New Castle County

Happenings

WINTER 2020

PARKS ★ SPORTS ★ RECREATION
EVENTS ★ LIBRARIES ★ 55+ ACTIVITIES
FITNESS ★ ARTS ★ AND MORE!

COUNTY EXECUTIVE MATTHEW MEYER
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
DIVISION OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES
Fellow New Castle County Resident,

As the days grow shorter, activities across New Castle County abound! Get in the holiday spirit by celebrating with thousands of your neighbors at the popular Holiday Open House at Rockwood Park on December 6 and 7, and at the Holiday Celebration and Market at Glasgow Park on December 14. Pick up handmade holiday gifts for your loved ones at the Art Studio Pottery Sale, December 9-12, and ring in the New Year with a First Day Hike in scenic Rockwood Park. Recognize Black History Month with programs throughout the month, including “A Celebration of African-American Innovators” on February 1 (see inside back cover). And, finally, participate in one of many book clubs as they gear up for our 2020 New Castle County Reads program featuring the bestselling book *Pachinko* by Min Jin Lee.

When the temperature drops, there are plenty of activities to help you stay warm. Indulge in perfect pies and hearty soups at The Eatery Café at the Route 9 Library, and bundle up and take a brisk walk with the Middle Run Park Hiking Club on Saturdays throughout the winter. Sign up for tennis lessons at the new indoor tennis facility at Delcastle Park or participate in the Ground Hog Golf Tournament right across the street at Delcastle Golf Center on February 1.

Have any overdue library books? During Food for Fines week, December 9-16, pay those fines with a donation of food to support the AFSCME Local 459 Needy Family Fund. Visit one of our 15 county library branches and participate in free tax assistance for qualified residents, college scholarship workshops, literacy programs, technology classes using the latest software and 3D printers, film screenings and book groups – and check out free books and DVDs, too!

The programs and resources featured in the Happenings guide reflect our commitment to enhance the quality of life for all New Castle County residents. Visit newcastlede.gov/happenings to sign up for weekly updates on what’s happening across your county. And, as always, don’t hesitate to share with us your ideas on ways we can better serve you.

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Community Services Phone List

Absalom Jones Senior Center  (302) 995-7636
Appoquinimink Recreation Center  (302) 378-5599
Architectural Accessibility Program  (302) 995-5639
Art Studio  (302) 995-7661
Book Buddy Program  (302) 995-5656
Brandywine Town Center Recreation Center  (302) 571-4004
Carousel Park  (302) 995-7670
Community Development and Housing  (302) 395-5600
Emergency Home Repair Program  (302) 395-5639
First-Time Homebuyer Program  (302) 395-5602
Garfield Park Recreation Center  (302) 571-4004
Glasgow Park Bank Barn/Recreation Center  (302) 395-5651
Hockessin Recreation Center  (302) 239-8861
Homeowner Incentive Program (HIP)  (302) 395-5602
Homeowner Rehabilitation
   Direct Loan (HRDL) Program  (302) 395-5639
   Housing Choice Voucher Program  (302) 395-5600
   Library Administration  (302) 395-5617
   Neighborhood Stabilization Program  (302) 395-5618
   Parks Permits/Pavilion Rental  (302) 395-5606
   Rockwood Park and Museum  (302) 761-4340
   Senior Minor Repair Program  (302) 395-5639
   Senior Roll Call Lifeline Program  (302) 395-8159
   Sports  (302) 395-5890
   Volunteer Opportunities  (302) 395-5651
The members of Council invite you to browse HAPPENINGS, your guide to all the exciting programs and services provided to the citizens of New Castle County. Take a look to learn more about your parks, libraries and wide-ranging recreational and educational activities.
HOME REPAIR PROGRAMS

New Castle County administers programs to assist qualified homeowners make needed repairs to their homes. The programs are designed to correct code violations, repair or replace failing mechanical systems, replace roof, provide accessibility modifications and cost effective energy conservation improvements. The programs are funded by HUD through the Community Development Block Grant Program and are subject to County, State and Federal regulations.

What programs are available?

- The Architectural Accessibility Program for accessibility modifications.
- The Senior Minor Home Repair Program for minor housing repairs.
- The Emergency Repair Loan Program for one critical housing repair need, such as a roof repair or heating system.
- The Homeowner Rehabilitation Loan Program for situations requiring more than one repair.

Note that funding is limited for all programs and there are waiting lists for most programs. Luxury or cosmetic items, additions, landscaping, tree removal, repairs to detached structures and home maintenance items are not eligible.

For more information, call (302) 395-5639 or (302) 395-5698 or visit newcastlede.gov/homerepair.

WORKFORCE HOUSING

Have you always wanted to own new construction? New Castle County is committed to providing quality affordable housing to working families. The Workforce Housing Program is an initiative designed to offer an opportunity to average working people to purchase affordable homes in new construction communities in New Castle County.

If your adjusted gross income falls at or below the amounts listed on the Income Guidelines chart, call (302) 395-5611 or visit newcastlede.gov/workforcehousing for information and how to apply.

INCOME GUIDELINES*

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*Effective April 1, 2018 Subject to change without notice.

COMING SOON!

Beautiful renovated homes in Garfield Park and Overview Gardens! Homes have been completely refurbished. Updates include new roofs, new windows, new siding, new kitchens with all new energy-efficient appliances. Income restrictions and home ownership requirements apply. For additional information, contact Norman Spector at (302) 395-5618 or norman.spector@newcastlede.gov.

BUYING A HOME?

Let New Castle County’s DPS Loan Program help you with your Down Payment and Settlement Costs. Program provides up to $5,000 in assistance at 0% for up to 8 years. Income limit of 80% Median Income (see chart on this page). For more information, call (302) 395-5602 or visit newcastlede.gov/housing.
The Art Studio

Discover your creative side

CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS FOR ADULTS AND TEENS

CLAY

POTTERY
Instructors: Brenda Kingham and Betsy Conlan
Ten 3-hour classes, $240R/$250NR
Tue 10 a.m.-1 p.m. 1/21-3/24
Tue 6:9 p.m. 1/21-3/24
Wed 10 a.m.-1 p.m. 1/22-3/25
Wed 6:9 p.m. 1/22-3/25
Thu 10 a.m.-1 p.m. 1/23-3/26
Thu 6:9 p.m. 1/23-3/26
Studio also open Mondays starting 1/27
No open studio 2/3, 2/17
Learn hand-building, throwing, wheel techniques and glazing. All levels. Additional $60 fee for glazing and firing. Clay and tools may be purchased in class. Teens/Adults

DRAWING AND PAINTING

ABORIGINAL DOT PAINTING
Instructor: Mary Wimberley
Two 2-hour classes, $44R/$49N R
Tue 6:30-8:30 p.m. 1/28, 2/4
Use dots of varying sizes to create a painting of your favorite animal inspired by Australian Aboriginal art. Begin with a meditation and get ready to create. Additional $15 materials fee due to instructor. Teens/Adults

AURORA BOREALIS WATERCOLOR
Instructor: Mary Wimberley
One 2-hour class, $22R/$27N R
Mon 6:30-8:30 p.m. 1/13
Create a watercolor landscape featuring the Aurora Borealis polar lights and tree skyline. Learn watercolor wet-on-wet technique to create a magical nighttime composition. Begin with a meditation and get ready to create. Additional $10 materials fee due to instructor. Teens/Adults

BEYOND BEGINNER’S WATERCOLOR
Instructor: Karen Berstler
Six 2-hour classes, $96R/$102N R
Wed 6:30-8:30 p.m. 1/8-2/12
Explore the use of light, shadow and color to create form and focus on painting from life. Learn different design concepts and complete small practice projects. Complete a still-life painting as the final project. Previous experience required. Additional $29 materials fee due to instructor. Bring own materials in lieu of material fee. Teens/Adults

DRAWING FOR BEGINNERS
Instructor: Bob Palandrani
Four 2-hour classes, $88R/$93N R
Mon 6:30-8:30 p.m. 2/24-3/16
Working from still life, learn drawing fundamentals focusing on gesture drawing, observation skills, shading and perspective. Bring a pencil and any sized sketch pad. Teens/Adults

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BOHO ICE-DYED SCARVES
Instructor: Sarah Dressler
One 1½-hour class, $16.50R/$21.50NR
Mon 6-7:30 p.m. 12/9
Ice dying creates a one-of-a-kind pattern, creating unique works of beauty that you can wear. Each scarf is graced with subtle color changes and stunning contrasts as the ice melts and carries the dye into the silk. Scarves may be completed by instructor. Additional $20 materials fee due to instructor. Teens/Adults

INDIGO-DYED SCARVES
Instructor: Sarah Dressler
One 1½-hour class, $16.50R/$21.50NR
Mon 6-7:30 p.m. 12/16
Indigo dying is fun and even beginners end up with stunning results. The fabric first comes out of the dye bath bright green and turns to deep blue right before your eyes. Dye and silk scarf are provided. Bring your own cotton/linen items to dye, if desired. Wear clothes that can get dirty as the dye is permanent. Additional $20 materials fee due to instructor. Teens/Adults

NUNO SILK SCARVES
Instructor: Sarah Dressler
One 4½-hour class, $49.50R/$54.50NR
Sat 1:30-6 p.m. 1/11
Layer fine, hand-dyed silk cloth and wisps of soft merino wool to felt fibers together, creating a light, beautifully textured scarf. Process is very hands-on. Ice or indigo scarf can be embellished with this process. Additional $30 materials fee due to instructor ($15 if using ice or indigo dyed scarf from previous class). Teens/Adults

WET-FELTED FLOWERS
Instructor: Sarah Dressler
One 1½-hour class, $16.50R/$21.50NR
Sat 1:30-3 p.m. 2/8
Explore the process of using soft unspun merino wool roving, soapy water and your own hands to create lovely flowers that make great accessories or embellishments. No experience needed. Additional $35 materials fee due to instructor. Teens/Adults

WEAVING OPEN STUDIO
Instructor: Gail Pietrzyk
3-hour classes, $15/class, payable to instructor
Tue 6-9 p.m. Dec-Feb
No class 12/24, 12/31
Open studio for beginning and experienced weavers to work on floor looms. Tabletop looms also available. Teens/Adults

JEWELRY
CONNECTING GENERATIONS: FELT BEAD JEWELRY
Instructor: Sarah Dressler
One 3-hour class, $33R/$38NR
Sat 1:30-4:30 p.m. 12/14
Try something new and experience art with your family and friends. Use fine wool roving, soap and friction to create fun colorful felt beads. Combine with decorative threads and glass bead accents to make a bracelet, earrings or necklace. Additional $15 materials fee due to instructor. Ages 6-Adults, under age 17 with a Caregiver

See listing under Hockessin Library (page 53) for String Art.
HAMMERED-METAL HAIR ACCESSORIES
Instructor: Kat George
One 2-hour class, $22R/$27NR
Wed 6-8 p.m. 12/11
Make simple yet elegant hair pins and bun holders using brass and copper. Hammers and bench anvils are used. Finished projects make perfect gifts! Additional $10 materials fee due to instructor. Teens/Adults

MIXED MEDIA/FINE CRAFTS

ALCOHOL INK CARDS
Instructor: Catherine Houghton
One 2½-hour class, $27.50R/$32.50NR
Sat 1-3:30 p.m. 2/1
Make one-of-a-kind cards for all occasions using alcohol inks! Materials include four cards and envelopes. Add embellishments like ribbons, rhinestones and paper punches to give your cards added sentiment. Additional $20 materials fee due to instructor. Teens/Adults

ALCOHOL INK ORNAMENTS
Instructor: Catherine Houghton
One 2-hour class, $22R/$27NR
Sat 1-3 p.m. 12/7
Learn how to use alcohol inks and compressed air to create three one-of-a-kind glass ornaments. Materials also include ribbons, a gift box for one large ornament and gift tags that can be decorated. Additional $10 materials fee due to instructor. Teens/Adults

COLLAGE AND MIXED MEDIA 101
Instructor: Olivia DiFilippo
Three 1¾-hour classes, $57.75R/$62.75NR
Mon 6:15-8 p.m. 12/2-12/16
Appreciate art in your everyday life. Learn out-of-the-box collage techniques, helping you express emotion or simply make a gift for someone special. Collage is an accessible medium for all abilities. Push the boundaries of initial ideas of collage and learn new techniques. Additional $25 materials fee due to instructor. Teens/Adults

CONNECTING GENERATIONS: VALENTINE EXTRAVAGANZA
Instructor: Jenny Graham
One ½-hour class, $16.50R/$21.50NR
Sat 12:30-2 p.m. 2/8
Try something new and experience art with your family and friends. Create an old-fashioned valentine with colorful paper, gemstones, sparkles, printed papers and lace doilies while enjoying time together. Additional $5 materials fee due to instructor. Ages 6-Adults, under age 17 with a Caregiver

DECORATIVE PAPER
Instructor: Sarah Dressler
One 2-hour class, $22R/$27NR
Mon 6-8 p.m. 12/2
Explore different methods of making handmade decorative papers that can be used for scrapbooks, handmade cards, gift wrap, collages and mixed media projects. Additional $15 materials fee due to instructor. Teens/Adults

HAND-STITCHED LEATHER POCKET JOURNALS
Instructor: Kat George
One 2-hour class, $22R/$27NR
Wed 6-8 p.m. 12/4
Create handy pocket journals using a medieval limp binding process. Sharp tools are used. Perfect gifts! Additional $5 materials fee due to instructor. Teens/Adults

HENNA-DESIGNED ORNAMENTS
Instructor: Christina DePina
One 2-hour class, $22R/$27NR
Tue 6-8 p.m. 12/3
Design whimsical ornaments with hand-drawn designs made with paint-filled henna cones. Learn to roll henna cones and henna painting techniques. Additional $20 materials fee due to instructor. Teens/Adults

HOLIDAY CENTERPIECES
Instructor: Kathy Andrzejewski
One 2-hour class, $22R/$27NR
Wed 6:30-8:30 p.m. 12/18
Learn floral design techniques to create an elongated table centerpiece complete with taper candles to adorn your holiday table or to give as a gift. Combine fresh evergreens, flowers and other materials. Additional $25 materials fee due to instructor. Adults

ONE DAY, ONE BOOK
Instructors: Jill Cypher and Ray Nichols, Lead Graffiti
Three 3-hour classes, $99R/$104NR
Tue 6-9 p.m. 2/4-2/18
Learn to make a classic hand-sewn book from cover-to-cover, personalized by you. Perfect for the novice or anyone who wants to polish their bookmaking skills. Additional $25 materials fee due to instructor. Teens/Adults

PAINTING DECORATIVE PASTE PAPER
Instructors: Jill Cypher and Ray Nichols, Lead Graffiti
Two 3-hour classes, $66R/$71NR
Tue 6-9 p.m. 1/7, 1/14
Creating paste paper is exhilarating, whether you’re into book arts, journaling, scrapbooking, crafting or just having fun. Paint a stack of paste paper and then apply them to a box or frame. Additional $25 materials fee due to instructor. Teens/Adults

VALENTINE’S DAY TERRARIUMS
Instructor: Kathy Andrzejewski
One 2-hour class, $22R/$27NR
Mon 6:30-8:30 p.m. 2/10
Learn the basics of making a terrarium while creating a heartfelt gift for yourself or someone you love. Additional $25 materials fee due to instructor. Adults

See listing under Bear Library (page 44) for Op Art. See listing under Claymont Library (page 48) for Pop-Up Holiday Cards.
CHILDREN’S CLASSES

ART CART
Instructor: Jenny Graham
Eight 1½-hour classes, $96R/ $104NR
Tue 5:30-7 p.m. 1/7-2/25
Create one-of-a-kind drawings, paintings and mixed media while learning basic principles of design. Additional $30 materials fee due to instructor. Ages 6-12

BALLET XOCHIQUETZAL DELAWARE
Instructor: Alba Salazar
2-hour classes, $10 due to instructor per month
Thu 6:30-8:30 p.m. Dec-Feb
Learn traditional Latin American dances emphasizing folk culture. Dances are presented in traditional Mexican costumes. Email Salazar_alba@yahoo.com or call (302) 388-5979 to register. Ages 4+

CARNIVAL AND MASK MAKING
Instructor: Jenny Graham
Eight 1½-hour classes, $96R/ $104NR
Sat 9-10:30 a.m. 1/18-3/7
Celebrate carnivals and mask-making themes in this mixed media class using grease crayons, watercolors, collage and found objects. Create fun-filled images of whimsy and celebration. Additional $30 materials fee due to instructor. Ages 10-17

CLAY WORKS
Instructor: Bridgette Zack
Eight 1½-hour classes, $96R/ $104NR
Sat 10:40 a.m.-12:10 p.m. 1/18-3/7
Learn fundamental hand-building techniques and get an introduction to the potter’s wheel. Explore both functional and sculptural pieces. Additional $30 materials fee due to instructor. Ages 10-17

DRAWING AND PAINTING
Instructor: Seong Boyce
Eight 1½-hour classes, $96R/ $104NR
Ages 10-17
Sat 9-10:30 a.m. 1/18-3/7
Ages 6-9
Sat 10:40 a.m.-12:10 p.m. 1/18-3/7
Learn techniques of drawing and painting. Creative expression is encouraged while learning basic skills with the younger age group. Additional $30 materials fee due to instructor. Ages 6-9 and 10-17

FUN WITH CLAY
Instructor: Bridgette Zack
Eight 1½-hour classes, $96R/ $104NR
Sat 10:40 a.m.-12:10 p.m. 1/18-3/7
Learn techniques and create new pieces using coils, slabs, pinching and sculpting techniques. Additional $30 materials fee due to instructor. Ages 6-9

GIRL SCOUTS: POTTER FOR A DAY
Instructor: Bridgette Zack
One 3-hour class, $35
Sat 1-4 p.m. 1/25
Become a potter for a day! Learn tricks of the trade from hand building to painting and glazing. Create your own small hand-built pot and use glaze to paint a tile. Includes Potter Artist Badge. Ages 7-9

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# The Art Studio

## KALEIDOSCOPE STUDIO AND ADAPTIVE ART PROGRAMS

### ART CLASS FOR CAREGIVERS
Instructor: Lisa Bartoli
One 2-hour class, $10/person
Thu 6-8 p.m. 12/5, 1/16, 2/20
Celebrate you, the caregiver. Pamper yourself with a night of creativity, friendship and fun. Each session introduces a new technique to promote your personal happiness and self-care through imaginative and creative avenues. **Additional $3 materials fee due to instructor. Adults**

### OPEN STUDIO TIME
Instructor: Lisa Bartoli
2-hour classes, $5/session
Thu 12:30-2:30 p.m. Dec-Feb
No class 12/19, 12/26, 1/2
This open studio exposes students to clay, sculpture, watercolor and acrylic painting, drawing, photography, oil pastels, mixed media, music, creative movement and drama. Work on projects on a long-term basis. **Call (302) 995-7661 at least one day before program to register. Ages 16-Adults**

### PAINT PARTY
Instructor: Lisa Bartoli
One 2-hour class, $10/person
Thu 6-8 p.m. 12/12
A fun and inclusive evening of painting and socializing in partnership with Art Therapy Express. Paint beautiful pieces of art while learning how to express yourself creatively! **Additional $3 materials fee due to instructor. Adults**

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- Children's Dental Health
- Incyte
- CSC
- NAI Group
- Pettinaro
- DSM Commercial Real Estate Services
- Comcast
- United Healthcare
- Rebold Group
- fios
- MosquitoRanger
- NAI Group
- Wilmington University

And to all New Castle County residents... without you, these events wouldn’t be possible!
55+ Lifestyle Centers

Our 55+ Lifestyle Centers are warm, friendly places to make new friends or visit old ones. Benefits include member discounts on trips and programs. Select fitness and creative programs are FREE for 55+ Lifestyle members. Absalom Jones Senior Center offers free transportation to and from the center and also serves lunch daily.

Sign up today at any center or visit newcastlede.gov/55plus!

ABSALOM JONES SENIOR CENTER
310 Kiamensi Road, Wilmington, (302) 995-7636
Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Free transportation to and from the center.
Lunch served daily, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
for a suggested donation of $2.25

APPOQUINIMINK RECREATION CENTER
651 North Broad St., Middletown, (302) 378-5599
Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

GARFIELD PARK RECREATION CENTER
26 Karlyn Drive, New Castle, (302) 571-4004
Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-8 p.m.
Saturday, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

HOCKESSIN RECREATION CENTER
7259 Lancaster Pike, Hockessin, (302) 239-8861
Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-8 p.m.;
Friday, 8 a.m.-12 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Centers close at 12 p.m. for the holidays on December 24,
February 3 and February 17. Centers are closed all day for
the holidays on December 25, January 1 and January 20.

55+ LIFESTYLE CENTERS

Registration is required for most activities at newcastlede.gov/happenings.
For some activities, you may register by phone.

Group Exercise and Dance

CARDIO EXERCISE
Instructor: Deborah A. Jalosky
1-hour classes, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members, donations appreciated
Mon 12:30-1:30 p.m. Dec-Feb
30-minute classes, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members, donations appreciated
Tue 1:30-2 p.m. Dec-Feb
No class 12/24, 1/20, 1/3, 1/20
Get your heart pumping in this class! Adults

GROUP EXERCISE
Instructor: Deborah A. Jalosky
1-hour classes, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members, donations appreciated
Tue/Thu 12:30-1:30 p.m. Dec-Feb
No class 12/24
Stay active and get fit with your friends. Adults

LINE DANCING
Instructor: Winston Gacutan
45-minute classes, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members, donations appreciated
Mon 10:30-11:30 a.m. Dec-Feb
Line dancing with country, oldies and soul! Adults

SITTING TAI CHI
Instructor: Kevin Sun
45-minute classes, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members, donations appreciated
Wed 10-11 a.m. Dec-Feb
Sitting Tai Chi offers a more stable way to try out the flowing movements of traditional Tai Chi. Adults

TAI CHI
Instructor: Fang ‘W U Sun
1-hour classes, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members, donations appreciated
Wed 10-11 a.m. Dec-Feb
Fri 9:30-10:30 a.m. Dec-Feb
No class 12/25, 1/1
Tai Chi combines soft, flowing movements with proper breathing techniques. Continued practice can relieve stress, increase strength and flexibility energize the body and even lower blood pressure. Adults
Members of the 55+ Lifestyle Centers are invited to have lunch 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Monday-Friday at Absalom Jones Senior Center. Come early for a program or exercise and stay for lunch! Call (302) 995-7636 for details and place your order.

