

# WARREN COUNTY LIBRARY



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**Headquarters Branch**  
2 Shotwell Drive  
Belvidere  
908-475-6322  
M-Th 9:00 am-8:30 pm  
Fri. 9:00 am-6:00 pm  
Sat. 10:00 am-3:00 pm

**Catherine Dickson  
Hofman Branch**  
4 Lambert Road  
Blairstown  
908-362-8335  
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Fri. 9:00 am-6:00 pm  
Sat. 10:00 am-3:00 pm

**Franklin Branch**  
1502 Route 57  
Washington  
908-689-7922  
M-Th 1:00 pm-8:00 pm  
Fri. 1:00 pm-6:00 pm  
Sat. 9:30 am-3:30 pm

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Hackettstown  
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## Makerspace: let's make something!

What is a makerspace? Makerspaces are places in communities where people come together to make, create, explore new technologies, share resources, and learn. Special events throughout the country such as Maker Faire (New York) and the White House Maker Faire have raised awareness of the importance of *making*.

In June 2014, President Obama hosted the first-ever White House Maker Faire and issued a call to create a "Nation of Makers" and asked that "every company, every

college, every community, every citizen joins us as we lift up makers and builders and doers across the country."

Why is *making* important? Making is hands-on learning which supports STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) education. *Maker* activities can inspire more people to pursue careers in design and manufacturing, and possibly to take their creations to the next level and become entrepreneurs. It is also repairing, repurposing, and creating, which, in addition to be-

ing personally satisfying and environmentally responsible, has the potential to lead to small business opportunities.

Why do libraries support the *maker* movement? *Making* is providing information and learning opportunities for people of all ages---something libraries have always done. By providing resources (computers with specialized software and hardware such as 3D printers, laser cutters, and sewing machines) paired with training opportunities, we can democratize the tools and skills necessary to

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We are honored to present READ Celebrities Dana, Lina, Lauren, Giuliana, Devon

The Bookworms reading group has met every week for the past year. The girls take turns selecting a new book every month and then meet at the Catherine Dickson Hofman Branch to read aloud and discuss. They use accents and act scenes out, and sometimes correspond their snack to the story or add a craft. The Bookworms have a fun group with a good sense of humor who are happy to reading titles of their own choosing.



Library is closed  
January 1 and 2  
January 18

## 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

Our newest reading program, 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten, starts January 4, 2016. Visit any branch to register your child (age birth to 5 years) for this program which is designed to build literacy skills through reading to your child.

## Headquarters—White Township

### **Tech Tutor**

**1/4 2:00-3:30 PM**

Do you need help with basic computer skills or have questions about a new device? Come in for a 30 minute, one-on-one help session. Be sure to charge your device! Registration required.

### **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.

### **Mission Impossible-Rogue Nation**

**1/5 6:00 PM**

Join us for an action-packed evening when the Mission Impossible crew once again fights for justice taking on their most impossible mission yet—eradicating the Syndicate, a rogue organization as highly skilled as they are. PG-13

### **The Writers' Group of Belvidere**

**1/6 6:00 PM**

Please join us the first Wednesday of every month. All levels of writing

experience and all genres are welcome. This is a wonderful opportunity to share your work as a writer and to get feedback. Bring something to read or just come and listen if you like. You must be 18+ to attend. Registration is required.

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

**Fridays 1:00 PM**

Learn to play this interesting and challenging game in our beautiful program room. Bring a friend! 18+ yrs. Adults only.

### **Family Movie Night**

#### **Minions**

**1/13 6:30 PM**

Minions evolve through the ages, perpetually serving the most despicable of masters (which they are continuously unsuccessful at keeping). A minion named Kevin, however, has a plan, and he and two of his cohorts venture out into the world to find a new evil boss for his brethren to follow. Rated PG. Please register.

### **Meeting of the Friends of the Warren Co. Library Headquarters**

**1/14 11:00 AM**

As the Library's support group, the Friends do everything from raising funds to helping sponsor programs. Join them as they discuss current fundraising plans. All are welcome!

### **Headquarters Literary Club**

**1/21 2:00 PM**

Please join us on the third Thursday of every month for our book discussion.

### **Headquarters Literary Club-PM**

**1/27 7:00 PM**

Become a founding member of our newest evening Book Club! Dom will lead us in a monthly discussion of a selected book - you can even choose the title and/or genre! Be part of the discussion, or sit back and listen to other club members' interpretations; you decide! But be assured, you will share in a lively and stimulating hour! Call the library for details 908-475-6322.

## JUST FOR KIDS

### **Lapsit Story Time & Sing Along**

**Tuesdays 10:00 AM**

Join us for a short program for babies and toddlers up to age two. We'll sing, bounce, clap, and share a story or two!

### **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**

**Tuesdays 1:30 PM**

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

### **Story Time**

**Wednesdays 10:30 AM**

Story time features a variety of fun crafts for children, and, as always, stories, stories, and stories! No registration required - drop in when you can.

### **Family Craft: Edible Snowman**

**1/16 11:00 AM**

No snow is needed to make this cute (and tasty!) snowman, just pretzels and chocolate. There will be time for a snowman story, too! Younger children will need adult assistance. Registration required.

