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FROM LAKE WOBEGON TO FREDERICK: GARRISON KEILLOR AT THE WEINBERG

He has authored more than a dozen books, and speaks volumes to the millions who tune into his public radio broadcasts nationwide. Soon, local fans of Garrison Keillor will see and hear the Grammy Award-winner and National Public Radio icon in person, on the Weinberg stage.

Keillor is the longstanding host and writer of *A Prairie Home Companion* and *The Writer's Almanac*, heard on public radio stations across the country. His comedy sketches, music, and *The News from Lake Wobegon*, his signature monologue, are can't-miss entertainment for millions of listeners. *A Christmas Blizzard*, the children's book *Cat, You Better Come Home*, and the poetry anthology *Good Poems, American Places* are recent additions to the books Keillor has written, joining *Lake Wobegon Days*, *The Book of Guys*, *Love Me*, *Homegrown Democrat*, and *Life Among the Lutherans*.

To learn more about the celebrated humorist, visit prairiehome.publicradio.org.

GARRISON KEILLOR

Sunday, January 29, 3 pm
 Weinberg Center for the Arts

Tickets are \$60, \$55, and \$50. To purchase, call the Weinberg box office at 301-600-2828 or visit weinbergcenter.org.

A private reception and book signing for 100 guests will follow the 3 pm performance. Tickets to this exclusive fundraiser are \$75. See page 2 for details.

THE C. BURR ARTZ TRUST



THE TALE OF THE TRUST

The C. Burr Artz Public Library in its current location and form will turn 10 in the spring of 2012. The roots of the library, however, and the name that it bears date to the late 1800s and to a land speculator named Christian Burr (C. Burr) Artz and his wife Margaret.

At the time of C. Burr's death in 1879, the family had already relocated from Frederick to Chicago. When Margaret died in 1887, she left \$25,000 to her daughter Victorine. The remainder of her estate was put into a trust, and—if Victorine had no heirs—the money was designated to go to three men of Frederick. As trustees of the C. Burr Artz Trust, these men were to use the funds to establish, build, operate, and maintain the C. Burr Artz Library in Frederick. Margaret's will specified that the Trust should always consist of three individuals, two of them members of the Evangelical Reformed Church and the third a member of the Episcopal Church in Frederick.

When Victorine Artz died in 1931 with no heirs, the *Frederick News-Post* headline read: "Artz Death Makes \$160,000 Available for Public Library." The work of the C. Burr Artz trustees—then Jacob Rohrback, Rev. Henry Kieffer, and Samuel Duvall—began in earnest, and has continued since.

As a separate 501(C) 3 organization, the C. Burr Artz Trust oversees the investment and distribution of funds from Margaret Artz's endowment. Since 2000, the Trust has allocated more than \$600,000 to support the library's programs and services. Current trustees are Ted Gregory, Bill Rhoades, and Robert Marsh.

In recent years, the C. Burr Artz Trust has underwritten such projects as artwork in the library, poet appearances, and the design and construction of the signature rooftop terrace. On January 29, the Trust will sponsor Garrison Keillor's performance at the Weinberg and the private reception that follows, the Trust's first foray into fundraising.

"It's been the policy that today's C. Burr Artz Trust does not pay for staffing, books, or day-to-day library operations as was the practice years ago," explains Darrell Batson, FCPL director. "The Trust provides the extra funds that assure a quality of public library service and programs to the community. Many of the library's design features that make the facility a standout are due to the efforts of the C. Burr Artz Trust."

A BENEFIT EVENT FOR THE C. BURR ARTZ TRUST

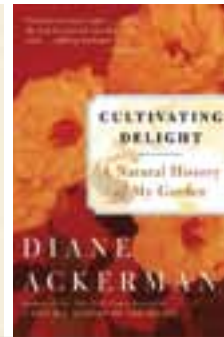
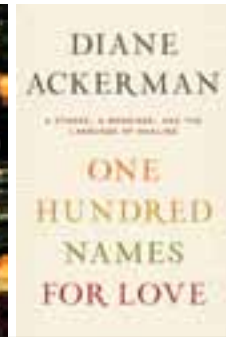
Exclusive Book Signing Reception with Garrison Keillor
Following the 3 pm performance on Sunday, January 29
Weinberg Center for the Arts

\$75. Tickets are limited to the first 100 guests and cannot be purchased online.
To purchase tickets to the reception, call the Weinberg at 301-600-2835.





*Because the gods are baking winter cakes
powdered sugar sifts over the yard
in slow motion, hushed as thought.
Bare trees resemble sticks of cinnamon. . . .*
—from "Seasoning" by Diane Ackerman



AN AFTERNOON WITH ACKERMAN

C. BURR ARTZ TRUST POETRY SERIES

Poet, essayist, and naturalist Diane Ackerman is the author of two dozen highly acclaimed works of nonfiction and poetry, including *A Natural History of the Senses*, *The Zookeeper's Wife*, and her most recent book, *One Hundred Names for Love*.

Ackerman's list of accolades and awards is lengthy and impressive, including a Guggenheim Fellowship, Orion Book Award, John Burroughs Nature Award, and the Lavan Poetry Prize. She was honored as a Literary Lion by the New York Public Library and also has the rare distinction of having a molecule named after her—dianeackerone. Her essays about nature and human nature have been appearing for decades in *The New York Times*, *Smithsonian*, *Parade*, *The New Yorker*, *National Geographic*, and many other journals, and she hosted a five-hour PBS television series inspired by *A Natural History of the Senses*.

Diane Ackerman

Sunday, February 5, 2 pm
Weinberg Center for the Arts

Free event; no tickets required. For information, visit fcpl.org or call the Weinberg box office at 301-600-2828.