**APPOQUINIMINK RECREATION CENTER**

**Instructional and Educational**

**MONDAY MORNING MINGLE**

2-hour programs, FREE
Mon 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Dec-Feb

**Featured monthly speakers**

1-hour program, FREE
A re You Strong Enough?
Mon 10:30-11:30 a.m. 12/9
Benefits of Exercise
Mon 10:30-11:30 a.m. 1/13
A rheumatics and Joint Conversation
Mon 10:30-11:30 a.m. 2/24

Get to know your MOT neighbors by joining us for free coffee and a social time with opportunities to play games and trivia, walk to music and enjoy a monthly guest speaker. Call (302) 378-5599 for information. Adults

**BACKWARDS WALKING**

Instructor: Andrew Holtz, PrimeUFitness.com
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Wed 8:30-9:30 a.m. Dec-Feb
No class 12/25, 1/1

Walking backwards puts less strain and requires less range of motion from your knee joints, which is useful for people with knee problems or injuries. Adults

**BEGINNER LINE DANCING**

Instructor: Winston Gacutan
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Mon/Thu 12-1 p.m. Dec-Feb
No class 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

Learn basic line dances and show off your skills in the last half of the class. Adults

**SUPER STRIDERS WALKING CLUB**

1½-hour sessions, FREE
Mon-Thu 8-9:30 a.m. Dec-Feb
No session 12/25, 1/1, 1/20

Enter to win great prizes by reaching personal goals and document daily mileage. Prizes awarded quarterly. Walk to win! Adults

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No class 12/25, 1/1

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1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Mon/Thu 12-1 p.m. Dec-Feb
No class 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

Learn basic line dances and show off your skills in the last half of the class. Adults

**SUPER STRIDERS WALKING CLUB**

1½-hour sessions, FREE
Mon-Thu 8-9:30 a.m. Dec-Feb
No session 12/25, 1/1, 1/20

Enter to win great prizes by reaching personal goals and document daily mileage. Prizes awarded quarterly. Walk to win! Adults

**TWO STRIDERS WALKING CLUB**

1½-hour sessions, FREE
Mon-Thu 8-9:30 a.m. Dec-Feb
No session 12/25, 1/1, 1/20

Enter to win great prizes by reaching personal goals and document daily mileage. Prizes awarded quarterly. Walk to win! Adults

**YES U CAN**

See page 21. Adults

**HOCKESSIN RECREATION CENTER**

**DROP-IN PROGRAMS**

See page 21. Adults

**Instructional and Educational**

**BOOK CLUB**

See page 18. Adults

**BRIDGE CLUB**

2-hour programs, FREE
Tue 12:30-2:30 p.m. Dec-Feb
No program 12/24

Experienced players only are invited to join the Bridge Club. Adults

**KNITTING CIRCLE**

See page 18. Adults

**Group Exercise and Dance**

**BARRE SCULPT**

Instructor: Yolanda Hernandez
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Mon 10-11 a.m. Dec-Feb
No class 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

This workout sculpts, slims and stretches your entire body to improve balance, flexibility, core strength and muscle tone. Using light hand weights, this low-impact workout is appropriate for various fitness levels. Bring a medium-thickness floor mat. Adults

**Yoga and Yogilates**

**BEGINNER/INTERMEDIATE YOGA**

Instructor: Rebecca Keifer
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Tue/Thu 9:30-10:30 a.m. Dec-Feb

Get introduced to yogic postures, alignment and breathing to promote energy and restore balance. Bring a yoga mat, towel and a bottle of water. Adults

**GARFIELD PARK RECREATION CENTER**

**DROP-IN PROGRAMS**

See page 21. Adults

**Group Exercise and Dance**

**BABY BOOMER FITNESS**

Instructor: Andrew Holtz, PrimeUFitness.com
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Tue/Thu 9:30-10:30 a.m. Dec-Feb

Learn how to use common fitness center equipment while developing an effective fitness program, focusing on safe strength training techniques and injury prevention. Adults

**TWO STRIDERS WALKING CLUB**

1½-hour sessions, FREE
Mon-Thu 8-9:30 a.m. Dec-Feb
No session 12/25, 1/1, 1/20

Enter to win great prizes by reaching personal goals and document daily mileage. Prizes awarded quarterly. Walk to win! Adults

**TWO STRIDERS WALKING CLUB**

1½-hour sessions, FREE
Mon-Thu 8-9:30 a.m. Dec-Feb
No session 12/25, 1/1, 1/20

Enter to win great prizes by reaching personal goals and document daily mileage. Prizes awarded quarterly. Walk to win! Adults

**TAI CHI**

Instructor: Winston Gacutan
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Tue 10:30-11:30 a.m. Dec-Feb

Tai Chi combines soft flowing movements with proper breathing techniques. Continued practice can relieve stress, increase strength and flexibility, energize the body and even lower blood pressure. Adults

**Yoga and Yogilates**

**BEGINNER/INTERMEDIATE YOGA**

Instructor: Rebecca Keifer
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Tue/Thu 9:30-10:30 a.m. Dec-Feb

Get introduced to yogic postures, alignment and breathing to promote energy and restore balance. Bring a yoga mat, towel and a bottle of water. Adults

**HOCKESSIN RECREATION CENTER**

**DROP-IN PROGRAMS**

See page 21. Adults

**Instructional and Educational**

**BOOK CLUB**

See page 18. Adults

**BRIDGE CLUB**

2-hour programs, FREE
Tue 12:30-2:30 p.m. Dec-Feb
No program 12/24

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**KNITTING CIRCLE**

See page 18. Adults

**Group Exercise and Dance**

**BARRE SCULPT**

Instructor: Yolanda Hernandez
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Mon 10-11 a.m. Dec-Feb
No class 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

This workout sculpts, slims and stretches your entire body to improve balance, flexibility, core strength and muscle tone. Using light hand weights, this low-impact workout is appropriate for various fitness levels. Bring a medium-thickness floor mat. Adults
DANCE FIT
Instructor: Yolanda Hernandez
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Tue 10:30-11:30 a.m. Dec-Feb
No class 12/24, 12/31
This is a fun dance fusion workout set to an eclectic collection of music. Each workout offers well-balanced intervals and movements to inspire and energize you.
Adults

ESSENTRICS
Instructor: Yolanda Hernandez
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Wed 10-11 a.m. Dec-Feb
No class 12/25, 1/1
Essentrics is a dynamic flowing, strengthening and stretching workout that increases your overall strength and flexibility, makes your waist thinner, stomach flatter, legs leaner and butt toned.
Adults

PARKINSON'S AEROBICS CLASS
See page 21. Adults

PROGRESSIVE LINE DANCING
Instructor: Joanne Brady
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Wed 12-1 p.m. Dec-Feb
No class 12/25, 1/1, 1/22, 2/26
Learn the basic component steps to build a foundation for all types of line dancing from country and oldies to modern rock and pop.
Adults

SITTIN' BE FIT
Instructor: Eric Wolf
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Tue/Thu 9:15-10:15 a.m. Dec
No class 12/24, 12/31
As a beginner-paced workout designed for first-timers, seniors and the overweight, this training program targets gradual improvements in balance, strength and well-being over time.
Adults

TAI CHI
Instructor: Art Ferris
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Mon/ Wed 9-10 a.m. Dec-Feb
No class 12/25, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17
Tai Chi combines soft flowing movements with proper breathing techniques. Continued practice can relieve stress, increase strength and flexibility, energize the body and even lower blood pressure.
Adults

TREADMILL OR BICYCLING
FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Mon-Thu 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Dec-Feb
Fri-Sat 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Dec-Feb
No program 12/25, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17
Work out in the lounge area of the center on either a stationary bicycle or treadmill during our 55+ Lifestyle hours.
Adults

Yoga and Yogilates

CHAIR YOGA
Instructor: Caitlin Reilly
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Mon 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Dec-Feb
No class 1/20, 2/3, 2/17
Learn yogic breathing and a sequence of poses for strength, flexibility and balance using a chair as a prop. All levels welcome!
Adults

CORE STABILITY YOGA
See page 20. Adults

SENIOR STRENGTH AND BALANCE
Instructor: Ricardo Narvaez
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Tue 8:25-9:25 a.m. Dec-Feb
No class 12/24, 12/31
Focus on bone strength, posture, balance, flexibility and muscle tone. Use of dumbbells allows you to develop strength. Bring a padded mat and hand weights to class.
Adults

SENIOR STRENGTH YOGILATES
Instructor: Caitlin Reilly
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class, FREE for 55+ Lifestyle Members
Thu 10:40-11:40 a.m. Dec-Feb
Designed specifically for seniors, a combination of yoga and Pilates movements help improve balance, strength and flexibility.
Adults

55+ TRIPS
All trips depart from Absalom Jones Senior Center. Call (302) 995-7636 to reserve a seat. Many local trips are available, such as the popular mystery trips and local shopping. Stop by and find out more information!

“EXIT LAUGHING” COMEDY PLAY
SITE: RAINBOW COMEDY PLAYHOUSE, PARADISE, PA
One 7-hour trip, $54, includes lunch
Wed 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 2/12
Start the new year on a happy note.
Ages 55+

HOLIDAY SHOW: JOY TO THE WORLD
SITE: AMERICAN MUSIC THEATRE, LANCASTER, PA
One 7-hour trip, $43, lunch not included
Thu 11:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. 12/19
Start your holiday at the theatre.
Ages 55+

NATIONAL WATCH AND CLOCK MUSEUM
SITE: COLUMBIA, PA
One 7-hour trip, $5, lunch not included
Wed 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 1/15
Enjoy a trip through time.
Ages 55+

WIND CREEK CASINO
SITE: BETHLEHEM, PA
One 10-hour trip, $36, lunch not included
Fri 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. 2/28
Visit Wind Creek Casino, formerly Sands. Change of name, change of luck!
Ages 55+
Join the team that makes all of New Castle County’s events and programs possible. Learn more about each event and sign up today!

**Holiday Open House:** Rockwood Park, December 6 and 7
**Treats with Sants:** Absalom Jones Community Center, December 7
**Holiday Celebration and Market:** Glasgow Park, December 13
**Candlelight Tours:** Rockwood Mansion, December 13 and 14, December 20 and 21
**Black History Month Program:** Walnut Street YMCA, February 1
**Women’s History Month Program:** Rockwood Park, March 8

Other volunteer opportunities are available at Rockwood Park and Museum, Carousel Park and Equestrian Center, at Farmers Markets and in libraries.

**Earn volunteer hours and give back to the community.**
**Visit newcastledo.gov/volunteer to sign up today.**

County Executive
Matthew Meyer
Recreation Centers

Live Healthy
New Castle County

APPOQUINIMINK RECREATION CENTER
651 North Broad St., Middletown (302) 378-5599
Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

BRANDYWINE RECREATION CENTER
at Brandywine Town Center
4050 Brandywine Parkway, Wilmington (302) 571-4004
Tuesday and Thursday, 5-9 p.m.
Call (302) 761-4340 for permits and reservations.

GARFIELD PARK RECREATION CENTER
26 Karlyn Drive, New Castle (302) 571-4004
Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-8 p.m.
Saturday, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Closed Friday

HOCKESSIN RECREATION CENTER
7259 Lancaster Pike, Hockessin (302) 239-8861
Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-8 p.m.
Saturday, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Friday, 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

Centers close at 12 p.m. for the holidays on December 24, February 3 and February 17.
Centers are closed all day for the holidays on December 25, January 1 and January 20.

LOOKING FOR A SUMMER JOB?
Summer Youth Employment
Jobs for income-eligible youth ages 14-20

Applications available online or
at these locations as of February 1:

Gilliam Community Services Building,
77 Reads Way, New Castle 19720
Appoquinimink Library,
651 N. Broad St., Middletown 19709

GET A JOB! GET EXPERIENCE!
GET A CAREER!
NEWCASTLEDE.GOV/SYEP
Recreation Centers

APPOQUINIMINK RECREATION CENTER

Unless otherwise noted, registration is required for all classes by calling (302) 378-5599.

CHILDREN
Instructional and Educational

CREATIVE ART SATURDAYS
See page 9. All ages

MOVERS AND SHAKERS
Instructor: Karen Champion
Three 45-minute classes, $15R/ $20NR
Thu 6-6:45 p.m. Dec
Four 45-minute classes, $20R/ $25NR
Thu 6-6:45 p.m. Jan
Thu 6-6:45 p.m. Feb
No class 12/26, 1/2

Enjoy songs, lyrics, rhythm, games and activities. Explore song, dance and colorful musical instruments of all kinds. Ages 9 Months-5 with a Caregiver.

SIGN, SING AND PLAY
Instructor: Larrin Medora and Karen Champion
Three 45-minute classes, $15R/ $20NR
Wed 10-10:45 a.m. Dec
Wed 11-11:45 a.m. Dec
Four 45-minute classes, $20R/ $25NR
Wed 10-10:45 a.m. Jan
Wed 11-11:45 a.m. Jan
Wed 10-10:45 a.m. Feb
Wed 11-11:45 a.m. Feb
No class 12/25, 1/1

Opportunity for social interaction and potential friendships abound, playing and learning signs and songs related to a theme. Ages 9 Months-5 with a Caregiver.

PSAT/SAT PREP
Instructor: Jane Reames, MEd
Four 1½-hour classes, FREE
Thu 7-8:30 p.m. 1/9-1/30
Thu 7-8:30 p.m. 2/6-2/27

PSAT and SAT preparation including tips on test taking. Grades 7-12

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Registration required for all programs at newcastlede.gov/happenings unless otherwise indicated.

ADULTS
Instructional and Educational

DEFENSIVE DRIVING: ADVANCED
Instructor: Delaware Safety Council
One 3-hour class,
$30 payable to DSC at class
Sat 9 a.m.-12 p.m. 12/7, 1/4, 2/1

This refresher class results in a 15% reduction on the liability portion of car insurance and a three-point credit on your Delaware driving record for three additional years. Call (302) 276-0660 or (800) 342-2287 to register. Ages 16-Adults

MONDAY MORNING MINGLE
See page 12. Ages 55+

Yoga and Yogilates

BEGINNER/INTERMEDIATE YOGA
Instructor: Lisa Reagan
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class
Thu 9-10 a.m. Dec-Feb
Tue 10:30-11:30 a.m. Dec-Feb
No class 12/17, 12/24

Learn yogic postures, alignment and breathing to promote energy and restore balance. Bring a yoga mat, towel and water. Adults

CHAIR YOGA/MEDITATION
Instructor: Lisa Reagan
45-minute classes, $5 drop-in fee/class
Thu 10:15-11 a.m. Dec-Feb

Chair yoga is a gentle practice done using a chair for assistance and is a perfect exercise for those suffering for many conditions including chronic pain, osteoporosis, multiple sclerosis and more. Adults

BRANDYWINE TOWN CENTER

ADULTS
Instructional and Educational

IKEBANA: JAPANESE FLOWER ARRANGING
Instructor: Midori Tanimune
Six 2-hour classes, $72R/ $78NR
Thu 7-9 p.m. 1/9-2/20

No class 2/6

Open your eyes to a unique, ancient style of flower arranging. Additional $5-$10 plant fee due to instructor at each class. Adults

Group Exercise and Dance

BALLROOM DANCING
Instructor: Bill Sapp
Four 1-hour classes, $24R/ $29NR
Very Basic Steps Group: Fox Trot/ Mambo
Wed 5-6 p.m. Jan
Social Group: Tango/Samba
Wed 6-7 p.m. Jan
Intermediate Group: Waltz/ Cha-Cha
Wed 7-8 p.m. Jan
V ery Basic Steps Group: Tango/ Cha-Cha
Wed 5-6 p.m. Feb
Social Group: Waltz/ Rumba
Wed 6-7 p.m. Feb
Intermediate Group: Fox Trot/ Swing
Wed 7-8 p.m. Feb

Learn to do dance steps correctly and with flair. You may even learn a few patterns to make people notice your technique on the dance floor. No partner necessary. Adults

BALLROOM OPEN COMMUNITY DANCES
Instructor: Bill Sapp
Advanced Group Instruction, 1-hour classes, $8/ person
Fri 6:30-7:30 p.m. 12/6, 1/3, 2/7
Social Group, 1-hour classes, FREE
Fri 7:30-8:30 p.m. 12/6, 1/3, 2/7

Social Dance, 3-hour programs, $15/ person at door
Fri 8-11 p.m. 12/6, 1/3, 2/7

A dance party in your neighborhood! No partner necessary. Refreshments. Reserve tables for eight or more people. Email BillSappPhone@gmail.com or call (302) 897-5228 for information. Adults

*If you are unemployed, Department of Community Services offers one free program per month with proof of unemployment.*
LINE DANCING
Instructor: Mary Chrzanowski
Four 1-hour classes, $24R/$29NR
Thu 6-7 p.m. Dec
Thu 6-7 p.m. Feb
Five 1-hour classes, $30R/$35NR
Thu 6-7 p.m. Jan
Easy classic and oldies line dances. Learn the basic rhythms and component steps to build a foundation for dancing. Adults

TWEENS AND TEENS
Group Exercise and Dance

AIKIDO
Instructors: John Hudfield and Stefan Pisocki
1-hour classes, $75/month, payable to instructor
Tue/Thu 6:30-7:30 p.m. Dec-Feb
Sat 9-10 a.m. Dec-Feb
A powerful martial arts form grounded in a nonviolent philosophy that increases body awareness, energy flow and ease of movement. For information or to register, call (302) 368-7081 or visit diamondstateai dildo.com. Ages 16-Adults

HEART OF A VET
Instructor: Gary Black, VITAS Healthcare
One 1-hour program, FREE
Wed 9:30-10:30 a.m. 2/5
Gary Black, a 26-year US Army veteran, discusses and educates on the individual characteristics of veterans from different eras and their common bonds. Adults

HEALTH AND EXERCISE
Instructor: Wendie Brost, Fox Rehab
One 30-minute program, FREE
Conserving your energy
Wed 10-10:30 a.m. 12/4, 2/5
Healthy Relationships
Wed 10-10:30 a.m. 1/8
Call (302) 571-4004 to register. Adults

HEALTHY AND ACTIVE LIVING
Instructor: State of Delaware, Division of Public Health
One 1-hour program, FREE
Stress Management
Tue 10-11 a.m. 12/3
Healthy Relationships
Thu 10-11 a.m. 1/8
Call (302) 571-4004 to register. Adults

FINANCIAL GAMES
Instructor: Sue Yukom, Dover Federal Credit Union
One 1-hour program, FREE
Tue 10-11 a.m. 12/10, 2/11
An array of games and prizes pertaining to financial questions and answers. Adults

SELF-DEFENSE
Instructor: Gary Black, VITAS Healthcare
One 1-hour program, FREE
Thu 9:30-10:30 a.m. 12/5
A self-defense awareness class in preparation for National Personal Self-Defense Awareness Month. Basic techniques taught. Adults

Yoga and Yogilates
Instructor: MaryAnn Quinn-Hendrix
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class
Tue 7-8 p.m. Dec-Feb
No class 12/24
Enhance your mind-body connection with traditional and evolved Pilates techniques and yoga poses. Bring a towel or mat and, preferably, an empty stomach. Adults

GARFIELD PARK RECREATION CENTER

YOGILATES
Instructor: MaryAnn Quinn-Hendrix
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/class
Tue 7-8 p.m. Dec-Feb
No class 12/24
Enhance your mind-body connection with traditional and evolved Pilates techniques and yoga poses. Bring a towel or mat and, preferably, an empty stomach. Adults

CREATIVE ART SATURDAYS
See page 9. All ages

BALLET MEXICO LINDO
Instructor: Hispanic American Association of Delaware
1½-hour classes, FREE
Wed/Thu 6-7:45 p.m. Dec-Feb
No class 12/25, 1/1
Learn Mexican folklore dance. Aprenderdanzas folkloricas mexicanas. For information, call (302) 494-2377 or (302) 345-7594. Para más información, comunicarse con los números enumerados. All ages/todas las edades

BALLET MEXICO LINDO
See listing under “Children”. Ver Listado bajo “Ninos”. All ages/todas las edades

JUDA AND JU-JITSU
Instructor: Alex Velazquez
1½-hour classes, $75/month plus required fee payable to Delaware Judo and Ju-Jitsu Association
Judo
Mon/Wed 6:30-7:30 p.m. Dec-Feb
Sat 9-10 a.m. Dec-Feb
No class 12/25, 1/1, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17
Traditional Kodokan Judo/Shuri-te Ju-Jitsu is an excellent form of physical exercise and self-defense. Call (302) 753-2144 or visit delawarejudo.net for information. Juniors 10-17, Adults 18+

Ballet Mexico Lindo
Instructor: Hispanic American Association of Delaware
See listing under “Children”. VerListado bajo “Ninos”. All ages/todas las edades

ADULTS
Instructional and Educational

COPIING WITH GRIEF AROUND THE HOLIDAYS
Instructor: Danielle Brown, VITAS Healthcare
One 1-hour program, FREE
Wed 9:30-10:30 a.m. 12/4
Learn techniques to deal with loss, especially around the holidays. Adults
Computer Literacy

DROP-IN COMPUTER LAB
FREE
Mon-Thu  8 a.m.-7:30 p.m.  Dec-Feb
No session 12/25, 1/1, 1/20
No session after 12 p.m. 12/24, 2/3, 2/17
Use the state-of-the-art computer lab on
a first-come, first-served basis. All ages,
Children with a Caregiver.

Group Exercise and Dance

AIKIDO
See page 17. Ages 16-Adults

BACKWARDS WALKING
See page 12. Adults

BALLET MEXICO LINDO
See page 17. All ages

BEGINNER LINE DANCING
See page 12. Adults

JUDO AND JU-JITSU
See page 17. Juniors 10-17, Adults

SUPER STRIDERS
WALKING CLUB
See page 12. Adults

TAI CHI
See page 12. Adults

Yoga and Yogilates

BEGINNER/ INTERMEDIATE YOGA
See page 12. Adults

YOGA
Instructor: Michael Fahey
Eight 1-hour classes, $48R/$56NR
Wed  9-10 a.m.  1/8-2/26
Learn the basics of breathing and poses. Bring your mind and spirit into harmony,
relax your body and ease your tensions. Bring a padded mat, empty stomach, towel
and water. Adults

DROP-IN ACTIVITIES
Daytime drop-in activities are free. Sign-in is required upon arrival. If activities
must be moved or canceled, every effort is made to notify participants in advance
via posted signs or call the center. There are no drop-in activities when the center
is closed. See page 15. Adults

BASKETBALL
Tue-Thur  8 a.m.-8 p.m.  Dec-Feb

GAMES AND CARDS
Mon-Thur  8 a.m.-8 p.m.  Dec-Feb

OPEN WEIGHT ROOM
Mon/Wed  8 a.m.-12 p.m.  Dec-Feb
Tue/Thu  10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.  Dec-Feb

SOFTBALL
Mon/Wed  9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.  Dec-Feb

WALKING
Mon/Thur  8-9:30 a.m.  Dec-Feb

If you are unemployed, Department of Community Services offers
one free program per month with proof of unemployment.*

HOCKESSIN
RECREATION CENTER

ADULTS
Instructional and Educational

BOOK CLUB
One 2-hour meeting, FREE
Wed  1-3 p.m.  12/18, 1/22, 2/26
Each month we read and discuss a current book. Louise Glenn from Hockessin Library
leads the group. Adults

BRIDGE CLUB
See page 12. Adults

GROUP GUITAR LESSONS
Instructor: Chris Hemmel
Three 1-hour lessons, $18R/$23NR
Beginner
Wed  6-7 p.m.  Dec
Intermediate
Wed  7-8 p.m.  Dec
Four 1-hour lessons, $24R/$29NR
Beginner
Wed  6-7 p.m.  Jan
Wed  6-7 p.m.  Feb
Intermediate
Wed  7-8 p.m.  Jan
Wed  7-8 p.m.  Feb
No class 12/25, 1/1
Learn guitar basics with beginner lessons
or continue your skill development in the intermediate class. Bring your own acoustic
guitar. Ages 16-Adults

IKEBANA: JAPANESE
FLOWER ARRANGING
Instructor: Midori Tanimune
Five 2-hour classes, $60R/$65NR
Mon  6-8 p.m.  1/6-2/24
Six 2-hour classes, $90R/$96NR
Wed  6-8 p.m.  1/8-2/19
No class 1/20, 2/3, 2/17
Open your eyes to a unique, ancient style of
flower arranging. Additional $5-$10 plant
fee due to instructor at each class. Adults

KNITTING CIRCLE
2-hour sessions, FREE
Mon/Thu  6-8 p.m.  Dec-Feb
No program 1/20, 2/3, 2/17
Have fun in a relaxed, creative atmosphere. Learn from
each other while knitting one of your favorite
projects. Adults

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Group Exercise and Dance

**BALLROOM DANCING**

*Instructor: Bill Sapp*

**Three 1-hour classes, $18R/$23NR**

**Basic Group: Tango/Swing**
- Mon: 5-6 p.m. Jan
- Mon: 7-8 p.m. Jan

**Social Group: Fox Trot/Samba**
- Mon: 6-7 p.m. Jan

**Intermediate Group: Waltz/Bolero**
- Mon: 7-8 p.m. Jan

**Two 1-hour classes, $12R/$17NR**

**Basic Group: Fox Trot/Merengue**
- Mon: 5-6 p.m. Feb

**Social Group: Waltz/Mambo**
- Mon: 6-7 p.m. Feb

**Intermediate Group: Tango/Cha-Cha**
- Mon: 7-8 p.m. Feb

No class 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

These fun dance classes teach fundamental steps to beginners and more intricate steps to intermediate and advanced students. Attend on your own or with a partner. 

