

HEDBERG
PUBLIC LIBRARY
Building Community

NOVEMBER 2025

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

November 5-20

No registration necessary.

BABIES IN THE LIBRARY

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

November 5-19

PROGRAM ROOM

WIGGLE AND RHYME STORYTIME

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

November 6-20

PROGRAM ROOM

SENSE-ATIONAL STORYTIME

Fridays at 9:45 a.m.

November 7-14

PROGRAM ROOM

STORYTIMES RESUME JANUARY 5

Watch our website for details.

READ-IN WITH MARY *for kids*

Mondays from 3:30-5 p.m.

November 3-24

CHILDREN'S ROOM

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

CODING CAMP *for ages 9-12*

Mondays at 4 p.m. • November 3, 10, & 17

PROGRAM ROOM

Learn or review some basics of coding, then practice your skills each week using a variety of robot toys and games.

FAMILY TASTY BOOK SWAP BINGO

for kids & families

Tuesday, November 4, 6 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Play bingo for the library's favorite prize: books! Participate by bringing in 1-2 lightly used books (the tastier 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.



READING MENAGERIE: GREET THE CREATURES

for ages 5-12

September 2 - April 30

CHILDREN'S ROOM

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

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



PORTABLE PLANETARIUM: SKY TONIGHT

for kids & families

Saturday, November 8, 11 a.m. & 1 p.m.

HPL EXPRESS

UPTOWN JANESVILLE, 2500 MILTON AVE.

Explore the wonders of the universe, where children and their families will witness the transformation from day to night while learning about the constellations and planets visible in their neighborhoods.



TWEEN TEAM: FRIENDSGIVING

for ages 9-12

Monday, November 24, 3:30-5 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

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

COMING IN DECEMBER



December 5-7

Downtown Janesville

STORIES WITH SANTA & MRS. CLAUS

for kids & families

Saturday, December 6

STORYTIME: 9:30 OR 11:30 a.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

PHOTOS: 10-11:30 a.m.

FIREPLACE ROOM

FOR ALL AGES

WOOD CARVING DEMO

Saturday, November 1, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

UPPER LOBBY

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



ROCK COUNTY CHESS TOURNAMENT

Saturday, November 1, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Play four games, 30 minutes each, paired with players who have similar scores. Free and open to Rock County residents of all ages.

Registration deadline is October 30.

Email marklencho@gmail.com with name, address, telephone, email, rating (if applicable, either USCF or online; this is not a rated tournament), and grade level (if applicable).

CHESS CLUB

Saturdays from 1-3 p.m. • November 8-29

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.

ADOPT-A-PET AT THE LIBRARY

Wednesday, November 12, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

UPPER LOBBY

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

FRIENDS OF HEDBERG PUBLIC LIBRARY

FRIENDS OF HPL USED BOOK SALE

Friday & Saturday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

November 21 & 22

PROGRAM ROOM

GR'S SANDWICH SHOPPE FUNDRAISER

Wednesday, November 19, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.

GR'S SANDWICH SHOPPE

2100 E MILWAUKEE ST

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING

Tuesday, November 11, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

*** NEW THIS YEAR ***

CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING

Thursday & Friday, November 27 & 28



HEDBERG PUBLIC LIBRARY 316 South Main Street • Janesville, WI
Monday - Thursday: 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Friday & Saturday: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday: CLOSED

HPL EXPRESS 2500 Milton Avenue • Janesville, WI
Monday - Saturday: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday: CLOSED



FOR TEENS & ADULTS



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

WRITING WORKSHOPS for adults

Sharpen your skills and meet other writers during our series of workshops. Registration is required for each session.

NOVEL PLOTTING & STRUCTURING 101

Saturday, November 1, 11 a.m.

WOODRUFF ROOM

presented by Sally Collins

Examine the arc of scenes and stories, the importance of getting to know your characters, and various methods and templates to (loosely) plan and plot.

INDEPENDENT PUBLISHING BASICS FOR BEGINNERS

Saturday, November 8, 11 a.m.

WOODRUFF ROOM

presented by Noelle Powers & Jill Kiesow

Gain a clear understanding of self-publishing, small presses, ISBNs, copyrights, editing strategies, and more.

PRESENTING YOUR PIECE WITH PANACHE - THE ART OF PUBLIC READING

Saturday, November 15, 11 a.m.

