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DECEMBER PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS



MONDAY



Bibliomaniacs

8 A FREE Monthly Subscription box for Adult book lovers!

Each month, the Bibliomaniacs Box has a different theme. The boxes include a library book (3-week check out) and fun items relating to the theme. Boxes are available beginning **Monday, December 8**, on a first-come, first-served basis!

15 JINGLE MINGLE

CBH 5:30-7:30PM
OPEN TO ALL AGES

22 MIXED MEDIA MONDAY

6pm at MPL** (Pre-registration required.)

29 **Beginning of the End: A Stranger Things New Year Celebration**
CBH 5:30-7pm

TUESDAY

2 SAVORY SPICE CLUB SPICE PICK UP**

Pre-registration required. Spice will be delivered to preferred library. Participants will receive a call when pick-up is available.

9 Merry Painted Christmas

VPL 5-7pm** Open to all ages.

16 Plot Hounds Book Discussion

10am at VPL



We're online at www.bcpls.org
Facebook @bcpls
Instagram @bcplsnsc

30 Digital Drop-In**

9am-Noon at MPL
Presented by WPCOG.
Registration required for these 30-minute one-on-one sessions with a Digital Navigator

WEDNESDAY



10 Hoarding Disorder: The Compulsion to Keep

Wed., Dec. 10 from 12-1pm at MPL
No registration. Bring your lunch. Snacks & bottled water provided. CEU's available.

Digital Literacy for Seniors AI and Disinformation

Wed., Dec. 10 from 2-3pm at MPL
Presented by WPCOG

17 Oxymorons

New Adult Book Discussion
6pm at MPL
Open to Adults and Teens



THURSDAY

4 SAVORY SPICE CHOP SHOP

5:30pm at VPL**
Pre-registration required, but you do not need to be registered for the Savory Spice Club to attend.

11 CROCHET CAFE

6PM AT VPL
A needlework program for YA & adults.



FRIDAY

5 NEEDLEWORK IN THE MORNING 10AM-NOON AT VPL

Happily Ever Afters Anonymous Book Club
CBH 4pm
Open to Adults and Teens.



12 **Libraries closed for staff training.**

NEEDLEWORK IN THE MORNING
10AM-NOON LOCATION TBD

19 NEEDLEWORK IN THE MORNING
10AM-NOON AT MPL

SATURDAY

Project Bumble Tree



Grab a Bumble and stop by the desk to register and get a bag. Take it home to fill it with goodies, decorate it, and return it to the library. We'll distribute them to the residents of health and rehabilitation centers across Burke County. For more information, see our website or stop by your library.

Drop off bags by December 13!

Throwback Thursday



Join us each week on Facebook, and in *The News Herald* and *The Paper*, for pictures & history from the local area!

Brought to you by the North Carolina Room.

Happy Holidays!
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DECEMBER PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Game Night 6pm (CBH)	2 Throwback Holiday Movie & Munchie Night 6pm (VPL)	Programs marked with a ** require pre-registration with the YAS Coordinator at 828-764-9273 or lizzie.whisnant@burkenc.org.	4 DIY Upcycled Gnomes** 4pm (MPL)	5 Happily Ever After's Anonymous Book Club 4pm (CBH)	Free! A YA BOOK SUBSCRIPTION. #YA2GO Each themed box contains a library book, matching swag & bookish items! Boxes are available starting the first full week of the month on a first-come, first-served basis!
8 DIY Ornament Making** 6pm (CBH)	9 Merry Painted Christmas 5-7pm (VPL)		11 Crochet Cafe 6pm (VPL)	12 All library locations closed for a staff training day!	
15 Jingle Mingle 5:30-7:30pm (CBH)	16 Holiday Cookie Baking Challenge** 6pm (VPL)		18 Game Night 4pm (MPL)		
		17 Oxymorons New Adult Book Discussion Group 6pm (MPL)			27 Reindeer Games 2:30pm (CBH)
* MERRY CHRISTMAS * All library locations will be closed December 24th -26th in observance of the Holiday season.					

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5:30-7pm (CBH)

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Young Adult Services (YAS) programs are limited to middle and high school students only.