THE C. BURR ARTZ TRUST



A TASTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Overwhelmed by all the new e-reader technology? Not sure if a Kindle, Sony eReader, iPad 2, Motorola Xoom, or a Nook is right for you? Stop by the new Tech Bars at C. Burr Artz, Thurmont, Urbana, and Brunswick libraries to “test drive” different models and explore all the options in a relaxed, no-sales-pressure environment.

The new Tech Bars are a perfect fit with FCPL’s mission, according to Director Darrell Batson. “The public’s thirst for knowledge doesn’t change as technology changes,” he says. “Regardless of our patrons’ format preferences, we remain true to our goal to connect people to new ideas and information.”

Nook Simple Touch eReaders are now available for checkout at all FCPL branches. The loan period is seven days, and Nooks are not available for renewal or vacation loans. Please note that, while material preloaded on each Nook is suitable for all ages, only individuals 18 years or older with a library card may check out an eReader. Overdue fines and damage and replacement fees apply. For more information, inquire at the Circulation Desk or visit fcpl.org/ereaders or fcpl.org/techbar.

Patrons who own Kindles can access Kindle eBooks through the Maryland Digital eLibrary Consortium collection on FCPL’s eBooks page. Kindle compatibility with library eBooks also takes full advantage of Amazon’s Whispersync technology. If you check out the eBook again at a later date or choose to purchase the eBook from the Kindle Store, all of your notes, bookmarks, and highlights will be preserved. The last page read will also be synced between your Kindle and free Kindle reading apps.

The following titles, suitable for all ages, are pre-loaded on the Nook eReaders, now available for seven-day checkout:

The Help by Kathryn Stockett

The Hunger Games Trilogy
by Suzanne Collins

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks
by Rebecca Skloot

The Son of Neptune by Rick Riordan

Cutting for Stone by Abraham Verghese

A Dance with Dragons by George R.R. Martin

Bossypants by Tina Fey

The Medusa Plot by Gordon Korman

The Dragon in the Volcano by Kate Klimo

As the Pig Turns by M. C. Beaton

State of Wonder by Ann Patchett

Portrait of a Spy by Daniel Silva

Lonely Planet’s 5 of USA’s Best Trips: Our Favorite Themed Itineraries Across America

Time Machine by H. G. Wells





SEARCHING ONLINE FOR JOBS?

The FCPL Job Seekers Assistance Program offers free online job application assistance to library patrons who have no or limited computer experience. Volunteer instructors work one-on-one with patrons to set up email accounts, navigate employer websites, and complete online job applications. This service is available by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, stop in at the C. Burr Artz Reference Desk (second floor), or call 301-600-1630, extension 3.



PARTNERS IN ART

The Delaplaine Visual Arts Education Center now coordinates the art exhibits at both the Thurmont and Urbana regional libraries.

“This is truly a perfect partnership,” says Catherine Moreland, executive director of the Delaplaine. “Both library galleries are fabulous spaces that bring the visual arts and literature together. We’re so delighted to be able to share exciting, innovative art works with the communities of Thurmont and Urbana.”

The art on display at Urbana from December through February has an interesting, behind-the-scenes connection to libraries in general. The artist, Alexandra Zealand, is a sculptor who also works as the social media coordinator at the Arlington Public Library in nearby Virginia. When a children’s librarian gave her an extensive supply of “retired” 16mm films, Zealand fell love with the material, twisting and turning and stapling the film together in dangling clusters. “I have been experimenting with shapes, sizes, and shadows since then,” she says. Zealand’s innovative works were featured in the Delaplaine’s New Gallery in January 2010 as part of the Emerging Artist Program.

The Thurmont Regional Library will host the large-format acrylic works of Frederick artist Douglas Moulden beginning in early February.



IN LOVE WITH LITERACY

The Literacy Council of Frederick County will host its second read-a-thon on Saturday, February 11, from 10:30 am until 4 pm in the Community Room of the C. Burr Artz Library. Funds raised from the event will support the purchase of materials for Literacy Council students. Open to all ages, the In Love with Literacy read-a-thon campaign begins on January 1 and culminates at the February 11 event, with prizes awarded for most books read and most funds raised.

Individuals or teams who wish to participate should call 301-600-2066 or email stafffrederickliteracy@gmail.com.

For more than 45 years, the Literacy Council of Frederick County has offered free one-to-one tutoring in basic reading, writing, and spelling to English-speaking adults and also provides similar services and small group instruction to non-English speaking adults. Funded primarily through membership fees and community donations, the Literacy Council teaches approximately 120 adults each year, and there are approximately 30 students waiting for tutors. To learn more, visit frederickliteracy.org.



*February is American Heart Month...
yet another reason to get active this winter
and keep your heart healthy!*


IT'S WINTER...TIME TO GET MOVING!

The children's librarians at Frederick County Public Libraries always have a theme for the Summer Reading Club, but this year they've developed a winter-time theme as well.

"We are very excited this year at FCPL to hone in more on early literacy skills and getting kids ready to read—and excited to read," explains Janet Vogel, Children's Services Supervisor at Thurmont Regional Library. "People might not realize, however, that not all early literacy skills come from sitting and listening to a story. The ability to follow directions when we dance to a song or the social skills built while waiting your turn or sharing can have a big impact on school readiness."

Vogel and her colleagues think that winter is the perfect time to highlight both the movement activities in regular FCPL programs, as well as new programs and special events. "When everyone is tired of being stuck inside, why not dance and move at the library?" she asks. "On top of all of the learning we sneak in during these fun programs, it's good to keep kids active during the winter when we often want to huddle up and eat baked goods!" Children and parents who enjoy moving at the library will likely be inspired to do similar activities at home.

