

# WARREN COUNTY LIBRARY



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## 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

Did you know that reading to your child is one of the most powerful ways to boost his or her brain power? Sharing books will help your child to understand the sounds letters make, develop a bigger vocabulary, and build background knowledge—all important skills that prepare your child for reading.

This new program is open to any child age birth - 5 years and it begins on January 4, 2016. Sign up at any branch to get started.

Log each book you read with your child on the reading record. Children love to hear their favorite books again and again, so count every book each time you read it. Each time you reach a 100 book milestone, bring in your reading record to receive a special reward.

Singing songs, saying rhymes, telling stories, and playing with your child are all great ways to build their literacy skills, and we hope you take advantage of our many free

programs that are fun and educational for your little one.

1,000 books seems like a lot, but reading just one book every day (or night at bedtime) will add up in less than 3 years; reading three books daily totals 1,000 in less than 1 year!



We are honored  
to present READ Celebrity  
**Faith Hann**

Faith is the preschool teacher at Harmony Township School. This is her 13th year at Harmony, and the third that her class has had Bookmobile visits. Faith likes teaching preschool because, while challenging, each class is fun and different. She enjoys the multitude of light bulb moments as the children learn and discover. Faith enjoys historical mysteries and horror stories.



Library closes at  
4:30 pm December 24  
is closed on  
December 25 and 26  
closes at  
4:30 pm December 31  
and is closed  
January 1 and 2, 2016

We wish you  
Happy Holidays  
and  
a Joyful 2016!

## Headquarters—White Township

### **Knitting with Gerrie** **Tuesdays 3:00 PM**

Come one, come all! Whether you are able to share your expertise or would like to learn to knit, you are welcome to join the group.

### **Jurassic World - Show Time** **12/1 6:00 PM**

Twenty-two years after Jurassic Park, Isla Nublar has a completely functioning dinosaur theme park, but a unique attraction fails horribly. Watch it on a 14-foot screen!

### **Lunch and Learn:** **Windows 10 New Features** **12/2 1:00 PM**

Bring your own bagged lunch and join us for a Lynda.com video tutorial on Microsoft's newest operating system. Take a look at the start menu, task view, snap assist, and continuum. See how the Cortana virtual assistant can help you and check out the Edge web browser's novel capabilities. Registration required.

### **The Writers Group of Belvidere** **12/2 6:00 PM**

Please join us - all levels of writing experience and genres are welcome; it's a wonderful opportunity to share your work and get feedback. Bring something to read or just listen. You must be 18+ to attend. Registration required.

### **DIY Vinyl Decals - Adults** **12/3 5:00 PM**

Design your own vinyl decals for walls, glass, and more - a perfect holiday gift! Everyone will use laptops to create decals on a 12" x 12" sheet. *Please note: decals will be available for pickup within a week.* For adults 18+. Registration required.

### **Mahjongg @ the Library!**

**12/4, 11, 18 1:00 PM**

Learn to play this interesting and challenging game. Bring a friend! Age 18+ only; registration required.

### **Intro to Computers** **12/9 2:30 PM**

New to computers and the Internet? Let us help! This class is for the complete beginner to learn the basics, such as turning a computer on and off, using a mouse and keyboard, and how to navigate the internet. Registration is required.

### **Friends of the Warren County Library Headquarters**

**12/10 11:00 AM**

As the Library's support group, the Friends do everything from raising funds to helping sponsor programs. All are welcome!

### **Celebrating 240 Years of Jane Austen**

**12/16 2:00 PM**

Celebrate Jane's 240th birthday with us by joining a discussion of *Pride and Prejudice*. Please read in advance and come prepared to discuss the novel. Registration required.

## JUST FOR KIDS

### **2-Year-Old Story Time** **Tuesdays 11:00 AM**

Join us for a short story time for 2-year-olds and an adult caregiver. We'll share stories, rhymes, and songs and make a simple craft.

### **Story Time** **12/1, 8, 22, 29 1:30 PM** **12/4, 11, 18 10:30 AM**

Story time with Miss Gerrie features a variety of fun crafts for children, a special party or two, and stories, stories, stories! No registration is required, drop in when you can.

