

OCTOBER PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Visit our website or social media pages for full event details and links to registration.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED Register online, at the library, or call 608-758-6600.

FOR KIDS & FAMILIES

STORYTIMES

September 3-November 20

No registration necessary.

BABIES IN THE LIBRARY

Wednesdays at 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

October 1-29

PROGRAM ROOM

WIGGLE AND RHYME STORYTIME

Thursdays at 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

October 2-30

PROGRAM ROOM

SENSE-ATIONAL STORYTIME

Fridays at 9:45 a.m.

October 3-31

PROGRAM ROOM

FAMILY SPOOKY BOOK

SWAP BINGO for kids & families

Thursday, October 2, 6 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Play bingo for the library's favorite prize: books! Participate by bringing in 1-2 lightly used books (the spookier the better!) per person for our prize table. Bingo winners will pick out a book prize to take home and leftover books will be donated to the Friends of the Library.

READ-IN WITH MARY for kids

Mondays from 3:30-5 p.m.

October 6-November 24

CHILDREN'S ROOM

Settle in for some cozy silent reading with Mary the Comfort Dog.

TWEEN TEAM: COSPLAY &

STAGE MAKEUP for ages 9-12

Monday, October 27, 3:30-5 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Play games & help with fun projects. Dress for mess & activities!



(Brazilian), and Spanish (Castilian)! Visit our website or use the QR code to get started.



READING MENAGERIE: GREET THE CREATURES

for ages 5-12

Septmber 2 - April 30

CHILDREN'S ROOM

Build your magical menagerie and meet the newest creatures in the mix!

Register and pick up your October Reading Tracker to start collecting cards. Readers earn one set for every 2 hours tracked.

READING MENAGERIE: READ IN & PLAY

Saturday, October 25, 10 a.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Drop in to read for 30 minutes to earn a special limited edition creature card. Meet other readers, play the Reading Menagerie card game together, and help us create a new creature design for future cards.

HEDBERG HARMONY

Enjoy live music in the Fireplace Room. Visit our calendar for a full list of performers.

SOUTHERN WI DULCIMER CLUB Saturday, October 11, 10 a.m.

ROCK RIVER STRING BAND Monday, October 20, 2 p.m.

JANESVILLE ACADEMY MUSIC Saturday, October 25, 11 a.m. & 12 p.m.

FOR ALL AGES

WOOD CARVING DEMO

Saturday, October 4, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Visit with the members of the Rock River Valley Woodcarvers and learn the skills of their craft.

CHESS CLUB

Saturdays from 1-3 p.m. • October 4-25*

WOODRUFF ROOM+

Play, learn, or watch with Peter Webster, a chess life-master and former WI State Champion. Chess sets available or bring your own.

*No Chess Club October 18 +LAB 316 on October 25

HOLIDAY DECOR & COSTUME SWAP

Saturday, October 4, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. & Monday, October 6, 9 a.m.- 7 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Get FREE new-to-you holiday decorations and costumes for all ages. All holidays and seasons are welcome! Drop off new or gently used items at the Information Desk beginning **September 2**. Then stop back to "shop" the donated supplies!

ADOPT-A-PET AT THE LIBRARY

Wednesday, October 8, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

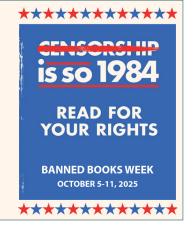
Meet adorable adoptable pets from the Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin.

CAMPFIRE GHOST TALES for ages 8+ Thursday, October 23, 6:30 p.m.

PALMER PARK, UPPER PAVILION BONFIRE PIT in partnership with City of Janesville Recreation Division Enjoy an evening of ghastly tales told by library storytellers while the City of Janesville Parks & Recreation stoke the fire and provide treats.



Stop by to get a free banned or challenged book and talk with librarians about the ways books unite us and censorship divides us.



FOR TEENS & ADULTS



OREGISTRATION REQUIRED Register online, at the library, or call 608-758-6600.

(III) TECHNOLOGY HELP **OFFICE HOURS** for adults

Wednesdays at 10 & 11 a.m.

October 1, 15, & 29 STUDY ROOM 1

Thursdays at 11 a.m. & 12 p.m. October 9 & 23

HPL EXPRESS | UPTOWN JANESVILLE 2500 MILTON AVE.

Get help with a new device, troubleshoot tech problems, or learn a new skill! Call 608-758-5833 to register. Walk-ins are welcome.

CHAIR YOGA for teens & adults Wednesday, October 1, 6 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Enjoy gentle yoga for those with mobility, balance, or seated work needs.

TRUSTS, WILLS, & PROBATE! OH MY! for adults

Wednesday, October 1, 6 p.m.