Check the program listings for movement-filled storytimes and events, including Tots 'n Tunes, Kids in Motion, Wiggle Giggle Storytime, Yoga Storytime, and more.

 Look for this icon in the program listings for movement-filled programs.

The Facts about Movement and Music

- Moving to music, dancing, swaying, and jumping helps young children feel rhythm and begin to understand how their bodies work. It also helps them gain muscle control and balance, all of which contributes to a child's gross motor development.
- Through something as simple as forming a circle or standing in a line, children become aware of patterns and shapes. Physically "acting out" shapes increases children's understanding of those words.
- Musical rhythms and rhymes encourage spontaneous movement that strengthens young bodies and helps to develop sensory control.
- Activities with scarves, beanbags, and similar objects that cross the midline (center of the body) help form stronger connections in both sides of the brain, which helps children develop their minds.

—excerpted from *The Early Literacy Kit—A Handbook and Tip Cards* by Betsy Diamant-Cohen and Saroj Nadkarni Ghoting





STORYTIMES AT ALL BRANCHES

No programs scheduled on public holidays.
Check online at fcpl.org/programs or at your local branch for updates.

BABIES WITH BOOKS (BIRTH-24 MONTHS, WITH ADULT)

Brunswick Mondays at 10:05 am
C. Burr Artz *Tickets will be available on the day of the program for the first 17 parent/child pairs. This program is limited, so come early for your ticket.*
Tuesdays at 10:15 am (birth to 12 months), 11 am (12-24 months), and 11:45 am (birth-24 months) 🌐
Thursdays at 2:30 pm (birth-24 months) 🌐
Emmitsburg **NEW TIME:** Wednesdays at 10:15 am 🌐
Middletown Wednesdays at 10:05 am
Thurmont **NEW TIME:** Tuesdays at 10:15 am and 11 am 🌐
NEW DAY/TIME: Thursdays at 10:15 am and 11 am 🌐
Urbana Mondays at 10:30 am, 11:15 am, and 3 pm 🌐
Walkersville Mondays at 10:30 am

TRANSITION TO TWOS (18-30 MONTHS, WITH ADULT)

Urbana *Registration is available two weeks before the monthly program begins.*
Thursdays at 11:15 am 🌐
Walkersville Mondays at 11:15 am

TIME FOR TWOS (AGE 2, WITH ADULT)

Brunswick Mondays at 10:45 am
C. Burr Artz *Registration is available two weeks before the monthly program series begins.*
Mondays at 10:30 am and 11:15 am 🌐
Emmitsburg **NEW DAY/TIME:** Wednesdays at 11 am
Middletown Wednesdays at 10:45 am
Thurmont Thursdays at 11 am 🌐
Urbana Tuesdays at 10:30 am and 11:15 am 🌐
Thursdays at 10:30 am 🌐
Walkersville Tuesdays at 10:15 am and 11 am

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME (AGES 3-5, WITH ADULT)

Brunswick Wednesdays at 10:15 am and 11 am
C. Burr Artz Thursdays at 10:30 am
Emmitsburg Thursdays at 10:30 am
Middletown Thursdays at 11 am
Point of Rocks Tuesdays at 11 am
Thurmont Wednesdays at 10:30 am
Urbana Tuesdays at 1:30 pm
Wednesdays at 10:30 am and 11:15 am
Walkersville Wednesdays at 10:30 am 🌐
Thursdays at 10:30 am 🌐

STARLIGHT FAMILY STORYTIME (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Almost bedtime? Feel free to wear your pajamas!

Brunswick Thursdays at 6:30 pm
C. Burr Artz Mondays at 6:30 pm
Tuesdays at 6:30 pm
Point of Rocks Mondays at 6:30 pm
Urbana Tuesdays at 6:30 pm
Walkersville Tuesdays at 6:30 pm 🌐

STORYLAND: A SENSORY STORYTIME (BIRTH-AGE 3, WITH ADULT)

A special storytime in partnership with Frederick County Infants & Toddlers Program.

Brunswick Monthly on 3rd Thursday at 10:30 am
C. Burr Artz *Registration opens two weeks before the event.*
Monthly on 1st Friday at 10:30 am 🌐
Thurmont Monthly on 2nd Friday at 10:15 am 🌐
Urbana Monthly on 2nd Friday at 10:15 am 🌐

WIGGLE GIGGLE STORYTIME (AGES 2-5, WITH ADULT)

C. Burr Artz Wednesdays at 10:15 am and 11 am

YOGA STORYTIME WITH MS. LANIE (AGES 1-3, WITH ADULT)

Wear comfortable clothes to join in the fun. Registration opens two weeks before the event.

C. Burr Artz Monthly on 3rd Friday at 10:15 am and 11 am 🌐

🌐 Registration is required.

*The Grantseeker's Resource Center,
located in C. Burr Critz Public Library,
was ready and waiting...*





Promethean boards in action in a Visitation Academy classroom.

Photo courtesy of Carol Guaccero

GRANT WRITING SUCCESS AT FCPL

It pays to do your homework. When Cindy Cantrel, director of development and alumnae relations at the Visitation Academy in Frederick, was searching for funds to advance technology in the classroom at the all-girls school, she turned to her local library for help. The Grantseeker's Resource Center, located in C. Burr Artz Public Library, was ready and waiting for her—offering free access to databases and other references assist with online funding research.