### **Family Movie Night** **Prancer**

**12/9 6:30 PM**

Jessica Riggs plays an angel in her school pageant, but she becomes a real guardian angel for an injured reindeer she finds in the forest. Convinced that the reindeer is San-

ta's, she vows to nurse him back to health and return him safely home. Rated G. Registration requested.

### **Story Time** **Christmas Party** **12/15 1:30 PM**

Join Miss Gerrie and friends for a fun Christmas party! There will be games, treats, and face painting - and a visit from Santa himself! Registration required.

### **Celebrating 240 Years of Jane Austen**

#### **Mommy and Me Tea**

**12/16 11:00 AM**

Celebrate Jane Austen's 240th birthday in elegant style with your little one. Parents (or grandparents) can enjoy crafts, games, and treats with Miss Gerrie. Please register.

### **Holiday Movie** **The Polar Express**

**12/19 12:00 PM**

All aboard *The Polar Express*! Fun for all ages! Bring a pillow or blanket to get comfy. The train leaves the station at 12:00.

### **Frozen Fun** **12/28 12:30 PM**

Lots of fun themed around a favorite movie! Registration is required.

### **Read to a Dog** **12/29 4:30 PM**

Miss Ande's therapy dog, Loki, loves stories! Improve your reading skills by reading aloud to him. For kids age 5 and up who are learning to read or are reading independently. Registration required and space is limited. *After registering, sign up at the children's desk for a 10-minute time slot.*

## JUST FOR TEENS

**DIY Vinyl Decals****12/3 6:30 PM**

Design your own vinyl decals, safe for walls, glass, and more. A perfect holiday gift! We will use laptops to create decals on a 12" x 12" sheet. Please note: decals will be cut after class and will be available for pickup within a week. For those in grades 5 - 12. Registration required.

**Teen Murder Mystery Dinner****12/16 6:00 PM**

Anne and Frederick have invited you to a party honoring Jane Austen's 240th birthday. But things go horribly wrong when one of the guests

dies! Was it Elizabeth Bennet in the drawing room with her razor-sharp wit? Join us for pizza and the performance of *Murder at Mansfield Park: A Jane Austen Murder Mystery Dinner*. Please register.

**Minecraft Club - HQ****12/10 4:30 PM**

Are you a Minecraft machine? Well block out some time for Minecraft club! We have our own Survival Server, and we are going to build, battle, and break stuff. The library provides the laptops and user accounts for play. For ages 10 to 18. Registration is required.

**Teen New Year's Party!****12/30 1:00 PM**

Ring in 2016 with Kelly as we play fun games, eat all the snacks, and make a craft at the library! Stay after the party for a showing of *The Nightmare Before Christmas*. For those in grades 5 and up. Please register.

**Nightmare Before Christmas****12/30 2:30 PM**

Stay after the New Year's Party for a visit with the Pumpkin King.

## Catherine Dickson Hofman—Blairstown

**Knit Wits****12/1, 8, 15, 22 9:00 AM**

Join us on Tuesday mornings to crochet, knit and chat while creating items for community organizations.

**Adult Artists****12/2, 9, 16, 23, 30 10:00 AM**

Let the artist in you emerge! Come join other budding artists and learn techniques in water color, pastel and other mediums.

**Knitters Niche Knitting Club****12/3, 10, 17 4:00 PM**

Like to knit? Don't know how, but want to learn the basics? Join us and knit with a community! All ages are encouraged and welcome to attend.

**1st Friday Writer's Group****12/4 7:00 PM**

Bring your writing, any genre, for

friendly, frank critique ... or come just to visit. We love newcomers.

**PM Literature Club****12/9 7:00 PM**

Join the group for interesting reads and lively discussions.

**Walk-In Kindle Help****12/10 6:00-7:00 PM**

Need help with your kindle? Stop in and we'll help you with the basics. No appointment necessary.

**Village Saxophone Quartet****12/11 7:00 PM**

Enjoy songs of the season with the Village Saxophone Quartet.

