

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 & 1:30 – 2:15 pm

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.

Potomac – Fourth Saturday of the Month - 11:00 – 11:45 am

PD Brown – First Saturday of the Month - 11:00 – 11:45 am and 1:30 – 2:15 pm

West – Third Saturday 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.

Potomac – Third Wednesday of the Month – 6:00 – 7:00 pm

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

All dates & themes are subject to change.

For the most up-to-date information call the branch or go to 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.

November 2015 Themes (we are on hiatus in December!)

La Plata

2 Garrett Ave., La Plata

301-934-9001

11/5: Hiyah!

11/12: Pirates

11/19: Thanksgiving

Potomac

3225 Ruth B. Swann Dr., Indian Head

301-375-7375

11/3: Catch That Turkey!

11/10: Mind Your Manners

11/17: I'm Thankful!

PD Brown

50 Village St., Waldorf

301-645-2864

11/4: Birthday Party

11/11: LIBRARY CLOSED

11/18: Pajama Day

West

10405 O'Donnell Pl., Waldorf

301-645-1395

11/2: Opposites

11/9: Squirrels

11/16: Thanksgiving

Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9 am - 8 pm

Friday: 1 pm - 5 pm

Saturday: 9 am - 5 pm

One-on-One Computer Tutoring 1 hour session **MUST REGISTER**

Need assistance with the computer? Our staff can schedule a free one-on-one computer tutoring class for beginners with little or no computer experience. Sessions last one hour and we offer a variety of computer tutoring topics.

La Plata By Appointment 301-934-9001

PD Brown By Appointment 301-645-2864

Potomac By Appointment 301-375-7375

West By Appointment 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 JobSource to offer a full array of employment, reemployment and employers services on the go. The Mobile Career Center contains a Greeter Workstation, a Resource Area, Employee Workspace and a Confidential Interviewing Space; Computer workstations and one computer server with the ability to accommodate additional people, through the use of wireless laptops that have Internet Access. The Mobile Career Center is ADA accessible with a working wheelchair ramp providing access for those with limited mobility.

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

West - First Tuesday of each month (Nov 3rd, Dec 1st)

Potomac - Second Thursday of each month (Nov 12th, Dec 10th)

PD Brown - Third Thursday of each month (Nov 19th, Dec 17th)

Mobile Veterans Center

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 9 am and 1 pm to take advantage of the free, confidential services offered by the Mobile Vet Center.

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

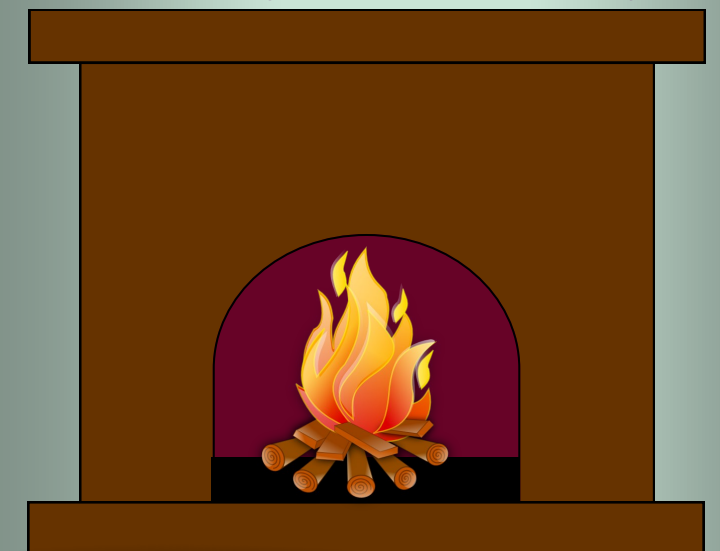
West - Third Thursday of the Month (Nov 19th and Dec 17th)

Check our online calendar for up-to-date



November & December 2015 Program Events

Warm up this season
at your library!



La Plata

P.D. Brown

Waldorf West

Potomac

Call or check online for the most up-to-date program and registration information!

[La Plata Programs](#)

11/2 [Alzheimer's Effective Communication Strategies](#) 2:00 - 3:00 PM Ages 18+

Communication is more than just talking and listening – it’s also about sending and receiving messages through attitude, tone of voice, facial expressions and body language. As people with Alzheimer’s disease and other dementias progress in their journey and the ability to use words is lost, families need new ways to connect. Join us to explore how communication takes place when someone has Alzheimer’s, learn to decode the verbal and behavioral messages delivered by someone with dementia, and identify strategies to help you connect and communicate at each stage of the disease. Presented by the Alzheimer’s Association National Capital Area Chapter.