Programs in GREEN are open to adults and teens!

DECEMBER PROGRAMS FOR KIDS



WEEKLY STORYTIMES

Pre-registration is required. Call the library or stop by to sign up.

Morganton Public Library 828-764-9274

- Baby Bookworms (birth-24 months)
Mondays at 10:30am
- Terrific Tots (2-3 year olds)
Tuesdays at 10:30am
- Preschool Pals (4-5 year olds)
Thursdays at 10:30am
- Library Explorers (K-2nd graders)
Tuesdays at 4:00pm
- Cool Kids Club (3rd-5th graders)
Mondays at 3:30pm

Valdese Public Library 828-874-2421

- Baby Bookworms (birth-24 months)
Thursdays at 10:00am
- Terrific Tots (2-3 year olds)
Mondays at 10:00am
- Preschool Pals (4-5 year olds)
Wednesdays at 10:00am
- Library Explorers (K-2nd graders)
Mondays at 3:30pm
- Cool Kids Club (3rd-5th graders)
Tuesdays at 3:30pm

C.B. Hildebrand Public Library 828-764-9283

- Baby Bookworms and Terrific Tots (birth-2 year olds)
Thursdays at 10:45am
- Preschool Pals (3-5 year olds)
Tuesdays at 10:45am
- Family Storytime (all ages)
Wednesdays at 10:45am
- Library Explorers (K-2nd graders)
Thursdays at 3:30pm
- Cool Kids Club (3rd-5th graders)
Tuesdays at 3:30pm

MONDAY

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Instagram @bcplsn



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**JINGLE
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CBH 5:30-7:30 PM
OPEN TO ALL AGES
Santa, Mrs. Claus, Elves,
crafts, candy, and lots more!
While Supplies Last.

29
**Family
Puzzle Day**
MPL 10am-4pm
Drop in and puzzle together!

TUESDAY

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THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

MONTHLY SCAVENGER HUNTS & SEEK-AND-FIND

Have you joined the fun yet? Visit each of our libraries for a fun, self-guided experience! For kids, one prize per child (per site, per month)

CBH Scavenger Hunt

Come by CBH, grab a scavenger hunt paper from the book shelf, and see if you can answer this month's question!



MPL GINGERBREAD COOKIES SCAVENGER HUNT

Stop by the Youth Services desk at MPL and pick up a scavenger hunt paper.



SEEK-AND-FIND AT VPL

The Seek-and-Find Aquarium at VPL is in the Children's Room. Find all the listed items!



HANDMADE HOLIDAY

MPL 3pm**
For ages 12 and under.
Pre-registration is required.



9
**Merry
Painted
Christmas**

VPL 5-7pm** Open to all ages.

Choose from pre-selected wooden shapes that would make a beautiful gift or wonderful addition to your front door. Pre-registration required (by age group).

Our next session of storytimes begins January 5. Registration is required, and begins December 16.

No storytimes December 22 through January 2.

10
**WEAVING WONDERS
YARN STARS**

Wed., Dec 10 - 3:30pm at CBH**
Program is for children ages 5-12.
Pre-registration required.



17
COOKING CLUB ONLINE
Christmas Cookies
3:30pm on Zoom**
Program is for children in 3rd-5th grade. Register at CBH.

Toy Swap

Wed., Dec. 10 - MPL 5-7pm
Keep good toys out of the landfill and try out a Toy Swap! Donate at least one toy in good condition, and you and your family can "shop" from a variety of other gently-used toys! Gift wrapping station and additional small activities will be provided.

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**Libraries closed
for staff training.**

13
**CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT
WORKSHOP**

Sat., Dec 13 - CBH from 10am-Noon.
Open to all ages.

Shepherd Shakespeare Co.
presents:

**CHARLES DICKENS'
A CHRISTMAS CAROL**

Sat., Dec 13 - MPL 3pm
Charles Dickens' beloved Christmas classic comes to life in this hilarious and heart-warming show. Open to all ages.



IT'S MAMMALOGY SEASON!

Become a Citizen Scientist and join ecoExplore!
More information on the program can be found at EcoExplore.net, or visit your library for information and bi-monthly worksheets.



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