**Adult Jeopardy****12/17 7:00 PM**

Come test your trivia knowledge on a variety of topics at the Library's

version of Jeopardy. Registration required. Ages 18 and up.

**Beginner's Computer Class Internet****12/18 10:00 AM**

Learn how to navigate the internet. We'll cover basic terms and explore the internet. We'll visit the Library website to see all of the things that you can do. This relaxed class provides information and confidence for surfing the World Wide Web. Mouse skills required. Registration required.

**AM Literature Club****12/21 10:00 AM**

Booklovers are invited to attend this book discussion group which meets on the third Monday of the month.

## JUST FOR KIDS

**Kids' Crafts****12/11 4:00 PM**

Join the fun with another great craft. Ages 5-12. Registration required.

**Story Hour****12/2, 9, 16, 23, 30 2:00 PM**

Come listen to books read by your

favorite story teller, Miss Wendy. Ages 3-5 (brothers and sisters are welcome, too!) Stories, crafts, and songs.

**Bookworms****12/2, 9, 16 3:30 PM**

Reading group with a snack.

**Story Hour****Thursdays 10:00 AM**

Come listen to books read by your favorite story teller, Miss Wendy. Ages 3-5 (brothers and sisters are welcome, too!) Stories, crafts, and songs.

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## Catherine Dickson Hofman (continued)

### **Read To A Pet** **12/5 11:00 AM**

Sign up to read to a pet for 10 minutes, they love to listen to stories! Call the library to reserve your spot. Pet visits are made possible by Creature Comfort - pet therapy for children - building connections through animal visitation, one cold nose at a time. Registration required.

### **Lapsit Story Time & Sing-A-Long** **12/28 10:00 AM**

Interactive story time for children 12 to 36 months and a caregiver. The 20 minute program uses rhyme and

repetition to build language and literacy skills. We'll sing, bounce, clap, and share a story or two.

### **Lego Club** **12/28 4:00 PM**

Join the fun and create your own Lego design. If you also build up your appetite, there will be snacks. Ages 8 and up. Registration required.

### **Sciensational Workshops Creative Engineering** **12/28, 29 10:00 AM -4:00 PM**

Work with an advanced three dimensional construction kit that is yours to keep and take home. De-

sign and build simple and complex models of a vehicle, a robot, or buildings. You will also get your own 3-volt geared motor to power up a moveable Radar Surveyor. For ages 7-12. Register in the library; \$99 fee.

### **Snacktivity** **Back Float Bear Cookies** **12/30 3:30 PM**

Use sugar cookies, icing, modeling chocolate, and sugar to make these cute floating polar bear treats. Ages 7-12. Registration required. Younger participants may need help from a caregiver.

## JUST FOR TEENS

### **Teenage Creative Arts Ninjas** **12/3 5:00 PM**

Combat the ordinary with creativity! Come in to get a new prompt to inspire writing or artwork. Prepare for NaNoWriMo. Play games like *You've Been Sentenced*. Hang with friends. Be inspired. Have fun! Ages 9 and up. Registration required.

### **Fandom Friday - Star Wars** **12/4 4:00 PM**

We'll celebrate *Star Wars* with themed crafts and games. Snacks provided. Registration required. Ages 8 and up.

### **Minecraft Club - CDH** **12/12 10:30 AM**

Are you a Minecraft machine? Creeper-crazed? Stuck on Steve? We have our own Survival Server and we are going to build, battle and break stuff. We provide the laptops and user accounts for play. Ages 10-18. Registration required.

## Franklin—Franklin Township

### **Knifty Knitters** **Tuesdays 1:30 PM**

Seasoned crafter or budding beginner, come join the conversation and camaraderie! Bring your current project, or some yarn and needles to start, and let the fun commence!

### **Creative Crochet** **12/3 6:00 PM**

An evening group for people with hectic schedules. Come relax and crochet; we do our own thing, but group projects are also welcome.

### **Candy Tree Adult Craft** **12/5 1:00 PM**

Make a treat that is as decorative as it is yummy! Join us to make colorful candy trees for the holiday ta-

ble! Easy to make and delicious to munch! Registration is required as space is limited.