11/5 [Clark Senior 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 "God Help the Child" by Toni Morrison. At the Clark Senior Center, 1210 Charles St., La Plata.

11/9 [Energy Efficiency at Home](#) 6:30 - 7:30 PM Ages 18+

Tired of high electric bills? Is your heat pump working all winter? A SMECO representative will be on hand to offer tips and ideas on how to lower you electric bill and make your home more energy efficient.

11/12 [La Plata Book Discussion](#) 7:00 - 8:00 PM Ages 18+

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 "I Am Malala" by Malala Yousafzai.

11/13 [Astronomy!](#) 6:00 - 8:00 PM Ages 9+ **Must Register**

Do you enjoy looking at the stars? Have the spectacular and beautiful new photos from Pluto captured your imagination? Join us at Milton Somers Middle School in La Plata for an evening with the Southern Maryland Astronomical Society as they teach us fun and interesting information about the planets, sun and stars in our winter skies!

11/14 [How the Indians Lived](#) 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM Ages 6-11 **Must Register**

It's Native American Heritage Month! Explore how local Indians lived with a fire making demonstration, clothing and jewelry decorating and pottery making.

11/14 [Paws to Read](#) 2:15 - 3:30 PM Ages 6-11 **Must Register**

Paws to Read is a program that allows kids to read to a furry friend who is a great listener! Improved reading skills and confidence (plus lots of fun) are the goals of this unique program. All dogs are certified therapy dogs.

11/17 [E-Reader Drop In](#) 5:15 - 7:30 PM Ages 12+

Bring your own device and learn how to download free library eBooks using Overdrive. Attendees will learn how to request titles, access them on their device and will explore the Maryland Digital eLibrary Consortium.

11/20 [Van Helsing Movie Night](#) 6:30 - 9:00 PM Ages 12+

Grab a friend, sit back and relax while we watch Van Helsing, the vigilante monster hunter who is sent to Transylvania to stop Count Dracula from executing a sinister plan! Part of our monthly movie night series for teens and new adults.

12/2 [Holiday Craft - Safety Pin Necklaces](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ages 18+ **Must Register**

Join us for a fun holiday craft night! Stop by and create your own unique safety pin necklace for yourself or to give as a holiday gift to someone special. All supplies will be provided.

12/3 [Clark Senior 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 "The Invention of Wings" by Sue Monk Kidd. At the Clark Senior Center, 1210 Charles St., La Plata.

12/3 [Holiday Music Jam](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ages 18+

Tis the season to be jammin! Bring your preferred musical instrument to share in the holiday music fun. We will enjoy the camaraderie of playing and singing together the classic songs of the season!

12/5 [Visit with Santa](#) 1:00 - 3:30 PM All Ages

Sponsored by the Citizens for Charles County Public Library, welcome the holiday season with a Visit with Santa! Santa's elves will guide children through writing a letter to Santa, coloring and holiday crafting and songs. Santa will be available for photos and children will receive reindeer food and a free book after their visit. Great fun for all ages! This program is drop in, but tickets will be provided at the time of your arrival to maintain order.

12/10 [Hour of Code](#) 3:00 - 4:00 PM Ages 6-11 **Must Register**

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12/19 [Saturday STEM Club: Gingerbread House Building](#) 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM Ages 6-11 **Must Register**

Join us for an exciting session of construction fun - the seasonal way! Learn a little bit about engineering and construction and then make your own gingerbread house to take home with you! All registrants agree to bring a bag of candy to share with the rest of the group for decorating.

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12/30 [Lego Technics](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM Ages 6-11 **Must Register**

Bricks4Kidz brings Lego Technics to La Plata for kids to learn the basics of construction and engineering. Kids will assemble Legos to create models that fit the theme “carnival” and learn about building, engineering and a brief introduction to robotics.