**BARRE SCULPT**

See page 12. **Adults**

**DANCE FIT**

See page 13. **Adults**

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**EARLY BIRD GETS THE BURN**

*Instructor: Eric Wolf*

**Six 1-hour classes, $30R/$36N R**
- Tue/Thu 8-9 a.m. Dec

**Nine 1-hour classes, $54R/$63N R**
- Tue/Thu 8-9 a.m. Jan

**Eight 1-hour classes, $48R/$56N R**
- Tue/Thu 8-9 a.m. Feb

No class 12/24, 12/26, 12/31

Up-tempo, group training combines full-body resistance and cardiovascular exercises to help slim down and tone up. Work within your own fitness level and at your own pace. Bring a towel and water. **Adults**

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**FULL BODY GENERAL FITNESS**

*Instructor: Eric Wolf*

**Eight 1-hour classes, $48R/$56N R**
- Mon/Wed 8-9 a.m. Dec

**Six 1-hour classes $30R/$36N R**
- Mon/Wed 8-9 a.m. Jan

No class 12/25, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

This group fitness workout utilizes various strength and cardiovascular training methods into a moderately-intense training program for those wanting to tighten and tone all major muscle groups. Bring a towel and water. **Adults**

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**PARKINSON’S AEROBICS CLASS**

See page 21. **Adults**

**POUNDFIT**

*Instructor: Jess Burton*

**Three 1-hour classes, $18R/$23N R**
- Tue 6:30-7:30 p.m. Dec

**Four 1-hour classes, $24R/$29N R**
- Tue 6:30-7:30 p.m. Jan

No class 12/24, 12/26, 12/31, 1/2

Use weighted drumsticks and choreographed workout routines to create your own beat in this fun, energizing class. Ripsix and class equipment provided. **Adults**

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**PROGRESSIVE AND COUNTRY LINE DANCING**

*Instructor: Joanne Brady*

**1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/ class**

**Beginner**
- Wed 6-7 p.m. 1/8-2/19

**Intermediate**
- Wed 7-8 p.m. 1/8-2/19

Easy and classic line dances, basic rhythms and component steps are taught at the beginner class. **Adults**

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**THE EATERY**

3022 New Castle Ave.
New Castle 19702
(302) 657-8020 ext. 6
newcastlede.gov/eatery

**NOW OFFERING CULINARY CLASSES FOR THE PUBLIC!**

**FAMILY GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING**

Saturday, December 14, 1-4 p.m., $15/house

Build and decorate a gingerbread house - we have the gum drops, red nois and more! All ages, under age 12 with a Caregiver

**SOUP’S ON!**

Mondays, January 6, 13, 27, 4-5 p.m., $10/person

Take the chill off this winter by learning how to make easy, hearty soups that won’t break the budget. Enjoy a bowl after the lesson. All ages, under age 12 with a Caregiver

**GIFTS FROM THE KITCHEN**

Mondays, 6-7 p.m., $10/person

Make a thoughtful gift that requires no cooking. Complete one gift that’s easy enough to repeat in your own kitchen. All ages, under age 12 with a Caregiver

November 25: Homemade Cranberry Butter

December 2: Mason Jar Oil Candle Lamp

December 9: Holiday Cookies in a Jar

December 16: Sugar Scrub/Sand Art

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED AT NEWCASTLEDE.GOV/EATERY**

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Department of Community Services ■ newcastlede.gov/communityservices ■ (302) 395-5600

Find us on Facebook: New Castle County Happenings ■ Comcast Channel 22 / Verizon Channel 29
PROGRESSIVE LINE DANCE
See page 13. Adults

SENIOR STRENGTH AND BALANCE
See page 13. Adults

SITTIN’ BE FIT
See page 13. Adults

TAI CHI
Instructor: Chiventure
Four 1-hour classes, $24R/ $29N R
Thu 6:30-7:30 p.m. Dec
Thu 6:30-7:30 p.m. Feb
Five 1-hour classes, $30R/ $35N R
Thu 6:30-7:30 p.m. Jan
This ancient form of exercise is designed to guide you to practice and increase your body’s potential. Increases your ability to relax, focus and feel centered. Adults

TONE AND SHAPE
Instructor: Deb Wittmeyer
Four 1-hour classes, $24R/ $29N R
Mon 6:15-7:15 p.m. Dec
Three 1-hour classes, $18R/ $23N R
Mon 6:15-7:15 p.m. Jan
Two 1-hour classes, $12R/ $17N R
Mon 6:15-7:15 p.m. Feb
N o d a s s 12/ 23, 1/ 20, 2/ 3, 2/ 17
Exercises designed to tone and strengthen all major muscle groups, including abdominals. Use hand weights and exercise bands. Bring a loop band, exercise mat, towel and water. Adults

ZUMBA
Instructor: Gale Jones
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/ class
Sat 9-10 a.m. Dec-Feb
Zumba fuses hypnotic Latin rhythms and easy-to-follow moves to create a dynamic workout system. Wear comfortable clothing and non-grip sneakers. Ages 13-Adults

Yoga and Yoglilates

ALL-LEVEL FLOW YOGA
Instructor: Debbie Galla, RYT500
Three 1-hour classes, $18R/ $23N R
Thu 4:30-5:30 p.m. Dec
Four 1-hour classes, $24R/ $29N R
Thu 4:15-5:15 p.m. Jan
Four 1-hour classes, $24R/ $29N R
Thu 4:15-5:15 p.m. Feb
N o d a s s 12/ 19, 12/ 26, 12/ 31
Get the benefits of toning your muscles, expanding joint mobility and calming your mind. Bring a yoga block and mat. All levels welcome. Adults

BEGINNER/ INTERMEDIATE YOGA
Instructor: Caitlin Reilly
Three 1-hour classes $18R/ $23N R
Thu 9:30-10:30 a.m. Dec
Wed 9:30-10:30 a.m. Jan
Wed 9:30-10:30 a.m. Feb
Thu 9:30-10:30 a.m. Feb
Wed 9:30-10:30 a.m. Feb
Five 1-hour classes, $30R/ $35N R
Thu 9:30-10:30 a.m. Jan
N o d a s s 12/ 24, 12/ 25, 12/ 31, 1/ 1
Begin strengthening your body and relaxing your mind. Explore yogic postures, alignment and breathing to promote energy and restore balance. Bring a yoga mat and a strap for stretching. All levels welcome. Adults

CHAIR YOGA
See page 13. Adults

CORE STABILITY YOGA
Instructor: Debbie Galla, RYT500
Two 1-hour classes, $16R/ $23N R
Thu 4:15-5:15 p.m. Dec
Four 1-hour classes, $24R/ $29N R
Thu 4:15-5:15 p.m. Jan
Four 1-hour classes, $24R/ $29N R
Thu 4:15-5:15 p.m. Feb
N o d a s s 12/ 19, 12/ 26, 1/ 2
Learn movements that involve strengthening and stretching. Special emphasis placed on core stability muscles to improve performance of daily activities. Bring a thin mat. Adults

DYNAMIC FLOW YOGA
Instructor: Debbie Galla, RYT500
Three 1-hour classes, $18R/ $23N R
Tue 4:30-5:30 p.m. Dec
Four 1-hour classes, $24R/ $29N R
Tue 4:15-5:15 p.m. Jan
Tue 4:15-5:15 p.m. Feb
N o d a s s 12/ 19, 12/ 26, 12/ 31
Get the benefits of toning your muscles, expanding joint mobility and calming your mind. Bring a yoga block and mat. All levels welcome. Adults

GENTLE EVENING YOGA
Instructor: Debbie Galla, RYT500
Three 1-hour classes, $18R/ $23N R
Mon 5:15-6:15 p.m. Dec
Mon 5:15-6:15 p.m. Jan
Two 1-hour classes, $12R/ $17N R
Mon 5:15-6:15 p.m. Feb
N o d a s s 12/ 30, 2/ 3, 2/ 17
Learn basic poses for effective joint mobility and building muscle strength. Bring a yoga block and yoga mat. All levels welcome. Adults

GENTLE MORNING YOGA
Instructor: Debbie Galla, RYT500
Three 1-hour classes, $18R/ $23N R
Mon 9:15-10:15 a.m. Dec
Mon 9:15-10:15 a.m. Jan
Two 1-hour classes, $12R/ $17N R
Mon 9:15-10:15 a.m. Feb
N o d a s s 12/ 23, 1/ 20, 2/ 3, 2/ 17
Learn basic poses for effective joint mobility and building muscle strength. The sequence is designed to promote body awareness. Bring a yoga block and yoga mat. All levels welcome. Adults

MAT PILATES: ALL LEVELS
Instructor: Deb Wittmeyer
Three 1-hour classes, $18R/ $23N R
Thu 6:15-7:15 p.m. Dec
Sat 9-10 a.m. Dec
Four 1-hour classes, $24R/ $29N R
Sat 9-10 a.m. Jan
Thu 6:15-7:15 p.m. Feb
Five 1-hour classes, $30R/ $35N R
Thu 6:15-7:15 p.m. Jan
Sat 9-10 a.m. Feb
N o d a s s 12/ 21, 12/ 26
Pilates improves flexibility, builds strength and develops control and endurance in the entire body. Bring a Pilates mat, loop band and water with you to class. Adults

If you are unemployed, Department of Community Services offers one free program per month with proof of unemployment.*
## ADAPTIVE PROGRAMS

### ART CLASS FOR CAREGIVERS
**SITE:** THE ART STUDIO  
See page 10. **Adults**

### STORIES AND SONGS FOR ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES
**SITE:** BRANDYWINE HUNDRED LIBRARY  
See page 45. **Adults**

### KALEIDOSCOPE OPEN STUDIO
**SITE:** THE ART STUDIO  
See page 10. **Ages 16-Adults**

### YES U CAN
**SITE:** GARFIELD PARK  
Instructor: Margaret Gorin  
1-hour classes, **FREE**  
Mon/ Wed  10:30-11:30 a.m. Dec-Feb  
No class 12/25, 1/1, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17  
A staff-assisted, drop-in exercise program for people with limited mobility or with a disability that makes moving about difficult. Requires at least some upper body control.Wheelchairs are welcome! **Ages 16-Adults**

### PAINT PARTY
**SITE:** THE ART STUDIO  
See page 10. **Adults**

### PARKINSON’S AEROBICS CLASS
**SITE:** HOCKESSIN  
Instructor: Yolanda Hernandez  
1-hour classes, $6 drop-in fee/ class  
Mon/ Wed  11 a.m.-12 p.m. Dec-Feb  
No class 12/25, 1/1, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17  
Exercise and movement patterns are designed specifically for people with Parkinson’s Disease who are ambulatory and do not require assistive devices. **Adults**

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Recreation Centers

Saving the Dates
'tis the season
TO BE JOLLY IN NEW CASTLE COUNTY

Holiday Open House at Rockwood Park
DECEMBER 6 AND 7, 5–9 P.M.

Holiday Celebration and Market at Glasgow Park
DECEMBER 13, 5–9 P.M.

Candlelight Tours at Rockwood Museum
DECEMBER 13 AND 14, 6–8 P.M.
DECEMBER 20 AND 21, 6–8 P.M.

NEW 4-H CLUBS AT ROUTE 9 LIBRARY

Culinary and Healthy Living Club
Build cooking skills and learn about nutrition, food safety in food preparation and healthy living. Ages 8-13.
Wednesdays, 6:30-8 p.m.

Theater and Performing Arts Club
Build skills around all aspects of theater arts, including knowledge, skills and confidence in implementation of a production. Ages 13-18.
Mondays and Wednesdays, 5–8 p.m.

Registration required.
Call (302) 831-8965.

UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
UD Cooperative Extension is an equal opportunity provider
Greetings from the
BRINGHURSTS

The Bringham Travel Log
2020 Special Exhibit
Opens March 1

Rockwood Park & Museum
rockwood.org
Rockwood Park is full of natural and historic beauty. Tour the museum and discover how the wealthy Bringhurst family lived at the turn of the 20th Century. Hike in the 72-acre park surrounding the mansion where wooded trails follow a sparkling stream and ascend a challenging hill to an overlook above granite cliffs. Paved paths are bike and pet friendly. Bring your sled and try out our sledding hill. Come and explore this hidden gem.

TIS THE SEASON AT ROCKWOOD

FREE TOURS IN DECEMBER:
OUR GIFT TO YOU
Holiday Display:
Home for the Holidays
No tours 12/24, 12/25

Elizabeth Bringhurst Galt Smith, the eldest daughter of the Bringhurst family (Bessie to her family), is home for the holidays. Her trunks and travel cases overflow with winter wardrobe and family gifts. Feel the excitement and celebration of the season with the family and their gifts who lives in a castle in Ireland for most of the year. What type of gifts would she have brought?

Enjoy the warmth of a family Christmas complete with sparkling decorations, festive clothing, tasty celebrations and more on display.

Rockwood Museum houses original furnishings and a large collection of family clothing from the 1890s through 1920s, all of which help tell the story of the Bringhurst family. Costumed museum guides tell tales of the families’ wealthy lifestyle, ancestors and servants in a warm and inviting fashion. Top off your tour with a visit to the Bringhurst Boutique, which is full of festive gifts.

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE
December 6 and 7, 5-9 p.m.
Tree Lighting, December 6, 6 p.m.
FREE FAMILY EVENT!
A Magical Holiday
Stroll the grounds as thousands of lights twinkle in the gardens then tour the museum’s enchanting holiday display.
The Rockswood Carriage House plays host to entertainment from local dance and performance groups. Create a take-home craft, snack on cookies and hot cocoa and do some early shopping at our Youth Entrepreneurs’ Holiday Shoppe. Bring your camera to snap a selfie with Rudolph and Frosty. Get a free photo with Santa in the mansion. All ages. See back cover.

CANDLELIGHT TOURS
December 13 and 14,
December 20 and 21, 5-8 p.m.
Enjoy a rare evening tour of the mansion and view the museum’s holiday display, “Home for the Holidays.” All ages

SCHOOL TOURS
Looking for a special class tour? December is the perfect time to bring your class to Rockwood. Our “Then and Now” programs are designed for grades K-2 and teach what Christmas was like in the Victorian era. The program includes touring the Mansion, making a take-home craft and learning a period dance. Call (302) 761-4342 for details. Groups welcome by reservation.

NEW YEAR’S DAY HIKE
January 1, 1-2 p.m., FREE
Bring the whole family (including well-behaved pets on a leash) to enjoy a 1½-mile, easy-to-moderate hike along paved paths and wooded trails surrounding the beautiful Victorian mansion. Dress in layers, wear appropriate footwear and bring your water bottle. Meet at the entrance to Rockwood Museum. Registration requested at newcastlede.gov/livehealthyncc. All ages

2020 Special Exhibit:
The Bringhurst Travel Log
The Bringhurst family traveled extensively throughout America, Europe, Asia and the Middle East from 1900 through the 1930’s. On display in the museum are the letters, photos, home movies and souvenirs they brought back to document family travels, beginning with Elizabeth (Bessie Bringhurst Smith), the family’s eldest daughter.

Bessie married an Irish linen merchant and lived in Larne, Ireland. Through her connections, the family began their travels in 1900 in Germany to visit Bessie and friends, many of whom were royal Counts and Countesses. In addition to the items previously mentioned, family clothing and personal items are displayed. Take a tour of the Rockwood Museum from March through October, hearing the stories and seeing the memorabilia that encapsulate the travels of the Bringhurs.
PROGRAMS

PARANORMAL EXPERIENCE
Instructor: Inspector Loveless
One 3-hour program, $30R/$35NR
Sat 7-10 p.m. 1/18, 2/15
An exploration of paranormal activity through in-depth study using advanced equipment. Must be able to traverse many stairs as we visit the attic and basement of the mansion. Registration required. Ages 16-Adults

ROCKWOOD... BEHIND THE SCENES
Instructor: Rockwood Park Preservation Society
One 1½-hour program, $8 RPPS members/$10 non-members
Sun 1-2:30 p.m. 2/16
Visit the museum for an up-close-and-personal look at items from our museum collection. This month learn about the different kinds of photography the Victorians had available to them. As a bonus, view Edward Bringhurst’s pictures and the cameras he used to take the pictures. White gloves provided for handling objects. Registration required. RPPS members need to call for membership discount. Adults

TEA AND VALENTINES
Instructor: Rockwood Staff
One 2-hour program, $35R/$40NR
Sun 1-3 p.m. 2/9
The Victorians loved tea and valentines. We have both, plus tea sandwiches, scones and sweets. Feel free to dress the part! Registration required. Ages 14-Adults

WINTER WREATHS FOR YOUR DOOR
Presenter: Donna Francisco
One 2-hour program, $20
Sat 1-3 p.m. 1/11
Brighten up your door for the long winter with a wreath made of pinecones, spike balls, leaves and other natural materials. Registration required. Ages 14-Adults

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VISIT, VOLUNTEER, GET INVOLVED

VOLUNTEER AT ROCKWOOD
Unique historic architecture? Gardening on a grand scale or even in our community vegetable garden? Local history? Decorative arts and antiques? Rockwood Park and Museum has the volunteer opportunity for you. Be a tour guide dressed in period attire. Assist in the formal garden and surrounding 72 acres. Call (302) 761-4340 for information and to set up a time to meet with our volunteer coordinator.

ROCKWOOD PARK PRESERVATION SOCIETY
Rockwood Park Preservation Society’s mission is to preserve and maintain the natural beauty and historical integrity of the Rockwood Park and Mansion. Join today! Benefits of being a member include free admission to museum for the member and a guest, quarterly field trips to other museums and yearly appreciation dinner. Rockwood Park Preservation Society is a 501(c)3 organization. Follow them on Facebook! Call (302) 761-4340 for membership information.

RENTALS AT ROCKWOOD
Rent our gorgeous Victorian parlors for private teas, birthday celebrations, theme parties, family get-togethers, showers and other gatherings. Is your small group or organization looking for meeting space? Public parlors can accommodate up to 20 people. Fees waived for civic and community groups. Need a place for an outdoor wedding? Consider our lovely green lawns with beautiful scenery. Garden, gazebos and conservatory are available to rent. Email camille.kirk@newcastlede.gov for more information.

BRINGHURST BOUTIQUE GIFT SHOP
Our popular shop is bursting with an inventory of eclectic items that must be cleared out for new stock. We have marked down many items just for you. Besides the normal selection of t-shirts, hats and mugs, we have Solemate socks in all sizes, Arias wind chimes, Folk Manis puppets and Copper Leaf Creations by local artist Ed Yalisove. Stop by to see what’s new! The Bringhurst Boutique is open during museum hours.

ROCKWOOD MEMORIAL BENCHES AND COMMEMORATIVE PAVERS
You can now support Rockwood Park and Museum through the purchase of a memorial bench or Carriage House pathway stone. Make a dedication that will become an enduring part of the historic landscape. To inquire about memorial benches, call (302) 761-4340. For more information about commemorative pavers, email RockwoodPPS@gmail.com.
Holiday Open House

Presented By delmarva power
An Exelon Company

A Magical Holiday

Rockwood Park and Museum
December 6 and 7, 5-9 p.m.
Tree Lighting, December 6, 6 p.m.

Free Admission and Activities
Photos with Santa ✔ Live Music ✔ Crafts ✔ Festive Lights
Costumed Characters ✔ Museum Tours ✔ Holiday Shoppe
Dance and Theater Performances ✔ Food Trucks
Free Parking and Shuttle at Rockwood Office Park

Check newcastledge.gov/specialevents for full schedule of performers & activities. Volunteers needed! Sign up at newcastledge.gov/volunteers.

Rockwood Park & Museum
All event parking and free shuttle is at Rockwood Office Park
501 Carr Road, Wilmington 19809
A CELEBRATION OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN INNOVATORS

BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAM
Saturday, February 1, 10:30 a.m.
Walnut Street YMCA, 1000 North Walnut Street, Wilmington

Be sure to check our library listings for dozens of other programs celebrating Black History Month.

GREAT WOMEN IN HISTORY
ALL AGES!
FREE EVENT

WOMEN IN THE MILITARY
United States Army
United States Navy
Marine Corps
Air Force
National Guard

Sunday, March 8, 1-3 p.m.
The Carriage House at Rockwood Park
4651 Washington St. Ext.
Wilmington 19809

NEWCASTLEDE.GOV/SPECIALEVENTS

Local honorees and speakers.
Historical displays. Art activity.
Refreshments. Free tours of Rockwood Museum.
Girl Scouts receive Great Women in History badge.
Carousel Park and Equestrian Center

This 215-acre park offers riding lessons, horse riding trails, cross country and dressage courses and an indoor riding arena, along with walking trails, off-leash bark park, catch-and-release fishing ponds and more. Carousel Park is home of the New Castle County Police Mounted Patrol Unit Clydesdales.

EQUESTRIAN PROGRAMS

HORSEBACK RIDING LESSONS
Private lessons:
Six 1-hour lessons, $360
Group lessons, 2-4 people:
Six 1½-hour lessons, $300/person
Lessons offered for all levels in jumping, dressage and Western disciplines. Group lessons are offered for advanced beginner and intermediate riders only. Complete packet and payment due at time of enrollment. Ages 8-Adults

PONY PALS RIDING LESSONS
Six 1-hour weekly sessions, $300
Introduce horseback riding to your child. Learn how to groom, tack and ride a horse. Complete packet and payment due at registration. Ages 4-7

THERAPEUTIC RIDING LESSONS
Six 1-hour weekly sessions, $360
Having a disability doesn’t limit a person from riding. Individuals with special needs can experience the rewarding benefits of horseback riding with these lessons. Call for information on our PATH therapeutic riding program. Ages 4-Adults

VOLUNTEER
Help with therapeutic riding, taking care of horses in the barn or with fun events. Join the Carousel team!

SINGLE DAY RIDING CAMP
One 3-hour session, $75/day
Mon-Fri 4:30-7:30 12/16-12/20
One 5-hour session, $125/day
Sat 10 a.m.-3 p.m. 12/21
Sun 12-5 p.m. 12/22
Drop your little elf off for three or five hours of riding and crafts. One-day camps offer the chance to see if horseback riding is right for your child while you shop, enjoy a date night or just sit by the fire with warm cider. Campers learn to groom, tack and ride horses in a holiday-themed evening of fun and gift crafting. Ages 8-14

TROT
See ad below.

Registration required for all programs by calling (302) 995-7670.
Glasgow Park and Bank Barn

Glasgow Park has something for everyone with a 2.7-mile paved trail with fitness stations, wooded paths, playgrounds, skate park, dog park, basketball and tennis courts, fishing pond, pavilions and sledding hill! The Bank Barn and Frazer House feature programs and special events year round including a seasonal farmers market from June through October.

