

## Story Times at Charles County Public Library

**Cuddle Time: Ages 0-2.** This is a fun and unique story time that will teach babies social skills, listening comprehension and the foundations of reading through board books and songs, as well as helping parents learn the basics of encouraging literacy at a young age. A parent or guardian MUST accompany each child.

**West** – Mondays 9:30 – 9:50 am

**La Plata** – Thursdays 9:30 – 9:50 am

**Movers & Shakers: Ages 1-3.** This is a fun and unique story time that will teach toddlers social skills, listening comprehension and the foundations of reading through letters, numbers and vocabulary. A parent or guardian MUST accompany each child.

**PD Brown** – Tuesdays 10:00 – 10:30 am

**Toddler Story Time: Ages 2-3.** This story time encourages literacy for a very active crowd - toddlers! Children will listen to books being read, sing songs, do finger plays and listen to flannel board stories. This program is intended as a transition between Cuddle Time and Preschool Story Time and includes a simple craft at each session.

**West** – Mondays 10:00 – 10:30 am

**Preschool Story Time: Ages 2-5.** Story Time is a weekly must for kids 2-5 years old. Each program includes book reading, songs & music, crafts and lots of fun!

**West** – Mondays 10:45 – 11:30 am

**Potomac** – Tuesdays 10:00 – 10:45 am & 11:00 – 11:45 am

**PD Brown** – Wednesdays 10:00 – 10:45 am & 11:00 – 11:45 am

**La Plata** – Thursdays 10:00 – 10:45 am & 11:00 – 11:45 am

**Saturday Story Time: All ages.** Share the excitement and love of reading with your child by joining us at story time. We will read books, sing songs and dance and make a super fun craft to take home.

**West** – Second and Third Saturdays of the Month - 11:00 – 11:45 am

**Evening Story Time: All ages.** Couldn't make story time during the day? Join us for our evening story time for preschoolers – we'll read books and make a fun craft.

**West** – Second and Fourth Tuesdays of the Month – 6:00 – 6:30 pm

**Spanish Class for Little Amigos: Ages 2-5.** Children will enjoy bilingual stories (English & Spanish), songs, finger plays and a craft!

**West** – First Thursday of the Month – 6:00 – 6:30 pm

### July & August 2016 Themes

#### La Plata

2 Garrett Ave., La Plata  
301-934-9001

7/7: Day at the Park  
7/14: We Are Family  
7/21: Stay Cool!  
7/28: Someone's in the Kitchen  
8/4: It Came from Outer Space

#### PD Brown

50 Village St., Waldorf  
301-645-2864  
7/6: Baseball  
7/13: Rhyme Time  
7/20: Dance Party  
7/27: Wild, Wild West  
8/3: Robots!

#### Potomac

3225 Ruth B. Swann Dr., Indian Head  
301-375-7375

7/5: Boom, Crackle, Pop: Fireworks!  
7/12: Be a Good Sport  
7/19: Yummy Fruits and Veggies  
7/26: Howdy, y'all!  
8/2: Blue Crabs

#### West

10405 O'Donnell Pl., Waldorf  
301-645-1395  
7/4: LIBRARY CLOSED  
7/11: Fun with Sports  
7/18: Olympics  
7/25: Move Your Body  
8/1: Let's Play

For the most up-to-date information call the branch or go to [ccplonline.org](http://ccplonline.org)

**Daycare Disclaimer:** All daycares **must** make arrangements with the Children's Librarian three weeks in advance to attend any programs. If you have six or more children, two adults must be present to participate in craft activities.

## Computer and Career Help

### Computer Assistance

All branches offer one-on-one computer training assistance. Contact each branch to schedule an appointment to learn about Microsoft Office Word, Excel and PowerPoint, how to download digital books or audio books or how to use the library search engines.

**La Plata Library:** 301-934-9001

**Potomac Library:** 301-375-7375

**PD Brown Library:** 301-645-2864

**Waldorf West Library:** 301-645-1395

### JobSource Mobile Career Center

The Mobile Career Center is a self-contained vehicle equipped with state-of-the-art telecommunications equipment capable of being deployed inside or outside of the vehicle. It allows the JobSource to offer a full array of employment, reemployment and employers services on the go. Register for Maryland Workforce Exchange, work on your resume and search for new job listings.