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11/3 [Alzheimer's: Know the 10 Signs](#) 6:30 - 7:30 PM Ages 18+

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11/4 [Homeschool S.T.E.A.M. Club](#) 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Ages 5-9 **Must Register**

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11/12 [Writers of Color](#) 6:30 - 8:00 PM Ages 18+

Writers of Color Book Club is a monthly book discussion group that welcomes members who enjoy reading books by writers of African descent. The group explores a variety of genres, and contemporary and classic titles, with candor and objectivity. This month's selection will be "Family of Lies" by Mary Monroe.

11/14 [Saturday STEM Club: Lego Robotics](#) 10:00 - 11:00 AM Ages 6-11 **Must Register**

Join us for Legos and learning about engineering! Bricks4Kidz will provide Legos for kids to use to engineer a model, then we'll use computers to program the models to move! This STEM program brings the joys of construction and computer program to life!

11/14 [Papitám: Let's Play!](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM Ages 4-9 **Must Register**

Celebrate Native American Heritage Month! 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, stories and dance. All activities are hands-on and engaging!

11/16 [Off the Hook Crochet](#) 6:30 - 7:30 PM Ages 18+

Have you ever wanted to learn how to crochet? This is the place to learn. Join us for Off the Hook Crochet, where you will get a chance to visit and work with your friends and neighbors on beginning crochet projects. All attendees must bring their own materials: yarn and a size J crochet needle.

11/18 [Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion](#) 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Ages 55+

Join us for a lively and informal discussion of this month's selection "The Sound and the Fury" by William Faulkner. At the Indian Head Senior Center, 10 Cornwallis Sq., Indian Head.

11/19 [Life-Sized Games](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM All Ages

In this monthly series we play a different life-sized version of a popular board or computer game. Previous life-sized games include Candy Land, Angry Bids, Clue, Checkers, Chess and more! Join us and see Connect Four made life-size!

11/21 [Minecraft Madness!](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM Ages 6-11 **Must Register**

Kids will rotate between 6 different craft stations around the library to bring Minecraft to life! We've taken activities from Minecraft and brought them to the Potomac Library. Try these real life Minecraft challenges: bow & arrow target practice, slime knockdown, creeper toss, pixel art, Minecraft mask making, sword crafting and more!

11/28 [Saturday Story Time Special - Gingerbread](#) 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM All Ages

This month we will have a special Saturday story time with a gingerbread theme! Join us for stories, songs, flannel board stories and a fantastic make-your-own playdough gingerbread man craft. Kids will make their own scented playdough to decorate and take home. Books will also be available for checkout!

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12/9 [Around the World Geography Club](#) 10:00 - 11:00 AM Ages 2-5

Each month we will learn about a different country, reading both non-fiction and picture books, singing songs, playing games and doing crafts. This month we'll study Iceland!

12/12 [Potomac Book Discussion](#) 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM Ages 18+

The Potomac Book Discussion is a group that meets on the second Saturday of each month from 10:30 am to noon. We will explore a variety of genres, including both fiction and non-fiction. Our selection this month is "The Gift: A Novel" by Cecelia Ahern.

12/12 [Hour of Code](#) 2:00 - 3:00 PM Ages 6-11 **Must Register**

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12/16 [Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion](#) 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Ages 55+

Join us for a lively and informal discussion of "A Walk in the Woods" by Bill Bryson. At the Indian Head Senior Center, 10 Cornwallis Sq., Indian Head.

12/31 [Noon Year's Eve](#) 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM Ages 2-5 **Must Register**

Join us for the 3rd Annual Noon Year's Eve! Preschoolers will celebrate the New Year with a craft of decorating party hats, music and games and a countdown to the balloon drop at Noon.

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11/3 [Alzheimer's Effective Communication Strategies](#) 2:00 - 3:00 PM Ages 18+

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11/5 [Art on a Cart!](#) 2:00 - 4:00 PM Ages 6-11

Bring your child to PD Brown library for an exciting early dismissal afternoon of fun and creativity! Children will make and take home simple and beautiful crafts! Art supplies will be provided. Intended for children 6-11 years old with a parent or caregiver.

11/5, 11/12, 11/19 [Jazzy Yarns](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ages 16+

Learn the basics or develop your skills in crocheting or knitting. Please bring your own supplies. For beginners, please bring a skein of yarn and a "J" crochet hook or size 8 or 9 knitting needles.

11/7 [Waldorf Adult Book Discussion](#) 9:30 - 10:30 AM Ages 18+

Join us for a lively and informal discussion of your choice of non-fiction! This month we invite you to choose a work of non-fiction and bring it to discuss with the group.

