible by a grant from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services (Grant # LS-253655-OLS-23)* to the Texas State Library and Archives Commission under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act. (2024)





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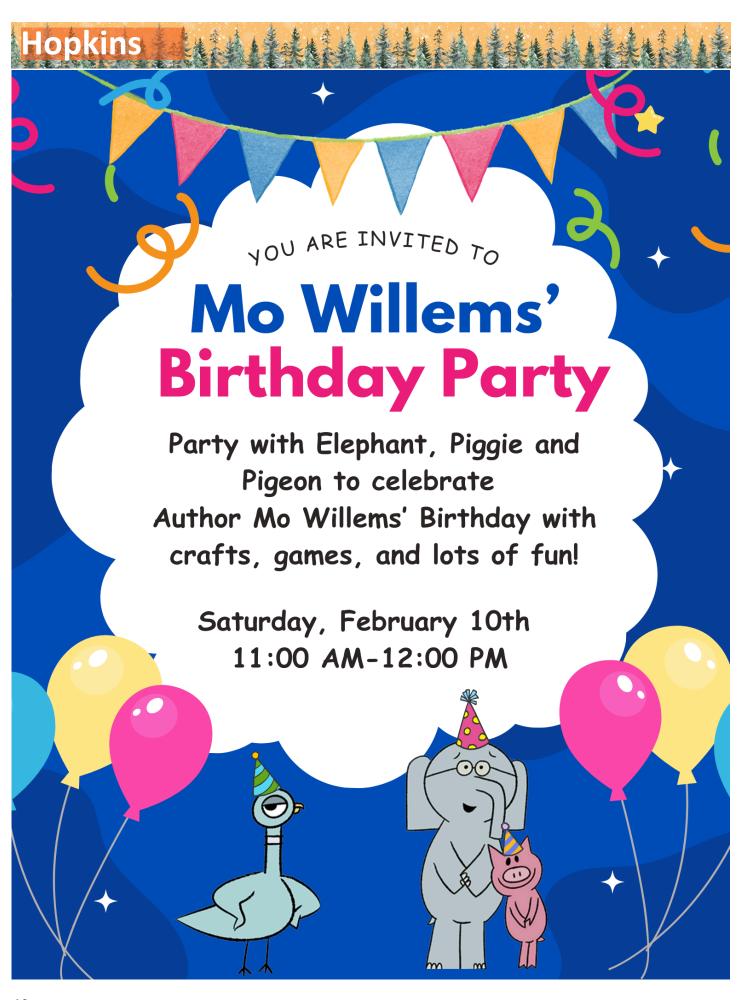


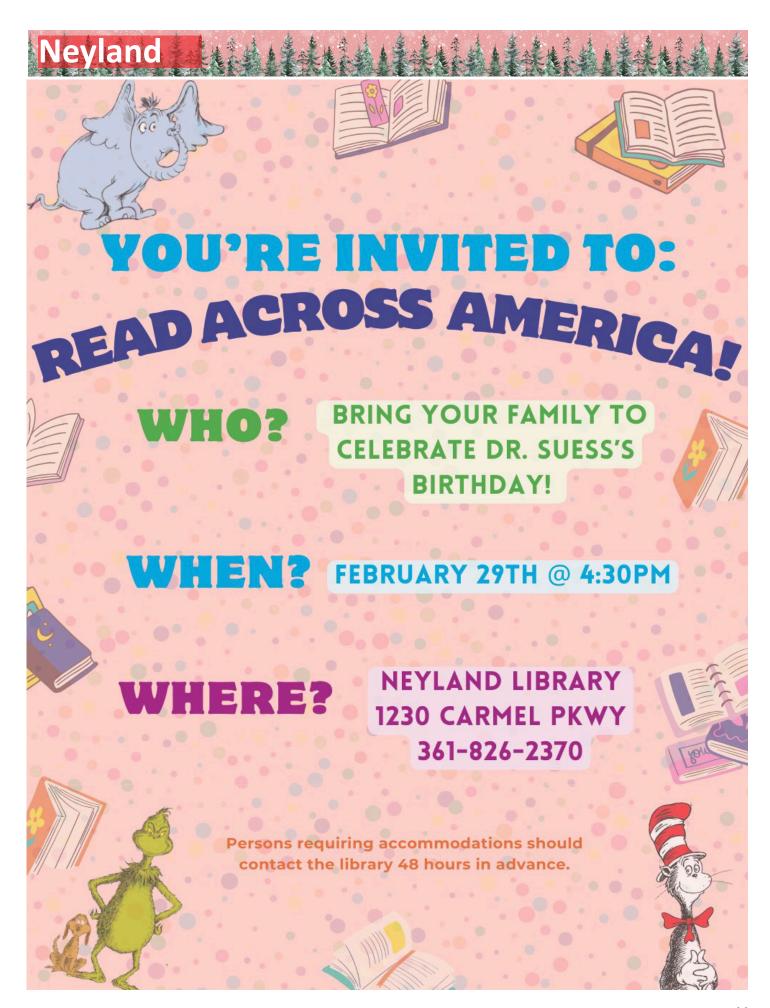
We're celebrating Galentine's Day with the women in our lives! Dress up and spend the evening watching the Barbie movie and enjoying Barbie inspired activities and snacks. Ages 13 and up.