Cantrel was hoping to find funding for Promethean boards, interactive whiteboards that would bring a multi-sensory approach to the learner-centered environment in the school's first through eighth grade classrooms. After researching the funding priorities of the Marion I. and Henry J. Knott Foundation, Cantrel submitted a proposal—and the Visitation Academy was approved for \$41,000 from the foundation, which funded the purchase of 10 Promethean boards and projectors. “There is something truly extraordinary about bringing state-of-the-art technology onto our historic campus built in 1846,” Cantrel comments. “We have such a rich history filled with traditions and academic accomplishments, and our girls continue to make us proud by excelling in many academic areas that this technology can support.”

“The Ausherman Family Foundation Trustees are delighted that the Grant Seeker's Resource Center was able to assist Visitation Academy staff in preparing and successfully securing a grant from the Knott Foundation,” says Joyce Heptner, DM, MBA, executive director of the Ausherman Family Foundation, which funded the center. “It is gratifying to know that this nonprofit organization found the Center's resource of value, and we look forward to hearing about many more successful outcomes.”

Interested in helping your nonprofit benefit from the Grantseeker's Resource Center? Contact Pat Anderson, MLIS, at panderson@frederickcountymd.gov for an individual appointment to learn how to use the Foundation Directory Online database, or attend training at C. Burr Artz Library. Training sessions are held the fourth Wednesday of December, January, and February at 9 am.



SPELLERS, UNITE

December 9 is the deadline for schools and homeschool co-ops to sign up to participate in FCPL's Championship Bee, to be held on Saturday, March 10, 2012, at Frederick Community College.

This year, qualifying bees will not be hosted by FCPL. Finalists will advance from competitions held at public or private schools and homeschool groups. For more information, contact Caroline O'Connell at 301-600-7255, coconnell@frederickcountymd.gov or visit fcpl.org/spelling.

BOOKFEST TAKES A MYSTERIOUS TURN

What super-secret plans are underway for BookFest 2012? The theme of “Where Spies & Mysteries Lie” is an important clue. Intrigued? Never fear—all will be revealed in the spring issue of *Bookmarks!*

BookFest aims to promote literacy and reading through informational and enjoyable events, activities, and entertainment for all ages. The popular event features free lectures, hands-on activities, costumed characters, films, and other family-oriented programs.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

BookFest 2012: Where Spies & Mysteries Lie
Saturday and Sunday, March 10 and 11
(Snow dates - March 17 and 18)

SECRET





THE GOOD STUFF

Meet celebrity chef Spike Mendelsohn, founder of Good Stuff Eatery and We, The Pizza in Washington, DC. Chef Spike was a contestant on *Top Chef Season 4: Chicago*, *Top Chef All-Stars*, *Iron Chef America*, and will be in the upcoming season of *The Next Iron Chef*. Currently serving as the *CBS Early Show's* food correspondent, Chef Spike has recently appeared on episodes of *Extreme Chef*, *Bar Rescue*, and *Mexican Made Easy*.

Cookbook Signing with Chef Spike Mendelsohn

Thursday, December 1, 6 pm
Cultural Arts Center, 15 N. Market Street,
Downtown Frederick

At the Cultural Arts Center, Chef Spike will discuss and sign his cookbook, *The Good Stuff Cookbook: Burgers, Fries, Shakes, Wedges, and More*. Copies will be available for purchase at the event. For more information, call 301-662-4190 or go to frederickartscouncil.org. To learn more about Chef Spike, visit goodstuffeatery.com.





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WINTER 2011/2012 PROGRAMS CENTRAL REGION FREDERICK ■ MIDDLETOWN ■ WALKERSVILLE

The library may photograph or videotape patrons for library promotional purposes. Please notify library staff if you do not want yourself or your child to be photographed.

C. BURR ARTZ PUBLIC LIBRARY

110 East Patrick Street, Frederick
301-600-1630

Branch Hours:

Sunday 1 pm–5 pm
Monday – Thursday 10 am–8 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am–5 pm

Maryland Room Hours:

Monday – Thursday 10 am–7 pm
Friday 10 am–5 pm
Saturday 12–5 pm

BUSINESS PROGRAM

How to Start Your Own Business

Register online or call the Information Desk at 301-600-1630 x3.

Bi-monthly on Mondays at 6 pm:
December 5, February 6

GRANTSEEKER'S RESOURCE CENTER PROGRAMS

Foundation Directory Online Database Orientation and Assistance

NOTE: Meet at front doors at 9 am.
Email panderson@frederickcountymd.gov for individual appointment.

Wednesdays at 9 am: December 28,
January 25, February 22

Grant Seeking Basics

Register online or call 301-600-1630 x3
Thursday, February 23, 6:30–7:50 pm

TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS

NOTE: Registration is required for these classes.
Register online or call 301-600-1630 x3. Classes will be held on the second floor near the Information Desk.

Open Office Writer – Part 3

Prerequisite: Open Office Writer Part 1 or experience using word processing software.
Saturday, January 7, 8:50 am

How to Set Up an Email Account

Prerequisite: Experience using a keyboard and mouse.
Saturday, January 21, 8:50 am

Email Accounts - Part 2

Prerequisite: Participants must have an email account.
Saturday, February 4, 8:50 am

Open Office Calc - Basic

Similar to and compatible with Microsoft Office Excel. Prerequisite: Experience using word processing software.
Saturday, February 18, 8:50 am

Online Job Application Assistance

By appointment only. Call 301-600-1630 x3 and leave contact information.