11/7 [Dragons & Dreams](#) 10:00 - 11:00 AM **Ages 6-11**

In this original collection of slightly twisted tales, all the teachers at school are suspected to have superpowers! Join us on a hilarious new adventure where, just like in science, things aren't always quite what they seem. We will launch things through the air, send them plummeting toward the ground, and even make things transform and disappear right before your eyes!

11/10 [Wacky Words](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM **Ages 18+ Must Register**

Join us to be silly and creative at the same time! We'll take words that describe sounds, colors, smells and more and combine them in ways you've never thought of that will make you laugh out loud. Think you're not good with words? Join us and we'll prove you wrong!

11/10 [Resume Basics](#) 6:00 - 7:00 PM **Ages 18+**

This is an introduction/ refresher on resume creation for people entering the job market or those who are making a change. The focus will be on which resume format is best for your level of experience and the resources available at the library to help you create your ideal resume.

11/14 [Papitám: Let's Play!](#) 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM **Ages 4-9 Must Register**

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11/18 [Project WILD!](#) 4:30 - 5:30 PM **Ages 6-11**

Project WILD is a conservation and environmental education program emphasizing awareness, appreciation and understanding of wildlife and natural resources. Project WILD teaches basic skills in science, social studies, language arts, math, art, music and physical education and activities are focused on teaching students how to think and not what to think. This time we'll explore Maryland wild bears and learn about their habitats, behaviors and more!

12/2 [Preschool Holiday Crafts!](#) 10:30 - 11:30 AM **Ages 2-5**

Bring your preschooler to PD Brown library for an exciting and festive morning of fun and creativity. Children will make and take home simple and beautiful holiday crafts! Art supplies will be provided. Intended for children ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver.

12/3, 12/10, 12/17 [Jazzy Yarns](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM **Ages 16+**

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12/5 [Waldorf Adult Book Discussion](#) 9:30 - 10:30 AM **Ages 18+**

Join us for a lively and informal discussion of "The Remains of the Day" by Kazuo Ishiguro.

12/7 [Hour of Code](#) 6:30 - 7:30 PM **Ages 6-11 Must Register**

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12/8 [Holiday Celebration with Songs & Music Bingo](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM **Ages 18+ Must Register**

Get into the holiday spirit! Join us for a holiday celebration with music and bingo, with a twist! It's a fun-filled and fast-paced take on traditional bingo with holiday song titles. We will also have holiday music trivia throughout the game for bonus prizes.

12/10 [Polar Express Holiday Fun!](#) 6:30 - 7:30 PM **Ages 6-11 Must Register**

All aboard the Polar Express! Wear your comfy pajamas and join us at PD Brown library for a magical night of enchanting activities including reading the children's classic "Polar Express" by Chis Van Allsburg, making a fun snow globe craft to take home. This program is for children ages 6-11 years with a parent or caregiver.

12/12 - 12/23 [10 Days of Doctor Who](#) **All Ages**

Can't wait for the Doctor Who Christmas Special? Come in to PD Brown library and get your Who fill from December 12th to December 23rd, **6-7 pm (3-4 pm on Friday and Saturdays)**. Watch the old Christmas specials, get Who-themed craft instructions, play Doctor Who trivia and come dressed as your favorite Doctor Who character for a photo with the TARDIS!

12/29 [Winter Break Game Afternoon](#) 2:00 - 4:00 PM **Ages 6-11**

Looking for something cool to do over Winter Break? Drop by PD Brown library and enjoy a variety of fun and exciting games! Play with family, friends or people you meet at the library! We'll provide board games and video games for you to enjoy!

12/30 [Meet the Marsh Animals](#) 1:30 - 2:30 PM **Ages 4-9 Must Register**

Calvert Marine Museum will bring two marsh animals such as a Diamond Back Terrapin, marsh periwinkles, a horseshoe crab, or fiddler crabs from the museum's collection to introduce children to some of the animals that live in the marsh. After meeting the real animals, kids will use a felt board to build their own marsh and learn about the other animals that live there as well as play games that allow children to act out a story about a marsh.

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11/2, 11/16 [Spanish Conversational Club](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM **Ages 12+**

Do you need to practice your conversational Spanish, get more comfortable with speaking Spanish or supplement what you learned in Spanish class? This is the place for you! Just bring yourself and your willingness to talk to others en espanol.