**Potomac Library:** Second Thursday (7/14, 8/8)

**PD Brown Library:** Third Thursday (7/21, 8/15)

**Waldorf West Library:** First Tuesday (7/5, 8/6)

## 2016 Summer Reading: Sports & Games

Register at [ccpl.beanstack.org](http://ccpl.beanstack.org)

This year our summer reading program theme is Sports & Games! Join us for a summer of fun, games and reading! Our summer reading program offers three levels of participation so each customer can choose how they use the library! You can participate in one level or in all levels - it's up to you!

**Bronze Level Participation:** Use the library! Check out books, use our computers, attend programs or ask a reference question. Use a Summer Reading bookmark to collect stamps (one for each library activity you do, up to 3 stamps per day). Collect 10 stamps and turn in your bookmark to staff for a prize coupon to indicate which drawing you want to be entered in.

**Silver Level Participation:** Log the minutes you spend reading on Beanstack. Read for more than 10 hours during the summer to be entered in a drawing for gift cards. (That's less than 15 minutes per day - you can break up your reading however you want!)

**Gold Level Participation:** Log the minutes you spend reading AND write reviews of the book/ magazines/ newspapers/ ebooks/ audio books you read on Beanstack. Customers who write at least 10 reviews and read for at least 10 hours will be entered into a drawing for the grand prizes.



## July & August 2016 Program Events

# START AND FINISH STRONG THIS SUMMER AT YOUR LIBRARY!

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### Tickets, please!

Summer is a popular time for us. To accommodate the most people possible, we will be handing out tickets to our most popular events starting 1 hour before programs noted as needing **Tickets**. Customers must be present in person to receive a ticket which will be distributed on a first come, first served basis.



Hours:  
Monday - Thursday: 9am - 8pm  
Friday: 1pm - 5pm  
Saturday: 9am - 5pm

Check our online calendar for the most up-to-date info!



**La Plata**



**Waldorf West**



**Potomac**



**PD. Brown**



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7/5 [Intro to Roblox!](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ages 10 - 14 Tickets 

Do you love to interact with other gamers? Do you like to program different games? Well you should come check out the Roblox workshop! It is a virtual reality playground we people like you can safely interact, create and learn so much! When you become a player in Roblox, you are able to construct places with bricks from varying colors and shapes, program the language to change the environment, and much more!

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Inkscape allows users to create and edit illustrations, diagrams, logos and paintings that can be easily resized without the loss of image quality. Participants will learn about Inkscape and how to use its awesome features and then will create their own game or sports logo.

7/7 [Dog Days at the Library](#) 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM All Ages

Is daily life stressing you out? Drop by the La Plata Library on July 7th between 11:00 and 5:00 to pet a friendly therapy dog - it's proven to reduce stress (so does reading)!!

7/7 [Clark Center Book Discussion](#) 1:00 - 2:00 PM Ages 55+

Join us for a fun and insightful discussion of the topics, characters and themes of our book of the month. This month we will be discussing "Catcher in the Rye" by J.D. Salinger.

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7/11, 7/18, 7/25 [Adult Yoga](#) 6:30 - 7:30 PM Ages 16+

Breathe away your stress, re-energize your body, and connect with the loving spirit within. Yoga aims to unite the mind, body and spirit through exercise, breathing & meditation. Join CCPL & Sean from Studio Cooperative to practice basic yoga, making it easier to quiet the mind and relieve stress.

7/12 [Kids Art](#) 10:00 - 11:30 AM Ages 6-11 Tickets 

Participants will create a figure in motion project using sports figure silhouettes in magazines. By adding simple details to the background, each participant will create an incredible project that make the viewer feel like they're watching a sporting event as it happens. Learn about motion and analogous and complementary colors while making a delightful one-of-a-kind art project.

7/13 [Make Your Own Sunburst Cards](#) 6:00 - 7:00 PM Ages 18+ Registration

Don't let the summer heat get you down! Come join us to create a handmade greeting card using a fun sunburst effect. Your finished card is sure to brighten someone's day! All materials will be provided. 

7/14 [AKC: Maryland Zoo](#) 2:00 - 3:00 PM Ages 6-11 Tickets 

Join zookeepers from the Maryland Zoo and their favorite critters as they present "On the Wing." Meet some of our feathered friends and learn about their unique adaptations in this program about feathers and flight.