PROGRAMS

TEENS/ADULTS
Instructional and Educational

ELVES WORKSHOP
SITE: FRAZER HOUSE
Instructor: Kathy Andrzezewski
One 2-hour class, $12R/$17N R
Fri 6-8 p.m. 11/29
Put on your apron, grab your tools and get a jump on holiday gift-giving by creating your own gifts using fun finds from your local dollar store. Create a one-of-a-kind gift. Bring wire cutters, scissors, a hot glue gun and glue sticks. Additional $20 materials fee due to instructor. Ages 16-Adults

FIX IT CAFE
SITE: BANK BARN
One 3-hour session, FREE
Sat 10 a.m.-1 p.m. 12/14
Bring that broken lamp, vacuum, waffle iron, sewing machine or any one item that you can carry. Work beside a volunteer experienced in repairs with the goal of taking something home that works again. Offered in partnership with Lowe’s of Bear and the UD American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Volunteer tinkerers needed. Ages 10-Adults, under age 17 with a Caregiver

HISTORY QUIZTORY
SITE: BANK BARN
Presenter: Pencader Heritage Area Association
One 1-hour presentation, FREE
Thu 6:30-7:30 p.m. 12/19, 1/16, 2/20
Battles, bad guys, heroes and innovators... our local history is down-right thrilling! Join the many fans of these fun expert-led presentations to learn about the area’s super-interesting past and see related artifacts and objects. Each presentation concludes with a fun mini-quiz and prizes. Ages 12-Adults

JEWELRY MAKING
SITE: FRAZER HOUSE
Instructor: Brenda Abele
One 1½-hour class, $9
Wed 6-7:30 p.m. 12/11, 2/12
Learn basic jewelry making and take home what you make. Additional $5 materials fee due to instructor. Teens/Adults

TEA WITH A TWIST
SITE: FRAZER HOUSE
Instructor: Kathy Andrzezewski
One 1½-hour class, $9R/$14N R
Sat 2-3:30 p.m. 1/18
Create a tea-related craft followed by a variety of tea-based beverages and then enjoy them with other light bites. Grab a friend, bring your favorite mug and enjoy creating and chatting together. Additional $12 materials fee due to instructor. Ages 16-Adults

WINTER CONTAINER ARRANGEMENT
SITE: FRAZER HOUSE
Instructor: Kathy Andrzezewski
One 1½-hour class, $9R/$14N R
Sat 2-3:30 p.m. 12/7
Create a winter-themed container arrangement using a galvanized steel bucket. Decorate the bucket and fill it with a variety of greens and other materials. Bring clippers, garden gloves and a container to transport your creation home. Additional $30 materials fee due to instructor. Ages 16-Adults

YOGA IN THE PARK
SITE: NEAR THE BANK BARN
Instructor: Bear/Glasgow YMCA
1-hour classes, FREE
Wed 5:30-6:30 p.m. 12/4-1/30
No program 12/25, 1/1
Become familiar with basic yoga poses and breath work. Increase your flexibility, endurance, strength, balance and coordination. Use your mind to focus specifically on a target area in order to feel each movement and position. Adults

CHILDREN
Instructional and Educational

FUN WITH BEADS
SITE: FRAZER HOUSE
Instructor: Brenda Abele
One 1-hour class, $6
Sat 6-7:30 p.m. 2/8
Learn basic jewelry making and take home what you make. Additional $5 materials fee due to instructor. Ages 8-12 with a Caregiver

Registration required for all programs at newcastlede.gov/bankbarn unless otherwise indicated.
Holiday Celebration & Market
Fri., December 13, 5-9 p.m., Glasgow Park

Holiday Market ★ Tree and Menorah Lighting at 7 p.m.
Santa ★ Music ★ Family Activities ★ Food Vendors
Visit newcastlede.gov/specialevents for details

Give back to your community! Bring a donation of canned goods or non-perishable food items for the Food Bank of Delaware.

Volunteers needed!
Register at newcastlede.gov/volunteers

Located at Del. 856 & U.S. 40,
Glasgow Park entrance is on U.S. 40.

CALL FOR 2020 FARMERS MARKET VENDORS

New Castle County Farmers Markets are looking for vendors who can commit to weekly market attendance and contribute to the variety of local products offered at our farmers markets.

Apply online and check vendor requirements at newcastlede.gov/farmersmarkets

We are growing!
Ask about our new market location in 2020.
HIKING AND WALKING

Teaming up with others increases your motivation and helps you gain all the health benefits that come with regular walking.

Programs are free, but registration is required at newcastlede.gov/livehealthyncc

IRON HILL PARK HIKING CLUB
Saturdays, 9-10 a.m., FREE
Dec. 14, Jan. 11, Feb. 8
No matter what the season, hikers are treated to a cornucopia of sights and sounds along the trails. Meet at the top of the upper parking lot at Iron Hill Park and enjoy the trail with your fellow hikers. Wear hiking gear suitable for all weather. Trails include varying degrees of difficulty. Water bottle and bug repellant optional. All ages

MIDDLE RUN PARK HIKING CLUB
Saturdays, 9-10 a.m., FREE
Dec. 7, 21; Jan. 4, 18; Feb. 1, 15
Trails in this park are not paved and are somewhat hilly. There are many trails of various lengths throughout this beautiful natural area. If you are looking for a moderate morning workout in a gorgeous setting and a way to get those 10,000 steps in, this is the hiking club for you. All ages

NEW YEAR’S DAY HIKE AT ROCKWOOD PARK
January 1, 1-2 p.m., FREE
Bring the whole family (including well-behaved pets on a leash) to enjoy a 1½-mile, easy-to-moderate hike along paved paths and wooded trails surrounding the beautiful Victorian mansion. Dress in layers and wear appropriate footwear. Meet at the entrance to Rockwood Museum, located at 4651 Washington Street Extension in North Wilmington. Registration requested at newcastlede.gov/livehealthyncc. All ages

HIGHLIGHTED PARK

ROCKWOOD PARK

Rockwood Park is home to more than two miles of paved and lighted trails that wind through the 72 acres surrounding the museum and gardens. Whether you are walking, running or biking, the trails can take you on a memorable journey.

Rockwood is part of the Northern Delaware Greenways System. Travel north of Rockwood on the Greenway through the Bringhurst Woods to Bellevue State Park or walk south to Alapocas Run State Park and beyond.

PARKS PERMITS

Planning a reunion or gathering? Hosting a tournament or private sporting event?

All county park playing fields, pavilions and picnic areas are available by reservation. Learn more about these facilities and rental fees and secure a use permit by calling (302) 395-5606 or visit newcastlede.gov/parks.

Parks Permits Office • 67 Reads Way, New Castle 19720
Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
(302) 395-5606 or Fax (302) 395-5650 parkspermits@newcastlede.gov
WINTER SPORTS LEAGUES AND CLINICS FOR YOUTH/TEENS

The New Castle County Sports and Athletics Section is holding these winter sports programs. Programs operate at the Hockessin Police Athletic League, local school gymnasiums and Glasgow Park. Registration is required on a first-come, first-served basis for all programs at (302) 395-5890 or nccdesports.com.

BASEBALL
INSTRUCTIONAL CLINICS
All skill levels. Program includes warm-up stretches, general skill instruction, individual drills and group drills. Proper athletic attire and footwear required. See listings for ages.

**ALL SKILLS/BASICS**
*SITE: ST. MARK’S HIGH SCHOOL*
Six 1-hour sessions, $80R/$86NR
Ages 6-10
**Wed 7:30-8:30 p.m. Jan-Feb**

**CATCHERS**
*SITE: HOCKESSIN PAL*
One 3-hour session, $40R/$46NR
Ages 8-18
**Sun 9 a.m.-12 p.m. 2/23**

**INFIELD/HITTING A**
*SITE: HOCKESSIN PAL*
Six 1-hour sessions, $80R/$86NR
Ages 8-12
**Sun 8:15-9:15 a.m. Jan-Feb**

**INFIELD/HITTING B**
*SITE: HOCKESSIN PAL*
Six 1-hour sessions, $80R/$86NR
Ages 8-12
**Sun 9:20-10:20 a.m. Jan-Feb**

**PITCHING**
*SITE: HOCKESSIN PAL*
Six 1-hour sessions, $80R/$86NR
Ages 9-13
**Sun 1-2 p.m. Jan-Feb**

FIELD HOCKEY
BASICS CLINIC
*SITE: HOCKESSIN PAL*
Five 75-minute sessions, $65R/$71NR
**Sun 2:30-3:45 p.m. Jan-Feb**
Kids learn basic skills including dribbling, passing, hitting, receiving and shooting. Gym attire required. Sticks are available, if needed. **Grades 1-4**

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS’ FIELD HOCKEY LEAGUE
*SITE: HOCKESSIN PAL*
8-game schedule plus playoffs, $320 team, plus referee fees at each game
**Sun 3-6 p.m. Jan-Mar**
Goaltenders are required and teams must supply their own equipment. Uniform shirts provided. FIH Rules of Indoor Hockey. **High school girls’ teams only**

INTERMEDIATE FIELD HOCKEY INSTRUCTIONAL LEAGUE
*SITE: HOCKESSIN PAL*
Two weeks of instructional clinics, six weeks of games, $80R/$86NR
**Sun Times vary Jan-Mar**
Players are assigned to teams. Uniform shirt and mouthpiece provided. Sticks available, if needed. Weeks 1-2: Clinics 1-2:15 p.m. Weeks 3-8: Games scheduled between 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. No playoffs. **Grades 5-8**

**SOFTBALL CLINIC**
*SITE: HOCKESSIN PAL*
Six 1-hour sessions, $80R/$86NR
**Sun 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Jan-Feb**
All skill levels. Program includes warm-up stretches, general skill instruction, individual drills and group drills. Proper athletic attire and footwear required. **Ages 8-14**

**SPEED/AGILITY TRAINING**
*SITE: HOCKESSIN PAL*
Six 1-hour sessions, $80R/$86NR
**Sun 10:45-11:45 a.m. Jan-Feb**
Introduction for young athletes to agility and conditioning training to improve performance in any sport. Proper athletic attire and footwear required. **Ages 8-18**

**SPRING BREAK SKATEBOARDING CLINIC**
*SITE: GLASGOW PARK SKATE BOWL*
Instructors: Adrenaline Skateboarding
Five 3-hour clinics, $60R/$66NR
**Mon-Fri 9 a.m.-12 p.m. April 2-6**
Skateboard, helmet and elbow and knee pads are required. In order to ensure a proper level of instruction, first-time boarders should call before buying any equipment (discount available at Adrenaline). Bring a towel and water. **Ages 8-18**

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Combine Speed / Agility with any other winter youth clinic and save $20

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For information and registration, call the Sports Office at (302) 395-5890, visit nccdesports.com or register in person Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Sports Office in the Gilliam Building, 77 Reads Way, New Castle 19720
The New Castle County Sports and Athletics Section is holding several winter sports programs. Programs operate at the Hockessin Police Athletic League, Kirkwood Soccer Club and Mi Canchita Indoor Soccer. Registration is required on a first-come, first-served basis for all programs at (302) 395-5890 or nccdesports.com.

**WINTER SPORTS LEAGUES FOR ADULTS**

**SOCCER**
**INDOOR CO-REC OPEN**
SITE: KIRKWOOD SOCCER CLUB AND MI CANCHITA INDOOR SOCCER
10-game schedule plus playoffs, $400/ team, plus referee fees at each game
Sat/Thu Times vary Nov-Mar
Teams play once a week, 5-on-5 with 25-minute halves. All games are played on indoor turf fields using regulation Futsal balls. Teams must be able to play at any game time.
Ages 18+

**INDOOR MEN’S OPEN**
SITE: KIRKWOOD SOCCER CLUB AND MI CANCHITA INDOOR SOCCER
10-game schedule plus playoffs, $400/ team, plus referee fees at each game
Sun 7-9 p.m. Jan-Mar
Teams play once a week, 5-on-5 with 25-minute halves. All games are played on indoor turf fields using regulation Futsal balls. Teams must be able to play at any game time.
Ages 18+

**SOCCER**
**CO-REC “A/BB/B/C”**
SITE: HOCKESSIN PAL
Approximate 10-match schedule plus playoffs, $395/ team, plus referee fees at each match
Fri 8-10 p.m. Nov-Mar
Teams play once a week, three games per match. USA Volleyball rules with minor modifications. Uniform shirts required. Participants must play at least four matches to be eligible for playoffs.
Ages 18+

**VOLLEYBALL**
**CO-REC “A/BB/B/C”**
SITE: HOCKESSIN PAL
Approximate 10-match schedule plus playoffs, $395/ team, plus referee fees at each match
Fri 8-10 p.m. Nov-Mar
Teams play once a week, three games per match. USA Volleyball rules with minor modifications. Uniform shirts required. Participants must play at least four matches to be eligible for playoffs.
Ages 18+

**BASKETBALL**
**ADULT 3-ON-3**
SITE: HOCKESSIN PAL
8-game schedule plus playoffs, $225/ team, plus referee fees at playoffs
Mon 8-10 p.m. Jan-Mar
Open to all levels of abilities. Tiered playoff system. Games also may be scheduled on Wednesdays. Ages 18+

**MEN’S 5-ON-5 RECREATION**
SITE: HOCKESSIN PAL
10-game schedule plus playoffs, $465/ team, plus referee fees at each game
Tue/Thu 8-10 p.m. Nov-Mar
Recreation and competitive level teams. Fee includes scorers and timers at all games.
Ages 18+

**WOMEN’S FIELD HOCKEY**
SITE: HOCKESSIN PAL
8-game schedule plus playoffs, $285/ team, plus referee fees at each game
Sun 7-9 p.m. Jan-Mar
Uniform shirts and socks are required, but not provided. Teams must supply their own equipment. FIH Rules of Indoor Hockey.
Ages 18+
SPRING SPORTS LEAGUES

The New Castle County Sports and Athletics spring programs are held at county softball fields, Banning Park and Kirkwood soccer fields, Glasgow Skate Park, Hockessin PAL and Biden, Delcastle and Marbrook Park football fields. Registration is required and is first-come, first-served at (302) 395-5890 or nccdesports.com.

SOFTBALL (TEAMS)
SITES: NEW CASTLE COUNTY SOFTBALL FIELDS
18-game schedule plus playoffs
$460/team, plus umpire fees at each game

MEN’S OPEN
Mon/Wed Evenings April-July
Two women allowed on each team; four divisions. Ages 18+
Tue/Thu Evenings April-July
Five divisions. Ages 18+
Sun Eve Evenings April-July
Two women allowed on each team; five divisions. Ages 18+

WOMEN’S OPEN
Tue/Thu Evenings April-July
Two divisions. Ages 18+

CO-RECREATION
Mon/Wed Evenings April-July
One division. Ages 18+
Fri Evenings April-July
Four divisions. Ages 18+

SOFTBALL: SENIOR DRAFT
SITES: NEW CASTLE COUNTY SOFTBALL FIELDS
Registration includes shirts, balls, awards, league administration and USA Softball fees.

MON/WED 58+
$48 registration fee
Mon/Wed Evenings April-July
16-20 game schedule plus playoffs. Ages 58+

TUE/THU 58+
$48 registration fee
Tue/Thu 10 a.m.-12 p.m. April-July
16-20 game schedule plus playoffs. Ages 58+

CO-REC SOCCER
SITES: BANNING PARK AND KIRKWOOD SOCCER CLUB
8-game schedule plus playoffs,
$340/team, plus referee fees at each game
Mon-Thur Sun Various times March-May
Male players must be 30+. Three female players (18+) must be on the field at all times. Uniform shirts are required but not provided. Ages 18+

CO-REC VOLLEYBALL
SITES: HOCKESSIN PAL
8-match schedule plus playoffs,
$320/team, plus referee fees at each match
Thu 6:30-8:30 p.m. March-May
Each team is limited to 15 players and must have two players of the opposite sex on the court at all times. USA Volleyball rules with minor modifications. Uniform shirts are required but not provided. Ages 18+

WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL
SITES: HOCKESSIN PAL
8-match schedule plus playoffs,
$320/team, plus referee fees at each match
Tue/Wed 6:30-8:30 p.m. March-May
Each team is limited to 15 players. USA Volleyball rules with minor modifications. Uniform shirts are required but not provided. Ages 18+

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SAFETY TOWN
For ages 4, 5 and 6!

Safety Town is an exciting and educational week-long program with an outdoor miniature town, fun crafts, guest speakers and more!
Your child will learn to be safety-conscious at school, at home and at play.

$80/Week
$100/Week Non-Resident

June 22-July 10
GLASGOW PARK
2275 Pulaski Highway, Newark

June 22-July 17
ALFRED G. WATERS MIDDLE SCHOOL
1235 Cedar Lane Road, Middletown

July 13-August 7
LANCASHIRE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
2000 Naamans Road, North Wilmington

July 20-August 14
HOCKESSIN COMMUNITY REC. CENTER
7259 Lancaster Pike, Hockessin

Register at newcastledo.gov/safetytown starting February 14!

*Dates subject to change

EXPLORE
A Brand New Summer

Summer Camp Open House
Wed., February 5, 4-7 p.m.

Gilliam Building Lobby, 77 Reads Way, New Castle 19720
Camp registration and financial aid applications available online starting March 1 at newcastledo.gov/camp
COUNTY LIBRARIES

APPOQUINIMINK, (302) 378-5588
651 North Broad St., Middletown 19709
Monday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Tuesday and Wednesday, 1-8 p.m.
Thursday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Closed Sunday

BEAR, (302) 838-3300
101 Governor’s Place, Bear 19701
Sunday, 1-5 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.
Thursday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Closed Friday

BRANDYWINE, (302) 477-3150
1300 Foulk Road, Wilmington 19803
Sunday, 1-5 p.m. Monday-Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.
Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Closed Thursday

CLAYMONT, (302) 798-4164
400 Lenape Way, Claymont 19703
Monday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 1-8 p.m.
Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Closed Sunday

ELSMERE, (302) 892-2210
30 Spruce Ave., Wilmington 19805
Monday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 12-8 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Closed Sunday and Wednesday

HOCKESSIN, (302) 239-5160
1023 Valley Road, Hockessin 19707
Sunday, 1-5 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Closed Thursday

KIRKWOOD, (302) 995-7663
8000 Kirkwood Highway, Wilmington 19808
Sunday, 1-5 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.
Thursday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Closed Friday

NEWARK, (302) 731-7550
750 Library Ave., Newark 19711
Sunday, 1-5 p.m.
Monday-Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.
Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Closed Thursday

ROUTE 9 LIBRARY, (302) 657-8020
3022 New Castle Ave., New Castle 19720
Sunday, 1-5 p.m.; Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.;
Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Closed Thursday

WOODLAWN, (302) 571-7425
2020 West Ninth St., Wilmington 19805
Sunday, 1-5 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.;
Thursday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Closed Friday

CONTRACT LIBRARIES

CORBIT-CALLOWAY, (302) 378-8838
Second and High streets, Odessa 19730
Monday and Thursday, 1-8 p.m.
Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Wednesday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Closed Sunday

DELAWARE CITY, (302) 834-4148
250 Fifth St., Delaware City 19706
Sunday, 12-3 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 12-8 p.m.
Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Closed Friday

NEW CASTLE, (302) 328-1995
424 Delaware St., New Castle 19720
Monday and Tuesday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.
Wednesday and Thursday, 2-9 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Closed Sunday

NORTH WILMINGTON, (302) 761-4290
3400 North Market St., Wilmington 19802
Monday-Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m.
Thursday, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Closed Sunday

WILMINGTON, (302) 571-7400
10th and Market streets, Wilmington 19801
Monday-Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m.
Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Closed Sunday

Libraries are closed for the holidays on December 24, 25; January 1, 20; February 3, 17.

DID YOU KNOW...

Tax assistance is available at many New Castle County libraries!

Go to newcastledge.gov/faq and click on “Library - Taxes” or visit your favorite library.
BILINGUAL STORY TIMES*
NEWARK
Chinese (Ages 5-9), Saturdays, 1/4, 1/11, 1/25, 2/8, 2/29, 2:30-3 p.m.
Spanish (Ages 4-9), Saturdays, 12/21, 1/18, 2/15, 2:30-3 p.m.

BOOK BABIES* (AGES BIRTH-18 MONTHS)
APPOQUINIMINK (Ages Birth-2)
Fridays, 12/6-2/28, 11-11:30 a.m. Tickets at Reference Desk 15 minutes before program. No program 12/20.
BEAR (Non-walkers Ages Birth-1 with a Caregiver)
Mondays, 12/2-2/24, 10:30-10:55 a.m.
No program 12/23, 12/30, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17. Not for daycares. Tickets at Kids' Desk 15 minutes before program.
BRANDYWINE HUNDRED
Mondays, 12/2-2/24, 10:45-11:15 a.m.
No program 1/20, 2/3, 2/17
Tuesdays, 12/3-2/25, 10:45-11:15 a.m. No program 12/24, 12/31
CLAYMONT
Fridays, 12/6, 12/20, 1/3, 1/17, 2/7, 2/21, 10:30-11:10 a.m.
HOCKESSIN
Fridays, 12/6, 12/20, 1/13, 2/7, 2/21, 10:30-11:10 a.m.
KIRKWOOD
Thursdays, 12/5-2/27, 10:15-11:15 a.m.
No program 12/27
NEWARK (No registration but tickets given out on a first-come basis)
Mondays, 12/2-2/24, 10:30-11:15 a.m.
No program 1/20, 2/3, 2/17
WILMINGTON (Registration required)
Tuesday, 12/18, 10-10:30 a.m.
WOODLAWN
Thursdays, 12/5-2/27, 11-11:30 a.m. Not for daycares.

CRAFTY STORY TIMES*
DELAWARE CITY
Thursdays, 12/6, 1/13, 2/7, 4-5 p.m.
NEW CASTLE (All ages)
Tuesdays, 12/3-2/25, 10:30-11:30 a.m. No program 12/25, 1/1

JITTERBUGS STORY TIMES*
BEAR (Walkers Ages 1-2 with a Caregiver)
Mondays, 12/2-2/24, 11-11:30 a.m.
No program 12/23, 12/30, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17. Not for daycares. Tickets at Kids' Desk 15 minutes before program.
BRANDYWINE HUNDRED (Ages 2+)
Wednesdays, 12/2, 1/29, 2/1, 10:30-11 a.m. and 11:15-11:45 a.m.
Tickets at Youth Desk 30 minutes before program
CLAYMONT (Ages 2-5)
Fridays, 12/13, 1/10, 1/24, 2/14, 2/28, 10:30-11:10 a.m.
ELSMERE (Ages Birth-6)
Thursdays, 12/13, 12/27, 10:30-11 a.m.
NEWARK (Ages 2-5)
Fridays, 12/6-12/13, 1/10-2/28, 10:30-11 a.m.
ROUTE 9 ( ages 2-Adults)
Tuesdays, 12/3, 1/14, 2/4, 11-11:30 a.m.
WOODLAWN (Ages 1-5)
Tuesdays, 12/3, 12/17, 1/7, 1/28, 2/11, 2/25, 11-11:30 a.m. Tickets at the Kids Desk at 10:45 a.m.

TODDLER TALES* (AGES 1½-3)
BEAR (Ages 2-3)
Thursdays, 12/5-2/27, 10:30-11:15 a.m. No program 12/26, 1/2.
Groups of five or more must call ahead to register. Tickets at Kids' Desk 15 minutes before program.
BRANDYWINE HUNDRED
Tuesdays, 12/5-2/25, 10:10-10:40 a.m.
No program 12/24, 12/31
CLAYMONT
Wednesdays, 12/4, 1/15, 2/5, 2/19, 10:30-11:10 a.m.
HOCKESSIN
Wednesdays, 12/4, 1/11, 1/8-2/26, 10:05-10:40 a.m.
KIRKWOOD
Wednesdays, dates/times given upon registration beginning 12/18
NEW CASTLE (Ages 2+)
Fridays, 12/6-2/28, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

RHYTHM, RHYME AND STORY TIMES* (AGES 3+)
APPOQUINIMINK
Fridays, 12/6-2/28, 10:15-10:45 a.m.
Tickets at the Reference Desk 15 minutes before program. No program 12/20
BRANDYWINE HUNDRED
Tuesdays, 12/3-2/25, 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
No program 12/24, 12/31
CLAYMONT
Tuesdays, 12/5-2/27, 10:15-11 a.m.
No program 12/18, 12/25, 1/1
HOCKESSIN
Tuesdays, 12/4-2/26, 10:15-11 a.m.
No program 12/18, 12/25, 1/1
KIRKWOOD
Tuesdays, 12/3-2/26, 10:30-11 a.m. No program 12/25, 1/1
NEWARK (Ages 3-5)
Tuesdays, 12/3, 1/7-2/25, 10:30-11:15 a.m.
NORTH WILMINGTON
Tuesdays, 12/5-2/25, 10:30-11:15 a.m.
No program 12/24, 12/31
WILMINGTON (Registration required)
Thursdays, 12/5-12/19, 10-10:45 a.m., 11-11:45 a.m.