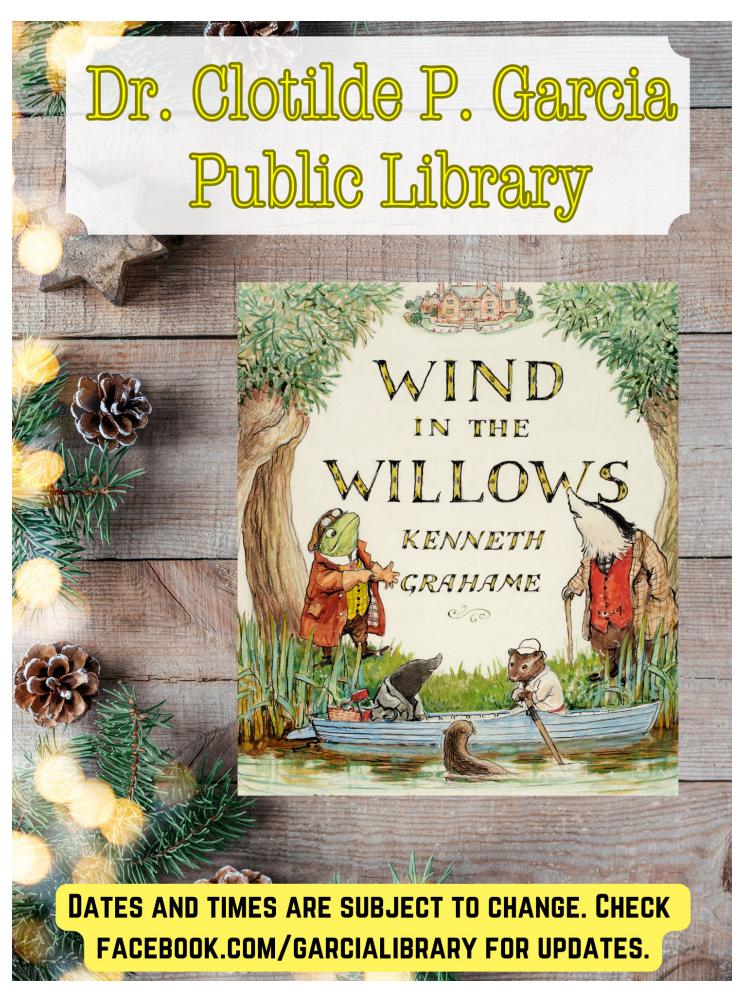


@ 7 PM Barbie (PG-13)









Just for Kids

Take and Create Crafts

(Ages 3 - 10)

New Every Monday

Pick up a craft at the circulation desk or through curbside while supplies last.

Build a Bit

(Ages 3 - 5)

Mondays 10:30 AM — 11:30 AM

A dedicated playtime for little builders featuring lots of blocks!

Sleepy Shores

(Ages 0 - 5)

2^{ND} & 4^{TH} Mondays of the Month @ 6:00 PM

Jump into your jammies for stories, songs, and rhymes before heading to bed.



Commotion in the Ocean

(Family)

Tuesdays @ 11:30 AM

Dancing and singing! What could be better?



Pirate Penny's Party

(Ages 3 - 5)

Wednesdays @ 11:30 AM

Storytime, singing, and crafts!

Play Café

(Ages 0 - 3)

Thursdays @ 10:30 AM

Children can come and play while parents enjoy café drinks alongside friendly faces!



Mermaid Tails

- (Ages 0 3)
- Fridays @ 10:30 AM
- Stories, songs, rhymes, and finger plays that help
- build your child's early literacy skills.

For Tweens



The Bad Artists

(Ages 6 - 12)

2ND Mondays of the Month @ 4:00 PM

Make some art as good, or as bad, as you want. We're judgment free!

STEAM Team!

(Ages 6 - 12)

Last Thursdays of the Month @ 4:00 PM

A choose-your-own STEAM activity time! Will you pick Legos, science projects, or a math challenge?



For Teens

Tween & Teen Scene

(Ages 11— 17)

1ST & **3**RD **Mondays of the Month @ 4:00 PM** Art, crafts, projects, and painting! Light snacks provided.

Manga Mania!

(Ages 13 - 17)

December 16[™] @ 2:00 PM January 20[™] @ 3:15 PM

Talk about your favorite manga, watch anime, meet new people, and work on fun projects.



Myth Understood

(Ages 13+)

 4^{TH} Wednesday of the Month @ 6:00 PM

starting JAN 2024

A YA focused book club for all those young at heart!

Jan. — The Cruel Prince by Black

Feb. — House of Salt and Sorrows by Craig

For Adults

Garcia Literary Book Club

3RD Mondays of the Month @ 6:00 PM

If you love going on a reading adventure, your journey isn't complete without this book club.

Dec. — Still Life by Winman

Jan. — The Sentence by Erdrich

Feb. — Lessons in Chemistry by Garmus





Tai Chi for Beginners

Tuesdays @ 11:30 AM

If you've never done tai chi, come join in on the fun. Tai Chi for Beginners is a low-impact class great for beginners. Classes led by Suzanne Chiu. Registration required, space is limited.

Creativi-Tea Time

1ST & 3RD Tuesdays of the Month @ 6:00 PM

Relax and unwind after work with coloring pages,
calming music, and tea.

The Poisoned Pen

2ND Wednesdays of the Month @ 6:00 PM

• A thrilling combination of history and whodunnit.

Dec. — A Dangerous Business by Smiley

Jan. — 1794 by Natt och Dag

Feb. — The Yard by Grecian



Nordic Noir Book Club

3RD Wednesdays of the Month @ 6:00 PM

An intriguing discussion focused on the dark macabre world of Nordic Noir.

Dec. — Resting Place by Sten

Jan. — Corpse Flower by Hancock

Feb. — The Legacy by Sigurdarottir



Senior Social Hour

1ST Friday of the Month @ 11:00 AM

Wanting to get out of the house and meet new people? Come for games, puzzles, and socializing!



Crafternoon

December 13[™] @ 12:00 PM

Come create a decorative and cozy coffee mug! Space is limited and registration is required.

National Puzzle Day Celebration

January $29^{TH} 4:00 \text{ PM} - 6:00 \text{ PM}$

All are encouraged to exercise their brains by working on some jigsaw puzzles!

For Families

Look Who's Talking

December 2ND @ 2:30 PM

The Texas Botanical Gardens will bring a macaw and other members of the parrot family to feed, chat, and interact with our feathery friends.





K-Pop for the Holidays

- (Ages 13+)
- December 2ND 2:00 PM 4:00 PM
- Games, crafts, and holiday cheer K-Pop style!
- Space is limited and registration is required.

Guinea Pigs Galore

- December 9[™] @ 2:30 PM
- Meet our Guinea Pig Rescuer and several animal
- friends. We will read stories, make crafts, and learn
- about adopting and fostering our fuzzy friends.

Movie Night

- 3RD Thursdays of the Month @ 6:00 PM
- Bring a friend or make a friend while watching a
- heartwarming movie.
- **Dec. 21st** The Grinch Who Stole Christmas
- **Jan. 18**[™] Toy Story 2
- Feb. 15[™] Toy Story 3



Family Fun Board Games

December 23RD / January 20TH / February 17TH

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Join us in a fun-filled afternoon of family-friendly board games and card games.