7/14 [La Plata Book Discussion](#) 7:00 - 8:00 PM Ages 18+

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7/18 [Papitám: Let's Play!](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM Ages 6-9 Tickets 

Meet, play and learn with local Native Americans for hands-on activities: pottery, jewelry, sports, and local native dance. This entertaining program introduces children (and their parents) to the local Piscataway tribe heritage, customs and traditions through games, crafts and dance. All activities are hands-on and engaging!

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7/19 [eReader Drop-in](#) 5:15 - 7:15 PM All Ages

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7/20 [Scratch!](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM Ages 9-11 Tickets 

Participants will create their own interactive animations while learning the fundamentals of computer coding. Students can choose their own adventure by learning to code anything from a music-filled dance party to simple games and puzzles.

7/21 [AKC: Kentkatám: Let's Dance!](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM Ages 6-11 Tickets 

Join the Living the American Indian Experience team in a fun-filled hour of song & dance. Take a cultural journey through social dances as members of the Piscataway Nation share their history in an interactive way. Participants will have a chance to try their skills by joining in the Robin Dance.

7/21 [Eclectic Acoustic Jam](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ages 18+

Bring your own musical instrument and join us for an impromptu collaboration with fellow musicians.

7/22 [Nature and Birding Walk at the Indian Head Rail Trail](#) 9:00 - 11:00 AM Ages 18+

Join other bird enthusiasts for an easy walk while looking and listening for our feathered friends. Theodore Greene Blvd. White Plains Parking Area - Milepost 13 (Rain date : 7/29 & 8/26 )

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8/8 [Matthew Henson's Birthday Party](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM Ages 6-11 Tickets 

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8/11 [Hop on the Bus](#) 10:00 - 11:30 AM Ages 3-5

The new school year is nearly here! Join us for a great opportunity for young children to get over their school jitters by hopping on the bus. We'll read a school bus story, and then board a school bus for a ride to a local elementary school. Kids will be able to talk to the bus driver and learn what they will do on their first day of school!

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**Potomac Programs**

7/1 [Shark Attack!](#) 3:00 - 4:00 PM Ages 6-11

Celebrate Shark Week with Shark Attack! Learn fun shark facts, play shark games and make shark crafts.

7/5 [AKC: Reggie Rice the Magician](#) 2:00 - 3:00 PM Ages 6-11 Tickets 

Reggie Rice presents his award-winning show - it's one of the most entertaining in the area. Along with his goofy, lovable personality, this show is filled with amazing illusions, music, comedy, dance and audience participation that take magic to the next level of entertainment.

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7/11 [Off the Hook Crochet and Knitting Club](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ages 18+

Join us for an evening of crocheting, knitting and socializing with other beginning and advanced crafters. We will share basic stitches and techniques to help you begin your crochet and knitting journey. All participants must bring their own yarn and needles.

7/12 [AKC: Maryland Zoo's Critter Costumes](#) 2:00 - 3:00 PM Ages 6-11 Tickets 

Wear feathers like a bird, fur like a mammal, or scales like a reptile! Wild and wonderful animal fashions give clues for classifying critters. Children play dress-up and use their powers of observation to explore distinctions between vertebrate animals.

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**8/19 Field Day - Summer Reading End Party** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM All Ages

Summer's almost over! Enjoy a last hurrah at the End of Summer Reading Field Day. We'll have water balloons, Quidditch, bubbles, races, an obstacle course and much more!

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**8/24 Indian Head Senior Center Book Club** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Ages 55+

This is a monthly book discussion group of seniors discussing a variety of genres and interest. Our August discussion will be "All the Light We Cannot See" by Anthony Doerr.

**8/25 Life-Sized Games** 6:00 - 7:30 PM All Ages

In this monthly series now at P.D. Brown we play a different life-sized game each month. So far we have played Candy Land, Battleship, Pac-Man, Chess, Angry Birds, and Jenga. This month we're playing Angry Birds!

**All Month in July at PD Brown**

**Invent an Insect** Ages 6-11

Drop by the PD Brown library throughout the month of July and test your creativity by designing your own insect! Share you bug's story; where do they live, what do they eat and what eats them? Paper and drawing materials will be provided. Completed drawings will be posted in the library for display.