WOODRUFF ROOM

presented by Bryan Whitehead, Nowlan Law Office Learn how to plan for the future with confidence and ensure your wishes - or those of a loved one - are honored.

MONDAY NIGHT MAGIC for teens & adults Mondays from 5-7 • October 6 & 20

LAB 316

Play the popular game, Magic: The Gathering!

MEDICARE 101 SEMINAR for adults

Tuesday, October 7, 1 p.m. & 6 p.m.

WOODRUFF ROOM

presented by Philip Knapp

Learn the ins and outs of Medicare. Whether you're new to the program or need a refresher, explore the available options.

EVENING YOGA for teens & adults Wednesday, October 8, 6 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Enjoy a beginner-friendly gentle Vinyasa Yoga class. Bring your own yoga mat, towel, props, and water. Participate at your own risk and let the instructor know of any injuries or modifications. before the program.

CASUAL CRAFTERS for teens & adults

Thursday, October 9, 5:30-7 p.m.

LAB 316

Help us create a crafting community! Bring your current project or start a new one, use available library craft supplies, and meet other crafters.

LIBRARY EXHIBITS

Mixed Media by Aaron Hedgecock

Pencil Drawings & Watercolor by Clarice Chicks (in memoriam)

Mixed Media Torn Paper by Keo Gathman

Night at the Library: SLAYED! by HPL Staff

JANESVILLE AREA STORIES

RECEPTION for adults

Friday, October 10, 3 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Celebrate local voices at a special reception for the Janesville Area Stories project! Hear from Teresa Nguyen as she shares powerful stories and interviews collected from 2019 to 2024, and help welcome this new resource to HPL's Janesville Room.

PERK UP & PUZZLE for adults

Monday, October 13, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Enjoy a cup of coffee or tea and conversation while we work on a puzzle or brain game together - or take it home to do it yourself.

OUNGEONS & DRAGONS for adults Mondays from 5-7 p.m. • October 13 & 27

PROGRAM ROOM

Calling all new and experienced adventurers! Our new Dungeon Master is ready to lead you through epic quests and thrilling campaigns.

HOW DOES YOUR DOG BECOME A

THERAPY DOG? for adults

Wednesday, October 15, 6 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

presented by the Alliance of Therapy Dogs Learn what it takes to give back to your community with a therapy dog, and meet two dogs already trained and in service.

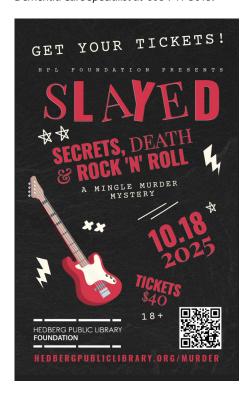
MEMORY CAFÉ:

PUZZLES & GAMES for adults

Monday, October 20, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Play games, put together puzzles, and enjoy great conversation. Register by calling ADRC's Dementia Care Specialist at 608-741-3615.



MEDITATION

& SOUND BATH for teens & adults

Wednesday, October 22, 6 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Join us for an evening of mind and body relaxation. Warm up with gentle seated yoga poses followed by an hour-long guided meditation and singing bowl session. Bring a yoga mat, pillows, or personal sized blankets to make yourself comfortable.

© ESCAPE ROOM:

RISE OF THE INFECTED for teens & adults Saturday, October 25, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

WOODRUFF ROOM

Stop the outbreak and save the world! You have 20 minutes to locate the cure for a deadly airborne virus that's transforming victims into terrifying, zombie-like creatures. Gather your team and sign up today... before the virus spreads any further! Teams of 6-12 people can reserve their own time slot. Smaller groups may be combined. Spots are filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

BOOK CLUBS



WELLNESS

BOOK CLUB for teens & adults Thursday, October 2, 6:30 p.m. FIREPLACE ROOM

Think Like a Monk by Jay Shetty November title:

Set Boundaries, Find Peace by Nedra Glover



MONDAYS ARE MURDER for adults

Monday, October 20, 1:30 p.m. **WOODRUFF ROOM**

Distant Sons by Tim Johnston November title:

Breathless by Amy McCulloch



NON-FICTION KNOWS

NO BOUNDS for adults Wednesday, October 15, 6 p.m.

BEHIND THE ROCK COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 51 S MAIN ST Longitude by Dava Sobel

November title: Not Quite States of America

by Doug Mack



HEARTWOOD READING ON **THE ROCK** for adults Thursday, October 23, 6:30 p.m.

WOODRUFF ROOM Heartwood by Amity Gaige November title:

The Frozen River by Ariel Lawhon

SAVOR THE BOOK for adults Tuesday, November 11, 6 p.m. PROGRAM ROOM

November title: *PlantYou: Scrappy* Cooking by Carleigh Bodrug