

CUMBERLAND HIGH SCHOOL CLEF SINGERS

The Holiday Concert for the Cumberland High School Clef Singers Chorus has been a tradition here at the Library for over 40 years. The students, led by Director Amanda Santo, perform an excellent program of traditional and cultural acapella songs. The evening ends by inviting former members to join in for a rousing rendition of "Let it Snow". Join us on Tuesday, December 10th at 7:00 PM as we continue the tradition. Tickets are \$1.00 each. All proceeds go to the chorus



ARTIST OF THE MONTH
JERRY AISSISS

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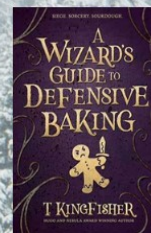
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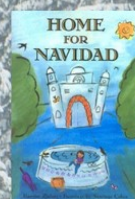
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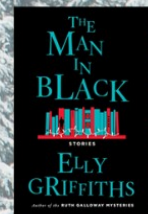
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ADULT PROGRAMS

Featured Event

Meditation for a Happy and Healthy Holiday Season

Wednesday, December 4th, 6:30 pm

Join Dr. Alan Post as he discusses the extraordinary effect of meditation. It can reduce stress-related responses, improve concentration, enhance clarity of thought and mental equilibrium. He will also present a simple, yet powerful meditation technique that can enrich one's life personally, professionally, spiritually and help with seasonal stress.

Virtual Programs

Unearthed: Exploring the Smithsonian National Gem Collection with Dr. Jeffrey Post

Wednesday, December 4th, 2:00 pm

On Pulse-Pounding, Family Driven Mysteries: A Conversation with Laura Dave

Wednesday, December 11th, 2:00 pm

Watch for free at any time on
<https://libraryc.org/cumberlandlibrary>



Crafts, Hobbies, Food, and Animal Programs



Love, Laugh, and Hug with Lucy Lu!

December 2nd and 16th, 5:30-7:00 pm

Join our therapy dog Lucy Lu the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month! Whether you have had a rough day or just cannot resist the lure of a happy and friendly dog, Lucy will be sure to put a smile on your face! Spend as much or little time with her as you like, but don't be surprised if Lucy wants even more pets before you leave!

Cooking with Lynne

Wednesday, December 18th

This month, Lynne will show us how to make **candy cane cookies!** The video will be released on the library's YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/CumberLib>

Northern Rhode Island Art Group

The Art Group is taking this month off, but they are looking forward to January and a new year of sharing, creating, and networking!

Crafternoon: Holiday Decorations

Saturday, December 7th, 1:30 pm

Join Melissa this month as we make holiday decorations! Registration is required. Space is limited. Ages 18+ only.

Grab & Go Kits: Mason Jar Snow Globes

Kits released on December 16th

The Adult Grab & Go Kit of the month is Gingerbread Sugar Scrub. Ages 18+. Space is limited. Registration required.

Book Discussion Groups

Evening Book Discussion Group

Monday, December 9th, 6:30 pm

Corduroy Mansions by Alexander McCall Smith

Morning Book Discussion Group

Wednesday, December 11th, 10:00 am

Homecoming, by Kate Morton

Stephen King Book and Movie Club

Tuesday, December 17th, 6:30 pm

From a Buick 8

Other Worlds Book Club

Tuesday, December 17th, 6:30 pm

Fourth Wing, by Rebecca Yarros



TEEN LIBRARY ACTIVITIES DECEMBER

"Movie Night: "The Hunger Games: The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes" 12/12 5:30pm

Every month we try to put on a movie in the Teen Center for your enjoyment. For this month's movie catch the prequel to the Hunger Games series. Descending from a prestigious family, Coriolanus Snow is having a hard time adjusting to the fall of his family's legacy after they suffered enormous losses during the war of the Districts and the Capitol. To regain his family's stature, he accepts a job mentoring tributes invented for the upcoming tenth Hunger Games. A prequel to The Hunger Games series, this adaptation follows the story of Coriolanus Snow during his youth.

Please note this movie is PG-13 and is held in the Teen Center so attendees must be teens in the 13-18 range.

Game Club 12/16 6pm

Join us for our monthly Game Club -- Try out a new game with us every month. For December we are trying out "Really Loud Librarians"!

Teen Volunteers Club 12/18 5pm

Current teen volunteers and those interested in joining our volunteer program, join us for Library Volunteer Club! We meet monthly to reset the Teen Center, prep any programs, and use the dreaded button maker. We also hope this will give our volunteers a better space to share their voices and opinions on potential library programs and offerings!

*Teen activities at the library are for youth in grades 6-12 or ages 12-18.
Some events may require registration.
To register please visit our website.*



Stress Doodle Program 12/21 1pm

Come hang out and learn some stress doodling techniques! Perfect for when you feel overwhelmed. We will go over the techniques then put on some music and try out our new favorite techniques!

ServSafe SafeSitter Class 12/23 9:30am

Designed to prepare students in grades 6-8 to be safe when they are home alone or watching younger children. The instructor-led class is filled with fun games and role-playing exercises. Students even practice choking rescue and CPR skills on manikins!

Students must be in grades 6-8 (11-14 years old). There is a \$50 registration fee that includes materials. Scholarships are available on request. Bring lunch, snacks, and drinks for the day

Class size is limited to 12 students. Please arrive by 9:15 a.m. for check-in and to drop off your child.