### **Lego Club**

**1/20 4:30 PM**

It's LEGO fun at the library! Take on our challenge of the month for your

project, or build whatever you want to build. Join us the third Wednesday of each month. Work alone or in a group. We'll provide the LEGOs; please do not bring your own. Registration required. For age 7 and up.

### **Read to a Dog**

**1/19 4:30 PM**

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

## JUST FOR TEENS

**Minecraft Club - HQ****1/14 4:30 PM**

Are you a Minecraft machine? Creeper-crazed? Stuck on Steve? Block out some time for the library's Minecraft club! We have our very own Survival Server, and we are going to build, battle, and break stuff all year long. Join us at the Headquarters branch at 4:30pm on the second

Thursday of every month. The library provides the laptops and user accounts for play. For kids aged 10 to 18. Registration is required.

**Teen Create Club****Fuse Bead Fun****1/21 6:00 PM**

Join Kelly and create cool projects and eat snacks! This time, we'll be

creating with Fuse Beads! Come with some pre-printed pictures to recreate or just free style it. For grades 6 and up, please register.

## Catherine Dickson Hofman—Blairstown

**Knit Wits****Tuesdays 9:00 AM**

Join us to crochet, knit and chat while creating various items to donate to community organizations.

**Adult Artists****Wednesdays 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****Thursdays 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. Limited needles and amounts of yarn can be provided, or bring your own project to work on.

**1st Friday Writer's Group****1/8 7:00 PM**

Bring your writing, any genre, for friendly, frank critique ... or come just to visit. We love newcomers.

**PM Literature Club****1/13 7:00 PM**

Join the group for interesting reads and lively discussions.

**Walk-In Kindle Help****1/14 6:00 PM**

Need help with your kindle? Stop in between 6 - 7 on Thursday evening and we'll help you with the basics. No appointment necessary.

**Toni Chaplin****Watercolor Workshop****1/15, 29 9:30 AM**

Join Toni for another popular watercolor class. \$20 fee (checks preferred). Registration required.

**Adult Jeopardy****1/21 7:00 PM**

Come test your trivia knowledge on a wide variety of topics when the Library presents its own version of Jeopardy. Registration required. Ages 18 and up.

**Beginner Computer Class—****Email****1/22 10:00 AM**

Learn how to set up your own email account using Yahoo Mail. We'll show you how to compose and send an email, read your incoming messages, attach files, and much more. No computer at home? No problem! You can come to the library and use our computers to check your email and correspond with your friends and family. Registration required. Mouse skills necessary.

**AM Literature Club****1/25 10:00 AM**

Booklovers are invited to attend this book discussion group. The Morning Literature Group meets on the third Monday of the month.

Movie dates and times are  
on line or call for info

## JUST FOR KIDS

**Story Hour****Wednesdays 2:00 PM****Thursdays 10:00 AM**

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****Wednesdays 3:30 PM**

Reading group with snack.

**Kids Crafts****1/15 4:00 PM**

Join the fun as the Library presents another great craft. Ages 5-12. Registration required.

## Catherine Dickson Hofman (continued)

### **Read to a Pet**

**1/16 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 10 minute 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 Along**

**1/25 10:00 AM**

Interactive story time for very young children and a caregiver, lasting about 20 minutes. The program uses rhyme and repetition to build language and literacy skills. We'll sing, bounce, clap, and share a story or two. For children 12 months - 36 months.

### **Lego Club**

**1/25 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.

## JUST FOR TEENS

### **Minecraft Club - CDH**

**1/9 10:30 AM**

Are you a Minecraft machine? Creeper-crazed? Stuck on Steve? Well, block out some time 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. Join us

at the Catherine Dickson Hofman Branch where we'll provide the laptops and user accounts for play. For ages 10 to 18. Registration required.

### **Fandom Friday**

**1/29 4:00 PM**

A fandom is a community of enthusiasts for various tv shows, movies, &

books. We'll celebrate a different fandom at the library once a month with themed crafts and games. Come chat about the fandoms you love with fellow fans. Snacks provided. Registration required. Ages 8 and up.

## Franklin-Franklin Township

### **Knifty Knitters**

**1/5, 12, 26 1:30 PM**

Start out the new year with a new skill - learn to knit! As any in our group would agree, knitting is a great way to relax and create something beautiful. Already know how to knit? Come join us and unwind!

### **Creative Crochet**

**1/7 6:00 PM**

For those eager crocheters who cannot make the afternoon group - we have the answer! Our evening group meets the first Thursday of the month to enable people with hectic schedules to come relax and unwind - and do some creative crochet! We all tend to do our own thing, but group projects are also welcome. It's your night!

### **Crochet Corner**

**1/14, 21, 28 1:30 PM**

Come one, come all! Beginner or advanced, young or "seasoned!" Our

little group is always up to the challenge of a new stitch or two, or new pattern ideas! If you've always wanted to learn the art of crochet, we will teach you! Join us for fun and friendship!