Polar Express Celebration

December 16[™] @ 2:00 PM

The tradition continues! Come watch the movie, drink some hot chocolate, and take home a craft!



Paws2Read

January 6^{TH} 2:15 PM — 3:15 PM

Children can practice reading aloud alongside friendly, certified therapy dogs.

Cirque du Livre: Aerial Silks

January 13[™] @ 3:00 PM

Ever wonder how the graceful trapeze and air dancing athletes staring in Cirque productions get their start? Watch a local Aerial Gymnast perform, show demonstrations, and answer your questions!

Touch a Texas Tortoise

January 20[™] @ 2:15PM

A red-footed tortoise and a three-toed box turtle will help teach us who to call and what to do when we see cold stunned sea animals. Brought to you by The Texas Sea Life center.





Firefighter Visit at the Library

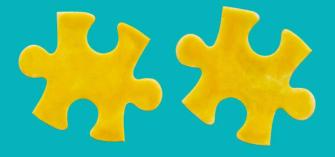
- February 3RD @ 2:30 PM
- Local heroes read stories, talk fire safety, and show
- off their rescue equipment for some q&a and fabphoto opportunities!

Leapin' Lizards

February 17[™] @ 2:15 PM

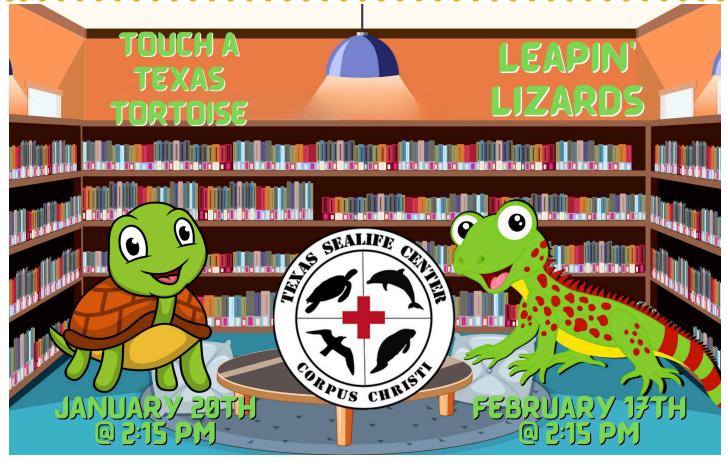
Parry a ball python and lounge with a large languorous Tegu lizard as we learn the special features these animals have to adapt to the cold. Brought to you by The Texas Sea Life center.

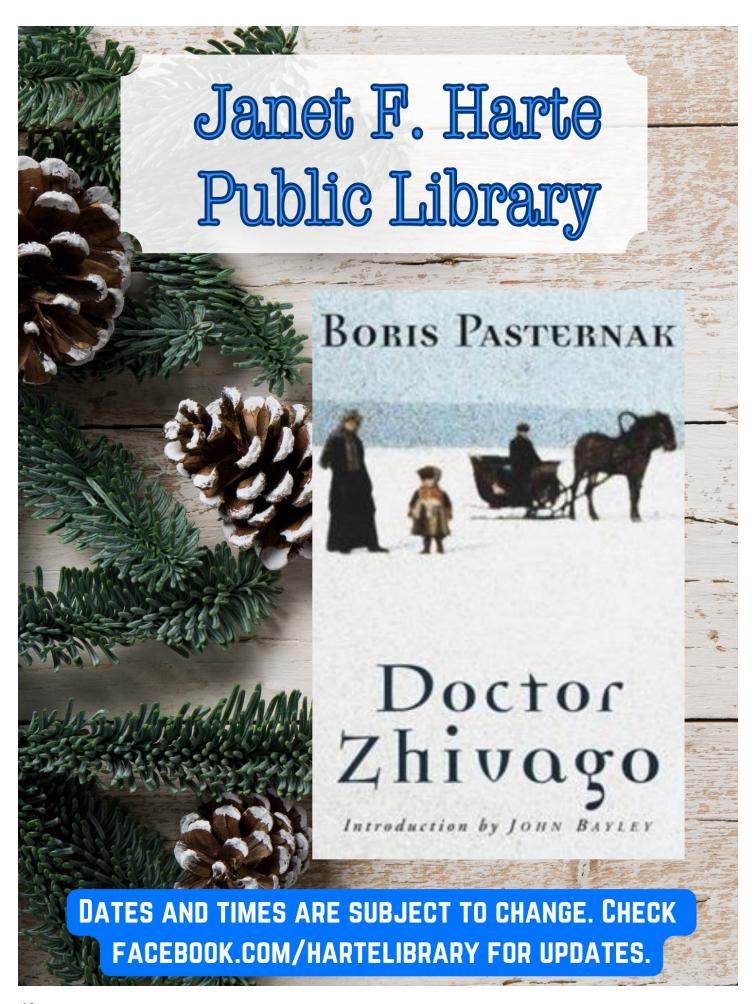
NATIONAL PUZZLE DAY CELEBRATION



January 29th @ 4 PM







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Just For Kids

Lap-sit Storytime

(Ages 0-2)

Tuesdays @ 10:30 AM

Bring your little bundle of joy for a morning of stories, songs, and fingerplays.

Music in Motion

(Ages 0-5)

Tuesdays @ 11:00 AM

Fun with song, dance, instruments, parachute play, and Storytime.



Teddy Bear Storytime

(Ages 0-5)

Wednesdays @ 6:00 PM

Unwind from the day with songs, fingerplays, and a bedtime story. Stuffed friends and favorite blankies encouraged.



Play Zone

(Ages 0-5)

Thursdays @ 11:00 AM

Rattles, puzzles, blocks, and more to encourage motor skills.



Take and Make Crafts

(Ages 3 - 10)

New children's craft kit available every Monday for pick up at the circulation desk.



For Teens

Loud Crowd

(Ages 15-18)

Mondays @ 4:20 PM

Afterschool social hour with board

games and snacks.





Teen Craft Snack Attack

(Ages 13-18)

2ND Tuesday of the Month

@ 4:20 PM

Join us for some snacks, drinks, and crafts!



Teen Building

- (Ages 13-18)
- 3RD Wednesday of the Month @ 4:20 PM
- Cooperative and competitive building using KEVA
- planks.