**Photo Booth** All Ages

Come to PD Brown and take your picture in our summer reading themed photo booth. Promote your summer reading love on our social media pages. All July long!

**Scavenger Hunt** All Ages

Get to know your library! Come to PD Brown Library and answer 10 questions about the library. Customers who answer all the questions right will be entered into a raffle to win a \$25 Amazon gift card. Contest runs the whole month of July.

**PD Brown Programs**

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**7/9 Board Game Day** 1:00 - 3:30 PM All Ages

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**7/13 AKC: Cantaré** 2:00 - 3:00 PM Ages 6-11 Tickets

Sing and dance on this Latin American tour exploring the Indigenous, European and African cultures that shape its music. Share Cantaré's captivating Spanish and Portuguese songs and rhythms and experience fascinating instruments - donkey jaw, goat toenail rattle and armadillo shell guitar.

**7/14 Jelly Cam** 2:00 - 3:30 PM Ages 6-11 Tickets

Participants will learn how to create their own original stop-motion films. Kids will both record and edit their films, adding features such as music and graphics. Then we will learn how to post these videos to various social media accounts. It is sure to be a jelly good time!

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**7/26 Speed Puzzle** 6:00 - 7:00 PM Ages 12-18 Registration

Who can complete the puzzle the fastest? Come find out if you are the fastest or just think you are. Compete in teams or alone and see who is the fastest. Winning player or team gets a prize!

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In this monthly series now at P.D. Brown we play a different life-sized game each month. So far we have played Candy Land, Battleship, Pac-Man, Chess, Angry Birds, and Jenga. This month we're playing Plants v. Zombies!

**8/16 Scratch!** 10:00 - 11:30 AM Ages 9-11 Tickets

Participants will create their own interactive animations while learning the fundamentals of computer coding. Students can choose their own adventure by learning to code anything from a music-filled dance party to simple games and puzzles.

**8/17 Intro to Gimp!** 10:00 - 11:30 AM Ages 10-14 Tickets

Bring in a photo of yourself and we'll show you how to Gimp it. Gimp allows users to edit photos and create simple graphics. Participants will use Gimp to make themselves into sports stars, professional gamers or other heroes.

**8/20 Board Game Day** 1:00 - 3:30 PM All Ages

Come to PD Brown and play board games with friends and family. Play our games or bring your own. Come for an hour or come for the whole time.

**Waldorf West Programs**

**7/2, 7/9, 7/16, 7/23, 7/30 Adult Yoga @ the Boardwalk** 9:30 - 10:30 AM Ages 16+

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**7/2 Lei Making** 3:30 - 4:30 PM Ages 16+ Registration

In Hawaii, a lei is a sign of love and friendship. Come and learn to make one out of candy and origami to keep for yourself or give to a friend.

**7/5 Holy Guacamole!** 2:00 - 3:00 PM Ages 6-11 Tickets

See why fresh is better - both for price and for health! Boston's The Gourmet Pizza's chefs will present this tasty class on how to make your own fresh guacamole from scratch. See the process of preparing this yummy dish and learn how to make it yourself at home. Participants will make their own guacamole to take home with them!

**7/5 Anime Club** 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ages 12-18

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**7/5, 7/19 Imaginative Playtime** 6:00 - 6:30 PM Ages 2-5 Registration

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**7/6 Juggling Hoffmans** 10:00 - 11:00 AM All Ages Tickets

Step into the hilarity as we set out to tackle gravity, trajectory, and a variety of science concepts with comic results. For this year's Summer Reading Program theme we take a playful look at our hero, Sir Isaac Newton, the father of physics. We explore what his 3 Laws of Motion have to do with flying props, spinning things, and object manipulation. Everyone will be amazed by the tricks and amused by the antics in a smile-a-long, laugh-a-long, interactive good time.

**7/12 Deepa Iyer Author Visit: A Dialogue on Racial Equality** 6:00 - 7:00 PM Ages 18+

Waldorf West is launching an all new book discussion group for adults! Join us for our first meeting featuring guest speaker and author Deepa Iyer. We will have a discussion on social inclusion with a special emphasis on how to have a dialogue about racial equality in your community. Participants are strongly encouraged to read Deepa's book "We Too Sing America: South Asian, Arab, Muslim and Sikh Immigrants Shape Our Multiracial Future."