### **Knitters of the Round Table**

**1/19 1:30 PM**

Gather round the table - the knitter's table, that is! Bring whatever you're working on - or would like to work on - and share the love of knitting! Come join the fun and friendship!

### **Page Turners**

**1/19 1:30 PM**

Excited about books? Love to read and share your thoughts? Enjoy good conversation and friendship? Then you'll want to join the Page Turners! This month, the club is excited to review *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande.

### **Franklin Friends**

**1/19 1:00 PM**

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

### **Evening Readers**

**1/20 7:00 PM**

Informal and informative! Our friendly discussions will open your mind to new thoughts about your favorite titles and authors! This month it's reader's choice! Come and discuss a book you've recently enjoyed, or an old favorite!

### **Adult Craft**

**1/30 1:00 PM**

Get a jump start on St. Valentine's Day with this romantic craft! Registration required; for adults.

## JUST FOR KIDS

**Two's Fun  
Tuesdays 3:00 PM**

Come and join us for great stories, poems and songs. It's a half hour filled with wiggles, giggles, and fun! An adult caregiver should re-

main with the child throughout the program.

**Story Time  
Fridays 1:30 PM**

Come join us and listen to your fa-

vorite stories! Lots of fun with Miss Jeanne and special mascot Sealy! For ages 3-5.

## JUST FOR TEENS

**Minecraft Club - FR  
1/25/2016 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 lim-

ited for this event, please register at the front desk of the library or online. This event is for ages 10-18.

## Northeast—Independence Township

**Mahjongg  
1/4, 11, 25 10:00 AM**

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

**Yarn-Over-Time  
1/4, 11, 25 6:00 PM**

Yarn over Time is a crochet and knitting group designed for after work and evening crafters. All ages and experience levels welcome, including beginners. Join us to get acquainted, share ideas, techniques, and work on your own creations.

**Friends Meeting  
1/4 6:00 PM**

Become an advocate for your library by joining a group of volunteers who meet once a month to discuss fundraising and programming for the library. Bring your ideas!

**Crafty Ladies  
Thursdays 1:30 PM**

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

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

The Quilting Snails is a brand new club dedicated to machine quilting. Beginners, intermediate, and experienced are all welcome! Please bring your own machine to the meeting. This club will be meeting monthly. Registration required, please sign up online or at the branch.

**Sunrise Seniors  
1/12 9:30 AM**

Sunrise Seniors meets the second Tuesday of each month at 9:30 am. Start your morning with coffee, baked goods, and friendly conversa-

tion. Topic to be announced. Please register.

**Bookworms  
1/20 1:30 PM**

Join our monthly book club. We will be reading *The Wolves at the Door: The True Story of America's Greatest Female Spy*.

**Book Friends  
1/20 6:30 PM**

Come and enjoy a lively cafe style book club for discussion and light refreshments. Title to be announced.

## JUST FOR KIDS

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

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

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

Come listen to stories, sing songs, and color too! For kids ages 2 and up.

**Infant Story Time  
Fridays 10:30 AM**

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



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Maureen Baker Wilkinson  
Director

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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## Northeast (continued)

### Winter Kids' Craft 1/9 11:30 AM

For ages 3-8. Make a pretty winter bird and snowflakes with Miss Christina! Registration is required.

### Lego Club 1/12 6:30 PM

Super Science Programs is back! Kids ages 7-12, come and have fun with Legos! Space is limited, register online or at the branch.

### Origami Club 1/13 6:30 PM

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

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

### Minecraft Club-NE 1/15 4:00 PM

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### Tween Book Club 1/20 6:30 PM

Join Miss Christina for a book club just for tweens (ages 8-14)! The discussion will be followed by a craft. We will continue to read *Percy Jackson and the Olympians: The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan. Registration required.

### PJ Story Time 1/27 6:30 PM

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

## JUST FOR TEENS

### Upcycled Book Tween Craft 1/9 1:00 PM

For ages 8-17. Upcycle an old book into a seasonal snowman! Registration is required, please sign up online or at the branch.

### Minecraft Club-NE 1/29 4:00 PM

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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, please sign up online or at the branch.

## Makerspace (continued)

design and *make*. Library Makerspaces are community resources that provide the opportunity for sharing skills and knowledge in an environment that is open to all.

*Making* is already a library tradition. Our programs provide intergenerational opportunities to explore new craft ideas and traditional skills such as knitting, crocheting, quilting, and weaving. Craft carts provide the opportunity for kids to create, and Lego and Minecraft clubs provide opportunities to build in

the real and virtual world.

We partner with United Astronomy Club of New Jersey to hold Astronomy Days where people can learn about space and use a real telescope to view the sky; with Radical Rocketeers who hold monthly workshops on building and launching rockets, and with Stone Soup Symphony who encourage the love of music and *making* through their build-a-musical-instrument workshop.

We offer museum passes, a seed library, and even violins (all donated)

to encourage library members to learn by means other than books.

Our library will be one of many libraries in New Jersey that will celebrate the 2nd annual New Jersey Makers Day on March 19<sup>th</sup> with special programs and activities. Check our online calendar for events at all branches.

We wish you a  
Happy & Healthy  
2016!