For All Ages

Holiday Spirit

- (All Ages)
- December 18TH-22ND
- @ 10:30 AM-12:00 PM
- Help us assemble our
- Holiday puzzles while
- enjoying hot chocolate
- and music!



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Literature Spotlight: Black History & Beyond

(All Ages)

Saturday, February 10[™] @ 11:30 AM

Meet local Black authors and join the discussion on the impact of book bans on Black authors both past and present. In partnership with the Corpus Christi Black Chamber of Commerce.

Check It Out: Be My Valentine

(All Ages)

Wednesday, February 14[™] All Day

Check out 5 books and pick out a valentine from our treasure chest!

Leap Year Scavenger Hunt

(All Ages)

Thursday, February 29TH All Day
Leap into action and challenge
yourself to find all the scavenger
hunt items to get your own froggy friend.



Diamond Painting

(Ages 8+)

Saturday, February 3RD @ 11:00 AM

Decorate bookmarks, pictures, keychains, & more! Contact the Library for more details and to register at (361) 826-2310.

Let's Create

(Ages 13+)

New take home craft kits available first Monday of every month, while supplies last.

Monthly In-Person craft classes for Members only. Contact the Library to become a member at (361) 826-2310.



Celtivities

- (Ages 13+)
- Saturdays, January 20[™] & February 17[™]
- @ 11:00 AM
- Drawing and crafting classes with
- a Celtic twist!
- For Members only.
- Contact the Library to become a
 - member at (361) 826-2310.





Sketchbook Club

- (Ages 13+)
- 2ND & 4TH Thursdays of the Month
- 4:00PM-5:45 PM
- Bring your own sketchbook and drop in to sketch, doodle, and draw. Other supplies provided or bring
- vour own.

Paws2Read

- (All Ages)
- Saturday, January 27[™] @ 11:00 AM
- Come hone your literacy skills with
- the aid of a therapy dog that will
- provide comfort and reduce stress.
- In partnership with the Go Team
- Therapy group.



Chess by the Sea

- (All Ages)
- 1ST & 3RD Tuesday of the Month
- @ 4:30 PM-6:00 PM
- Everyone from beginners to chess masters are
- welcome. Questions? Call the Chess Master at
- (361) 937-6569.



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For Adults

Open Enrollment Consult

(Ages 18+)

Saturday, December 2ND @ 11:00 AM-1:00 PM

Insurance giving you a headache? Get guidance from a certified Community Health Worker.



(Ages 18+)

Wednesdays, January 24TH & February 21ST @ 2:00 PM

Patrol Hoth and outwit the Star Destroyer. Be clever, be quick and you just might complete your mission before time runs out!



Loom Knitting for Beginners

(Ages 18+)

December 11[™], January 10[™], & February 7[™] @ 2:00 PM

Introducing the basics of loom knitting. Supplies provided.

December—Gnome Ornament **January**—Knit Bag **February**—Mug Cozy

New Year, New You

(Ages 18+)

Wednesdays, January 3RD, 17TH, 31ST,

February 14TH & 28TH @ 12:00 PM

Explore nutrition and activity options to help meet your New Year's health goals.

Disclaimer: Talk to your doctor before implementing dietary and activity changes into your daily habits.





Talk Dewey to Me

- (Ages 18+)
- Last Tuesday of the Month @ 2:00 PM
- ◆ *December session will be held December 19TH.*
- Enjoy non-fiction? This is the book club for you. Read
- the suggested book or pick another on the same
- topic.
- December—Dying for Chocolate
- by Kerry Segrave
- January—A Walk in the Woods
- by Bill Bryson
- February—The Woman They
- Could Not Silence by Kate Moore

Caffeinated Chapter Chasers

- (Ages 18+)
- 2ND Wednesday of the Month @ 10:30 AM
- Cozy up with a cup of coffee while we discuss books
- by best selling authors.
- *Selections subject to change.*
- December—Santa Cruise
- by Fern Michaels
- January—The First Ladies by
- Marie Benedict & Victoria Christopher Murray
- February—Pushing Up Daisies by M.C. Beaton

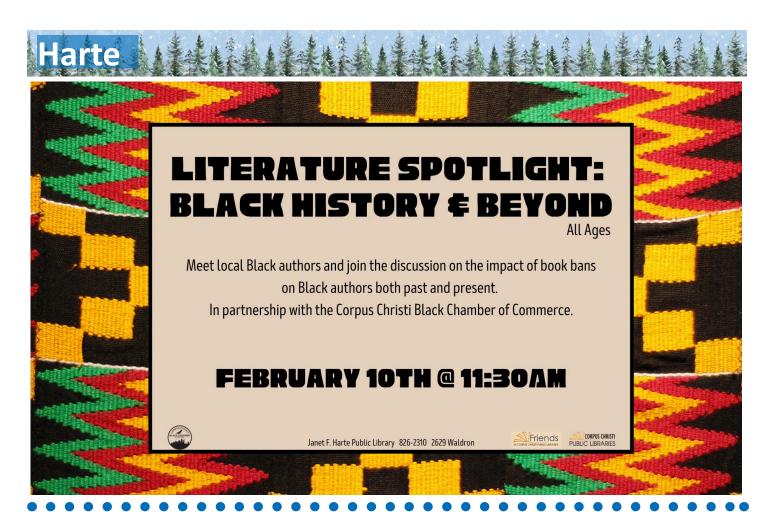
Fiction Addiction

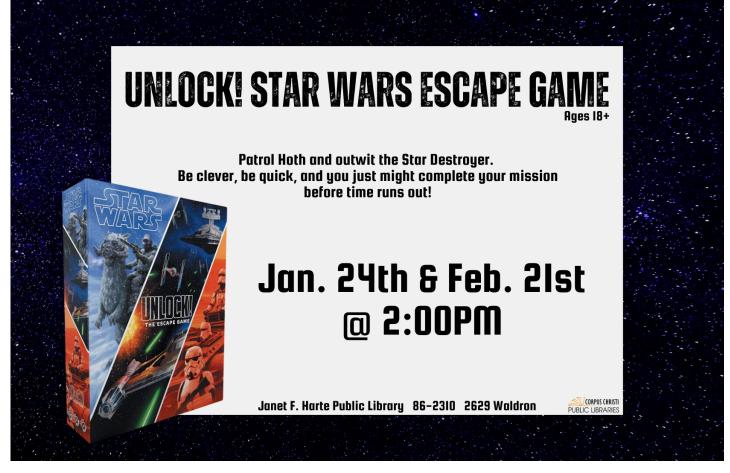
- (Ages 18+)
- Saturdays, December 16[™], January 13[™],
- **2** & February 10[™] @ 4:00 PM
- Enjoy a selection of teas while we discuss the book of the month.
- *Selections subject to change.*
- **December**—The Twelve Topsy-Turvy, Very Messy
- Days of Christmas by James Patterson & Tad Safran
- January—The Last Thing He Told Me
- by Laura Dave
- February—After Sundown
- by Linda Howard & Linda Jones













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Just For Kids

Take & Make

(Ages 3 - 10)

New Every Monday

Pick up a different craft at the circulation desk while supplies last.