**7/13 Butterfly Yoga** 2:00 - 3:00 PM Ages 4-9 Tickets

This special yoga session focuses on everything butterflies! We'll learn about types of butterflies, how they develop and what they eat. We'll make a wonderful butterfly craft that you can take home and we'll do yoga using, including a fun butterfly pose that you can practice at home!

**7/13 Young Parent Food & Fun** 6:00 - 7:00 PM Parents 25 or younger and their children

Young Parent Food & Fun is open to all teen (and young) parents ages 25 or younger and their children. We'll provide activities that you can use to encourage play with your children. Chick-Fil-A will provide a meal to the families attending, picnic style. The meal will be followed by an opportunity for kids to play together and for young parents to meet with our Teen Librarians to learn about resources the library and county government agencies offer that may help them and their children.

**7/15 Teen Retro Game Night** 6:00 - 8:00 PM Ages 12-18

Celebrate the end of a long week at our teen-only after hours event. Unplug with a life-size game of Pac Man, play Foosball or play a strategy board game with friends. Sponsored by the Teen Advisory Board (TAB).

[7/16 Life Journeys Writers Guild](#) 2:30 - 4:30 PM Ages 18+

Join us for the Life Journeys Writers Guild's big quarterly meeting where we'll come together to celebrate our combined literary commitment. This month we'll talk about the art of getting noticed and published. We will host a guest speaker, provide giveaways and networking opportunities, share industry news and more! The event is free and open to the public.

[7/18 AKC: Tracey Eldridge](#) 2:00 - 3:00 PM Ages 6-11 [Tickets](#) 

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[7/18 Minecraft](#) 5:00 - 6:00 PM Ages 12-18

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[7/19 Kids Art: Make a Visual Journal](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM Ages 9-11 [Tickets](#) 

Using found materials, participants will learn how to recycle materials to create their own sketch books. Demonstrations will highlight how to alter found objects and materials into a fantastic book that is as unique as the individual.

[7/19 Social Media Magic](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ages 18+ [Registration](#)

This workshop is designed to provide you with real strategies to get results in your social media efforts. Learn the rules of social media engagement, starting the conversation with current and potential followers and how to keep them involved. Learn which social media platforms are best for you, the benefits of each and some dos and don'ts.

[7/20 Bubble Lady](#) 10:00 - 11:00 AM All Ages [Tickets](#) 

Join us for some bubble fun where you will see the following types of impressive bubbles: giant bubbles (up to 5 feet in diameter), long bubbles (up to 18 feet long) and smoke bubbles (made with dry ice and hot water). Audience members are invited to hold smoke bubbles and blow giant bubbles all the way up to the ceiling...and the grand finale includes putting audience members inside of a giant bubble!

[7/21 Kids Art: Oware](#) 10:00 - 11:30 AM Ages 6-11 [Tickets](#) 

Each participant will be making their own Oware board - it's a fun African game similar to mancala. Participants will paint and decorate their game board and learn to play the game using glass beads. This is an art project, a counting game and a strategy/ logic learning tool!

[7/21 Mobile Veterans' Center](#) 10:00 - 3:00 PM Ages 18+

Once a month the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Readjustment Counseling Service Mobile Vet Center will visit the Waldorf West library to provide services for our country's veterans. Readjustment Counseling Services such as individual, family and group counseling, bereavement counseling, military sexual trauma counseling, outreach and education, substance abuse referrals, employment referrals and VBA explanation and referrals will be available to eligible vets. Stop by between 10 am and 3 pm to take advantage of the free, confidential services offered by the Mobile Vet Center.

[7/21 Laura Lee Gulledge Live!](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ages 12+

Join us for a special guest appearance of graphic novel author and artist Laura Lee Gulledge. Laura Lee will be talking about how she got into graphic novel publishing by first working in sketchbooks as well as her process for writing & drawing comics. She'll conclude with special insight into developing strong female character development by designing a crowdsourced-character with the group on the spot!

[7/22 Chess Club](#) 3:30 - 4:30 PM Ages 6-18

Learn to master the game of chess, a game over a thousand years old. Learn the fundamental basics of how to play the game, and make new friends as you compete with each other in a friendly match.