PAJAMA STORY TIMES* (IDEAL FOR FAMILIES)
APPOQUINIMINK
Mondays, 12/2-2/24, 6-6:30 p.m.
Tickets at the Reference Desk 15 minutes before program. No program 12/23, 2/2, 2/17.
BEAR (Ages 2+)
Tuesdays, 12/3-2/25, 6:15-6:45 p.m. No program 12/24, 12/31.
Groups of five or more must call ahead to register.
CLAYMONT
Monday, 12/16, 7-7:30 p.m.
NEWARK (Ages 18 months-5 years)
Mondays, 12/2, 12/9, 1/6-2/24, 7-7:30 p.m.
No program 1/20, 2/3, 2/17
ROUTE 9 (Ages 2-Adults)
Wednesdays, 1/22, 2/26, 7-7:30 p.m.

*Programs that support Common Core State Standards are marked with an asterisk. Ask your librarian for more information.
APPQUINIMINK COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Unless noted, registration is not required for library programs. To sign up for programs marked “Registration required,” call the library at (302) 378-5588 or come to the Reference Desk. All programs are free unless noted. See story times on page 37.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

TEEN PRIDE
Social time, guest speakers, crafts and snacks for LGBTQ+ teens and allies. Ages 13-18. 6-7:30 p.m.
Mondays: December 2, January 6

STITCH-IT SEWING CIRCLE
Learn basic hand and machine sewing skills. Tackle a different take-home project each month. No prior sewing experience is necessary. Registration required. Teens/Adults. 5-8 p.m.
Monday: December 16

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE SPECIALISTS AT THE LIBRARY
Department of Labor Employment and Training Staff assist with career needs like creating resumes and cover letters, finding job openings, interview skills and training programs. Walk in for help with veteran programs and applying for Unemployment Insurance Claims. Adults. 1:30-4:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: December-February
No program 12/24

INTRO TO CROCHET
Learn the basic stitches of crochet. Bring your own hook and yarn or use the library’s. Ages 10+, under age 12 with a Caregiver. 4-5 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 10; January 14, 28; February 11, 25

LEGO CLUB*
LEGO construction challenges and free play with LEGO blocks of all shapes and sizes. Ages 3+ with a Caregiver. 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 3, 17;
January 7, 21; February 4, 18

SPIN-A-YARN
Lively conversation while sharing the latest knitting and crocheting techniques. Bring your own project. All levels of experience welcome! Teens/Adults. 7-9 p.m.
Tuesdays: December-February
No program 12/24, 12/31

BOOK DISCUSSION
Join our monthly book group for a lively in-depth discussion! Call for titles. Adults. 7-8 p.m.
Wednesdays:
December 18, January 15, February 19

NEW CASTLE COUNTY REGISTER OF WILLS
The Register of Wills provides services at the library by appointment only. To request an appointment, call (302) 395-7800 and specify Middletown evening hours. Adults. 4-7 p.m.
Wednesdays:
December 4, January 8, February 5

SOCIAL WORKERS IN THE LIBRARY
Social workers from DHSS Community Partner Support Unit help with ASSIST application process, Medicaid, long-term nursing care, childcare, home energy assistance and other services. Adults. 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Thursdays: December-February

TEEN TIME
Work on homework with friends, do some arts and crafts or just chill. Light snacks. Teens. 2:30-4 p.m.
Thursdays: December-February
No program 12/26

PAWS FOR PEOPLE: READ!*
Read aloud to a furry, friendly therapy companion to help inspire a love of reading. Offered by PAWS for People. Registration required. Readers of all ages and stages are welcome. 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
Saturdays: December 14, 28;
January 11, 25; February 8, 22

SEW-BEE-IT QUILTERS
Our experienced quilters are glad to guide you step-by-step on the basics of quilting. Teens/Adults. 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Saturdays:
December 14, January 11, February 8

TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS

EBOOK/EAUDIOBOOK TUTORING
Call to schedule a tutoring appointment to learn how to use Libby and/or Overdrive. Teens/Adults. By appointment only during regular library hours

TECH MAVEN
Walk in for hands-on assistance with many of your technology needs. Bring your device or use library computers. Adults. 3-5 p.m.
Tuesdays: December-February
No program 12/24

TECH CLUB JUNIOR*
Play with different STEAM-related activities. Registration required (available online). Ages 5-8. 4:30-5:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 10, January 7

TECH CLUB TUESDAY*
Learn different STEAM-related technologies, with different programs and activities. Registration required (available online). Ages 8-12. 4-5:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: January 28, February 25

CODING CLUB*
Learn Scratch and other coding languages together. Registration requested (available online). Ages 8-11. 2:30-4 p.m.
Saturdays: January 18, February 15

PROGRAM CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4
Christmas Trivia
How much do you know about Christmas? Joe Hummel, host of Pop Culture Madness heard on WDEL radio, shares fun facts and fictions surrounding the holiday. Registration required. Adults. 6:30-7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9
Keepsake Box Decorating
Decorate small keepsake boxes with Sharpies, stickers and decoupage. While supplies last. Teens/Adults. 6-7:30 p.m.
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14
Holiday Scavenger Hunt
Let's usher in the season with some fun! Register your team of 2-5 members by December 13 at the Reference Desk. Pick up your clue list from the library on December 14. Teams who complete the hunt are entered into a prize drawing. A smartphone is necessary to answer some clues. Registration required. Teens/Adults/Families. 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Tassel Jewelry Making
Make a tassel and bead necklace. All materials provided. No prior experience necessary. Registration required. Ages 13+. 2-4 p.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20
One Big Story Time
Ms. Marianne leads a joint story time session instead of our regularly scheduled Friday story times. Tickets at Reference Desk 15 minutes before program. Ages Birth-6. 10:15-10:45 a.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27
Book Art
Upcycle old books into art. Choose a project and create a piece of art or décor for your home using recycled materials. Teens/Adults. 1-4 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31
Two Years’ Eve Party
Celebrate 2019 and prepare for 2020 with crafts, refreshments, a photo booth and a balloon drop. All ages. 1-2 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8
So What Does a Community Canine Police Officer Do?
Meet Officer Nikko and his handler as they describe a typical day in the life of a community K9 officer. Presented by New Castle County Police Department. Registration required. Teens/Adults. 6:30-7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11
3D Printing Workshop
Learn the basics of design for 3D printing using the library’s laptops. Please create an account on tinkercad.com and register before attending. Basic computer skills necessary. Tweens/Teens. 1-3 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18
National Human Trafficking Awareness Month
An estimated 40.3 million people across the world are being trafficked and human trafficking is one of the world’s fastest growing criminal industries. Learn what is being done to address the issue and how you can help. Presented in partnership with Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Middletown Delaware Chapter. Registration required. Adults. 1-3 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 27
Stuffed Animal Sleepover
After pajama story time, your stuffed animals get to spend the night at the library for their own story time and activities! Wear your PJs and bring a stuffed animal friend for bedtime stories and crafts. Then say goodnight to your stuffed animal who stays in the library for a fun sleepover! Come back once the library opens on Tuesday to pick up your stuffed friend. Bring a stuffed animal friend that won’t get too scared sleeping away from home. Ages 3-12. 6:30-7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29
National Puzzle Day
Work together with friends on a book lovers’ puzzle to celebrate National Puzzle Day and prepare for National Library Lovers’ Month in February. Teens/Adults. Library hours

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29
Home Health Care: What You Need to Know
The time to ask questions is now, not later when you may be faced with an emergency. Learn the do’s and don’ts of planning for home health care. Presented by Anne Eidschun, Certified Senior Advisor. Registration required. Adults. 6:30-7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4
Black History Month: Rosa Parks’ Birthday Party
Participate in Rosa Parks’ birthday celebrating her life and determination. Registration recommended. All ages. 6:30-6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5
Black History Month: Tracing Your African-American Roots
Discover resources for researching your family history and genealogy. Presented by Delaware Chapter Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society. Registration required. Adults. 6:30-7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8
Harry Potter Fan Club Valentine’s Day Party
Professor Lockhart cordially invites you to a Valentine’s Day celebration at the library. Costumes encouraged but not required. Ages 5+. 2-4 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11
International Day of Women and Girls in Science
Explore the history of women’s instrumental role in the sciences with demonstrations and trivia. Ages 7+. 5:30-7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26
Alone and Single?
Learn how to travel, dine out and enjoy entertainment alone, comfortably and safely. Anne Eidschun, Certified Senior Advisor, shows you how. Registration required. Adults. 6:30-7:30 p.m.

*Programs that support Common Core State Standards are marked with an asterisk. Ask your librarian for more information.
INSPIRATION SPACE: SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE
Thinking of starting a business? Own a company and need assistance? The Division of Small Business staff is available by appointment to work with you to navigate regulations, connect to community resources and more. Contact the Info Desk for details. Adults

PEACE YOUTH ART EXHIBITION
Walk in to the Kids Room and view the travelling Peace Youth Art Exhibition curated by Pacem in Terris, a Wilmington based peace and justice organization. Local students between ages 5-18 answered the questions: What is your vision of a peaceful world? What does peace mean to you? by submitting inspiring artwork. All ages. Library hours January 7-28 No program 1/20

SMASH BROS. CLUB
Drop in to settle it in Smash! Learn to play Super Smash Bros. including new tips and tricks. Ages 13-17. 2-4 p.m. Sundays: December 1, January 5, February 2

KNITTING A GOOD YARN
Drop in for fellowship with crafters enjoying knitting, crocheting and other creative hobbies. Bring your projects and friends. All skill levels. Ages 16-Adults. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Mondays: December-February No program 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE SPECIALISTS AT THE LIBRARY
Department of Labor Employment and Training Staff is at the library to assist you with career paths, resumé, cover letters, finding job openings, online applications, interviewing, training and apprenticeship. Learn of veteran programs or apply for Unemployment Insurance Claims. Employers can schedule meetings to help with hiring needs. One-on-one career, employment and entrepreneurial help in the Computer Lab. Ages 16-Adults. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Mondays: December-February No program 12/23, 12/30, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

INSPIRATION SPACE: WALK-IN JOB HELP
One-on-one career, employment and entrepreneurial help in the Computer Lab. Resumé and cover letters, finding job openings, completing online applications, interviewing, starting a business or courses online. Ages 16-Adults. 2-5 p.m. Mondays: December-February No program 12/23, 12/30, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

LIBRARY KID CHEFS*
Learn how to use basic foods you can find around your house to make fun, healthy and delicious snacks. Create your own personal cookbook to save the recipes. Best part? Eat the snack you prepare! Registration required. Ages 7-12. 4-5 p.m. Mondays: December 16, January 6, February 10

POKEMON CLUB*
Drop in to play the Pokémon trading card game and enjoy all things Pokémon. Ages 10-17. 6-8 p.m. Mondays: December 9, 23; January 13, 27; February 10, 24

YU-GI-OH! TCG*
Engage in card battles, create game strategy and learn how to build your Yu-Gi-Oh! deck. Ages 10-17. 6-8 p.m. Monday: December 16

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YOUTH IMPROV CLUB
Get creative with the art of improvisation! Learn how to create characters, spontaneously collaborate and act out original stories while having fun. Practicing improv enhances confidence and public speaking skills, boosts creativity and interpersonal skills. Ages 11-17. 7-8 p.m. Mondays: December 9, 23; January 13, 27; February 10, 24

SOCIAL WORKERS IN THE LIBRARY
Social workers from DHSS Community Partner Support Unit help with ASSIST application process, Medicaid, long-term nursing care, childcare, home energy assistance and other services. Adults. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Tuesdays: December-February No program 12/24, 12/31

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME*
Enjoy stories, music and movement. Includes a make-and-take craft. Ages 3-5. 10:30-11:15 a.m. Tuesdays: December-February No program 12/24, 12/31

QUILTS, CRAFTS AND MORE
Drop in for group activities including quilting, hand sewing and stitchery skills. Learn unique and enjoyable crafts while sharing fellowship. All skill levels. Ages 16-Adults. 5:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesdays: December 10, January 28, February 11

ZENTANGLES
Bring out the artist inside you with the Zentangle Method, an easy-to-learn, relaxing and fun way to create beautiful images by drawing structured patterns. Decorate a tote or large pencil case to take home for the last class. Materials provided. Registration required. Ages 14-Adults. 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesdays: January 7-28

CHESS CLUB*
Drop in to meet opponents, learn rules and strategy, practice sportsmanship, improve your game or just have fun playing! All ages and skill levels, under age 7 with a Caregiver. 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesdays: December-February No program 12/24, 12/31
**PAWS FOR PEOPLE: READ!**
Read aloud to a fury, friendly therapy companion to help inspire a love of reading. Offered by PAWS for People. Register at the Kids’ Desk. Readers of all ages and stages are welcome.
Tuesdays, 7-8 p.m.: December 3, 17; January 7, 21; February 4, 18
Wednesdays, 10:15-11:15 a.m.: December 7, January 4, February 1

**FICTION BOOK GROUP**
If you enjoy reading new or classic novels and discussing informally with other readers, this is the group for you. Contact the Info Desk for titles and details. Refreshments.
Ages 16-Adults. 7-8:30 p.m.
Wednesdays:
December 11, January 8, February 12

**NONFICTION BOOK GROUP**
If you enjoy reading new or classic nonfiction books and discussing informally with other readers, this is the group for you. Contact the Info Desk for titles and details. Refreshments.
Ages 16-Adults. 7-8:30 p.m.
Wednesdays:
December 18, January 15, February 19

**YOGA TALES**
Enjoy animal stories and easy yoga poses with a calming, guided meditation. Groups of five or more must call ahead to register. Ages 3+.
10:30-11:15 a.m.
Wednesdays: December 4, 18; January 15; February 5, 19

**MUSICAL STORY TIME**
Enjoy stories, music appreciation and dance. Groups of five or more can call ahead to register. Ages 3+.
10:30-11:15 a.m.
Wednesdays: December 11; January 8, 22; February 12, 26

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH MOVIE MATINÉE**
Experience award-nominated documentary films and biopics in a weekly double-feature on the big screen. Refreshments. Call for titles or see the Info Desk. Teens/Adults. 2-4 p.m. and 4-6 p.m.
Wednesdays: February 5, 12, 19

**DOCUMENTARY MOVIE MATINÉE**
Experience award-nominated documentary films and biopics up on the big screen at our monthly daytime screening. Call for titles or see the Info Desk. Refreshments. Teens/Adults. 3-6 p.m.
Wednesdays: January 22, February 26

**OSCAR NIGHT AT THE MOVIES**
Enjoy recent Academy Award-nominated films up on the big screen at our monthly movies-for-grown-ups nights. Call for titles or see the Info Desk. Refreshments. Adults. 6-8 p.m.
Wednesdays: January 22, February 26

**TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS**

**HOUR OF CODE**
Walk in to become part of a global movement reaching more than 100 million students worldwide. Visit the Kids Desk during Computer Science Education Week for an hour of coding then take home a certificate of completion.
All ages. Library hours
December 9-15

**LEGO WEDO ROBOTICS CLUB**
Use Lego WeDo components to make robots and other mechanical creatures. Registration required. Ages 6-8, 6-6 p.m.
Mondays: December 2, 16; January 6

**VEX IQ ROBOTICS**
Design it. Build it. Complete challenges compete against teams with Vex IQ robots. Registration required. Ages 9-15. 6-8 p.m.
Mondays: December 9; January 13, 27; February 10, 24

**CODING CLUB**
Walk in and join the fun learning to use computer code to make animations, games, music, art, interactive stories and more. Ages 8-Adults. 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Tuesdays:
December 3, January 7, February 4

**COMPUTER CLASSES FOR SPANISH SPEAKERS**
Enjoy hands-on instruction in internet, safe searching, email, files, job search skills and Microsoft Windows and Office applications for those just getting started. Call or contact the Info Desk for required registration. Ages 16-Adults. 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 1, January 22, February 16

**FREE - CLASES BÁSICA DE COMPUTADORA EN ESPAÑOL**
Disfrute de la instrucción práctica en Internet, búsqueda segura, correo electrónico, archivos, y habilidades de búsqueda de empleo. Aprenda cómo usar aplicaciones de Microsoft Office y Windows incluyendo Word y Publisher para aquellos que acaban de empezar. Para inscribirse llame o visite la biblioteca de Bear Info Desk. Edades 16-Adultos. 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Martes: Enero 14-Marzo 3
**INTRODUCTION TO GOOGLE DRIVE**

Bring your basic internet familiarity and computer experience to learning Google Drive. Appreciate what it is, how to sign up, how it is used and how you can use it to store and retrieve files. Registration required. Adults. 12:30-1:30 p.m. Saturday: February 15

**MAPS AND NAVIGATION**

Learn research and navigation skills using new online map resources. Whether for travel, academics, research or entertainment, sources like Google Earth help you find out what is - or was - there, anywhere and how to get around. Registration required. Adults. 12:30-1:30 p.m. Saturday: January 4

**BASIC RESEARCH**

Enjoy hands-on demos using online library computer catalog and electronic databases, reliable sources to help facilitate your research in academic, professional and entertainment endeavors. Registration required. Adults. 12:30-1:30 p.m. Saturday: January 11

**BASEBALL KEYBOARDING**

For those new to using computers or just brushing up, enjoy hands-on instruction in typing skills. Speed and accuracy are vital for today's learners and tomorrow's earners. Two-part, two-hour class requires registration. Adults. 12:30-1:30 p.m. Saturday: January 18, 25

**PROVIDE CALENDAR**

- **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3**
  - Paint and Chill Night
    - Bring a friend and enjoy step-by-step instructions to create a snowman painting. Materials and a warm beverage are supplied. Registration required. Teens/Adults. 6-8 p.m.

- **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4**
  - More Treasures: Delaware Public Archives
    - Follow-on to the popular “Treasures” program, Delaware Public Archives’ Tom Summers returns with an array of documents and images illustrating Delaware life from the 17th century through today, telling the story of those who make our First State their home. Registration recommended. Adults. 10:30-11:30 a.m.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4**

Archeology at Killen’s Pond State Park
Curtis McCoy tells of newly unearthed secrets from Delaware’s long-buried past in Killen’s Pond State Park. Enjoy a new Archaeological Society of Delaware topic and speaker most months. Visit DelawareArcheology.org or the Info Desk for registration. Adults. 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5**

Caregiver Challenges and Resources: Know Your Options
Taking care of a loved one at home has many great challenges and concerns. Join Anne Eidschun of Griswold Home Care to learn the answers to your many questions and create a plan to facilitate the care to the one in need and give respite to the caregiver. Registration recommended. Adults. 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7**

Genealogy Series: Mapping Your Ancestors
Reese Robinson, Delaware Genealogical Society board member, webmaster and blogger, tells of using maps for genealogical research, how changing boundaries affect where you find ancestry records and relevant maps online and in local repositories. Registration recommended. Adults. 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8**

Holiday Concert
Experience the joy of the holidays through bell ringing performances of traditional and modern favorites by Newark United Methodist Church’s First State Ringers. Refreshments and sponsorship thanks to Friends of the Bear Library. All ages. 2-3 p.m.

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 9**

Holiday Safety
Join New Castle County Police professionals as they detail safety precautions such as safe shopping practices useful to protect your person, family and property, especially during the busy holiday season. Registration recommended. All ages. 2-3 p.m.

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10**

Junior Scientist: Making a Kaleidoscope*
Learn about the history of the kaleidoscope and the colors that we see while making your own colorful kaleidoscope to keep. Get tickets at the Kids’ Desk 15 minutes before program. Ages 6+. 4-5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11
Memory Loss: Is it Forgetfulness or Dementia?
Ever wonder how to tell the difference? Christiana Care’s Swank Memory Care Center staff help bring these issues into focus. Know the forms of impairment, how to spot the differences, how to support a loved one so afflicted and about self-care for the caregiver including how to improve your memory. Registration recommended. Ages 16-Adults. 2-3:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4
Delaware History: Introducing Port Penn
Founded in the 1760s, early settlers hoped to develop a seaport to rival Philadelphia. While not quite living up to those aspirations, Port Penn is still a remarkable community managing to be both international and uniquely Delawarean. Delaware State Parks’ Jake Miller presents. Registration requested. Ages 12-Adults. 1-2:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11
Energize Delaware: Energy Conservation Workshop
Home energy counseling and check-up session for homeowners or renters includes do-it-yourself tips and information regarding programs for repairs, rebates and utility help. Each household that registers and attends receives one free weatherization kit. Registration required. Adults. 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12
A View from the Hill
Learn how Quakers shaped Wilmington, Delaware. Ashley Cloud of Quaker Hill Historic Preservation Foundation leads our journey from Quaker Hill’s founding in 1738, to the present, exploring the lasting positive impact the neighborhood and its Quaker families have had on the city’s growth and success. Registration requested. Ages 12-Adults. 2-4 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5
Genealogy Using Immigration Records
Whether just starting out or furthering your genealogical quest, join historian Mike Dixon to learn new methods for exploring family immigration history using new sources via online databases and in distant archives. Registration required. Adults. 2-4 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12
Junior Scientist: Microscope Exploration*
Explore the microscopic world around us in Delaware ponds. Build a hypothesis and put these cells to the test with water. Get tickets at the Kids’ Desk 15 minutes before program. Ages 7-Adults. 4-5 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 6
Vision Boarding 101
Visualize your future by reflecting on your goals and dreams! Create a vision board that motivates you and keeps the focus on what you would like to achieve in the next year. Supplies provided. Registration required. Ages 13+. 6:30-8:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8
Senior Roll Call
Your New Castle County Police provide this telephone reassurance program which calls senior citizens or home-bound residents daily with a prerecorded safety message and ensures each member answers “Okay.” Learn how to enroll yourself or loved ones. Registration requested. Adults. 2-3:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15
Meet the Bees: A Brief Introduction to Beekeeping
We know bees are endangered yet crucial to our ecosystem and economy, so how can we help nurture and protect them? DelawareBeekeepers.com volunteers teach about bees’ lives, hives, pollination, delicious honey and even how you could create a home-based apiary hobby or business. Registration requested. Ages 12-Adults. 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Controlling Your Financial Affairs
In challenging economic times, it is more important than ever to have control over our budget and understand the risks and rewards of our investments. Anne Eidschun helps with what you need to ask and the answers you should receive about your financial affairs. Registration required. Adults. 4:30-6 p.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14
Now Hear This: Creating an Audiobook
Writer’s Workshop author Will Hahn narrates audiobooks both for his own tales and those of other authors. Bring your work in progress, a poem or any of your writing then take a hand at recording, editing and polishing your own voice. Registration required. Ages 14-Adults. 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
**Wednesday, January 22**  
**Handmade Chain Scarf**  
No knitting needles or crochet hooks are needed to complete a beautiful, multi-colored chain scarf with your own hands and Boutique yarn. Supplies provided. Prior skills are not necessary. **Registration required. Ages 11+. 6:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, February 8**  
**Great Escape!**  
Hogan’s Heroes it is not, but nearby Fort Delaware has still had its share of exciting and clever escapes! Hear Jake Miller’s tales of men who dared to try their luck at leaving prison life behind. **Registration requested. Ages 12-Adults. 1-2:30 p.m.**

**Sunday, February 16**  
**Op Art Demonstration**  
Beginners use basic art supplies to create then take home bold abstract images that give the viewer the impression of movement and dimension. Presented by The Art Studio’s Sarah Dressler. **Registration required. Ages 12-Adults. 2:30 p.m.**