(Ages 0 - 5)

Tuesdays @ 10:30 AM

Children will practice their

motor skills with musical instruments, dance, & songs. Playtime with Large piece Legos to follow.



(Ages 0 - 2)

Wednesdays @ 10:30 AM

Enjoy stories, songs, and fingerplays for babies and toddlers.

Library Playdate

(Ages 0 - 2)

Wednesdays 10:45 -11:30 AM

Families with babies and toddlers are invited for a playdate. Join us with your little ones to play and make new friends!



Family Storytime

(Ages 0 - 5)

Thursdays @ 10:30 AM

Build literacy skills and discover the

joy of reading through books, songs, and crafts.



Pollinator Partners Garden Club

(Ages 5 and up)

Thursdays @ 4:30 PM

Learn about pollinator plants and gardening from Master Gardeners and Master Naturalists in our pollinator garden. Program is weather dependent.



Crafty Kids

(Ages 6 and up)

Mondays, December 18[™], January 8[™],

February 26[™] @ 5:30 PM

Visit the library to create an arts and craft project! A different project every month.

Paws to Read

(Ages 6 and up)

Monday, January 22ND @ 5:30 PM

Come read with dogs from Go Team

Therapy Dogs!



Elementary Homeschool

Science

(Ages 6 - 11)

Mondays, December 4[™] & February 5[™] @ 2:00 PM

Hands-on exploration of science, technology, reading, engineering, arts and math for homeschool

elementary aged children.

LEGO Club

(Ages 6 and up)

Wednesdays, December 6[™],

January 3RD, & February 7 TH 4:30-5:30 PM

Get creative with Lego building at the library!

Design amazing creations with monthly themes!

Pokémon Club

(Ages 6 and up)

Saturdays, December 16TH, January 27TH,

February 17[™] 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Calling all Pokémon Trainers! Meet fellow

Pokémon fans, play friendly card battles, and create themed crafts

and activities.



National Rubber Ducky Day

(Ages 6 and up)

Saturday, January 13[™] @ 11:00 AM

Celebrate National Rubber Ducky Day with us!

Decorate your own rubber ducky!









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Valentine's Craft Day

(Ages 6 and up)

Tuesday, February 13[™] @ 5:30 PM

Drop by and make a special craft for Valentine's Day!



For Tweens & Teens

Tween and Teen Homeschool Science

(Ages 12-17)

Mondays, December 11[™], January 8[™] & February 12[™] @ 2:00 PM

Hands-on science experiments and challenges for tweens and teens.

Tween and Teen Craft Night

(Ages 12 - 17)

Tuesdays, December 19TH, January 16TH, & February 20TH @ 5:30 PM

Attention Teens! Come by and create a monthly craft with us! While Supplies Last.

For Adults

As the Page Turns Book Club

(Adult)

2ND Tuesday of the Month @ 5:30 PM

Enjoy a tasty dessert and an exciting discussion about our book of the month.

December — A Dog Named Christmas by Greg Kincaid

January — Wish You Were Here by Jodi Picoult February — The Measure by Nikki Erlick

For Families

Homeschool Social Hour

(All Ages)

Mondays, December 18[™], & February 19[™] @ 2:00 PM

Connect with other homeschooling families in the area. Board games or a craft will be provided.

Let's Build a Gingerbread House

(All Ages)

- Saturday, December 2ND @ 11:00 AM
- Get creative and build your own gingerbread house!
- Spaces limited. Registration required.

■ Registration opens November 27TH.



Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone Interactive Movie

(All Ages)

Friday, January 19[™] @ 2:30 PM

Be part of Harry's journey to Hogwarts! Join us for an interactive family movie night using props to interact with during the movie! While supplies last.

Mo Willem's Birthday Party

- (All Ages)
- Saturday, February 10[™] 11:00 AM-12:00 PM
- Party with Elephant, Piggie, and Pigeon to celebrate
- author Mo Willems' birthday with crafts, games, and
- lots of fun!





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For Kids

Tots & Tunes

(Ages 0 - 5)

Tuesdays @ 10:30 AM

Enhance your child's motor skills with music, dancing and instrumental play.

Little University

(Ages 0 - 5)

Wednesdays @ 10:30 AM

This story-time is a lively combination of books, movement activities and songs best enjoyed by families with their children. Little University may also include supplemental activities such as crafts, storytelling, poetry, riddles, and more.



Sensory Friendly Story Time

(Ages 0 - 5)

Thursdays @ 10:00 AM

With your child's needs at the forefront, this sensory friendly program is an opportunity for parents and children to learn, network and build lasting



relationships in a safe and friendly environment.

Sensory Play Café

(Ages 6 - 14)

1ST & 3RD Thursdays of the Month @ 4:30 PM

Relax and unwind with a sensory friendly craft. This program is geared toward sensory sensitive children.



Building Blocks for Tots

- (Ages 0 5)
- Fridays @10:30 AM
- A dedicated playtime for babies and toddlers
- featuring lots of blocks!

Mommy and Me Crafting

(Family)

1ST Friday of the Month @ 10:30 AM

Children are invited to bring a mother, grandmother, or any significant adult with them as their date for a morning of crafting.



For Tweens

Bad Art Club

(Ages 9 - 12)

3RD Monday of the Month @ 4:30 PM

We welcome you to a true "Judgment Free Zone" where you don't need to worry about the final product because around here, all art is bad art!



art club.

C² (Creative Corner)

(Ages 9 - 12)

3RD Wednesday of the Month @ 4:30 PM

Imagine, Discover, Create and Explore the origins of Technology. Learn how it all started, what we have now, and what the future holds with fun interactive activities.