Basic one-on-one computer tutoring is available in English/Spanish. Call 301-600-1630 x3 and leave contact information.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

Children's Holiday Art Show on Display (ALL AGES)
December 5–30, All Day

Harry Potter's Wizarding Words

(AGES 10-14, WITH ADULT)
Feel free to come in costume.
Wednesday, December 7, 4 pm

Museums by Candlelight (ALL AGES)

Exhibits of vintage board games.
10 am–4 pm Toy train demonstrations
11 am Belsnickling
12 pm–4 pm Local Author Showcase (book sale, signing, and discussion)
12 pm Holiday music on the harp and flagehorn by Byron and Clare Stay

Saturday, December 10

Read-a-Thon (ALL AGES)

Conducted by the Literacy Council.
Saturday, February 11, 10:30 am–4 pm

TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen Advisory Board

Monthly on 2nd Thursday at 4 pm

Bath Salts (AGES 9-14)

Bring a pretty jar or bottle to hold your salts.
Monday, December 12, 4 pm

Book Chatter (GRADES 6-8)

Tuesdays at 4 pm: January 17, February 21

Teen Book Topics (GRADES 9-12)

Read one of three books that have a common theme, then discuss!
Thursdays at 4 pm: January 26, February 23

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Remarkable Readers (AGES 5-7)

Monthly on 2nd Thursday at 4 pm

Belsnickling Family Holiday Tradition

(ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)
Saturday, December 10, 11 am

Read to a New Dog Friend - Wags for Hope

(AGES 6-11, WITH ADULT)
Allergy alert – the dogs are live animals.
Sundays at 2 pm: December 18,
January 22, February 19

Reading in Action (AGES 8-12)

Monthly on 3rd Tuesday at 4 pm

Book Buddies (AGES 8-12)

Bring a snack and meet new friends!
Monthly on 3rd Wednesday at 4 pm
December 21 Favorite Titles
January 18 Pick a Winner
February 15 Animal Stories

Guys Book Club of Super-Sonic Awesomeness

(AGES 8-12)
Monthly on 4th Thursday at 4 pm

LEGO® Drop-in Play (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Wednesday, December 28, 10 am–4 pm
Thursday, December 29, 10 am–4 pm

Bring the One You Love Dance

(AGES 3 AND UP, WITH ADULT)
Feel free to dress to the nines for this special Valentine event.
Tuesday, February 14, 6 pm

Go to page 9 for Storytimes listings.



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Register online at fcpl.org/programs or call your branch. Submit ASL interpreter request three weeks in advance.

MIDDLETOWN BRANCH

101 Prospect Street, Middletown
301-371-7560

Branch Hours:

Monday & Wednesday 10 am–6 pm
Tuesday & Thursday 10 am–8 pm
Saturday 10 am–5 pm

FAMILY PROGRAM

The Clustered Spires Chapter of Sweet Adelines

(ALL AGES)

The Friends of Middletown Library will provide refreshments.

Thursday, December 1, 7 pm 🌐

TEEN PROGRAMS

Refreshments may be served

Holiday Helpers Are Baaaaaack
Tuesday, December 6, 3 pm

Action, Adventure, Reading: Happy Endings.
Tuesday, December 13, 3:15 pm

Happy Endings Movie *Tangled* and Pizza
Tuesday, December 13, 4 pm 🌐

Action, Adventure, Reading: Stars in Your Eyes
Tuesday, January 10, 3 pm

New Year, New New: Movie & Pizza
Friday, January 13, 5 pm 🌐

Year of the Dragon . . . Feel the Heat
Tuesday, January 24, 3 pm

Action, Adventure, Reading: Mystery or Romance
Tuesday, February 7, 3 pm

Red Hot Valentine
Tuesday, February 14, 3 pm

Leap into Spring
Tuesday, February 28, 3 pm

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

LEGO® Block Party (AGES 5-10, WITH ADULT)
Monthly on 2nd Wednesday at 4 pm

Welcome Winter Party (AGES 2-5, WITH ADULT)
Tuesday, December 20, 11 am

Belly Laugh Story Time (AGES 2-5, WITH ADULT)
Tuesday, January 24, 11 am

Happy Valentine's Day Party (AGES 2-5, WITH ADULT)
Tuesday, February 14, 11 am

WALKERSVILLE BRANCH

57 West Frederick Street, Walkersville
301-845-8880

Branch Hours:

Monday & Wednesday 10 am–6 pm
Tuesday & Thursday 10 am–8 pm
Saturday 10 am–5 pm

TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen Crafternoon (GRADES 6-12, NO ADULTS)

Refreshments served.

Monthly on 2nd Thursday at 3:45 pm 🌐

December 8 Duct Tape

January 12 Origami

February 9 Valentines

Teen Book Club (GRADES 6-12, NO ADULTS)

Refreshments served.

Monthly on 3rd Thursdays at 3:45 pm 🌐

December 15 Up in the Air

January 19 T.B.A.

February 16 Love Is in the Air

French Friendship Circle (GRADES 6-12, NO ADULTS)

Refreshments served.

Saturdays at 1:30 pm: December 17,

January 28 🌐

Silent Library (GRADES 6-12, NO ADULTS)

Saturday, January 7, 1:30 pm 🌐

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Gingerbread House (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Bring a candy to share and make your very own gingerbread house. Please do not bring any nuts.

Saturday, December 10, 11 am 🌐

Adventure Book Club (GRADES 2-4)

Refreshments served.

Monthly on 2nd Wednesday at 5:15 pm 🌐

LEGO® Fun! (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Saturday, January 21, 11 am 🌐

Valentine Make and Take (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

All supplies provided.

Saturday, February 11, 11 am





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WINTER 2011/2012 PROGRAMS NORTHERN REGION THURMONT - EMMITSBURG

The library may photograph or videotape patrons for library promotional purposes. Please notify library staff if you do not want yourself or your child to be photographed.