11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/23 [Adult Yoga](#) 6:30 - 7:30 PM **Ages 18+**

Breathe away your stress, reenergize 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.

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11/3 [Three Surefire Ways to Ignite Growth in Your Business](#) 5:30 - 7:30 PM **Ages 18+ Must Register**

Learn the strategies that every small business can use to grow faster in the next year! Topics will include top strategies smart small businesses are using to increase sales and spur growth, why technology must be a part of your business plan and how to create exciting promotions!

11/3 [Anime Club](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM **Ages 12-18**

Spend time with your Otaku brothers and sisters on the first Tuesday of each month at West. Bring your manga to share, enjoy Pocky, watch anime and perfect your manga drawings.

11/3, 11/17 [Imaginative Play Time](#) 6:00 - 6:30 PM **Ages 2-5 Must Register**

Children learn a lot about language through play. Play helps children think symbolically, so they understand spoken and written words, and it helps them express themselves and put thoughts into words. Join us for an interactive play session - we'll provide the educational toys, you bring your child and provide the imagination! Each child must be registered and accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

11/4 [Homeschool Book Club](#) 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM **Ages 9-11**

Join us for our Homeschool Book Club, featuring a well-known book and the movie adaptation of the book. Each meeting encourages children to read and compare the book to the film. This month we'll read and discuss "Hoot" by Carl Hiaasen.

11/4, 11/18 [Story Time Yoga](#) 10:30 - 11:00 AM **Ages 3-9**

Story Book Yoga brings together two fun activities for young children: reading and yoga! Join us for a great stretch workout and enjoy listening to several animal-themed stories. Children will learn basic animal-themed yoga poses and will switch poses as new animals are discovered during the course of reading the story.

11/4, 11/18, 11/25 [Tutoría de Computadoras en Español](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM **Años 12+**

Aprenda como usar la computadora! Le enseñaremos lo básico, como navegar el internet, abrir sú cuenta de email, enviar fotos y documentos. Las clases son GRATIS y no necesita registrarse en Waldorf West. Para más información llama a nuestra biblioteca (301-645-1395) y pregunta por Ivette.

11/4, 11/18 [Crochet & Knitting Club](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM **Ages 12+**

Join us for an evening of hooks and needles. Beginners need to know how to single crochet or how to knit stitch. All participants must bring their own supplies.

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11/5, 11/12, 11/19 [Imaginative Play Time](#) 10:45 - 11:15 AM **Ages 2-5 Must Register**

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11/5 [Minecraft](#) 2:00 - 4:00 PM **Ages 6-18 Must Register**

Players will work as a group to build and solve puzzles in the virtual world of Minecraft. Using an in-house server, players communicate verbally and in chat to interact through the game and create collaboratively. Registration is limited.

11/5 [Guacamole!](#) 3:00 - 4:00 PM **Ages 6-18**

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!

11/5 [Spanish Class for Little Amigos](#) 6:00 - 6:30 PM **Ages 2-5**

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11/6 [Microsoft Office Basics](#) 1:30 - 3:30 PM **Ages 18+**

This month we will work with Office to learn the basics of Word. Learn how to create a sign using the main Word functions, changing fonts, using WordArt, adjusting line spacing and page orientation, adding a page border, copy & paste and font orientation.

11/9 [Thanksgiving Food Through the Centuries](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM **Ages 18+ Must Register**

This presentation will explore the political, social, economic, and cultural traditions that have made Thanksgiving the truly American holiday that it is. Learn how Thanksgiving has transformed itself over time from the celebration of Harvest Home, as it was called in 1621 by the settlers at Plymouth Plantation, and been influenced by such prominent figures in American history as George Washington, women's magazine editor Sarah Josepha Hale, and Franklin D. Roosevelt. You'll learn that not

only have the reasons we celebrate Thanksgiving changed over time, but so has the food! The presentation will be followed by samples of Thanksgiving food from four centuries: a 17th c. Native American Stew, 18th c. Thanksgiving Cakes, 19th c. Cranberry Pies, and 20th c. Pumpkin Tarts.

11/10 [Appliance Autopsy](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM **Ages 12-18**

Have you ever wondered how a television works? Or a toaster? Now you can take them apart and find out in this hands-on STEM program. Disassemble various types of devices to their basic components and learn how they operate using schematics and other teen-friendly resources.