Lego Lab

(Ages 9 - 12)

2ND & 4TH Thursday of the Month @ 4:30 PM

Put your creative thinking cap on and lego' wild!

NOTE: LEGO creations stay at the library.

La Retama

For Teens

Silent Library

(Ages 13 - 17)

Jan. 13[™] @ 11:00 AM

Shhhh! It's time to challenge yourself MTV style by trying bizarre foods and wacky activities... all without laughing! Do you have what it takes to complete the challenges of our Silent Library.

Games on Tap

(Ages 13 - 17)

Jan. 26[™] @ 7:00 PM

Let the games begin! Bring your own **Switch** controller to an evening of video games, friendly competition, snacks & more! Video games provided!



For All Ages

Eat Play Grow

(Family)

4TH Saturday of the Month @ 10:30 AM

In partnership with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension we provide fun and hands-on educational lessons to teach young children and their adult caregivers about the importance of making positive choices in areas that most affect health: nutrition, and physical activity through art-making, storytelling, and music and movement activities.

STARTING JANUARY 2024.



Crafter's Corner: Holiday Workshop

(Family)

Dec. 2ND 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Stop by and make a holiday decoration perfect for your home or to give as a gift. Crafts for all ages!



Polar Express Pajama Party

(Family)

Dec. 23RD @ 11:00 AM

All Aboard! Come one, come all, to the library's Polar Express Pajama Party! Show up in your comfiest, most cozy pajamas to enjoy the classic movie while sipping



Gulliver's Games

(Family)

Jan. 6[™] @ 11:00 AM

Gulliver's Travels inspired game day for the whole family featuring giant and tiny versions of some of our favorite games. You can even sign up for a timed puzzle making and see who can complete a puzzle the fastest!

Cupid's Valentine Factory

(Family)

Feb. 10[™] @ 11:00 AM

- Attention all love bugs! Between Valentine's Day
- and National Heart Month, February is a great time
- to create a homemade valentine for that special
- someone in your life. Participants will work their way
- through multiple DIY stations to make a variety of
- crafts. While supplies last.



Galentine's

- (Ages 13+)
- Feb. 10TH @ 6:00 PM
- We're celebrating Galentine's Day with the women in
- our lives! Dress up and spend the evening watching
- the Barbie movie and enjoying Barbie inspired
- activities and snacks. Ages 13 and up.

Movie starts @7 PM - Barbie (PG-13)



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For Adults

True Crime Tuesday

(Ages 18+)

2ND Tuesday of the Month @ 7:00 PM

Are you a true crime addict? We are too! Dive into a new true crime book with us each month. This is a virtual book club. To be included, please email library@cctexas.com by noon the day of the meeting and a link will be sent to you.

Dec. - The Library Book by Susan Orlean

Jan. - The Wrong Carlos by James Liebman

Feb. - Kiss me, Kill me by Ann Rule

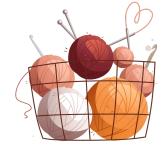


The Chain Gang

(Ages 18+)

Wednesday @ 11:00 AM

Learn the basics of crochet or knitting, or you can bring your own project to work on. Supplies provided, first-come, first-served.



The Plot Twists

(Ages 18+)

@ 11:00 AM

A Saturday book club featuring mysteries and thrillers.

Dec. 16TH - The Golden Couple by Greer Hendricks

Jan. 20TH - The Ice Beneath Her by Camille Grebe

Feb. 17TH - Gone Girl by Gillian Flynn



Crafts of the Past

- (Ages 16+)
- Jan 20[™] & Feb. 17[™] @ 10:30 AM
- Let's go back in time with these fun
- crafts. Limited seating, to register
- call 361-826-7000.
- Jan. Graditude Tree
- Feb. Jeweled Heart Collage

Oh the Horror! Club

- (Ages 17+)
- Jan 13[™] @ 6:30 PM
- Discuss and view Ti West's indie sensation Pearl!
- Movie, snacks, discussion, and more will be provided.
- Hope to see you there! Sign up in person or online.

Green Thumbs

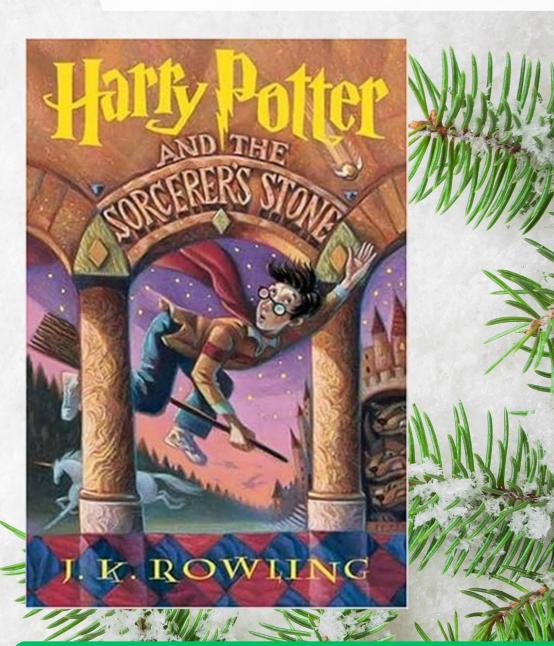
- (Ages 18+)
- Feb. 3RD @ 11:00 AM
- A plant lover's seasonal event. Join us
- for plant swaps, plant talks, and more.











DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. CHECK FACEBOOK.COM/MCDONALDLIBRARY FOR UPDATES.

For Kids

Family Storytime

(Ages 0—6)

Fridays @ 11:00 AM

Stories, rhymes, songs, and movement to build early literacy and motor skills.



Music & Motion

(Ages 0—6)

Wednesdays @ 11:00 AM
Fun and learning with songs,

dance, rhythm, and movement.



Preschool Playtime

(Ages 0—6)

Wednesdays @ 11:30 AM

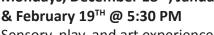
Fridays @ 11:30 AM

Children can work on their social and motor skills while they play.

Sensory Exploration

(Ages 1-4)

2ND Thursday of the Month @ 11:00 AM Mondays, December 18TH, January 22ND,



Sensory, play, and art experiences to encourage exploration and development.