[7/25 AKC: My Reptile Guys](#) 2:00 - 3:00 PM Ages 6-11 [Tickets](#) 

My Reptile Guys bring 12 amazing reptiles to the library for you to see! Check out the snakes, tortoises, lizards and bearded dragon. Learn about reptiles, their habitats and meet the animals in person.

[7/25 Intro to Roblox!](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ages 12-18 [Tickets](#) 

Do you love to interact with other gamers? Do you like to program different games? Well you should come check out the Roblox workshop! It is a virtual reality playground we people like you can safely interact, create and learn so much! When you become a player in Roblox, you are able to construct places with bricks from varying colors and shapes, program the language to change the environment, and much more!

[7/26 Audacity](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM Ages 10-14 [Tickets](#) 

Audacity makes music better! This software makes it easy to record sounds, edit sounds (cutting, copying, and pasting), layer tracks (such as vocals over music) and more. Join us to learn how to make your own music mash-ups.

[7/26 Teen Advisory Board](#) 6:30 - 7:30 PM Ages 12-18

Anyone between 12 and 18 years old is welcome to attend the meetings. We will discuss teen issues in the library and determine how to improve the teen library experience. Voting is restricted to members.

[7/27 Kids Art: CD Etching](#) 10:00 - 11:30 AM Ages 9-11 [Tickets](#) 

Using a modern, and unconventional material, a used cd cover, students will learn the ancient technique of printing. They will transfer a design onto the plastic surface using a compass to starch their design into the surface. After they rub ink into the recessed edges, they pressed the cd onto the paper; transferring the image on the surface.

[7/28 Papitám: Let's Play](#) 10:00 - 11:30 AM Ages 6-11 [Tickets](#) 

Meet, play and learn with local Native Americans for hands-on activities: pottery, jewelry, sports, and local native dance. This entertaining program introduces children (and their parents) to the local Piscataway tribe heritage, customs and traditions through games, crafts and dance. All activities are hands-on and engaging! This program will be videotaped. If you do not wish to appear on film, you must notify a staff member when arriving.

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[7/28 Raspberry Pi](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM Ages 12-18 [Tickets](#) 

Raspberry Pi is a credit card-sized computer that plugs into your TV and a keyboard. It is a capable little computer which can be used in electronics projects, and for many of the things that your desktop PC does, like spreadsheets, word processing, browsing the internet, and playing games. It also plays high-definition video.

[7/28 Family Activity Night](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM All Ages

It's game night! Spend time with family and friends playing new and classic games like Candy Land, Uno, Pictionary, Scattergories, Snap Circuits, Chess and more!

[7/28 Film Club for Teens](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ages 12-18

Teens learn "hands-on" the basics of filmmaking each week as they collaborate to write, direct, shoot, edit, and star in their own films. Each film will have a world premiere at Waldorf West Library.

[7/30 Arduino](#) 11:00 - 12:30 PM Ages 12-18 [Tickets](#) 

Arduino is an open-source prototyping platform based on easy-to-use hardware and software. Arduino boards are able to read inputs - light on a sensor, a finger on a button, or a Twitter message - and turn it into an output - activating a motor, turning on an LED, publishing something online. You can tell your board what to do by sending a set of instructions to the microcontroller on the board. This will be a simple introduction to learn how some of your electronics work (Nintendo DS, smartphones, TV's, computers and more importantly you will learn how to control them!)

[8/1 AKC: Matthew Henson](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM Ages 6-11 [Tickets](#) 

It's Matthew Henson's birthday! Matt was born in Nanjemoy 150 years ago in August. He defied race barriers, financial difficulties and other struggles in his goal to be the first person to reach the North Pole. Join us to celebrate this local hero, African American pioneer and explorer and native Marylander as we learn about his history and his triumphs though stories and interactive games. Participants will also help create a memorial or tribute to Matt to honor his birthday!

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[8/2, 8/16 Imaginative Playtime](#) 6:00 - 6:30 PM Ages 2-5 [Registration](#)

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[8/3 Homeschool Book Club](#) 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Ages 6-11

Join us for our Homeschool Book Club featuring a well-known book and the movie adaptation of that book to discuss and review. Each book club meeting encourages homeschooled children to read and compare the book to the film. This month will be led by club member Zion. We'll be reading and watching "Return of the Jedi."