For more information or to register contact: Jeanette Nessett at jnessett@lifespan.org or 401-444-8088

Taste Testing Trials- 12/28 1pm

Expand your horizons! Join us in putting ourselves to the test and trying out a grab bag of fun treats brought back from abroad. How adventurous an eater are you?

Crafty Teen Social Club 12/30 6pm

Join us for our Crafty Teens Social Club! Come do some crafts with us, socialize with your friends and other teens! For December we are making felt succulents!

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Children's Room News

Cumberland Public Library, December 2024

Dance With Me!



Fridays, Dec. 6, 13, and 20
From 9:30 AM - 10 AM
Community Room

A music and movement program for ages 4 months to 4 years old. No registration required!

Yoga Storytime



Wednesdays 12/4 and 12/11 at 10 AM in the Hayden Center.
For walkers up to kindergarten. Registration is required! Bring your own yoga mat.



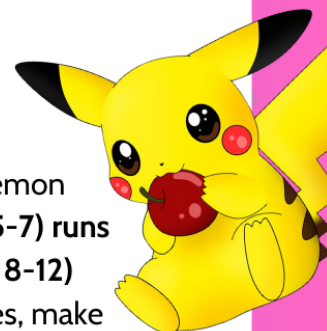
Solstice Storytime



Wednesday, 12/18 at 6:30 PM
Children's Program Room
Recommended ages 3 and up

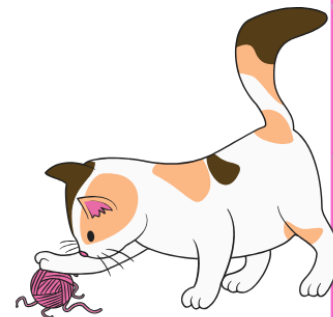
Let's celebrate the darkest night of the year and the return of longer days with a pop-up evening storytime! We'll share stories in the dark, make a light-up craft, and sing songs and rhymes. Registration is encouraged so that we know how many crafts to make (opens 11/18).

Pokemon Clubs!



Thanks to our gracious volunteer Andrew, Pokemon Clubs are back! **Pokemon Club JUNIOR (ages 5-7) runs 12/2 at 6 PM, and Pokemon Club classic (ages 8-12) runs 12/16 at 6 PM.** Meet other fans, play games, make crafts, and geek out! Registration is required (and opens a month before the program).

Pet Toy Workshop



Monday, 12/30 from 4 PM - 5 PM
Ages 6-12. Children's Program Room

Make some crafty pet toys to keep your four-legged friend stimulated and happy. Don't have a pet at home? You can still join us to make some toys for shelter animals.

Need to fill a roadtrip or long hours at home? Listen to books on the Libby App!
Available to all library card holders.



Paws to Read

Saturday, 12/21

11AM - 12 PM or 2-3 PM

For independent readers up to age 12.

Practice reading to a gentle pet therapy dog! This program runs in 15 minute slots. *Register ahead!*



Monday Mornings with Molly

12/2 and 12/16 from 10-10:30 AM

Children's Room

Molly the Black Lab will be visiting the children's room. Molly is a therapy dog who helps kids get used to dogs and learn how to be gentle with animals. Drop in to meet her!



Stop Motion Animation Workshop with ALARM Robotics

Tuesday, 12/17

from 5 PM - 6:30 PM

Children's Program Room, ages 8-12.

Learn tips and tricks for stop-motion creation with the help of a champion robotics team! Participants will create a short stop-motion piece with simple tools and Legos. Use of a caregiver's smartphone or tablet is required to participate in this program. Registration is required (opens 11/18).



Book Clubs



Comic Book Club:
on Thursday, December 5 at 6:30 PM

Rhodey Readers:
on Thurs, December 19 at 6:30 PM

Kids book clubs run once a month. We read graphic novels at Comic Book Club and chapter books for Rhodey Readers. Both clubs are for kids in 3rd-5th grades.

Registration is required and opens a month before the club date. To register, visit the children's desk at the library to pick up a book. Limited new books to keep are provided by the Friends of the Library. Other readers can borrow a library copy. Read the book before the meeting, for there will be spoilers!

FYI: Holiday Hours



The library has a lot of closures around the Christmas and New Years holidays. Please plan accordingly:

- The library closes early on both Christmas Eve (12/24) and New Years Eve (12/31); we are open 9 AM to 12:30 PM.
- The library is fully closed for Christmas Day (12/25), Boxing Day (12/26) and New Years Day (1/1).

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DECEMBER

LIBRARY HOURS

Mon - Thur.

9:00-8:00

Friday & Saturday

9:00-5:00

Sundays:

11:00-2:00

Holiday Hours

Dec. 24th: 9:00-12:30

Dec. 25th & 26th: Closed

Dec. 31st: 9:00-12:30



Did you know the library is a Passport Acceptance Agency? We can process your passport applications right here. We will even mail them out for you. While forms are available at travel.state.gov, we also have the forms here at the library. We do not take passport photos here at the library, but Walgreens, CVS and AAA are excellent places. The library charges a \$35 fee for each application. Call us at 401-333-2552 ext. 2 to make an appointment.



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