11/10 [Writing Club for Tweens](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM **Ages 9-11**

Young writers hone their writing skills through various fun activities that encourage creative thinking and writing. Writers will have an opportunity to share their work voluntarily with the group.

11/10 [Bad Book Beatdown at Boston's!](#) 6:30 - 7:30 PM **Ages 16+**

Everyone has lost precious reading time to a bad book. Join us to talk about the horror of wasting your valuable time to a bad book, and enjoy a few minutes of cathartic venting. Bring the book (or books!) you hated, were confused about or were simply disappointed in to discuss their flaws with other readers who feel the same. We'll be meeting in a library-friendly section of Boston's Restaurant, located at 10440 O'Donnell Pl, Waldorf.

11/12 [Circuits!](#) 6:00 - 7:00 PM **Ages 6-11 Must Register**

Explore circuitry with hands-on activities! Play with Play Dough to make squishy circuits, try out one of our Snap Circuit kits to make a complex circuit arrangement, sew an ornament with circuits and lights or use copper foil to make a picture you draw light up!

11/12 [Film Club](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM **Ages 12-18**

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11/13 [Chess Club](#) 2:00 - 3:00 PM **Ages 6-18**

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11/13 [Teen Retro Gaming Night](#) 6:00 - 8:00 PM **Ages 12-18**

Celebrate the end of the week at our teen-only after hours café. Play legacy video games (NES, Sega Genesis, PSI, Game Cube & more) or hang out with friends and share YouTube favorites. Refreshments available for purchase, with funds going to the Teen Advisory Board (TAB). Sponsored by the TAB.

11/17 [Group Computer Class](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM **Ages 18+ Must Register**

Learn the basics of how to use a computer. We will show you how to use the mouse and keyboard, as well as other basic computer functions.

11/17 [Family Craft Night](#) 6:00 - 7:00 PM **All Ages**

Spend family time together creating simple craft projects. This month we will make owls out of toilet paper tubes. All supplies will be provided.

11/18 [Board Game Night](#) 5:30 - 7:30 PM **All Ages**

It's Board Game Night! Spend time with family and friends playing new and classic board games like Candy Land, Checkers, Scatergories, Pictionary, Chutes & Ladders and more!

11/18 [Capoeira](#) 6:30 - 7:30 PM **Ages 18+**

Capoeira is a Brazilian martial art that combines self defense, dance, and acrobatics - it's not just about the dodging defenses and swift attacks, 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! We begin with a brief warm up then do a workout that includes partner work. Wear comfortable t-shirt & workout pants (no shorts or jeans, please). Bring a towel and bottled water.

11/19 [Mobile Veterans Center](#) 9:00 AM - 1:00 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 9 am and 1 pm to take advantage of the free, confidential services offered by the Mobile Vet Center.

11/19 [Comic Book Club](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM **Ages 12-18**

Teens discuss the comic book universe, play trivia games, trade comics and star in our very own comic book series. Bring your old comics for our monthly comic book swap!

11/19 [Vintage Letters](#) 6:30 - 7:30 PM **Ages 16+ Must Register**

Have you ever wanted to write a letter using an actual nib pen and ink? Come and pretend your in the 1800's, writing a letter to your sweetheart or sending news home to your family. Learn how to age your paper to make it look older, the technique to writing with a nib pen and inkwell and how to seal your letter with wax.

11/20 [Library Search U](#) 1:30 - 3:30 PM **Ages 18+**

Are you tired of not finding book information you want when searching through the library's catalog? Join us to learn how to search the COSMOS library catalog, how to do an advanced search, how to narrow your search by branch location, availability or material type, what you can do with you account online and so much more. Make the best of the services your library has to offer!

11/21 [Life Journeys Writers Club](#) 2:30 - 4:30 PM **Ages 18+**

Calling all adult writers - fiction or non-fiction! Want to develop your writing skills and improve the quality of your work? Join our writer's club in exploring the world of authorship. Develop your own artistic voice!

11/24 [TAB \(Teen Advisory Board\)](#) 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 and membership is easy.

11/25 [Minecraft](#) 2:00 - 4:00 PM **Ages 6-18 Must Register**

Players will work as a group to build and solve puzzles in the virtual world of Minecraft. Using an in-house server, players communicate verbally and in chat to interact through the game and create collaboratively. Registration is limited.