[8/3 Scratch!](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ages 9-11 [Tickets](#) 

We will learn how to code video games, create animation and remix what others have done! During the workshop, students will interact with other students that use Scratch through the Scratch online library!

[8/3, 8/17 Capoeira](#) 6:30 - 7:30 PM Ages 16+

Capoeira is a unique Brazilian martial art that combines self defense, dance, and acrobatics. Capoeira is not just about the dodging defenses, swift attacks, and wily feints of the game, it's about mind, body and motion. You don't have to possess a martial arts, gymnastics or dance background to train in capoeira. We will teach you everything you need to know! All classes begin with a brief warm up, stretch and a workout that includes partner work to develop your technique. Wear comfortable t-shirt, workout pants (no shorts or jeans, please). Bring a towel and a bottle of water.

[8/4, 8/11, 8/18, 8/25 Imaginative Playtime](#) 10:00 - 10:30 AM [OR](#) 10:45 - 11:15 AM Ages 2-5 [Registration](#)

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[8/4 Blue Crabs Players' Visit](#) 2:00 - 3:00 PM All Ages

Join us for an afternoon of baseball fun! Players from the Southern Maryland Blue Crabs will be on hand to talk about their sports careers, what it takes to be a professional sports player and what inspires them. Kids will get free baseball caps (while supplies last), players will sign autographs and we'll be handing out vouchers to upcoming Blue Crabs games!

[8/4 Spanish Class for Little Amigos](#) 6:00 - 6:30 PM Ages 2-5

Children will enjoy hearing stories in English and Spanish, songs, finger plays, and a craft! This month's theme is El Pez Arcoiris/The Rainbow Fish!

[8/6, 8/13, 8/20 Adult Yoga @ the Boardwalk](#) 9:30 - 10:30 AM Ages 16+

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[8/6 Battle of the Books](#) 1:00 - 3:30 PM Ages 12-18

Join us for a totally updated Battle of the Books. This year there's no pre-registration required; we're having book trivia fun and lots of laughs. Join us for rounds of questions, trivia night-style. We'll test your knowledge of characters, plots, locales and themes from "Playlist for the Dead" by Michelle Falkoff, "Steelheart" by Brandon Sanderson, "Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children" by Ransom Riggs, "Ms. Marvel vol. 1" by G. Willow Wilson/ Adrian Alphona, "Shadow and Bone" by Leigh Bardugo and "Dodger" by Terry Pratchett. We'll also have a bonus round of questions about popular YA literature and movies. The winning team receives \$100 in gift cards (up to 4 people per team) and will help us choose next year's titles.

[8/8, 8/22 Spanish Conversational Club](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ages 12+

Come to our Spanish Conversational Club and make new amigos as you practice speaking, discover new phrases, and finally figure out verb conjugations! Basic Spanish vocabulary required!

[8/10 Superhero Yoga](#) 10:00 - 11:00 AM Ages 4-9 [Tickets](#) 

This special yoga session focuses on everything about superheroes! We'll talk about what makes a superhero and who our favorite superheroes are. We'll make a wonderful superhero craft that you can take home and we'll do yoga like a superhero!

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[8/12 Celebrate Black Business Month](#) 1:30 - 3:30 PM Ages 18+ [Registration](#)

Celebrate National Black Business Month with the Small Business Administration (SBA), Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT), Charles County Economic Development (CCED), and Maryland's Governor's Office of Minority Affairs (GOMA). Hear from the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) how to start or grow a business, learn something you might not have known about the history of black businesses in America and about minority business opportunities available through SBA, MDOT, CCED, and GOMA.

[8/12, 8/26 Chess Club](#) 3:30 - 4:30 PM Ages 6-18

Learn to master the game of chess, a game over a thousand years old. Learn the fundamental basics of how to play the game, and make new friends as you compete with each other in a friendly match.

[8/13 Saturday Storytime: Egypt](#) 11:00 - 11:45 AM Birth - 5

It's a story time all about Egypt! Enjoy learning about Egypt as we move, sing and find out what makes it so unique! We'll end by making some Egyptian-themed craft. Designed for families to engage all ages.

[8/13 Paws to Read](#) 2:15 - 3:30 PM Ages 6-11 [Registration](#)

This program for kids ages 6-11 lets them read to a furry friend who is a great listener. Improved reading skills and confidence plus having some furry fun are the goals. All dogs are certified therapy dogs.

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