(Ages 3—6)

1ST Tuesday of the Month @ 6:00 PM 4TH Thursday of the Month @ 11:00 AM

Morning or evening storytimes to fit your busy schedule. Storytime with books, rhymes, and a craft.



Constructomania

(Ages 5+)

1ST Thursday of the Month @ 4:00 PM

Build challenges with blocks, LEGOs, marble runs, or a craft. Keep your craft, demolish your construction before you leave, or add your LEGO work to our ongoing art gallery.

Crafty Creations

(Ages 7+)

3RD Thursday of the Month @ 4:00 PM

Drop by the library after school to make a fun craft.

Dec.: Watercolor Resist and Salt Painting

Jan.: Friendship and Loom Bracelets/Keychains

Feb.: Suncatchers

For Teens

Teen Cooking Class

(Ages 12—17)

Tuesday, January 16[™] 4:45 - 5:45 PM

Learn how to cook a yummy dish, then enjoy your creation. Program provided by the Coastal

Bend Food Bank. Online registration is required and opens January 2ND @ 10:00 AM.

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Game Time

(Ages 10+)

Friday, December 22ND,

Monday, January 8[™], &

February 19[™] @ 3:00 - 5:00 PM

Learn a new game or play

something familiar with new

friends (or opponents). Choose from video games,virtual reality, card games, chess, and more.



LEGO Bot Express

(Ages 8 - 14)

Friday, January 5[™] 3:30 - 5:30 PM

Follow along to build, program, and experiment with LEGO WeDo robots.



required and opens January 2ND @ 10:00 AM. https://forms.office.com/g/PtAmgtYzXW



(Ages 10 - 16)

Friday, January 5[™] 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Partner up to create and program bigger and more complex LEGO builds. Previous LEGO Bot program attendance required. Online registration is required and opens January 2ND @ 10:00 AM.

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LittleBits Coding

(Ages 8 - 14)

Saturday, January 6TH @ 12:30 PM Invent, code, and play a game using littleBits kits. Online registration is required for this program and opens January 2ND @ 10:00 AM.

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NASA @ My Library

(Ages 10+)

Tuesday, February 13[™] @ 4:45 PM

Learn about citizen science projects the library is participating in for the eclipse and submit your own data recordings.



I Think I Arted

- (Ages 10+)
- Tuesday, January 23RD &
- February 27[™] @ 4:45 PM
- Create art!
- Jan.: Paint pouring &
- painting mini canvases
- Feb.: Art study: Fauvism.
- Learn about and paint like a Fauvist.



For All Ages

Family Movie

- (All Ages)
- Monday, January 29[™] &
- February 26[™] @ 4:30 PM
- Family friendly movie and popcorn.

Jan.: The Princess Bride (1987, PG)

Feb.: Big Hero 6 (2014, PG)

Holiday Card Factory

• (Ages 5+)

- Friday, December 8TH 3:30 5:30 PM
- Saturday, December 9[™] 11:00 AM 2:30 PM
- Make Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, or New Year's
- cards for your classmates, coworkers, friends, and
- family. Enjoy cookies while you work on Friday. While
- supplies last.











Frosty Festival

(Family)

Saturday, December 16[™] @ 12:30 PM

Watch a movie with cookies and hot chocolate, followed by winter crafts and a snowball target challenge.

While supplies last.

Movie: Frosty's Winter Wonderland (1976).



Paws 2 Read

(Family)

Tuesday, December 19[™] @ 5:45 PM

Hone literacy skills and reduce stress by reading to a friendly therapy dog. Provided in partnership with Go Team Therapy Dogs.



Library Lovers' Scavenger Hunt

(Family)

Entire Month of February

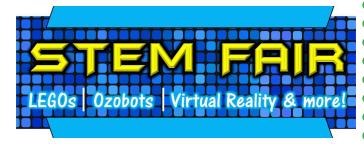
Celebrate Library Lovers' Month in February! Complete a scavenger hunt in the children's area to win a prize. While supplies last.

STEM Fair

(All Ages)

Saturday, February 3RD 12:30 - 2:30 PM

To celebrate Take Your Child to the Library Day (Feb. 3RD) and National Inventors' Day (Feb. 11TH), we're turning our children's area and meeting room into a makerspace full of STEM activities. Not all activities will be suitable for all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult.



Valentine's Day Card Factory

(Family)

Friday, February 9[™] 3:30 - 5:30 PM

Saturday, February 10[™]

11:00 AM - 2:30 PM

Make Valentine's Day cards for your classmates, coworkers, friends, and family. Enjoy cookies

while you work on Friday. While supplies last.

For Adults

- Seniors Rock!
- (Adult)
- Facilitated by
- Mary Molina
- Monday, December 4[™]
- @ 10:30 AM
- Being a senior is all about
- living life and having fun!
- Ring in the holiday season with live holiday music.



- Maria Castañón Memorial
- Music Series
- (Adult)
- Facilitated by Manuel Ayala
- Wednesday, January 31ST & February 28TH
- 6:00 7:30 PM
- Live music—Música Tejana, norteña, ranchera, and
- more! Tour La Música del Sur de Tejas/The Music of
- South Texas photo gallery. Call the Library for more
- information, (361) 826-2356.
- Con Mi Corazón Book Club

(Adult)

Facilitated by Dora Wilburn

Last Monday of the Month @ 5:30 PM

Featuring Latina Authors. Join us for a fun and lively discussion!