THURMONT REGIONAL LIBRARY

76 East Moser Road, Thurmont
301-600-7200

Branch Hours:

Sunday 1 pm–5 pm
Monday – Thursday 10 am–8 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am–5 pm

FAMILY PROGRAMS

4th Annual Holly Jolly Seasonal Celebration

(ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

The library is a designated “Christmas in Thurmont” site so be sure to get your stamp.

11 am–4 pm Various holiday activities including DIY crafts.

12 pm Lunch and a Movie: *Dr. Seuss’ How the Grinch Stole Christmas*

2 pm Stories with Santa

3 pm Holiday Tunes with Brent & Patty Progecene

Saturday, December 3

Family Game Day (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Wednesday, December 14, All Day

Mr. Willowby’s Christmas Tree Penny Theater

(AGE 3 AND UP, WITH ADULT)

Thursday, December 15, 4:30 pm

Friday, December 16, 10:30 am

Library Art Gallery

Photographer Sharon Forrence

Sundays 1–4 pm: December 4, 11, 18

Mondays 1–5 pm: December 5, 12, 19

Library Art Gallery (ALL AGES)

The new satellite gallery of The Delaplaine Visual Arts Education Center.

Sundays 1–4 pm: February 5, 12, 19, 26

Mondays 1–5 pm: February 6, 13, 27

ADULT PROGRAMS

Free FCC GED Classes

Contact Adult Ed at Frederick Community College 240-629-7960 to register.

Tuesday and Thursday at 12:30 pm:

December 1–29; January 5–31;

February 2–28

Introduction to Basic Computing

Registration is limited. Cancellation must be made one day prior at 301-600-7212.

Wednesday, December 7, 6:30 pm

TEEN PROGRAMS

Anime Club (GRADES 6-12)

Refreshments served.

Monthly on 2nd Thursday at 6 pm:

December 8, January 12, February 9

Learn to “Fight Like a Girl!” (TEEN AND ADULT)

Saturday, December 10, 2 pm

Yarn Creation (GRADES 6-12)

All supplies provided.

Thursday, December 22, 6 pm

Button Bracelet Bonanza (GRADES 6-12)

Thursday, December 29, 6 pm

An Enchanted Medieval Ball for Tweens

(AGES 9-14)

Come dressed as a knight or a princess.

Saturday, January 21, 2 pm

Enchanted - Movie Showing for Tweens

(AGES 9-14)

Saturday, January 21, 3 pm

Medieval Board Games (AGES 9-14)

Saturday, January 21, All Day

Minute to Win It (GRADES 6-12)

Thursday, January 26, 6 pm

Junk to Gems (GRADES 6-12)

Thursday, February 23, 6 pm

CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

Tiny Tots ‘n’ Tunes

(AGES 12-36 MONTHS, WITH ADULT)

Monthly on 1st Friday at 10:15 am

Mondays at 10:15 am: December 19,

January 30, February 27

Tots ‘n’ Tunes (AGES 3-5, WITH ADULT)

Monthly on 1st Friday at 11 am

Lunch and a Movie (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Bring your lunch, a blanket or pillow, and enjoy the movie on the big screen.

Dr. Seuss’ How the Grinch Stole Christmas

Rated PG, 105 minutes

Saturday, December 3, 12 pm

Thomas & Friends: Day of the Diesels

Not Rated, 57 minutes

Tuesday, December 20, 12 pm

The Polar Express Rated G, 100 minutes

Put on your pajamas and curl up for

The Polar Express.

Wednesday, December 21, 12 pm

Mickey’s Christmas Carol Rated G, 26 minutes

Thursday, December 22, 12 pm

Rio Rated G, 96 minutes

Wednesday, December 28, 12 pm

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules

Rated PG, 99 minutes

Friday, December 30, 12 pm

Gnomeo & Juliet Rated G, 84 minutes

Wednesday, January 4, 12 pm

Winnie the Pooh Rated G, 63 minutes

Wednesday, January 18, 12 pm

Cars 2 Rated G, 106 minutes

Saturday, February 25, 12 pm

Born to Play: An Activity Time for Young Children

(6 MONTHS-AGE 5, WITH ADULT)

December 5, 20, 21, 22 and

February 6, 10 am

NEW Terrific Tuesdays (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Tuesdays at 6:30 pm: December 6, 13, 27;

January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31;

February 7, 14, 21, 28

Daring Club for Girls (GRADES 2-5)

Refreshments provided.

Monthly on 2nd Thursday at 4 pm

Krafty Kids (AGES 6-11, WITH ADULT)

Monthly on 2nd Saturday at 10:30 am

First Read Book Club (GRADES 2-4)

Refreshments served.

Monthly on 2nd Wednesday at 4 pm

Little Music Makers (AGES 5-8, WITH ADULT)

Saturdays at 10:30 am: December 17,

January 7

LEGO® Block Party (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Tuesday, December 27, 2 pm

Rock Out @ the Library (AGES 8-11)

Come as you are, or dress like a star (just keep it clean). Light refreshments served.

Friday, January 20, 2 pm

An Enchanted Medieval Ball for Tweens (AGES 9-14)

Come dressed as a knight or a princess.

Saturday, January 21, 2 pm

The Gruffalo Puppet Show (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Monday, January 23, 2 pm

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The Guys Book Club of Supersonic Awesomeness
(AGES 8-12)

Refreshments served.

Wednesdays at 4 pm: January 25,
February 29



Kids in Motion (AGES 3-5, WITH ADULT)

Wear clothing suitable for movement!

Fridays at 10:30 am and 11:30 am:
January 27, February 17

Wags for Hope: Read to a New Dog Friend!
(ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Allergy alert – the dogs are live animals.