12/1 [Anime Club](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM **Ages 12-18**

Spend time with your Otaku brothers and sisters on the first Tuesday of each month at West. Bring your manga to share, enjoy Pocky, watch anime and perfect your manga drawings.

12/1, 12/15 [Imaginative Play Time](#) 6:00 - 6:30 PM **Ages 2-5 Must Register**

Children learn a lot about language through play. Play helps children think symbolically, so they understand spoken and written words, and it helps them express themselves and put thoughts into words. Join us for an interactive play session - we'll provide the educational toys, you bring your child and provide the imagination! Each child must be registered and accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

12/2 [Homeschool Book Club](#) 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM **Ages 9-11**

Join us for our Homeschool Book Club, featuring a well-known book and the movie adaptation of the book. Each meeting encourages children to read and compare the book to the film. This month we'll read and discuss "Hatchet" by Gary Paulson.

12/2, 12/9, 12/16 [Tutoria de Computadoras en Español](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM **Años 12+**

Aprenda como usar la computadora! Le enseñaremos lo básico, como navegar el internet, abrir sú cuenta de email, enviar fotos y documentos. Las clases son GRATIS y no necesita registrarse en Waldorf West. Para más información llama a nuestra biblioteca (301-645-1395) y pregunta por Ivette.

12/2, 12/9, 12/16 [Crochet & Knitting Club](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM **Ages 12+**

Join us for an evening of hooks and needles. Beginners need to know how to single crochet or how to knit stitch. All participants must bring their own supplies.

12/2 [Family Craft Night](#) - Pine Cone Christmas 6:00 - 7:30 PM **Ages 6+**

It's time to deck the halls! Join us for a little holiday preparation - choose whether you want to decorate outside (making a pine cone bird feeder with peanut butter) or inside (making a glitter and sequin bauble). We'll provide the supplies, you provide the imagination!

12/3, 12/10, 12/17 [Imaginative Play Time](#) 10:00 - 10:30 AM **Ages 2-5 Must Register**

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12/3, 12/10, 12/17 [Imaginative Play Time](#) 10:45 - 11:15 AM **Ages 2-5 Must Register**

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12/3 [Spanish Class for Little Amigos](#) 6:00 - 6:30 PM **Ages 2-5**

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12/4 [Microsoft Office Basics](#) 1:30 - 3:30 PM **Ages 18+ Must Register**

This month we will explore intermediate Word features. All customers who attend this session must be familiar with Word basics and will learn how to edit an article with columns, adding a cover page and theme, adding citations, headers and footers, manipulating pictures and using word count.

12/5 [Holiday Concert](#) 3:00 - 4:30 PM **All Ages**

The Southern Maryland Concert Band will be performing a Holiday concert. Music will cover both traditional and non traditional seasonal music.

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

Do you need to practice your conversational Spanish, get more comfortable with speaking Spanish or supplement what you learned in Spanish class? This is the place for you! Just bring yourself and your willingness to talk to others en espanol.

12/8 [Writing Club for Tweens](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM **Ages 9-11**

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12/9 [Hour of Code](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM **Ages 6-11 Must Register**

By 2020 there will be 1 million more computer programming jobs than students studying computer programming. Hour of Code provides the information for you to learn the basic concepts of Computer Science with drag and drop programming. This is a game-like, self-directed tutorial starring video lectures by Bill Gates, Mark Zuckerberg, Angry Birds and Plants vs. Zombies. Learn repeat-loops, conditionals, and basic algorithms and other fundamentals to computer coding in a fun way!

12/10 [Minecraft](#) 2:00 - 4:00 PM **Ages 6-18 Must Register**

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12/10 [Gingerbread House Workshop](#) 3:00 - 4:30 PM **Ages 4-11 Must Register**

Attendees will decorate pre-made "gingerbread houses" (graham crackers fashioned around a milk carton to resemble a gingerbread house) using candy and icing. Icing and graham crackers will be provided by the library. In registering, attendees agree to being a bag of candy with them to share with other decorators.

12/10 [Film Club](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM **Ages 12-18**

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12/10 [Writers of Color](#) 6:30 - 8:00 PM **Ages 18+**

Writers of Color Book Club is a monthly book discussion group that welcomes members who enjoy reading books by writers of African descent. The group explores a variety of genres, and contemporary and classic titles, with candor and objectivity. This month's selection will be "Only the Strong" by Jabari Asim.

