

HEDBERG
PUBLIC LIBRARY
Building Community

DECEMBER 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 RESUME JANUARY 5

MUSIC & MOVEMENT

Mondays at 6 p.m. • January 5-26*

PROGRAM ROOM

*No program January 19

BABIES IN THE LIBRARY

Wednesdays at 9:30 & 10:30 a.m. • January 7-28

PROGRAM ROOM

WIGGLE AND RHYME STORYTIME

Thursdays at 9:30 & 10:30 a.m. • January 8-29

PROGRAM ROOM

SENSE-ATIONAL STORYTIME

Fridays at 9:45 a.m. • January 9-30

PROGRAM ROOM

READ-IN WITH MARY *for kids*

Mondays from 3:30-5 p.m. • December 1-29

CHILDREN'S ROOM

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



A family reading challenge!

- BUILD PRE-READING SKILLS
- GROW YOUR RELATIONSHIP
- EARN INCENTIVES
- LEARN ABOUT WISCONSIN

Who can participate?

All families with a child not yet in kindergarten. It's free!

How do we get started?

Stop by the library's service desk to register and get your first reading log.

Do we need a library card?

No, but we recommend each family get a free one! Bring an ID and proof of address, like a bill, to the service desk.

It's never too early to start reading to your child!



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 a.m.

FIREPLACE ROOM



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.

COMING IN JANUARY

LEARNING THROUGH PLAY

for kids & families

Saturday, January 10, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

FRIENDS & FAMILY IMPROV NIGHT

for all ages

Thursday, January 15, 6-7:30 p.m.

PROGRAM ROOM

presented by Sarah Shockey, Second City

HOLIDAY HOURS

**Both library locations will be
CLOSED**

Wednesday, December 24

Thursday, December 25

Wednesday, December 31

Thursday, January 1



FOR ALL AGES

BEAUTIFUL & LOVELY CD GIVEAWAY:

THE MUSIC OF DON VOEGELI

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 12-4 P.M.

REFERENCE DESK

Stop in to pick up a free CD - and a piece of Public Radio and TV history. Supplies limited.

WOOD CARVING DEMO

Saturday, December 6, 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.

CHESS CLUB

Saturdays from 1-3 p.m. • December 6-27

LOCATION VARIES - SEE ONLINE CALENDAR

Play, learn, or watch with Peter Webster, a chess life-master and former WI State Champion.

ADOPT-A-PET AT THE LIBRARY

Wednesday, December 10, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

UPPER LOBBY

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

HEDBERG HARMONY

Enjoy live holiday music in the Fireplace Room.

Visit our website calendar for details.

JANESVILLE ACADEMY MUSIC

Saturday, December 6, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

EMERSON ORCHESTRA

Mondays at 10:30-11:30 a.m. • December 8 & 15

Monday, December 29, 6-7 p.m.

KRIS GLEASON ON PIANO

Wednesday, December 10, 2-3 p.m.

SOUTHERN WI DULCIMER CLUB

Saturday, December 13, 10-11:30 a.m.

ECLECTIC RED

Saturday, December 13, 1-2:30 p.m.

ROCK RIVER STRING BAND

Monday, December 15, 2-3:30 p.m.

MADISON CAPITOL CHORDSMEN

Tuesday, December 16, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

EMMA FIELD

Saturday, December 20, 11-11:30 a.m.

SAWYER DODD

Saturday, December 20, 2-3 p.m.

DECEMBER LIBRARY EXHIBITS

Mixed Media by Judy Hatlen

Digital Collage by Duane Brewer

Assemblage by Jennye Byrns

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.

MONDAY NIGHT MAGIC for teens & adults
Mondays from 5-7 p.m. • December 1 & 15
LAB 316

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

CHAIR YOGA for teens & adults
Wednesday, December 3, 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.

 **TECHNOLOGY HELP**

OFFICE HOURS for adults
Thursdays at 11 a.m. & 12 p.m.
December 4 & 18

HPL EXPRESS | UPTOWN JANESVILLE
2500 MILTON AVE.

Wednesday, December 10 at 10 & 11 a.m.
STUDY ROOM 1
Get help with a new device, troubleshoot tech problems, or learn a new skill! Call 608-758-5833 to register. Walk-ins are welcome.

 **DUNGEONS & DRAGONS** for adults
Mondays from 5-7 p.m. • December 8 & 22
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.

PERK UP & PUZZLE for adults
Monday, December 8, 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.