WOODRUFF ROOM

presented by PJA Fullerton

Tap into your creativity and unlock the ideas that bubble just below the surface. Explore writing prompts and writing in community.

MONDAY NIGHT MAGIC for teens & adults

Mondays from 5-7 p.m. • November 3 & 17

LAB 316

Play the popular game, *Magic: The Gathering*!

TECHNOLOGY HELP

OFFICE HOURS for adults

Wednesdays at 10 & 11 a.m.

November 12 & 26

STUDY ROOM 1

Thursdays at 11 a.m. & 12 p.m.

November 6 & 20

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, November 5, 6 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Join us for gentle yoga perfect for anyone with mobility or balance challenges, or for those who work while seated. Chair provided.

HEDBERG HARMONY

Enjoy live music from local musicians in the Fireplace Room. Visit our calendar for a full list.

SOUTHERN WI DULCIMER CLUB

Saturday, November 8, 10 a.m.

ROCK RIVER STRING BAND

Monday, November 17, 2 p.m.

PERK UP & PUZZLE for adults

Monday, November 10, 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.

ASK A LIBRARIAN:

GRANT SEARCHING for adults

Monday, November 10, 2-3 p.m.

Wednesday, November 12, 4-5 p.m.

Thursday, November 13, 10-11 a.m.

Friday, November 14, 2-3 p.m.

STUDY ROOM 7

Celebrate National Philanthropy Week with one-on-one help from librarian Kasey Weiland! Discover Candid's Foundation Directory, the most extensive, up-to-date resource available to find the best matched funders with ease.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS for adults

Mondays from 5-7 p.m. • November 10 & 24

WOODRUFF ROOM

Calling all new and experienced adventurers (ages 18+)! The library's new Dungeon Master is ready to lead you through epic quests and thrilling campaigns.

EVENING YOGA for teens & adults

Wednesday, November 12, 6 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Bring your own mat, towel, props, and water.

CASUAL CRAFTERS for teens & adults

Thursday, November 13, 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.

BOOK TALK: KARYN SAEMANN for adults

Thursday, November 13, 6 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Celebrate Native American Heritage Month with the Wisconsin author of *Electa Quinney: Stockbridge Teacher*. Hear stories of the research Karyn gathered and learn what she discovered during her journey that did not make it into the book.

HOMEBUYERS WORKSHOP for adults

Saturday, November 15, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

presented by NeighborWorks - Blackhawk Region sponsored by City of Janesville, Associated Bank, Blackhawk Community Credit Union, Summit Credit Union, Johnson Bank, First Mid Bank and Trust, First National Bank and Old National Bank

Walk through the home buying process.

Lunch will be provided. Registration is required. Call 608-362-9051 ext. 20, email homebuying@nwbr.org, or text 608-313-7809.

MEMORY CAFE: THANKSGIVING for adults

Monday, November 17, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

Celebrate the history of Thanksgiving and the gift of gratitude.

BOOKS AND BREWS

TRIVIA NIGHT for adults

Wednesday, November 19, 6:30 p.m.

ROCK COUNTY BREWING COMPANY

10 NORTH PARKER DRIVE

Play along for prizes or watch for fun!

Bring a non-perishable item and get a drink discount and help us restock the ECHO Foodbank shelves!

BOOK CLUBS



WELLNESS

BOOK CLUB for teens & adults

Thursday, November 6, 6:30 p.m.

FIREPLACE ROOM

Set Boundaries, Find Peace
by Nedra Glover

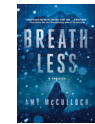


SAVOR THE BOOK for adults

Tuesday, November 11, 6 p.m.

WOODRUFF ROOM

PlantYou: Scrappy Cooking
by Carleigh Bodrug



MONDAYS ARE MURDER for adults

Monday, November 17, 1:30 p.m.

WOODRUFF ROOM

Breathless by Amy McCulloch



NON-FICTION KNOWS

NO BOUNDS for adults

Wednesday, November 19, 6 p.m.

FIREPLACE ROOM

Not Quite States of America by Doug Mack



READING ON

THE ROCK for adults

Thursday, November 20, 6:30 p.m.

WOODRUFF ROOM

The Frozen River by Ariel Lawhon

LIBRARY EXHIBITS

Pencil Drawing & Acrylic Paint by Lily Jacob

Graphite & Charcoal Drawings

by Rio Andras Ramirez

Native American Sacred Places

Photography by Kim Hoholek