Sunday, January 29, 2pm

Happy Groundhog Day (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)
Thursday, February 2, All Day



Valentine's Day Celebration

(AGES 2-8, WITH ADULT)

Refreshments served.

Tuesday, February 14, 4 pm

Kids and Pets in the White House (GRADES 2-6)
Saturday, February 18, 1 pm



Cabin Fever Luau (AGES 3-6 WITH ADULT)

Friday, February 24, 10:30 am

EMMITSBURG BRANCH

300-A South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg
301-600-6329

Branch Hours:

Monday & Wednesday 10 am–6 pm
Tuesday & Thursday 10 am–8 pm
Saturday 10 am–5 pm

TEEN PROGRAMS

Minute to Win It Competition

Thursday, December 1, 5 pm

T.A.G. (GRADES 6-9)

Mondays at 4 pm: December 5,
January 9, February 13

Holiday Gift: Bath Salts

All supplies provided.

Thursday, December 15, 5 pm

Read Anything Book Club (GRADES 6-9)

Mondays at 4 pm: December 19,
January 23, February 27

Murder Mystery Party

Thursday, January 5, 5 pm

Button Bracelet Bonanza

Thursday, January 19, 5 pm

Yarn Creations (GRADES 6-9)

Thursday, February 2, 5 pm

Bird Seed Creation

Thursday, February 16, 5 pm

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Holiday Tea (AGES 2-12, WITH ADULT)

Refreshments served.

Saturday, December 3, 10:30 am

Jr. Gardener's Holiday Program (AGES 6-12)

Saturday, December 10, 10:05 am

Zany Zoo Story Time (AGES 3-10, WITH ADULT)

Bring your favorite stuffed animal to help
create our very own library zoo.

Tuesday, December 27, 10:30 am

LEGO® Builders at the Library

(AGES 3 AND UP, WITH ADULT)

Thursday, December 29, 10:30 am

"Clean Sweep" Art Day (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Saturday, January 7, 11 am

Penguin-Palooza! (AGES 3 AND UP, WITH ADULT)

Refreshments served.

Saturday, January 21, 11 am

Happy Groundhog Day (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Thursday, February 2, All Day



Cabin Fever Luau (AGES 3-8, WITH ADULT)

Saturday, February 4, 11 am



Tiny Tots 'n' Tunes

(AGES 12-36 MONTHS, WITH ADULT)

Monday, February 6, 10:15 am



Tots 'n' Tunes (AGES 3-5, WITH ADULT)

Monday, February 6, 11 am

Have a Heart Outreach Program

(ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Thursday, February 9, All Day

Saturday, February 11, All Day

1 Potato, 2 Potato, 3 Potato, 4...

(ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Refreshments served.

Saturday, February 18, 11 am





Frederick County Public Libraries

WINTER 2011/2012 PROGRAMS

SOUTHERN REGION URBANA - POINT OF ROCKS - BRUNSWICK

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URBANA REGIONAL LIBRARY

9020 Amelung Street, Frederick
301-600-7000

Branch Hours:

Sunday 1 pm–5 pm
Monday – Thursday 10 am–8 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am–5 pm

FAMILY PROGRAMS

5th Annual Joyful Jingles Musical Open House

Light refreshments provided by the Friends of Urbana Regional Library.
Saturday, December 3 and
Sunday, December 4, All Day

TEEN PROGRAMS

Do You Like Japanese Manga and Anime?

Cosplay (dressing as characters) is encouraged.
Snacks served.
Sundays at 2 pm: December 4,
January 8, February 5

Minute to Win It

Competition, laughs, and snacks!
December 8, January 23,
February 23 at 4 pm

Great Books and Pizza

Monday, December 12, 6 pm

It's a Murder Mystery and You are Invited

Snacks served.
Monday, January 9, 6 pm

Make and Take Your Own Valentine Jewelry

Bring beads from home, if you prefer.
Monday, February 13, 6 pm

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Discovery Kids (AGES 3-5, WITH ADULT)

Monthly on 1st Friday at 10:30 am

2nd Annual Gingerbread House Contest (ALL AGES)

Tuesday, December 6, All Day

Holiday Crafts (AGES 6-11)

Tuesdays at 4:15: December 6, 13

How To Use Your Marbles (AGES 6-11)

Bring your own marbles!
Monthly on 2nd Wednesday at 4:15 pm

LEGO® Drop-in Play (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Monthly on 4th Wednesday at 4:15 pm

Music and Motion (WITH ADULT)

Friday, January 13, 10 am
(birth-18 months), 11 am
(18 months-age 3), 12 pm (ages 3-5)

Teddy Bear Sleepover (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Drop off your teddy bear anytime after 6:30 pm,
and pick him up on Wednesday before 8 pm.
Tuesday, January 17, 6:30 pm

Bring the One You Love Dance

(AGES 3 AND UP, WITH ADULT)
Dress to the nines for this special Valentine event.
Saturday, February 11, 1 pm

Kids in Motion (AGES 3-5, WITH ADULT)

Friday, February 24, 10:15 am
and 11:15 am

EDWARD F. FRY MEMORIAL LIBRARY AT POINT OF ROCKS

1635 Ballenger Creek Pike, Point of Rocks
301-874-4560

Branch Hours:

Monday & Wednesday 3 pm–8 pm
Tuesday & Saturday 10 am–3 pm

Bath Salts for Holiday Gifting (AGES 10 AND UP)

All supplies provided.
Wednesday, December 7, 6 pm

Wii Celebrate Winter (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Wednesday, December 21, 6 pm

Young Reader's Wii Game Night (AGES 8-14)

Big Screen-6 x 8 ft. Refreshments.
Wednesday, January 18, 6 pm

Wii Celebrate Valentines (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Multi-screens in two rooms.
Wednesday, February 15, 6 pm

LEGO® at Lunch (AGES 2-5, WITH ADULT)

Simple refreshments served.
Tuesday, February 21, 11 am

Duct Tape Redux (AGES 8 AND UP)

Refreshments served.
Wednesday, January 25, 6 pm.