EVENING YOGA for teens & adults
Wednesday, December 10, 6 p.m.
PROGRAM ROOM
Bring your own mat, towel, props, and water.

**AMERICAN RED CROSS
BLOOD DRIVE** for adults
Thursday, December 11, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
PROGRAM ROOM
Make an appointment at redcrossblood.org or 1-800-RED-CROSS. Walk-ins are welcome!

 **MEMORY SCREENING** for adults
Thursday, December 11, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
STUDY ROOM 1
in partnership with the WI Department of Health Services and the WI Alzheimer's Institute
Get help from experts to spot early symptoms, start conversations and encourage physician follow-up. Sign up for a 30-minute timeslot.

HOLIDAY MOVIE BINGO for teens & adults
Saturday, December 13, 12-2 p.m.
PROGRAM ROOM
Watch a holiday movie and catch all of our favorite holiday movie tropes! Cozy attire, slippers, and blankets are encouraged.

 **MEMORY CAFE:**
COOKIE DECORATING for adults
with the Craig High School Choir for adults
Monday, December 15, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
PROGRAM ROOM
Enjoy a performance by the choir, then decorate cookies with them. Program is for individuals with dementia and their caregivers. Register by calling ADRC's Dementia Care Specialist Karen Tennyson at 608-741-3615.

 **BREASTFEEDING VILLAGE:**
**EDUCATION & COMMUNITY
FOR NEW MOMS** for adults
Tuesday, December 16, 12:30-1:30 p.m.
PROGRAM ROOM
presented by Rock County Nutrition Health Associates (WIC)
Learn the 'How To's' of nursing and pumping! Find comradery with other moms, explore common questions and concerns. Call Nutrition and Health Associates at 608-893-7014 or email annikard@nhawic.org.

CASUAL CRAFTERS for teens & adults
Thursday, December 18, 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.

COMING IN JANUARY

PUZZLE WITH A PUP for adults
Wednesday, January 14, 1-2 pm
TECH CORRIDOR
in partnership with Alliance of Therapy Dogs
Put a puzzle together with Therapy Dogs.

 **BOOK BEDAZZLING**
Thursday, January 15
for teens 4:30-6 p.m.
for adults 6-7:30 p.m.
LAB 316
Bring your favorite book (*hardcover is preferred*) to decorate with gemstones, jewels, and glitter! If you do not have a book to bring, a small selection will be available.

RIDING IN THE MOMENT™ for adults
Wednesday, January 28, 6-7 p.m.
PROGRAM ROOM
presented by Abby Hays, Program Manager at Three Gaits, Inc.
Learn about a program designed to increase the quality of life of adults with dementia and their family members and friends.

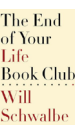
BABY & TODDLER CLOTHING DRIVE
Saturday, January 31, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Monday, February 2, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
PROGRAM ROOM
Donate your new or gently-used baby and toddler clothing items to the library January 5-30. Then come back and shop!

BOOK CLUBS

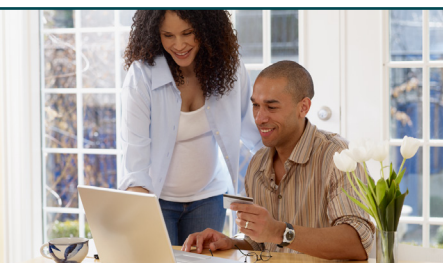
Book Clubs resume in January!
Get a head start on upcoming titles.

 **WELLNESS BOOK CLUB**
for teens & adults
Thursday, January 8, 6:30 p.m.
WOODRUFF ROOM
The High 5 Habit by Mel Robbins

 **MONDAYS ARE
MURDER** for adults
Monday, January 12, 1:30 p.m.
WOODRUFF ROOM
Havoc by Christopher Bollen

 **NON-FICTION KNOWS
NO BOUNDS** for adults
Wednesday, January 21, 6 p.m.
EDGERTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
101 ALBION ST, EDGERTON, WI
The End of Your Life Book Club by Will Schwalbe

 **READING ON
THE ROCK** for adults
Thursday, January 22, 6:30 p.m.
WOODRUFF ROOM
Jane Eyre by Charlotte Brönte



Make informed purchasing decisions this holiday season with expert ratings and reviews from Consumer Reports.

FREE online with
your library card!

CR Consumer
Reports



Year-End Giving
MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Give to the HPL Foundation and your gift will be felt all year long as you support library programs, resources, and much-needed community services.

Visit our website or use the QR code to donate today.