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**Wednesday, January 25**  
**Adventures in Research: Greenwood, Delaware Railroad Disaster**  
Over 100 years ago, on December 2, 1903, during a blinding snow storm, two trains collided in the center of Greenwood, DE, a town of 367 people. Historian Mike Dixon, DeHumanities.org, has researched this deadly tragedy that spurred the powerful Pennsylvania Railroad to pioneer national safety regulations. **Registration requested. Ages 14-Adults. 11 a.m.–1 p.m.**

**Saturday, February 9**  
**Black History Month: Cold War Comes to Route 40**  
In the Jim Crow era, African diplomats traveling between New York and Washington faced discrimination. As a team to local and international tensions threatening our diplomacy and national security, Historian Mike Dixon tells of Pres. Kennedy, Maryland and New Castle County, all thrust into the world news spotlight. **Registration recommended. Ages 12-Adults. 2-4 p.m.**

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**Sunday, January 26**  
**Tea Time with the Author**  
Enjoy a snack, talk with Liz DeJesus about writing and promoting your work, then do a step-by-step walk through to make your own book trailer using animoto.com, which can save hundreds of dollars over paying someone else to promote your work. Bring your laptop or tablet. **Registration recommended. Ages 14-Adults. 2-4 p.m.**

**Monday, February 10**  
**Senior Citizen Safety**  
Learn new home security information, insight into “flimflam” phone, internet and in-person scams and ideas for increasing protection for your loved ones and property from street crime including general safety tips useful at home or away. Bring your questions. **Registration requested. Adults. 2-3:30 p.m.**

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**Wednesday, January 29**  
**Let’s Explore Our Winter Skies**  
All-weather event features hands-on learning, real telescopes, cool activities and the latest science on our neighbors visible in winter skies. Your Solar System Ambassador Terence B. Blanch shows us how to view the heavens and discusses how they relate to history and our unique and irreplaceable world. **Registration requested. All ages, under age 12 with a Caregiver. 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

**Tuesday, February 11**  
**Junior Scientist: Balloon Car Builds**  
Come one, come all to the great balloon car race! Build your custom vehicle with friends and see what it takes to make your racer go the farthest and the fastest down the track. Trade ideas and work as a team to make the best balloon racers in the library. **Get tickets at the Kids Desk 15 minutes before program. Ages 7-Adults. 4-5 p.m.**

**Saturday, February 15**  
**Who Are the Sikhs?**  
Join New Castle County Corporal Paramjit Dhanju and Dr. Ruchia Kaur from The Sikh Coalition for a presentation and discussion on Sikhism in America, the 5th largest religion in the world. Learn about the culture, history and religion. **Registration recommended. Ages 16-Adults. 11 a.m.–1 p.m.**

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**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11**  
**Find Your Writing Voice By Hearing Theirs**  
A writer’s workshop series talk on selecting the proper voice for your characters. Everyone tells aspiring writers to “find your voice”. Which voice is right for your tale? Will Hahn explains the concept, gives examples and explores your options. **Registration required. Ages 12-Adults. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

**Saturday, February 22**  
**Black History Month: Delaware African-American Oral Histories**  
Delaware Afro American Historical and Genealogical Society presents oral histories of African American Delawareans. Engage in an interactive discussion on the value of oral histories and how you can take them. **Registration recommended. Age 16+. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.**

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**Sunday, February 23**  
**Black History Month: Last Stop to Freedom**  
Ashley Cloud of Quaker Hill Historic Preservation Foundation tells of Wilmington, Delaware’s pivotal role in Underground Railroad history. Discover how Quaker Hill’s Thomas Garrett assisted 3,000 Freedom Seekers alongside Harriet Tubman, William Still and other UGRR luminaries. **Registration requested. Ages 12-Adults. 2-4 p.m.**
**BRANDYWINE HUNDRED LIBRARY**

Unless noted, registration is not required. To sign up for programs marked “Registration required,” or “Registration recommended” call (302) 477-3150 or visit the Adult or Youth Reference Desks. All programs are free unless otherwise noted. See story times on page 37.

**ONGOING PROGRAMS**

**WINTER READING CHALLENGE***

Keep track of your reading and complete fun challenges to earn prizes and chase away the winter blahs. **Registration required.** **Ages Birth-17. Library hours**

January 3-February 8

**OUTSIDE THE LINES...**

**ADULT COLORING HOUR**

Embrace your inner child through the latest artistic trend. Adult coloring offers a fun and unique way to unwind, express creativity and socialize. Coloring sheets, pencils and markers provided. **Ages 18+. 12-1 p.m.**

Mondays: December-February

*No program 1/20, 2/3*

**STORIES AND SONGS FOR ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES**

Stories, songs and rhymes are a wonderful way to start the day. **Ages 18+. 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m.**

Mondays:

December 9, January 13, February 10

*For more adaptive programs, see page 21.*

**FILM NIGHT**

Award-winning movies. Bring a beverage, snacks are on us. **Ages 18+. 3-5 p.m. and 6-8 p.m.**

Mondays: December-February

*No program 1/20, 2/3*

**LEGO LOUNGE***

All are welcome to explore, experiment and create with LEGO at this drop-in club. Bring your imagination, we supply everything else. **Ages 5+. 3-5 p.m.**

Tuesdays: December-February

*No program 12/24*

**ART CLUB FOR HOMESCHOOLERS**

Exercise your imagination, creativity and fine motor skills using various art media. **Ages 5-12. 1:30-2:30 p.m.**

Tuesdays:

December 3, January 7, February 4

**RESEARCH PROJECT FOR HOMESCHOOLERS**

Learn to use outlines, notes, databases, print and digital resources to investigate a topic and produce a final research project. **Ages 8-14. 2-3 p.m.**

Tuesdays: January 14-February 25

*No program 2/4*

**FICTION BOOK CLUB**

Every month is reader’s choice, fiction or nonfiction. All are welcome to attend this spirited group where we talk about our books of choice. **Ages 18+. 7-8 p.m.**

Tuesdays:

December 3, January 7, February 4

**PAWS FOR PEOPLE: READ!*

Read aloud to a furry, friendly therapy companion to help inspire a love of reading. Offered by PAWS for People. **Tickets given out to 30 minutes prior to the start of program on a first-come, first-served basis. Readers ages 3+ and at all stages are welcome.**

**WEDNESDAYS:**

December 7, January 14, February 11

**MONTESSORI PLAY AND LEARN***

Nurture your child’s educational awakening with a sampling of activities led by certified teachers from Wilmington Montessori. **Tickets given out to 30 minutes prior to each session on a first-come, first-served basis. Maximum 25 participants. Ages 2+. 10:30-11 a.m.; 11:15-11:45 a.m.**

**WEDNESDAYS:**

December 11, January 8, February 12

**NONFICTION BOOK CLUB**

This group is for anyone who enjoys nonfiction. Genres discussed include histories, biographies, memoirs and all things that are true stories. Call the Adult Reference Desk for titles. **Ages 18+. 10:15 a.m.-12 p.m.**

**WEDNESDAYS:**

December 4, January 22, February 26

**KIDS MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

You are never too young to make a difference in the world! Drop in to do an easy service project that can have an impact on our community. **Ages 5-16. 2-5 p.m.**

Wednesdays: January 22, February 26

**BRANDYWINE BOOK CLUB**

Do you like to read all kinds of literature? This book club could be for you! Check at the Adult Reference Desk for titles. **Ages 18+. 7-8:30 p.m.**

**WEDNESDAYS:**

December 18, January 15, February 19

**SPICE: CHARACTER GROWTH FOR PRESCHOOLERS**

Even young children can learn character through simplicity, peace, integrity, community, equality and stewardship. **Ages 3-5. 10:30-11 a.m.**

**WEDNESDAYS:**

January 22, February 26

**STORYBOOK SCAVENGER HUNT**

Can you find everything on the list? Stop at the Youth Desk and see if you are up for the challenge. **All ages. Library hours**

**FRIDAYS:**

December 27, December 30, January 3

**INTRODUCTION TO CROCHET**

Learn basic crocheting techniques while socializing with fellow crafters. All skill levels welcome. **Ages 10+. 3:30-5 p.m.**

**FRIDAYS:**

December 13, January 10, February 14

**OPEN GAMING NIGHT**

Board games, card games, more games than you can shake a stick at. Bring a game, share a game, learn a new game or play a classic like Dominion or Ticket To Ride. More importantly, have a good time! **Ages 10+. 5:30-8:30 p.m.**

**FRIDAYS:**

December 20, January 17, February 21

**SATURDAY STORY TIME FOR FAMILIES**

Stories, songs and rhymes are a wonderful way to start the day. Bring the family. **Ages Birth-5 with a Caregiver. 10:30-11 a.m.**

**SATURDAYS:**

December 7, January 4, February 1

*Programs that support Common Core State Standards are marked with an asterisk. Ask your librarian for more information.*
WRIGHT TOUCH WRITER’S GROUP
New and seasoned authors who come together to share their passion for and commitment to writing. Adults. 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Saturdays:
December 21, January 18, February 15

CHESS MASTERS OF DELAWARE*
Play and learn the basics of chess! All experience levels welcome. Instructed by Coach Greg Rogers of Chess Masters of Delaware. Grades PreK-12. 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Saturdays:
December 14, January 11, February 8

TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS

COMPUTER BASICS
Learn basic computer terms and how to operate a keyboard and mouse. Check our Library Calendar for dates and schedules.

COMPUTER CLASSES
A variety of basic computer and technology assistance is available, including classes on operating a computer; MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint or Publisher and setting up a Gmail account. Check our Library Calendar for dates and schedules.

MICROSOFT BASICS
Beginner users learn core features of Microsoft basics including page setup, cut/copy/paste, editing, saving, printing and much more. Some basic computer skills recommended. Check our Library Calendar for dates and schedules.

EMAIL BASICS
Learn how to use email, set up a Gmail account and learn how to navigate your email. Check our Library Calendar for dates and schedules.

MICROSOFT OFFICE SUITE
Review Microsoft Office Suite basics: Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Publisher. Check our Library Calendar for dates and schedules. Adults

EBOOK HELP
Have questions? We have answers! Schedule a time with one of our ebook tech staff members. Check our Library Calendar for dates and schedules.

VEX IQ ROBOTICS
Drop in and design, build, code and run Vex IQ robots and share ideas in an open, collaborative environment. Imaginations play; learning happens! Ages 8-15. 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Mondays:
December 2, 16, January 6, February 17

MAD STEM LAB
Explore different technologies and expand your learning through hands-on experiences. Imaginations play; learning happens! Ages 8-15. 6-8 p.m.
Mondays:
December 9, January 13, February 10

CODE AND COFFEE
The perfect time to be creative, brush up on skills and meet new people. You can be a community member, a designer, a developer or anywhere in between. All are welcome. Adults. 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Saturdays: December-February

PROGRAM CALENDAR

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3
Holiday Concert
The First State Ringers, an affiliate of the Newark United Methodist Church Hand Bell Choir, performs beautiful holiday songs from around the world. All ages. 7:30-8:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4
The Little Match Girl
The Hans Christian Anderson classic is performed for young audiences by Pages Alive Theater young actors. Ages 4+. 12-12:30 p.m.

A Christmas Carol
Celebrate the holiday season with a performance of this timeless classic by Pages Alive Theater young actors. Ages 8+. 2-3 p.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6
Hour of Code: Pre-Coding for Preschoolers*
Can preschoolers prepare to become programmers? Yes! Children practice the skills they need to become literate in programming. Ages 3-6. 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Hour of Code for Homeschoolers*
Learn beginning programming and logical problem-solving. Ages 8-11. 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Hour of Code for Kids*
Learn beginning programming and logical problem-solving. Ages 8-11. 4-5 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10
Santa’s Visit and Story Time
Families can do crafts, play games and meet the special visitor from the North Pole. Bring your camera for pictures with Santa. All ages. 10:30-11:30 a.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20
Light Up the Night Winter Party
On the longest night of the year, chase away the dark with stories, games and crafts. Bring a flashlight and wear your PJ’s for a shining celebration of night. Families. 6:30-7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30
Winter Holidays Celebration
Which winter holidays does your family celebrate? Enjoy some familiar crafts and games of winter holidays and discover some new (to you!). Ages 3+. Library hours

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31
Noon Year’s Eve Party
Welcome in the New Year with crafts, music and a balloon drop at this family-friendly party. Ages 2+. 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10
Family Fort Night Story Time
Bring your sheets, blankets and a flashlight to Family Fort Night! Build a blanket fort in the Youth Area, then snuggle in to read in cozy comfort. Feel free to wear PJ’s! Snacks. Families. 6:30-7:30 p.m.
FRIDAY, JANUARY 24
Chinese New Year’s Party
Welcome the Year of the Rat with stories and crafts. Ages 2+. 10:30-11:30 a.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31
Winter Beach Party
You’ve heard of “Christmas in July;” now it’s time for “Summer in January!” Days might be short, but we have plenty of fun to light up your evening. Games, stories, crafts and treats remind us that the sun is coming back soon! All ages. 6-7:30 p.m.

Wilmer the Whale*
You have more in common with a whale than you might think! Meet Wilmer, an inflatable model of one of these magnificent ocean mammals. Ages 4+. 10:30-11:30 a.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4
How to Write a Soul Poem
Calling all non-poets, Insta-poets, future Poets and aspiring Angelous! This workshop helps you overcome your creative blocks and express yourself from a deeply empowered space. Teens/Adults. 6-8 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14
Love the Library Party
Hearts and flowers and kisses and… books! Enjoy stories, games and crafts that show how much we LOVE our libraries! Ages 4+. 10:30-11:15 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19
PAGES Author’s Party
A new book is certainly a cause for celebration—especially when you are the author! We recognize the release of PAGES, the literary magazine created by our own young patrons. Ages 4-11. 6:30-8 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21
Mother Language Multi-Lingual Story Time*
Honor and sample languages from around the globe with stories and activities. Ages 2+. 10:30-11:30 a.m.

CLAYMONT LIBRARY

Unless noted, registration is not required for library programs. To sign up for programs marked “Registration required,” call the library at (302) 798-4164 ex. 217 or come to the Reference Desk. All programs are free unless otherwise noted. See story times on page 37.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

HOMEWORK HUB*
Afterschool homework assistance for students in grades 3-6. Provided by community volunteers using library resources. Ages 8-12. 4-6 p.m.
Mondays: December-February
No program 12/23, 12/30, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

OPEN MIC FOR TEENS
Poetry, songs, short stories, whatever! Share it loud and proud. Refreshments. Ages 12-17. 6-7 p.m.
Monday: December 16

OPEN MIC NIGHT
Got talent? The stage is yours! Show us your talent of choice. Refreshments. Adults. 6-7:30 p.m.
Mondays: December 30, January 27, February 24

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD
Discuss and suggest programs, books and other library related topics. Here is your chance to make a difference in YOUR library. Refreshments. Ages 11-19. 4-5 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 3, January 7, February 4

CRAFT CLUBS
Learn new stitches; work on group or individual projects. Bring needles and yarn… and a friend. All levels. Adults.
Crocheting: Tuesdays, 6-7:30 p.m.: December 3, 17; January 7, 21; February 4, 18
Knitting: Tuesdays, 6-7:30 p.m.: December 10; January 14, 28; February 11, 25
Wednesdays, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.: December 18, January 15, February 19

TEEN TIME
Hang out and make new friends. Featuring ice-breaker questions and board games. Refreshments. Ages 11-19. 4-5 p.m.
Tuesdays: December-February
No program 12/3, 12/24, 1/7, 2/4

STEAM STORY TIME*
Join us for stories and crafts that explore themes in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics. Ages 4+ with a Caregiver. 6-7 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 10, January 14, February 11

BAD ART NIGHT
Leave your talent at the door and come make something terrible with us. All creations are judged by our “super-judgey” judges and the most dreadful creation may be awarded a prize! Ages 9-19. 6-7:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 17, January 21, February 18

BOOK CLUB
Join fellow readers for a lively and enlightening book discussion. Adults. 10-11 a.m.
Wednesdays: December 18, January 15, February 19

FOOD AND FILM WITH FRIENDS
Watch a movie and enjoy a free lunch with the Friends of the Claymont Library. Refreshments. Registration required. Adults. 12-2:30 p.m.
Wednesdays: December 11, January 8, February 12

LUNCH AND LITERATURE
Meet new friends, explore ideas and learn something new. Share your thoughts on books and other media you’ve recently read, seen or listened to and find out what others are enjoying. Light refreshments. Adults. 1-2 p.m.
Thursdays: December 5, January 2, February 6

BINGO FOR BOOKS
Join us for a fun hour of bingo with a variety books to choose from as prizes. Refreshments. Adults. 2-3 p.m.
Thursdays: December 12, 19; January 9, 23; February 13, 27
CHESS MASTERS CLUB*
Play and learn the basics of chess! All experience levels welcome. Instructed by Coach Greg Rogers of Chess Masters of Delaware. Grades PreK-12
Thursdays, 6:30-7:45 p.m.:
- December 12, 26; January 9, 23;
- February 13, 27
Saturdays: 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.:
- December 21, January 18, February 15

PAWS FOR PEOPLE: READ!*
Read aloud to a furry, friendly therapy companion to help inspire a love of reading. Offered by PAWS for People. Registration required. Readers of all ages and stages are welcome.
Thursdays: 6:30-7:30 p.m.:
- December 26, January 23, February 27
Saturdays: 1-2 p.m.:
- December 14, January 18, February 8

ESSENTIAL OILS
Discover hundreds of amazing uses for certified, therapeutic grade essential oils, extracted naturally from aromatic plants. Discuss and explore many ways essential oils are used to benefit and help support the body own natural system. Adults. 2-3 p.m.
Friday: February 7
Saturdays: December 14, January 11

TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS
FORTNITE BATTLE ROYALE TOURNAMENT
Be the Ultimate Survivor in our Fortnite Battle Royale tournament! Tickets given out 30 minutes prior to start of program on a first-come, first-served basis. Ages 10-19.
6-7:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 3, January 7, February 4

ROBOTICS LAB*
Learn to code and program robots while making friends with similar interests. Ages 5-14.
6-7 p.m.
Tuesdays: January 28, February 25

COMPUTER AND TECHNOLOGY CLASS
Free hands-on instruction introducing the personal computer, its hardware, Windows, files, apps for your cell phone, Google Cloud and much more for all levels. Registration required. Adults. 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
Fridays: December-February

PROGRAM CALENDAR
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5
Pop-Up Holiday Card Making
Create your own pop-up holiday cards. Tickets given out 30 minutes prior to start of program on a first-come, first-served basis. Teens/Adults. 6-7 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7
Post-Parade Holiday Celebration
Enjoy the festive holiday sounds of Sinerjé Clarinet Quartet and a visit from Santa Claus! Refreshments. All ages. 12-2 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14
Wreath Making
Learn how to create your own holiday wreath. Supplies provided. Tickets given out 30 minutes prior to start of program on a first-come, first-served basis. Teens/Adults. 2-4 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18
From Africa to the Americas
Journey from Africa to the Americas with music, song, dance and stories, highlighting the similarities between traditional African culture and African influenced culture in the Americas. Audience participation is a must as this is a village-oriented presentation. Presented by Kamau Ngom, DeHumanities.org. All ages. 2-3 p.m.
**SATURDAY, JANUARY 25**
Winter Story and Craft Time*
Join us for a story about silly snowman and a winter-themed craft. **Ages 3+ with a Caregiver. 11 a.m.-12 p.m.**

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 1**
Black History Month: African Americans and the Civil War
Learn about the challenges African Americans faced as soldiers fighting for the Union cause during the Civil War. Presented by Kathy Trusty, DeHumanities.org. **All ages. 2-3 p.m.**

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 8**
Black History Month: The Language of Quilts: Harriet Tubman, Delaware and the Underground Railroad
Discover how secret messages in the form of quilt patterns helped slaves escape captivity before and during the Civil War. Includes an interactive participatory activity for children. Presented by historian Barbara Cumberbatch-Harris. **All ages. 2-3 p.m.**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10**
Harry Potter Valentine’s Day Celebration
Calling all witches and wizards to join the Harry Potter Fan Club for an enchanting evening of well-mannered frivolity. **School robes are not required but are encouraged. Registration required. All ages. 6-7:30 p.m.**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15**
Folk Art and Culture
Jamaican born, prize-winning folk artist Eunice La Fate addresses the concept of folk art. Every culture has its share of folk artists, yet art historians often deny folk art its rightful place alongside fine art. Create your own folk art! **Tickets given out 30 minutes prior to start of program on a first-come, first-served basis. All ages. 2-3 p.m.**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22**
Family Paint Party
Join us for a winter-themed family paint program. **Tickets given out 30 minutes prior to start of program on a first-come, first-served basis. Ages 5+ with a Caregiver. 2-4 p.m.**

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**CORBIT-CALLOWAY MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

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**ONGOING PROGRAMS**

**BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP**
Join us as we delve into some wonderful books and create lively discussion. New members are always welcome. **Adults. 7-8 p.m.**

**Mondays:**
December 9, January 13, February 10

**YOGA FOR ALL LEVELS**
Beginners to advanced yoga enthusiasts are invited for a weekly session. Bring a mat and a towel. **Each session is $5. Adults. 6-7 p.m.**

**Wednesdays:**
December-February
No program 12/25, 1/1

**KIDS BOOK CLUB**
Middle school readers are invited for exciting book discussions and pizza. New members are always welcome. **Ages 9-12. 5:30-6:30 p.m.**

**Thursdays:**
December 19, January 16, February 20

**RECENT READS**
This is a different sort of book club. Simply read what you wish and come to share your impressions. It’s a wonderful way to get ideas of what to read next. New members are always welcome. **Adults. 1-2 p.m.**

**Fridays:**
December 6, January 3, February 7

**PROGRAM CALENDAR**

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4**
Peter Rabbit
The Griffin Theatre presents this beloved tale. **Ages 3+. 11 a.m.-12 p.m.**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7**
Christmas in Odessa
A town-wide celebration of the holidays featuring tours of old homes, food, live music, book sale and craft sale. **All ages. 9 a.m.-3 p.m.**

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11**
Secret Garden*
Stories today held at the Old Bank Building in Odessa, presented by The Historic Odessa Foundation. **Ages 3+. 11 a.m.-12 p.m.**

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12**
Legend of Crook-Jaw
Andrew Lyter of the Lewes Historical Society presents the tale of Ichabob Paddock, the preeminent shore whaler of his day, who had numerous run-ins with a whale had called Old Crook Jaw. **All ages. 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18**
Holiday Tales
Storyteller and musician Clem Bowen presents interactive and uplifting stories. **Ages 3+. 11 a.m.-12 p.m.**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15**
Sing Along with Miss Jackie
Folksinger Jackie McCabe sings some children’s seasonal songs. **Ages 3+. 11 a.m.-12 p.m.**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22**
Family Story Time
A Pony’s Tales, an interactive storytelling play, with Claire Drake. **All ages. 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

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**DELAWARE CITY LIBRARY**

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**ONGOING PROGRAMS**

**DC READERS**
Each month join a fun and lively book discussion. New members always welcome. **Contact the library for the current title. Adults. 6:45-8 p.m.**

**Monday:**
December 16
Tuesday: January 28, February 25

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*Programs that support Common Core State Standards are marked with an asterisk. Ask your librarian for more information.*
SENIORS’ GAME DAY
Elder adults enjoy card games and board games to enhance memory and social interaction. Adults. 12-1 p.m.
Tuesdays:
December 10, January 14, February 11

TEEN FOODCRAFTERS
Learn the basics of cooking by creating simple but delicious foods. Teens. 6-7:30 p.m.
Wednesdays:
December 22, January 22, February 19

DC TEEN BOOK CLUB
Join Delaware City’s teen book club. Read a selected title for each meeting and discuss the book. Light refreshments. Ages 12-17. 6-7 p.m.
Wednesdays:
December 11, January 1, February 5

PAWS FOR PEOPLE: READ!*
Read aloud to a furry, friendly therapy companion to help inspire a love of reading. Offered by PAWS for People. Readers of all ages and stages are welcome. 1-2 p.m.
Saturdays: December 7, 21; January 4, 18; February 1, 15

BOOKSIES
YOUNG READERS CLUB*
Join our kid's book club, Booksies and be a Bookateer. Read a book to discuss and do a theme-related activity. Light refreshments. Ages 6-11. 2-3 p.m.
Tuesdays:
December 17, January 21, February 18

STREAM @ THE LIBRARY*
Enjoy an educational and fun activity related to science, technology, reading, engineering, art and math. Ages 6-12. 5-6 p.m.
Thursdays:
December 19, January 23, February 20

ART IN THE LIBRARY
Learn a new art form at this monthly art program for adults. Take home a one-of-a-kind creation. Adults. 1-2:30 p.m.
Sundays:
December 8, January 12, February 9

PUB TRIVIA
A monthly trivia night hosted by the Delaware City Library held at Crabby Dick's, Fort Delaware. Adults. 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Tuesdays:
December 17, January 21, February 18

WILD RUMPUS STORY TIME*
Dance and sing at a special story time that keeps you moving. All ages. 2-3 p.m.
Saturdays:
December 28, January 25, February 22

PROGRAM CALENDAR

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9
Krampus Escape Room
Solve a series of puzzles to escape the Norse mythological creature, Krampus. Enjoy holiday-themed treats after escaping the room. Registration required. Adults. 6-7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12
Winter Wonderland Magic
Magician Steve Woyce puts on a show packed with magical routines that include snowmen, penguins, candy canes and snowballs. Registration requested. All ages. 5-6 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16
Holiday Concert: Winter Mandolin Performance
Enjoy a performance by musician Stephen Kleiman, who plays winter holiday-themed music on the mandolin. All ages. 5:30-6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9
Set Sail with Vikings
Examine reproduction Viking artifacts while learning about longships, mythology and trade. Create your own Viking rune stone and learn how to play Viking chess. Presented by the American Swedish Historical Society. Registration requested. All ages. 5-6 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16
Animals in Winter
View live animals and taxidermy specimens native to Delaware to learn about different strategies for winter survival. Investigate which animals hibernate, which stay awake and which migrate. Presented by the Delaware Nature Society. Registration requested. All ages. 5-6 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19
Learn to Square Dance
Start the new year off on the right foot by learning to square dance led by a professional dance instructor. Adults. 6:30-1:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4
Black History Month: African Americans and the Civil War
Attend a presentation on African Americans, free and enslaved and their role in the Civil War. It examines the challenges they faced and puts a face to soldiers who fought valiantly for the Union cause and freedom. All ages. 6-7 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13
Vintage Paper Puzzle Valentines
Create and decorate vintage style paper puzzles for Valentine's Day. Learn about this form of craft that dates back to the 1700s. Adults. 6-7 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24
Black History Month: Folk Art and Culture
Prize winning folk artist Eunice LaFate leads a presentation on folk art. Audience members create their own folk art. Adults. 6-7 p.m.