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BRUNSWICK PUBLIC LIBRARY

915 N. Maple Avenue, Brunswick
301-600-7250

NEW Branch Hours:

Monday – Thursday 10 am–8 pm
Saturday 10 am–5 pm

TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen Book Club (GRADES 6-9, NO ADULTS)
Monthly on 1st Tuesday at 6:30 pm

Anime and Manga Club (GRADES 6-12, NO ADULTS)
Refreshments served.
Tuesdays at 6 pm: December 13, January 10

Act Your Age! Performance
Tuesday, December 20, 6:30 pm

Candy Sushi (GRADES 6-12, NO ADULTS)
Tuesday, January 24, 6 pm

Minute to Win It (GRADES 6-12, NO ADULTS)
Tuesday, February 28, 6 pm

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Learn @ the Library (GRADES K-8)
Library learning for homeschool students.
Monthly on 1st Thursday at 2 pm

Explore @ the Library (ALL AGES)
1st and 3rd Tuesday at 4:30 pm

Bookworms (GRADES K-2)
Refreshments served.
Monthly on 1st Wednesday at 4:30 pm

Remarkable Readers (GRADES K-2)
Refreshments served.
Monthly on 2nd Wednesday at 4:30 pm

Magic Tree House Book Club (GRADES K-2)
Mondays at 4:30 pm: December 19,
January 23, February 27

Explorer's Book Club for Kids (GRADES 3-5)
Refreshments served.
Monthly on 3rd Wednesday at 4:30 pm

Holiday Storytime (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)
Refreshments served.
Thursday, December 22, 6:30 pm

Make and Take Days (ALL AGES)
December 27-29, All Day

ACTING UP! Children's Drama Group (GRADES 1-5)
Performance at 6:30 pm, February 9.
Thursdays at 5:30 pm: January 5, 12, 19, 26;
February 2, 9

Chinese New Year Celebration (ALL AGES)
Monday, January 23, 1 pm

Valentine's Day Sweetheart Dance
(ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)
Dress up in your finest.
Tuesday, February 14, 6:30 pm



THE STORYTIME SHOW WITH MS. JENNI (ALL AGES, WITH ADULT)

Storytelling with a twist—using puppets, acting, games, music, and more to explore the world of books and stories.

DECEMBER

TOYS AND TUNES

Toys and tunes of the holiday season. See a special Santa puppet play and other musical fun.
Friday, 9th, 11 am – C. Burr Artz
Monday, 12th, 10:30 am – Thurmont
Friday, 16th, 11 am – Urbana
Tuesday, 20th, 6:30 pm – Urbana

JANUARY

SNOW, SNOW, SNOW

A winter wonderland of music and stories, including a special snowy puppet show.
Monday, 9th, 10:30 am – Thurmont
Friday, 13th, 11 am – C. Burr Artz
Tuesday, 17th, 6:30 pm – Urbana
Friday, 20th, 11 am – Urbana
Friday, 27th, 11 am – C. Burr Artz

FEBRUARY

LOVE IS IN THE AIR

Celebrate Valentine's Day with songs, stories, and a puppet show about love.
Friday, 10th, 11 am – C. Burr Artz
Monday, 13th, 10:30 am – Thurmont
Tuesday, 21st, 11 am and 6:30 pm – Urbana
Friday, 24th, 11 am – C. Burr Artz

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ON MY NIGHTSTAND



John Fieseler
Executive Director
Tourism Council of Frederick County

Salt...A World History by Mark Kurlansky

This book was lent to me by a friend and wasn't necessarily a title that I otherwise would have picked up. I'm so glad I did! Kurlansky provides an entertaining narration of how a substance that we all take for granted today played a huge role in shaping the world, as a currency and as a cause of wars, determining the location of cities and trade routes. Who knew?



Stephen R. Parnes
Head of School, The Banner School

Ten Hills Farm: The Forgotten History of Slavery in the North
by C. S. Manegold

I just completed and placed back on my nightstand for future reference *Ten Hills Farm*, a fascinating and engaging historical work about slavery in New England. The book focuses on one grand estate just north of Boston and its impressive line of owners, from Massachusetts Bay Colony founder and governor John Winthrop to slave trader and Harvard Law School benefactor Isaac Royall Jr. Appealingly easy to read but still well documented and infused with facts, the book paints a vivid and disturbing picture of both Native American and African slave ownership, plantation life on the Caribbean island of Antigua, and the legacy of this largely overlooked, untold, and unknown history. The story of northern slavery is one that needs to be told and remembered, and Manegold provides a great start to this understanding.



Andrea Lewis
One Maryland One Book Coordinator
Maryland Humanities Council

When She Woke by Hillary Jordan

While at Book Expo (a huge, annual publishing event) in New York City this spring, I struck up many interesting conversations and came home with a stack of great titles to read. One that I've been anticipating picking up is Hillary Jordan's *When She Woke*. The book is set sometime in the near future. Faith and politics have become seriously co-mingled, and those who commit crimes must wear the symbol of their indiscretion for all to see. (Think *The Scarlet Letter* or *The Handmaid's Tale* taken to the next level.) Jordan had me with the first few words—"When she woke, she was red..." and I haven't been able to put it down!