Dec. 18TH - You Sound Like a White Girl: The Case for Rejecting Assimilation by Julissa Arce

Jan. 29TH - Like Water for Chocolate

by Laura Esquivel

Feb. 26[™] - Woman Hollering Creek and The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros





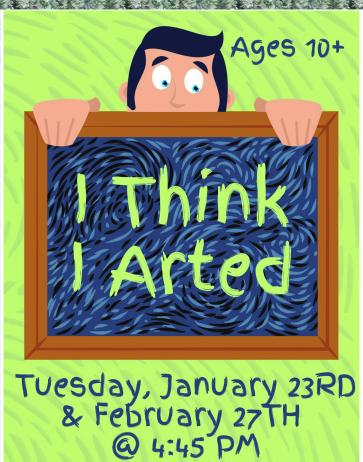


Saturday, December 16, 2023 @ 12:30 PM

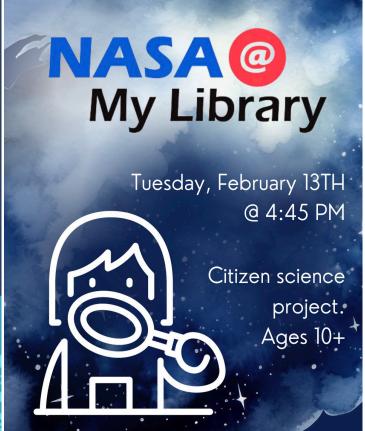
Movie | Snowball Target Challenge | Crafts | Cookies & Hot Chocolate



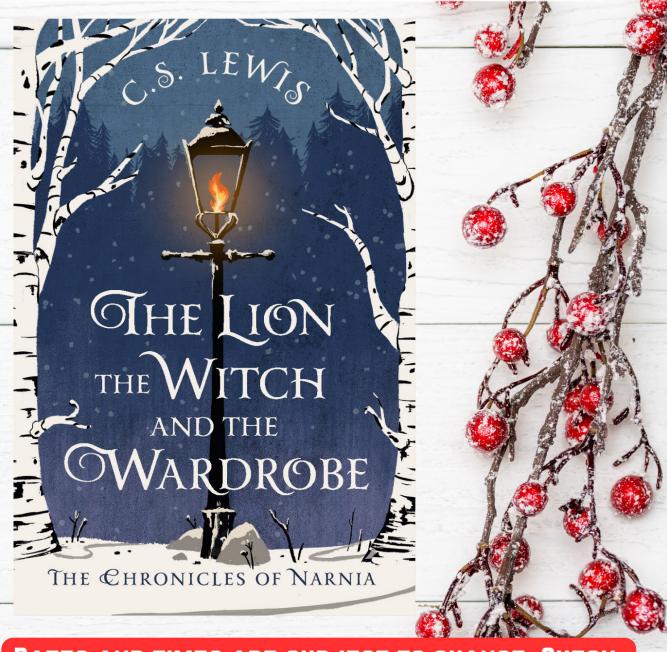








Anita & W.T. Neyland Public Library



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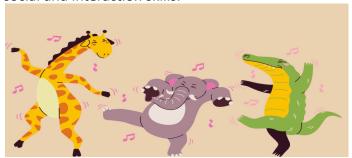
Just for Tots

Music + Movement

(Ages 3-5)

Mondays & Thursdays @ 10:15 AM

Music, dance, and rhythm to help the little ones build social and interaction skills.



Story Time

(Ages 0 - 5)

Tuesdays & Wednesdays @ 10:15 AM

Helps children build

literacy skills and discover the joy of reading.



(Ages 0-5)

Tuesdays & Wednesdays @ 10:35 AM

Playtime for children still exploring their environment and honing their motor skills.

For Kids

Gingerbread Makers

(Ages 6+)

Thursday, December 14[™] @ 4:30 PM

Tis the season! Joins us to create fun gingerbread characters.

(paper craft, no cookies involved)

Nerf War

(Ages 6+)

Monday, January 22ND @ 4:30 PM Learn to interact with others and have fun at the same time with our kid favorite nerf war. All toys are provided.



Love is in the Air

- (Ages 6+)
- Thursday, February 8[™] @ 4:30 PM
- The best gifts are handmade!
- Try your hand at making some
- Valentine's Day crafts!

Birding-Palooza

(Ages 6+)

Thursday, February 15[™]

@ 4:30 PM

Come celebrate the amazing world of birds with a craft and a special visitor!



For Families

Movie and Crafting

(All Ages)

@ 4:30 PM

Join us once a month for a family friendly movie and make a themed craft while enjoying the movie!



Thursday, December 7[™]

How the Grinch Stole Christmas

Thursday, January, 18[™]

Frozen

Thursday, February 22ND

Rio

Building Block Time

(All Ages)

Monday, December 11[™] @ 4:30 PM

Enhance your child's problem-solving abilities & math skills by being a maker

with our blocks.



Panda Party

(All Ages)

Monday, January 8[™] @ 4:30 PM

Love Pandas? We do too, so join

us in celebrating Giant Pandas

with a fun craft!





Pokémon Day

(All Ages)

Tuesday, February 27TH @ 4:30 PM It's National Pokémon Day! Celebrate with fun Pokémon crafts!



Game On!

(All Ages)

3RD Tuesday of the Month @ 4:30 PM

Bored? Roll in to play some board games, group games, card games and more.



For Teens

Chess Club

(Ages 12+)

Saturdays @ 11:00 AM Share your skills or learn to play this classic game.



For Adults

Hooked on Yarn Club

Thursdays @ 3:00 PM Join fellow crochet and knitting fanatics and work on your latest projects.



Taste of Murder Book Club

2ND Monday of the Month @ 10:30 AM

Bring a favorite mystery to share or come hear about ones to read.



Neyland Literary & Pie Society

2ND Tuesday of the Month @ 4:00 PM

Share titles of books read each month. Sometimes there is pie.



BANNED BOOK CLUB:

Meeting Every 3rd Wednesday of the Month @ 4:00 pm!!

Books to be Discussed:

December 20th:

Of Mice & Men by John Steinbeck

January 17th:

Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain

February 21st:

Like Water for Chocolate

by Laura Esquivel

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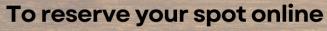
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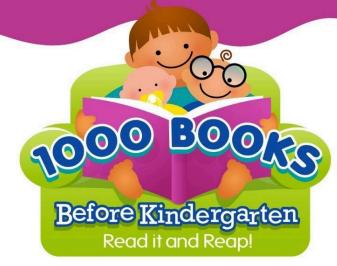


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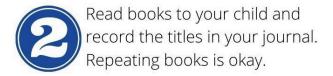
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1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is a program for children ages birth to five years old, before they enter kindergarten.

Our goal is for you to read 1,000 books to your child to help them build early literacy skills and a love for reading!



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Ben F. McDonald Public Library

4044 Greenwood Dr. Corpus Christi, TX 78416 (361) 826-2356

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Dr. Clotilde P. Garcia Public Library

5930 Brockhampton Corpus Christi, TX 78414 (361) 826-2360

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- 2629 Waldron Corpus Christi, TX 78418
- (361) 826-2310

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- Sat: 9 a.m. 1 p.m.