ELSMERE LIBRARY

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ONGOING PROGRAMS

SCAVENGER HUNT
Find all the items hidden throughout the library and receive a reward. New search theme every month. All ages. Library hours
No program 12/24, 12/25, 1/1, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

DROP-IN COLORING
Discover your inner artist at our Coloring Station. We provide all materials with new designs and activities each month. All ages. Library hours
No program 12/24, 12/25, 1/1, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

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SENIOR COFFEE HOUR
Browse books, read the newspaper, use the computer or socialize with other seniors while you enjoy a hot cup of coffee and a sweet treat. Adults. 10-11 a.m.
Mondays: December-February
No program 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

STORYBOOK PARTIES*
Storyteller Terry Colonna presents a fun, engaging program based on her vast collection of children's stories. Take-home activity/craft. Registration required. Ages 3-8. 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Mondays: December 2, 16

DARN YARN GROUP
Start a new project or work on an existing one. Emphasis on crocheting and knitting, but all other crafts welcomed. Bring your project and friends. Adults. 1:30-2:30 p.m.
Mondays: December-February
No program 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

CELEBRATE YOUR LIBRARY
Explore our monthly theme with stories, take-home crafts and activities. Light snacks. Ages 3-8. 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 17, January 21, February 18

SPRUCE AVENUE BOOKIES
Join our monthly book group for a lively in-depth discussion. Call for titles. Adults. 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 10, January 14, February 11

PAWS FOR PEOPLE: READ!* Read aloud to a furry, friendly therapy companion to help inspire a love of reading. Offered by PAWS for People. Registration required. Readers of all ages and stages are welcome. 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Thursdays: December 12, 26; January 9, 23; February 6, 20

ADULT BOOK GROUP
Join our monthly book group for a lively in-depth discussion. Call for titles. Adults. 6-7:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 10, January 14, February 11

TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS

MAKER MONDAYS*
Design, create and share ideas using 3D printing, coding and more. Ages 7-17. 4-5 p.m.
Mondays:
December 9, January 13, February 10

TECH MAVEN
Make an appointment for free hands-on help with your technology needs including resumes, job applications, ebooks, email and more. Appointment required. Adults. 12-3 p.m.
Thursdays: December - February

MAGFORMERS*
Use your imagination and build your own Magformers creations. We supply the tools, you bring the ideas. Ages 3-11. 3:30-5 p.m.
Thursdays: December-February

HOUR OF CODE*
Complete coding challenges using Scratch and Sonic Pi! Teens. 4-5 p.m.
Thursdays:
December 19, January 16, February 20

PROGRAM CALENDAR

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7
Delaware Day Celebration
Learn about Delaware Day through crafts, activities and more! All ages. Library hours

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9
Who Gets Grandma’s Yellow Pie Plate?
The UD Cooperative Extension provides practical information about the inheritance of personal property. Adults. 10:30-11:30 a.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10
Human Rights Day
Complete crafts and activities to help celebrate Human Rights Day. All ages. Library hours

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20
Winter Holiday Party
Music, games, crafts and snacks to celebrate the Holidays. All ages. 1-3 p.m.

Holiday Concert:
Steel Happiness
Mike Cook provides sweet sounds of steel drum music with a Christmas twist. Adults. 1:30-2:30 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 13
Storytelling from Brandywine to the Bay
Ed Okonowicz, DeHumanities.org, presents yarns, folk-tales, and historical and contemporary pieces set in familiar Delaware sites. Adults. 10:30-11:30 a.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17
Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration
Design and create a peace art collage using a WaterColorBot. All ages. 3-5 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 27
Stories Worth Repeating
Sharon Moore, DeHumanities.org, shares lessons in stories of community members and illustrates them with quilt samples, pictures and scrapbook pages. Adults. 10:30-11:30 a.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4
Black History Month:
Black Delaware Participation in the Civil War
Ronald Whittington, DeHumanities.org, presents a first-person portrayal of William Owen, a free black man from Milford, and his part fighting in the Civil War. Adults. 6-7 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10
The Lincolns: Portrait of a Family
Take a look back at Abraham and Mary Todd, their four sons and the series of tragedies that struck the family. Presented by Don Pritchett, Delaware Historical Society. Adults. 10:30-11:30 a.m.
HOCKESSION LIBRARY

Unless noted, registration is not required for library programs. To sign up for programs marked “Registration required,” call the library at (302) 239-5160, visit the Reference Desk, Juvenile Desk or sign up online. All programs are free unless otherwise noted. See story times on page 37.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

LIBRARY SCAVENGER HUNT
Search the library for the hidden objects around the Children’s Room. New search theme each month. All ages. Library hours No program 12/24, 12/25, 1/1, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

DELWARE MONEY SCHOOL
Enjoy Delaware Financial Literacy Institute programs on investing, retirement, estate plans, insurance, debt relief, credit repair, business, blogging, college planning, real estate and more! Call (877) 307-6858 or visit dcrac.org/money-school or dfli.com to register. Adults

DELWARE SCORE WORKSHOPS
Delaware SCORE offers numerous workshops and seminars throughout the year on a variety of different topics of interest to new and existing business owners. Registration options at (302) 691-9152 or delaware.score.org. Adults.

COOKS AND BOOKS, JR.*
Try new recipes and share your love of reading. Once a month we come together to try the recipes and talk about the experience of making them. Stop in the Children’s Room to find out what cookbook we are using this month and select your recipe. Registration required. Ages 5-12. 2-3 p.m. Sundays: December 1, January 5, February 2

STORY TIME WITH A TWIST*
Come dressed in your PJs as we dive into books and end with a fun twist on story time. All ages. 6:30-7:15 p.m. Mondays: December-February No program 12/16, 12/23, 12/30, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

YOUNGER TEEN BOOK GROUP
Read and discuss books with your friends. Bring bottled water. Snacks. Registration required. Ages 12-14. 4:15-5:15 p.m. Tuesdays: December 3, January 7, February 4

KIDS BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS
Read and discuss books with your friends. Bring bottled water. Snacks provided! Registration required. Ages 5-11. 4:45-5:45 p.m. Tuesdays: Ages 5-6: January 21, February 18 Ages 7-8: January 28, February 25 Ages 9-11: January 14, February 11

LEGO CLUB*
Bring your imagination and make some LEGO creations. We supply everything you need so please leave your LEGO toys at home. Ages 3+: 4:30-5:30 p.m. Tuesdays: December-February No program 12/24, 12/31

EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP
Join our friendly, informal, monthly book group. Newcomers welcome. Adults. 7-8 p.m. Tuesdays: December 17, January 21, February 18

NOON BOOK CLUB
Book lovers wanted. Bring a bag lunch and join us for a lively book discussion. Newcomers welcome. Adults. 12-1 p.m. Wednesdays: December 11, January 8, February 12

MOTHER-DAUGHTER BOOK CLUB
Read and discuss books with your favorite female adult. Bring bottled water. Registration required. Ages 8+ with a Caregiver. 7-8 p.m. Wednesdays: December 4, January 29, February 26

CHICK LIT BOOK CLUB
Read and discuss entertaining, light reads by joining our fun book group! Adults. 7-8 p.m. Wednesdays: January 15, February 19

HOCKESSION RECREATION CENTER BOOK CLUB
Do you enjoy books and conversation? Join us on the fourth Wednesday of each month at the Hockessin Recreation Center. Adults. 1-2 p.m. Wednesdays: December 18, January 22, February 26

WHO ARE LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMEN?
Advance Directives and Living Wills
Make a difference in someone’s life by advocating for and helping alleviate loneliness and isolation of residents in long-term care facilities with DHSS. Adults. 10:30-11:30 a.m. Fridays: January 31, February 28

A MATTER OF BALANCE
An eight-week structured group intervention emphasizing practical strategies to reduce fear of falling and increase physical and mental acuity. Adults. 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Fridays: February-March No program 2/1

DOCUMENTARY FILM SERIES
Enjoy an afternoon out watching a film on the big screen. Clever, eye-opening, refreshing, award-winning. Call for titles. Adults. 2-4 p.m. Fridays: December 6, January 10, February 7

ART + BOOKS = COOL
Create art projects inspired by some of our favorite picture books Ages 3+. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Saturdays: December 14, January 11, February 8
GAMES GALORE*
Board games and card games are set up in the Children's Room. Play a game and meet some new friends. All ages. 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Saturdays:
December 21, January 18, February 15

BUILD, BUILD, BUILD
What can you build with our building tools today? All ages. 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Saturdays:
December 28, January 25, February 22

GENEALOGY
All are welcome to the monthly meeting of the Delaware Genealogical Society. A different speaker presents each month. Adults. 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Saturdays:
January 25, February 22

COOKBOOK CLUB
Meet once a month to discuss and critique current and established cooks and try recipes from those books. Adults. 2-3:30 p.m.
Saturdays:
December 7, January 18, February 22

TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS
COMPUTER BASICS AND TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE
Need help with basic computer skills? We help with ereaders, audiobooks and basic computer skills. Walk-ins welcome when help is available or make an appointment.

3D PRINTING WORKSHOP
Interested in 3D printing? Discuss the what, how and the whys of 3D printing and to give you the tools you need to get started. Email address required. Ages 13-Adults. 2-4 p.m.
Sundays: January 26, February 16

ONE-ON-ONE GENEALOGY
Staff is available by appointment to answer your questions. Bring a USB drive and any paperwork. Adults. 2-4 p.m.
Tuesday/Wednesdays: December-February
No program 12/24, 12/25, 1/1

VIDEO GAMES FOR ADULTS
Exercising your brain is just as important as your body. Keep your brain fit and have fun as we play vintage video games together. Adults. 2-3:30 p.m.
Fridays: January-February
No program 1/10, 2/7

PROGRAM CALENDAR
MONDAY, DECEMBER 2
Hour of Code:
Binary Code Necklaces*
Use the ASCII alphabet in Binary to create a bead necklace of your name to help demystify computer science. Ages 5+. 1:30-4 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7
The Women's Suffrage Movement Below the Color-line
Syl Woolford presents African-American suffragists who demanded the right to vote and would not be silenced until they achieved their goal. Teens/Adults. 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

Create a Winter-Themed Necklace
Take a break from the stress of the season and create a beautiful piece of handmade art. Adults. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10
String Art
Retro and trendy, this craft is easy for beginners to create a dramatic finished piece of art for your walls. Presented by The Art Studio. Teens/Adults. 7-8 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14
How the Grinch Stole WHO-ckessin
Join us for an interactive showing of the original classic Dr. Seuss’s How the Grinch Stole Christmas. In partnership with the Hockessin Business Association. All ages. 1-2 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21
Holiday Concert
Vox Humana Choir offers winter and Christmas-themed songs at this concert. Refreshments provided and served by the Friends of the Hockessin Library. All ages. 2-3 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22
Holiday Concert
Celebrate the holiday season with the beautiful sounds of the First State Ringers. Refreshments provided and served by the Friends of the Hockessin Library. All ages. 2-3 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23
Picture Book Putt Putt
Try out our mini-golf course. Golf balls and putters provided. Sign up for a tee time in the Children's Room on a first-come, first-served basis. Ages 3+. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27
STEAM Lab
Explore all kinds of science, technology, engineering, art and math activities. Ages 3+. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30
Crafty Day
Arts and craft supplies are set up in the meeting room. Show off your crafty side! Ages 3+. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31
Oversized Game Day
Giant Jenga. Colossal Ker-plunk. Pick-up Sticks XL. Our games have been supersized today. Join the fun. All ages. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11
At the Grave of Inez Milholland
At her graveside service, African-American suffragists were turned away from speaking in memory of Inez Milholland, supporting their community during her work as a suffragist. Syl Woolford helps us understand the complex relationship between the races in the early 1900s. Adults. 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 27
Protect Your Identity
Learn how to protect yourself from this growing area of consumer crime. Presented by UD Cooperative Extension Adults. 10-11:30 a.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1
Zentangle Art Class
Create beautiful images by drawing structured patterns at this easy to learn, relaxing, fun and meditative art class. Teens/Adults. 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15
Black History Month:
Delaware’s Forgotten Daughter
Born in Wilmington in 1823, Mary Ann Shadd Cary was a teacher, journalist, editor, feminist, lawyer, wife and mother who practiced a life committed to racial and gender equality. Learn more about this remarkable woman at this Delaware Humanities program. Adults. 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29
Centic Concert
Enjoy the beautiful sounds of “Willow Tree” at this early spring concert. All ages. 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
KIRKWOOD LIBRARY

Unless noted, registration is not required. To sign up for programs marked “registration required,” or “registration recommended,” call (302) 995-7663 or the Reference Desk or the Juvenile Desk. Programs are free unless otherwise noted. See story times on page 37.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

DELWARE MONEY SCHOOL
Enjoy Delaware Financial Literacy Institute programs on investing, retirement, estate plans, insurance, debt relief, credit repair, business, blogging, college planning, real estate and more! Visit the Reference Desk, dcrac.org/money-school or dfll.com or call (877) 307-6858 to register. Adults. Library hours

READING ADVISORY/ASESORÍA DE LECTURA
Looking to improve your or your children’s reading habits and don’t know how to start? This is the perfect Spanish and English program for you and learn how to read to your children. Visit the Reference Desk or call to schedule an appointment. By appointment only. All ages. Library hours

DELWARE WRITERS STUDIO
Join our monthly writers’ workshop. Adults. 1:30-3:30 p.m.
Sundays:
December 15, January 19, February 16

CASTAWAYS KNIT AND CROCHET GROUP
Bring an ongoing project or start a new one. Learn how-to and share your talents. All levels. Teens/Tweens/Adults. 7-9:30 p.m.
Mondays: December-February
No program 1/20, 2/17

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP
Join an engaging discussion of the month’s selection. Call or visit the Reference Desk for titles. Adults. 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Tuesdays:
December 3, January 7, February 4

SPANISH LITERATURE DISCUSSION GROUP/GRUPO DE DISCUSSION DE LITERATURA EN ESPAÑOL
A reading club that gathers to only discuss Spanish literature while learning about Hispanic countries’ culture with their literature and authors as main topics. We always have a fun time, drink tea, eat fruits and other surprise goodies from Hispanic countries. Everyone is welcome to attend (including Spanish learners). Ages 18+. Tuesdays: December 3, January 7, February 4

TUTORING-4-ALL
Come in and work with someone who can offer the assistance you need to understand math and science. Teens/Adults. 6-8 p.m.
Wednesdays:
December 4, January 1, February 5

SOCIAL WORKERS IN THE LIBRARY
Social workers from DHSS Community Partner Support Unit help with ASSIST application process, Medicaid, long-term nursing care, childcare, home energy assistance and other services. Adults. 2-4 p.m.
Wednesdays: December-February
No program 12/25, 1/1

PAWS FOR PEOPLE: READ!*
Read aloud to a furry, friendly therapy companion to help inspire a love of reading. Offered by PAWS for People. Registration required for your 15-minute session. Call or visit the Reference Desk. Readers of all ages and stages are welcome. 7-8 p.m.
Wednesdays: December 4, 18; January 1, 15; February 5, 19

FAMILY GAME DAY*
Challenge your family and friends with board games, puzzles, card games and more. All ages. 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Saturdays:
December 7, January 4, February 1
Special Family Game Days, Library hours: December 21-31
No program 12/24, 12/25, 12/26

PUBLIC EBOOK HELP
Free instruction on how to access the library’s ebooks using your computer or ebook reader. Several brochures for major platforms are available at the Reference Desk. For a consultation or to make an appointment, call or visit the Reference Desk. Teens/Adults. Library hours
No program 12/24, 12/25, 1/1, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

SMARTPHONES FOR SENIORS
Learn basics of smartphone use through hands on program. Learn how to set up the phone, placing a call, creating contact lists and even select a few apps. Registration requested. Call or visit the Reference Desk for information. Adults. Library hours
Select Thursdays: December-February

IN THE LIBRARY

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10
Blogging Basics
You are already a writer, an artist or a business professional and have found a unique idea. Learn how to express yourself and your unique viewpoint through blogging. This workshop focuses on the non-technical, creative side of blogging. Your instructor, Lois Hoffman, is the owner and blogger at The Happy Self-Publisher. Registration requested. Adults. 6:30-8 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16
Hoarding
We all have possessions which we may have a difficult time parting with. This session focuses on the psychological reasons for hoarding, the health hazards associated with the condition and tips for interacting with those who have hoarding issues. Sponsored by the Division of Public Health. Adults. 1-2:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17
Holiday Concert
A festive holiday hand bell concert featuring the immensely popular First State Ringers. Sponsored by Friends of the Kirkwood Library. All ages. 7-8 p.m.
NEWARK FREE LIBRARY

Unless noted, registration is not required. To sign up for programs marked “Registration required” or “Registration recommended” call (302) 731-7550 or visit the Info or Kids Desks. All programs are free unless otherwise noted. See story times on page 37.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

LIBRARY LEGO LAND CLUB*
LEGO Club is a fun activity for parents and children. Work on a monthly building project. Ages 5-10.
Sundays, 2:30-4 p.m.: December 1, January 5, February 2
Fridays, 6:30-8 p.m.: December 27, January 24, February 28

WALK-IN JOB AND ENTREPRENEURIAL ASSISTANCE
Visit the Job Center to create an email address, find job leads online, fill out a job application, write a resume, practice interviews, learn computer skills or start a small business. One-on-one assistance. Adults. 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Mondays: December-February

NOON BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP
Join us for an informal book discussion. Call library for each month’s selection. Bring your lunch! Book selections available at the Information Desk. Adults. 12-1 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 10, January 14, February 11

SOCIAL WORKERS IN THE LIBRARY
Social workers from DHSS Community Partner Support Unit help with ASSIST application process, Medicaid, long-term nursing care, childcare, home energy assistance and other services. Adults. 2-4 p.m.
Tuesdays: December-February
No program 12/24

MONTHLY CARDMAKING WORKSHOP
Learn the art of cardmaking. Each workshop focuses on a new holiday or theme. Registration required. Ages 12+. 6-8 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 3, January 7, February 4

DECLUTTER TO DE-STRESS WORKSHOP
Tidy up, declutter, organize, de-stress. This workshop focuses on clutter-busting ideas, strategies and plans. Get your hands on clutter! Registration required. Adults. 6-8 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 17, January 21, February 18

NEWARK CODES
You can be a community member, a designer, a developer or anywhere in between. Come brush up on your coding skills and meet new people. Everyone is welcome! Adults. 6-8 p.m.
Tuesdays: December-February

WATERCOLOR PAINTING WORKSHOP
Enjoy an evening of watercolor painting at the Library! No experience required. Beginners welcome! Supplies provided. Registration required. Teen/Adults. 6-8 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 10, January 14, February 11

AFRICAN-AMERICAN BOOK GROUP
The group focuses on works of African-American authors. Call for each month’s selection. Book selections available at the Information Desk. Adults. 7-8 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 10, January 14, February 11

EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP
Join other readers for lively and enlightening discussions. Call for each month’s selection. Book selections available at the Information Desk. Adults. 7-8 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 17, January 21, February 18

TEEN LGBTQ BOOK GROUP
New group forming to discuss books and other LGBTQ issues. Book selections available at the Information Desk. Teens. 7-8:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: January 28, February 25

YARN CIRCLE GROUP
Bring your needlework and join other crafty yarners. All levels welcome. All ages. 7-8:45 p.m.
Tuesdays: December-February
No program 12/24

YOGA TALES*
Go on a yoga storytelling adventure with instructor Amy Vistorek, which consists of a warm up, the adventure and relaxation. During the story, work on yoga positions. Bring a towel or yoga mat. Ages 3-6. 10:30-11 a.m.
Wednesdays: December-January
No program 12/25, 1/1

CHESS NIGHT GROUP*
Open chess games for all abilities. All ages. 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Wednesdays: December-February
No program 12/25, 1/1

PAWS FOR PEOPLE: READ!*
Read aloud to a furry, friendly therapy companion to help inspire a love of reading. Offered by PAWS for People. Registration required. Readers of all ages and stages are welcome. 7-8 p.m.
Wednesdays: December 11; January 15, 29; February 12, 26

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE SPECIALISTS AT THE LIBRARY
Department of Labor Employment and Training staff assist with creating resumes and cover letters, finding job openings, interview skills, training programs, veteran programs and applying for unemployment insurance claims. Adults. 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Fridays: December-February

FRIDAY FILMS
Screenings of award-winning films with an independent flavor. Call library for film titles. Films are intended for a mature audience. Adults. 2-4 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Fridays: December 6, January 3, February 7

TEEN COOKING AND CULTURE CLUB
Teen group focuses on the food and culture of a different country each month. Registration required. Ages 12+. 7-8 p.m.
Fridays: December 20, January 17, February 21

THE ART OF CRITIQUE: A POETRY WORKSHOP
Feedback is essential to the writing craft. In this workshop series, receive thoughtful critique of your own poems while learning to offer constructive feedback on the work of others. Open to poets of all levels. Ages 15+. 2-4 p.m.
Saturdays: December 21, January 18, February 15
NEW CASTLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

To sign up for programs marked “Registration requested,” you may call the library at (302) 328-1995 or come to the reference desk to register in person. See story times on page 37.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

COMPUTER AND JOB SEARCH HELP

Computers and staff assistance available for individuals seeking jobs and/or wanting to improve their computer skills. Registration required. Adults. 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Mondays: December-February
No program 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

THINKOLOGY*

A hands-on, self-paced computer coding club. Ages 8-14. 4-5 p.m. Mondays: December-February
No program 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

MONDAY NIGHT CULTURAL MOVIE

Call for titles. Adults. 6:30-8:30 p.m. Mondays: December 9, January 13, February 10

PAWS FOR PEOPLE: READ!*

Read aloud to a furry, friendly therapy companion to help inspire a love of reading. Offered by PAWS for People. Registration requested. Readers of all ages and stages are welcome. 6:30-7:30 p.m. Mondays: December 9, 23; January 13, 27; February 10, 24

SEW HAPPY GROUP

A social gathering of sewers and quilters. Bring your own projects, supplies and sewing machines. Ages 21+. 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesdays: December 10, January 14, February 11

TUESDAY NIGHT BOOK GROUP

Monthly book discussion. Call for titles. Registration requested. Adults. 7-8 p.m. Tuesdays: January 14, February 11
GED IN SPANISH
Classes in Spanish to prepare to take the new GED test. Registration required. Email ivana.darold.dominguez@gmail.com or call (302) 737-2001. Ages 18+. 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Tuesdays/Thursdays: December-February
No program 12/24

STREAM*
Different activity each week revolving around science, technology, reading, engineering, art and math. Ages 8-15. 4-5 p.m.
Wednesdays: December 11; January 8, 22; February 12

FAMILY PIZZA AND A MOVIE
Come for the pizza and a movie! Call for titles. All ages. 5:30-7 p.m.
Wednesdays: December 18, January 22, February 19

DROP-IN COMPUTER AND JOB SEARCH HELP
Computers and staff assistance available for individuals seeking jobs and/or wanting to improve their computer skills. Adults. 2:30-4 p.m.
Thursdays: December-February

THE USUAL SUSPECTS
For mystery story lovers. Call for titles. Adults. 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Thursdays: December 5, January 16, February 20

THURSDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES
Call for titles. Registration requested. 6:30-8 p.m.
Thursdays: January 23, February 20

LIBRARY AFTER HOURS
Themed monthly social gatherings for adults. BYOB. Registration and ID required. Ages 21+. 7-8:30 p.m.
Fridays: December 13, January 17, February 14

TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS
ADULT TECH CLASS
Learn the inner workings of modern technology. Adults. 6-7 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 17, January 21, February 18

PROGRAM CALENDAR
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12
Great Gingerbread Construction Party
Food, fun, crafts. Presented by William Penn High School. All ages. 6:30-7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19
Holiday Concert
Celebration Bell Ringers of New Castle Presbyterian Church presents a concert of seasonal holiday music at the library. All ages. 7:30-8:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26
Holiday Movie
Call for title. Registration required. All ages. 3-4:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9
Rollin’ on the River: Delaware in the Revolutionary War
Kim Burdock describes life in Delaware and environs during the Revolutionary War. Funded by DeHumanities.org. Registration required. Adults. 6:30-7:30 p.m.