### **Crochet Corner** **12/10, 17, 24, 31 1:30 PM**

Come one, come all! We're always up for a new stitch to learn, or a unique pattern to share! If you've always wanted to learn the art of crochet, we will teach you!

### **Franklin Friends** **12/15 1:00 PM**

Come show your support for your branch! The Friends provide family programming throughout the year and donate the funds for purchasing the Classic DVD collection. New members are always welcome!

### **Page Turners** **12/15 1:30 PM**

Do you love to read? Enjoy good conversation and friendship? Join us this month as we review *The Rosie Project* by Graeme Simsion.

### **Evening Readers** **12/16 7:00 PM**

It's time for our traditional holiday cookie swap! Bring your favorite holiday cookies and titles to share and join in the festive fun!

Teens are always  
welcome at  
Knitting and Crocheting  
Groups!



## JUST FOR KIDS

**Two's Fun****12/1, 8, 15, 22 2:30 PM**

A special story time just for two-year-olds! Join Miss Jeanne for stories and fun! An adult must be present with the children. *Please note the time change is for December only.*

**Story Time****12/4, 11, 18 1:30 PM**

Join us and listen to your favorite stories! Lots of fun with Miss Jeanne and special mascot Sealy! Ages 3-5.

**Mitten Wreaths Craft****12/12 12:00 PM**

Join Miss Lydia to create a super-easy and cute wreath made out of mittens! These are great to decorate for the holiday season. All materials provided by the library. Registration is required; for ages 6-13.

**Read to a Pup****12/14 4:00 PM**

Pick up a book and read to our adorable and snuggly Therapy Pup,

Loki! Sign up for a 10-minute time slot at the front desk of the Franklin Branch. This event is for ages 5-12.

**Snowed in at the Library****Story Time****12/21 4:30 PM**

What would you do if you were snowed in at the library? Snuggle up with a blanket and stuffed animal, drink hot cocoa, listen to winter stories, and make a craft! For ages 3-5. Registration required.

## JUST FOR TEENS

**After School Chill Zone****Tuesdays 3:00 PM**

Teens are welcome to come after school to relax with friends, play games, or study. Study materials, games, and snacks provided. Feel free to use our public computers!

**Minecraft Club - FR****12/14 6:00 PM**

Calling all Minecraft machines and creeper crazed kids! Build, battle, and break stuff with Mr. Steve! Laptops provided by the library. Space is limited, registration is required. This event is for ages 10-18.

**Star Wars Ornaments****12/16 4:30 PM**

Geek out this holiday season at the library! Celebrate the release of *Star Wars Episode 7* with a craft! Snacks will be provided. For ages 10-18. Registration required.

## Northeast—Independence Township

**Star Wars****Movie Theatre Gift Card Drawing  
12/1 through 12/12**

Drop by for your chance to win a Bowtie Cinema gift card. For all ages!

**Quilting Snails****12/1 5:30 PM**

Join this brand new monthly club dedicated to machine quilting. Beginner, intermediate, and experienced quilters are all welcome! Please bring your own machine to the meeting. Registration is required.

**Mahjongg****Mondays 10:00 AM**

Join a great group of people and play games from beginner to advanced. Beginners welcome!

**Yarn Over Time****Mondays 6:00 PM**

A crochet and knitting group designed for after work and evening crafters. All ages and experience lev-

els welcome. Join us to get acquainted, share ideas, techniques, and work on your own creations.

**Crafty Ladies****Thursdays 1:30 PM**

If you like to knit or crochet, or would like to learn, join our crafty ladies!

**Friends Meeting****12/7 6:00 PM**

Become an advocate for your library by joining a group of volunteers who meet monthly to discuss fund-raising and programming. Bring your ideas!

**Sunrise Seniors****12/8 9:30 AM**

Start your morning with coffee, baked goods, and friendly conversation. The presentation will be Chi for Caring (CFC), an educational exercise program for caregivers and others in the senior community. CFC uses slow, gentle, fluid motions and

incorporates enhanced breathing techniques to achieve improvement in daily activities.