12/11 [Chess Club](#) 2:00 - 3:00 PM **Ages 6-18**

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12/11 [Teen Retro Gaming Night](#) 6:00 - 8:00 PM **Ages 12-18**

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12/12 [Paws to Read](#) 2:15 - 3:30 PM **Ages 6-11 Must Register**

Paws to Read is a program that allows kids to read to a furry friend who is a great listener! Improved reading skills and confidence (plus lots of fun) are the goals of this unique program. All dogs are certified therapy dogs.

12/12 [Holiday Classics with the Flute Choir of Southern MD](#) 3:30 - 4:30 PM **All Ages**

Enjoy seasonal tunes and songs you can sing to with the Flute Choir of Southern Maryland. The Choir will provide a delightful mixture of holiday music to boost your holiday spirits!

12/14 [Library Fundraiser at Boston's](#) 4:00 - 10:00 PM **All Ages**

Join us for a tasty meal at Boston's in Waldorf (10440 O'Donnell Pl.) and write "library" on the back of your receipt. The library will receive a portion of all proceeds from all receipts with library written on the back! Enjoy a fantastic meal and contribute to the library at the same time!

12/14 [Picture Frame Decoupage](#) 6:00 - 7:30 PM **Ages 9+**

Decoupage is the art of decorating surfaces with paper cutouts. Decoupages use decorative paper or repurposed paper items. It's a beautiful art and wonderful stress therapy for people of all ages. Join us for a decoupage session - we'll provide wooden picture frames and the basic materials for you to learn how to decoupage and design your own stylish frame. Take it home for yourself or gift it to a loved one this holiday!

12/15 [Family Craft Night](#) 6:00 - 7:00 PM **All Ages**

Spend family time together creating simple craft projects. This month we will make snowmen out of clay pots. All supplies will be provided.

12/15 [Knowing Kwanzaa](#) 6:30 - 7:30 PM **All Ages**

Strengthen your knowledge of the principles of the African American holiday Kwanzaa. Join us for a fun, interactive look at how people of the African diaspora all over the world observe the week-long celebration. Great for newcomers and seasoned practitioners of all ages!

12/16 [Over the Rainbow Book Discussion](#) 6:30 - 7:30 PM **Ages 16+**

We need diverse books to learn about ourselves and others. Otr is a bimonthly book discussion group welcoming readers of all genres to explore themes in books featuring LGBTQ characters and characters of various races and ethnicities. Join us as we read and discuss the 2013 Stonewall Book Award winner "Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe" by Benjamin Alire Sáenz.

12/17 [Mobile Veterans Center](#) 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM **Ages 18+**

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12/19 [Improv Bee for Teens](#) 1:00 - 4:00 PM **Ages 12-18 Must Register**

Come watch the teens from local high schools compete for the BIT award: Best Improvisation Troupe! Teens will create hilarious skits based on audience suggestions in a friendly, county-wide competition.

12/22 [Group Computer Class](#) 2:00 - 3:30 PM **Ages 18+ Must Register**

Learn the basics of navigating the internet in a small group computer setting. We will show you how to surf the web and explore what it has to offer.

12/22 [Holiday Pop Culture Jeopardy for Teens](#) 6:30 - 7:30 PM **Ages 12-18**

According to the song "Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer, " these are the colors of Grandma's wig? (What are blue and silver?!) How much trivia do you know about famous holiday movies, songs, TV specials and more? Test your knowledge in this latest edition of our Pop Culture Jeopardy game series for teens! First to arrive, first to play!

12/28 [Wild Birds!](#) 2:00 - 3:00 PM **Ages 6-11**

The Humane Society of Charles County presents this delightful look at the wild birds that make homes in our area. Learn how to recognize wild birds in our area, encourage birds to use a bird feeder, and understand birds' anatomy and adaptations.

12/29 [Model Train Display](#) 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM **All Ages**

Local artist John Painter and his family have worked for years creating this fascinating model train display! Stop by any time between 11 am and 4 pm to see a delightful train model with lots of Charles County establishments made miniature!

12/29 [Minecraft](#) 2:00 - 4:00 PM **Ages 6-18 Must Register**

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