BLOOD PRESSURE AMBASSADOR PROGRAM
Volunteers from the Christiana Care Hospital discuss blood pressure results with participants. Adults. 12-2 p.m.
Saturdays: December 14, January 11, February 8

LEG0 FREE PLAY*
Get creative, bring your imagination and make some LEGO creations. One hour of theme building and a half hour of free build. Ages 5+. 12-2 p.m.
Saturdays: December-February

ABCmouse.com*
Use the library's online early learning curriculum of ABCmouse.com. Parents/Caregivers have the opportunity to work one-on-one with their child using library computers. Headphones are recommended for the child. Ages 2-6. 1-3 p.m.
Saturdays: December-February

SATURDAY CRAFTS
Come in, make and take home an arts-and-craft item. Ages 2+. 1-2 p.m.
Saturdays: December-February

NORTH WILMINGTON LIBRARY
Unless noted, registration is not required for library programs. To sign up for a program marked “Registration required,” call the library at (302) 761-4290 or visit the Circulation Desk. All programs are free unless otherwise noted. See story times on page 37.

ONGOING PROGRAMS
CHESS MASTERS OF DELAWARE*
This club practices and plays the game of chess under the instruction of Coach Gregory Rogers and competes in tournaments throughout the U.S. Registration required. Ages 8+. 6-7:45 p.m.
Wednesdays: December-February.
No program 12/25, 1/1

SOCIAL WORKERS IN THE LIBRARY
Social workers from DHSS Community Partner Support Unit help with ASSIST application process, Medicaid, long-term nursing care, childcare, home energy assistance and other services. Adults. 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Fridays: December-February
No program 12/27, 1/3
ROUTE 9 LIBRARY

Unless noted, registration is not required for library programs. To sign up for programs marked “Registration required,” call the library at (302) 657-8020 or come to the Reference Desk. All programs are free unless noted. See story times on page 37.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

CULINARY CLASSES AT THE ROUTE 9 EATERY
Seasonal classes are now being offered in our state-of-the-art kitchen. See page 19 for details. All ages.

MAKER LAB ORIENTATION
Makers must complete this orientation to learn how to use the equipment (vinyl cutters, laser, 3D printers, etc.) safely and responsibly in the Maker Lab. Adult makers must have a photo ID and a library card in good standing. Makers ages 13-17 with a Caregiver who can sign a liability waiver and has a valid ID. Teens/Adults. Call for dates and times.

PAWS FOR PEOPLE: READ!*
Read aloud to a furry, friendly therapy companion to help inspire a love of reading. Offered by PAWS for People. Registration required. Readers of all ages and stages are welcome. 1:30-2:30 p.m.
Sundays: December 8, January 12, February 9

MAKER MONDAY
DIY projects can be social! Meet fellow makers. Attendees are doing all kinds of projects, from knitting to 3D design. Led by members of Barrel of Makers Inc. Ages 13-Adults. 6:30-8 p.m.
Mondays: December-February
No program 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

LEGO CLUB*
Get creative building with LEGO blocks as you participate in challenges and play games. Registration required. Ages 5-Adults. 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Mondays: December 2, January 6

MID-MORNING MOVIE
Join us for a mid-morning movie. Call for titles (subject to change without notice). Adults. 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: December-February
Wednesdays: December-February
No program 12/24, 12/25, 1/1

EVERY MAN COUNTS: JOB READINESS
Offered by Every Man Counts, job readiness training prepares participants to get, keep and excel at a new job. Basic employability skills include resume building, interviewing, effective communication and problem solving. Job readiness training also helps participants develop excellent work habits that facilitate their ongoing success. Call (302) 272-0678 to register. Adults. 6-8 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 10, January 14, February 11

KARAOKE NIGHT
Join us for singing and dancing fun! All ages. 6-8 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 17, January 21, February 18

SEWING BASICS
Learn to operate our new Singer sewing machines and make a cute project to take home. Registration requested. Teens/Adults. 6-8:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 17, February 18

FAMILY LITERACY STORY TIME*
In this special story time, parents learn how to create literacy-rich home environments and to promote the love of books and reading while children enjoy being read a story. Ages Birth-5 with a Caregiver. 7-7:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: January 28, February 25

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP
Be part of a book club that inspire your imagination and takes you on wonderful journeys with friends. Stop by the Circulation/Information Desk for a copy of the book or call for titles. Adults. 5:30-7 p.m.
Tuesday: February 25
Wednesday: January 22

STEAM STORY TIME*
Miss Debbie and Miss Marissa deliver a special story time designed to highlight science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics. Registration required. Ages 5-12 with a Caregiver. 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: December 3, January 7, February 4
Wednesdays: December 4, February 5

EVERY MAN COUNTS: COURT SMART
Court Smart helps strengthen families by preparing fathers and mothers for success in court with mediation, the judicial hearing and navigating the court system. The program also teaches proper decorum in court, presentation and addressing the court. Learn your rights and responsibility in Family Court. Adults. 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Wednesdays: January 28, February 25
No program 12/24

AFRICAN-AMERICAN AUTHOR BOOK CLUB
Join our book club featuring classic and modern African-American authors, discussing books while having a good time. Stop by the Circulation Desk for a copy of the book or call for titles. Light refreshments. Adults. 6-7:30 p.m.
Wednesdays: December 4, February 5

CHESS CLUB*
Open to chess players of all skills and abilities. Ages 5-Adults. 6-7:30 p.m.
Wednesdays: December 2, 2018

SENSORY STORY TIME*
Enjoy a structured program with stories, songs, movement and play in a calm, intimate environment designed for children who could benefit from a sensory-friendly environment. Registration required. Ages 1-6 with a Caregiver. 1-1:30 p.m.
Satrads: December 7, January 11

FAMILY MOVIE MATINEE
Bring the whole family to enjoy a great movie on our big screen. Call for titles (subject to change without notice). All ages. 2-4 p.m.
Saturdays: December 21, January 18, February 15

TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS

ONE-ON-ONE COMPUTER HELP
Get help on several topics including ebooks, email, social media, Ancestry.com and more. Call or visit the Reference Desk to schedule an appointment. Adults. Library hours
No program 12/24, 12/25, 1/1, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17
ROBLOX GAME PLAY*
Bring your library card to join ROBLOX game play. Participants must have a library card with internet access and parent's permission to play ROBLOX. Ages 5-17. 4-6 p.m.
Mondays/Tuesdays/Wednesdays: December-February
No program 12/24, 12/25, 1/1, 1/20, 2/3, 2/17

PHOTO AND VIDEO LAB CERTIFICATION
Learn video production equipment to gain access to the Media Lab. Space is limited to five patrons. Late arrivals may not be accommodated. Ages 15-Adults. 7-7:30 p.m.
Monday: December 16

VEX IQ ROBOTICS*
Design. Build. Compete. Come join the fun as teams design and build a versatile robot to learn STEM elements and complete challenges. Ages 7-14. 6-7:30 p.m.
Mondays: December 23; January 27; February 10, 24

VEX IQ ROBOTICS LIBRARY SCRIMMAGE*
Route 9 Library teams match-up with other teams for friendly scrimmages and STEM learning opportunities. Ages 7-14, under age 11 with a Caregiver. 6-7:30 p.m.
Mondays: December 9, January 13

MUSIC PRODUCTION CERTIFICATION
Learn music production equipment to gain access to the Media Lab. Space is limited to five patrons. Late arrivals may not be accommodated. Ages 15-Adults. 7-7:30 p.m.
Mondays: December 2, January 6

VIDEO GAMING*
Try out our PS4 and Xbox ONE video games. No library card required.
Ages 5-12:
- Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m.: December 10, January 14, February 11
- Ages 13-17:
- Saturdays, 1-3 p.m.: December 7, January 4, February 1

VR DEMO
Join us to experience our HTC Vive in action. Enjoy various virtual reality apps in 5-minute increments. First come, first served. Ages 10-Adults. 6-7:30 p.m.
Wednesdays:
- December 11, January 8, February 12

EXPLORE VIRTUAL REALITY
Explore the world of virtual reality at our guided VR play time. Space is limited to first come, first served. Play duration dependent upon number of participants. All ages.
3-4 p.m.
Fridays: December-February

PROGRAM CALENDAR
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3
Genealogy Introduction
Start your family tree using the library's genealogy resources. Basic instruction on searching and building your family's tree using Ancestry.com Library Edition. Basic computer skills required. Adults. 7-8 p.m.

EMR (Electronic Medical Records) Training
Free training and resources for all healthcare professionals. Learn how to access and utilize EMR systems. Registration required. Ages 15-Adults.
In-person training: Mondays: December 9, January 13, February 17
Online training: Tuesdays: December 10, January 14, February 18

*Programs that support Common Core State Standards are marked with an asterisk.
Ask your librarian for more information.
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4
Collecting and Observing*
Collect different items and view them with magnifying glasses and a microscope. Build skills in data collection, classification, evaluation, prediction and sharing results. This program is part of NASA® My Library Partners. Ages 5-Adults, under age 11 with a Caregiver. 6-7 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9
VEX IQ Robotics Library Scrimmage*
Route 9 Library teams match-up with other teams for friendly scrimmages and STEM learning opportunities. Ages 7-14, under age 11 with a Caregiver. 6-7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10
Holidays Around the World*
Explore the variety of holidays from different countries and religions through story, songs and crafts. Ages 5-Adults, under age 11 with a Caregiver. 6-7 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16
Santa Green Screen*
Visit the library for Christmas fun. Have your picture taken and be transported to the North Pole through Green Screen technology. All ages. 7-8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18
Make a Holiday Craft with the Silhouette Cutter*
Make a holiday craft using the Maker Lab's Silhouette Cutter. Must have completed Maker Lab Orientation to participate. Ages 16-Adults. 6-8 p.m.

Holiday Treats!
Celebrate the season by decorating and eating your own holiday cookies. Treats are limited. First come, first served. Ages 5-12 with a Caregiver. 6:30-7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7
Online Role Playing
Introduce yourself to the world of online role-playing games by learning Threshold! Learn how to create a character and immerse yourself in this medieval-type world full of wizards and warriors. Loosely based on classic Dungeons and Dragons. Role play is required. Computer skills necessary to play this text-based game. Adults. 7-8:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8
Space Rock Sherlock*
Become a detective using scientific instruments to find genuine space rocks. This program is part of NASA® My Library Partners. Ages 5-Adults, under age 11 with a Caregiver. 6-7 p.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14
Goodreads Tutorial
Tips and tricks for using Goodreads to track reading, organize books read and find your next favorite. Teens/Adults. 6:30-8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15
National Hat Day Celebration*
Celebrate hats with stories and make a hat to take home! Ages 5-Adults, under age 11 with a Caregiver. 6:30-7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18
Winnie the Pooh Day
Celebrate the cuddliest of bears with stories, activities and a craft. Ages 5-Adults, under age 11 with a Caregiver. 2-3 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 27
VEX IQ Robotics Library Scrimmage*
Route 9 Library teams match up with other teams for friendly scrimmages and STEM learning opportunities. Ages 7-14, under age 11 with a Caregiver. 6-7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4
Pinterest Introduction
Discover Pinterest and learn how to save images on your own custom digital boards. Designed for beginners new to Pinterest. Teens/Adults. 7-8 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7
Surprise a friend by making a card to send them. All ages. 3-4:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12
Mars Match Game*
View images of Earth and Mars, comparing features just like a scientist would and learn why pairs were matched. This program is part of NASA® My Library Partners. Ages 5-Adults, under age 11 with a Caregiver. 6-7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19
Maker Lab Orientation
Makers must complete this orientation to learn how to use the equipment (vinyl cutters, laser, 3D printers, etc.) safely and responsibly in the Maker Lab. Adult makers must have a photo ID and a library card in good standing. Makers 13-17 with a Caregiver who can sign a liability waiver and has a valid ID. Teens/Adults. 6-8 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29
VEX IQ Robotics RT9 Innobots Tournament*
This tournament is a regional event held annually at the Route 9 Library and Innovation Center. Pre-registered teams compete for trophies with their own engineered VEX IQ robots. Registration for participation and viewing in the Black Box Theater is required. Patrons not pre-registered may enjoy a live streaming of the event in our Multi-Purpose Room and Eatery. Call (302) 657-8020 or email library.vex.iq@gmail.com to register. Ages 7-14, under age 11 with a Caregiver. 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

*Programs that support Common Core State Standards are marked with an asterisk. Ask your librarian for more information.
Unless noted, registration is not required. To sign up for programs marked “Registration required,” or “Registration recommended,” call Youth Services (302) 571-7400 ext. 2412 or Reference (302) 571-7400 ext. 2416 or visit tinyurl.com/WilmPrograms. All programs are free unless otherwise noted. Program times and dates are subject to change and cancellation; call the Reference Desk to inquire. See story times on page 37.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

OPEN JOB SEARCH AND BUSINESS RESEARCH
Join us to participate in career development opportunities. Level of assistance provided according to availability. Adults. 1-4 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays: December-February No program 12/24

MAKER MONDAYS
Join us for this free pop-up makerspace with activities available all day. Directions and guidelines are given along with all the materials needed, but feel free to experiment and create. All ages. Library hours Mondays: December 9, 23; January 6; February 24

SOFT SKILLS INFO SESSION
Join us to learn more about soft skills. Adults. 10-11 a.m. Tuesdays: December-February No program 12/24

GAMER FREE PLAY
Show off your skills on our Wii or PlayStation. Get ready for some friendly competition and some video game fun! Teens. 2-4:30 p.m. Thursdays: December-February

RESUME BUILDING WORKSHOP
Receive assistance with job search and creating a resume. Adults. 2-3:30 p.m. Fridays: December-February

ART LOOP
Enjoy a reception for the Art Loop featuring various artists. All ages. 5:30-7 p.m. Fridays: December 6, January 3, February 7

GED/ADULT EDUCATION
Gather information about GED/High School Diploma Program, Career Development and Job Searches/Resume help from Christina School District. Adults. 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Fridays/Saturdays: December-February

LEGO FREE PLAY*
Get creative, bring your imagination and make some LEGO creations. One hour of theme building and a half hour of free build. Ages 5+. 12-2 p.m. Saturdays: December 14, 28; January 11, 25; February 8, 22

ABCmouse.com
Use the library’s online early learning curriculum of ABCmouse.com. Parents/caregivers can work one-on-one with their child using library computers. Headphones are recommended for the child. Ages 2-6. 1-3 p.m. Saturdays: December-February

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12
Holiday Stories with Santa*
Santa Claus is coming to the library! Join us as we hear stories and sing songs with Santa. Registration required. All ages. 10-10:45 a.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16
Martin Luther King, Jr. Special Story Time
Join us for this special story time honoring the life of Martin Luther King Jr. Hear stories, sing songs and complete a simple craft project. Registration required. All ages. 10-10:45 a.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20
Evening with Levar Burton
Best known for being the host of the long-running PBS children’s series “Reading Rainbow”, Levar Burton shares stories of his life with the audience. Registration required. Adults. 6-8 p.m.

BOOK BUDDY
A Program for the Homebound and Their Caregivers in New Castle County
Call (302) 395-5656 or email susan.joseph@newcastlede.gov if you would like to receive this service or become a volunteer.
WOOLCIWAY LIBRARY

Unless noted, registration is not required for library programs. To sign up for programs marked “Registration required,” call the library at (302) 892-2210 or visit the Reference Desk. All programs are free unless otherwise noted. See story times on page 37.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

BLOCKBUSTER FILM SERIES
Popular movies for free! Call for titles. Adults. 2-4 p.m.
Sundays: December 8, 22; January 12, 26; February 9, 23

PERSONAL JOB ASSISTANCE
Sign up for a one-on-one session to get help on your resume, job searching and completing online applications. Registration required.
12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m., 3 p.m.
Mondays/Tuesdays: December-February
No program 12/24, 12/25, 1/1

MAKER MONDAYS*
Drop into the library to explore, create and make! Ages 5-12. 4-5 p.m.
Mondays:
December 23, January 27, February 24

CHESS CLUB*
Our Chess Club is now for adults as well as kids. All ages. 4-5 p.m.
Tuesdays: December-February
No program 12/24

URBAN DETECTIVES BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP
Discuss “hardboiled” big city crime fiction, old and new, foreign and domestic! Adults. 7-8:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: January 28, February 25

PAWS FOR PEOPLE: READ!* Read aloud to a furry, friendly therapy companion to help inspire a love of reading. Offered by PAWS for People. Registration required by calling (302) 571-4725. Readers of all ages and stages are welcome.
Wednesdays, 6 p.m.:
December 18, January 15, February 19
Saturdays, 11 a.m.:
December 7, January 4, February 1

LGBTQ TEEN DISCUSSION GROUP
All teens are welcome to join this group. Guest speakers, fun activities and snacks. Teens. 6:30-8 p.m.
Wednesdays:
December 11, January 8, February 12

INTERNATIONAL FILM SERIES
Don’t be afraid of subtitles! Enjoy great movies from far-off lands. Adults. 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Wednesdays: January 22, February 26

CURRENT EVENTS CAFÉ
With so many news outlets, it’s difficult to keep up with what’s going on in the world. Join us with a news story you’d like to discuss! Democratically decide what to talk about first and cover as many topics as possible. Listen to different points of view and leave with a better understanding. Bring your lunch.
Teens/Adults. 12-1 p.m.
Thursdays:
December 5, January 2, February 6

BUILDERS CLUB*
Create your own masterpieces with your builders’ club using LEGO bricks, Bill Ding Balancing Blocks and Magformers. All you need to bring is your imagination. Ages 5-12.
2-3 p.m.
Saturdays:
December 14, January 11, February 8

SPIN-A-YARN KNITTING CLUB
Our knitting club is a lot of fun! All abilities are encouraged to attend; assistance is almost always available. Feel free to bring any handiwork.
All ages. 2-4 p.m.
Saturdays: December-February

TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS

BASIC COMPUTER CLASSES
Call the Reference Desk for topics and registration. Adults.
Mondays, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.:
December 2-16; January 6, 13, 27
Mondays, 7-8:30 p.m.:
February 10, 24

HOUR OF CODE*
Complete fun coding challenges with Code.org, Scratch, robots and more!
Ages 7-17. 4-5 p.m.
Wednesdays:
December 11, January 8, February 12

PROGRAM CALENDAR

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10
Human Rights Day
Complete crafts and activities to help celebrate Human Rights Day. All ages. Library hours

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17
Winter Family Story Time*
Bring the whole family to a special story time featuring books, music and activities that celebrate winter! Ages Birth-7. 6-7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15
Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration
Design and create a peace art collage using WaterColorBot. All ages. 3-5 p.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21
Justice Story Time*
In honor of Martin Luther King Day, our regularly scheduled Toddler Tales story time features books celebrating justice and Dr. King’s legacy. Ages 1-5. 11-11:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22
Penguin Awareness Day*
This special story time features the classic book And Tango Makes Three, plus a penguin-themed craft. Ages 4-10. 6-7 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5
Black History Month: Family Story Time*
Bring the whole family to a special story time featuring books, music and activities that celebrate African-American culture and history. Ages Birth-7. 6-7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19
Black History Month:
Black Delaware Participation in the Civil War
A first-person portrayal of William Owen, a free black man from Milford, Delaware. Owen tells the story of hearing Frederick Douglass speak and deciding to become part of the 54th Massachusetts, the renowned first black regiment to fight in the Civil War. Presented by DeHumanities.org. Teens/Adults. 6:30-8 p.m.
AN EVENING WITH MIN JIN LEE
author of this year's New Castle County Reads selection, PACHIJKO

APRIL 23 AT 7 P.M.
THE CHASE CENTER ON THE RIVERFRONT
815 Justison St, Wilmington 19801

SAVE THE DATE

Summer 2020

Summer Concert Series
June-August
Glasgow Park

Platinum Picnic
June 3
Hockessin PAL

Old Fashioned Ice Cream Festival
June 27
Rockwood Park

Farmers Markets
June-October
Multiple Locations

Anime Day
August 22
The Art Studio
Celebrate the holidays with us

* Holiday Open House
  Rockwood Park & Museum
  December 6 & 7, 5-9 p.m.

* Holiday Celebration & Market
  Glasgow Park
  December 13, 5-9 p.m.

* Candlelight Tours
  Rockwood Museum
  December 13 & 14, 6-8 p.m.
  December 20 & 21, 6-8 p.m.

* County Libraries
  Concerts, Story Times,
  Visits from Santa,
  Special Activities
  & More

* SEE INSIDE OR VISIT NEWCASTLEDE.GOV/HAPPENINGS

New Castle County Happenings
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