**Star Wars Party****12/12 10:30 AM**

Today we celebrate everything *Star Wars*. We'll show *Star Wars: Return of the Jedi* throughout the day and have snacks. Come in for one more chance to win a Bowtie Cinema gift card. The winner will be drawn at 2:30pm.

**Adult Craft****12/15 12:30 PM**

Join Miss Breanna and Miss Jody in making a seasonal craft, all materials provided. Registration is required.

**Bookworms****12/16 1:30 PM**

Join our monthly book club. We will read *A Fall of Marigolds* by Susan Meissner.



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Reorganization and Regular  
Meeting of the  
Warren County  
Library Commission  
January 7, 2016 at 5:30 pm  
Conference Room/2nd Floor  
Headquarters Branch  
2 Shotwell Drive  
Belvidere, NJ

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at 4:30 on December 24  
closed December 25 and 26  
at 4:30 pm on December 31  
closed January 1 and 2, 2016

## Northeast (continued)

### **Book Friends 12/16 6:30 PM**

Come enjoy a lively café-style book club for discussion and light refreshments. For our meeting this month, read any novel with a food theme.

### **End of Silent Auction 12/19 12:00 PM**

Bidding ends at 12:00 PM sharp, followed by light refreshments. Highest bidders do not have to be present in order to claim their items.

### **Colofonia Youth Ensemble—Holiday Music 12/21 6:30 PM**

Warren County's young string musicians invite you to enjoy an evening of seasonal music. Tickets are available at the front desk one week prior to the show.

## JUST FOR KIDS

### **Stories & Craft Wednesdays 10:30 AM**

Come listen to stories and make a themed craft each week!

### **Stories & Music Thursdays 10:30 AM**

Join us to listen to stories and sing songs each week!

### **Infant Story Time 12/4, 11, 18 10:30 AM**

Bring your baby and listen to stories, sing songs, and do finger plays. For infants under the age of 2.

### **Minecraft Club-NE 12/4 4:00 PM**

Are your kids Minecraft machines? We have our own Survival Server, and we are going to build, battle, and break stuff. The library provides the laptops and user accounts for play. For kids ages 7-9. Registration is required.

### **Radical Rocketeers 12/5 10:00 AM**

### **Star Wars Tween Craft 12/12 1:00 PM**

For ages 8-17. Make a *Star Wars* cinnamon ornament with Miss Lindsay and Miss Christina. Registration required.

All ages welcome! Great individual or family activity. After a short business meeting we move into the fun part of rocket building. Basic supplies are provided or you may bring your own. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Registration required.

### **Frozen Story & Food Craft 12/5 11:30 AM**

A registered dietitian will read the story of *Frozen* and create an edible craft. Registration required.

### **Lego Club 12/8 6:30 PM**

Super Science Programs is back! Kids ages 7-12, come and have fun with Legos! Space is limited; registration is required.

### **Origami Club 12/9 6:30 PM**

Join Cylvia Ultz and learn origami! All ages are welcome to join this creative

club. Young children must be accompanied by an adult. Registration required.

### **Star Wars Kid Craft 12/12 11:30 AM**

Make a *Star Wars* cinnamon ornament with Miss Christina. For ages 3-8. Registration required.

### **Tween Book Club 12/16 6:30 PM**

Join Miss Christina for a book club specifically for tweens (ages 8-14)! The book discussion will be followed by a craft. Title to be announced.

### **PJ Story Time 12/30 6:30 PM**

Join Miss Christina for a fun evening story time! Wear comfy pajamas and get cozy while listening to stories. Registration required.

## JUST FOR TEENS

### **Minecraft Club-NE 12/18 4:00 PM**

Are you a Minecraft machine? Creeper-crazed? Stuck on Steve? Well, block out some time this December because we are bringing Minecraft to the

library! We have our very own Survival Server, and we are going to build, battle, and break stuff all month long. The library provides the laptops and user accounts for play. For ages 10-18. Registration is required.