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DECEMBER EVENTS CALENDAR

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All branches of the Morgantown Public Library System will be closed on the following dates for the holiday season: December 24, 25, and 31, and January 1.





DECEMBER AT THE LIBRARY!

Welcome to December. We cannot wait to provide you with tons of fun activities at all of our branches!

Come chat with a scientist, rock out at our Swiftie Party, come to a movie night, and enjoy some “hygge” with us this holiday season.

Events for children/general audiences are in **blue**, adult events are in **orange**, and teen/tween events are in **green**!



**EVERY BRANCH
ALL MONTH LONG**



Our new adult reading challenge is all online. Each month has a new theme—and badge to win! Sign up using the QR code or at beanstack.mympls.org

Homes for the Holidays



Stop by any branch of the Morgantown Public Library System to pick up a paper house! Take it home and decorate it with whatever you have on hand. When you're finished, use it to decorate your home or bring it back to the library and help us grow our tiny holiday village!

MORGANTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

LET'S BUILD TOGETHER WITH BLOCKS AND BE CREATIVE WITH PLAY-DOH | 10:00AM- 11:00AM

DECEMBER 2ND & DECEMBER 9TH | AGES 2-5 | MEETING ROOM A

Unleash your creativity with blocks and Play-Doh at the library. We will have free play day and your child can show off their skills. We will provide Duplo and foam building blocks for the children to use during our time together. During this time we will also have a variety of Play-Doh and accessories to use when creating new designs from Play-Doh.

HOLIDAY TUESDAY EVENING PRE-SCHOOL STORY TIME | 6:30PM- 7:15PM

DECEMBER 2ND & 9TH | AGES 2-6 | MEETING ROOM A

Children and their caregivers are encouraged to visit the many free play stations consisting of games, crafts and a variety of activities before circle time with stories, songs and more. For more information, contact the library at 304-291-7425.

TWEEN TIME | 6:00PM- 7:00PM

DECEMBER 3RD | AGES 10-12 | MEETING ROOM A

This month, we'll be having a Five Nights at Freddy's party! Play the Switch games, decorate Chica's cupcakes, and play some mini arcade games!

CHRONICLES OF YARNIA | 6:00PM-7:45PM

DECEMBER 3RD & 17TH | ADULTS | MEETING ROOM B

Wherever your yarn passions lie – knitting, crochet – bring supplies and meet new friends in Meeting Room B!

READ BABY READ | 10:30AM- 11:30AM

DECEMBER 4TH & 11TH | AGES BIRTH- 24 MONTHS | MEETING ROOM A

Join us at the Morgantown Public Library for Read Baby Read. This fun, free program is designed for infants and their caregivers to introduce them to the library and help develop their lifelong love of books. Babies and caregivers have time to visit and socialize with others as they visit a variety of free play stations followed by circle time with songs, rhymes, stories and more.

MORGANTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

TRADING CARD GAME GROUP | 6:00PM- 7:00PM

DECEMBER 4TH | AGES 10-18 | MEETING ROOM A

Join us for an exciting Trading Card Game group where players can battle, trade, and connect with others who share their love for the game! Whether you're a seasoned player or just getting started, this club is the perfect place to test your skills and make new friends. Bring your deck to play the game, trade cards, and enjoy a fun and welcoming environment. This month, we'll be focusing on the Pokemon, Magic the Gathering, and Disney Lorcana.

YOGA AT THE LIBRARY | 11:00AM- 12:00PM

DECEMBER 6TH | AGES 9-14 | MEETING ROOM A

Join yoga instructor Sarah in a fun, free day of yoga! Yoga is great for boosting confidence, and promoting well-being . Yoga mats will be provided for children to use during the program, or you can bring your own if you'd prefer. This event is sponsored by The Health Plan – please be sure to register to reserve your spot!



[Register Here](#)

CHAT WITH A SCIENTIST: HAPPY AGING AND LONGEVITY | 12:30PM- 2:00PM

DECEMBER 6TH | ADULTS | MEETING ROOM A

Discover how daily habits, mental engagement, and community connection can promote health, vitality, and well-being throughout life. Join folks from the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine at WVU for this engaging discussion.



SWIFTIE PARTY | 6:00PM- 7:30PM

DECEMBER 8TH | ALL AGES | MEETING ROOM A

Are you ready for it? Celebrate Taylor Swift's birthday at our all-ages Swiftie Party! Drop in anytime to make your own friendship bracelets, decorate cat ornaments, and design colorful Eras-themed bookmarks. Test your observation skills with a Swiftie scavenger hunt, and try your hand at throwing a pass to Travis Kelce. Snack on Taylor-themed treats and sing along to her music while you craft, play, and celebrate your favorite eras.



MORGANTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

TEEN FIVE NIGHTS AT FREDDY'S PARTY | 6:00PM-7:00PM

DECEMBER 10TH | AGES 13-18 | MEETING ROOM A

Show your love for the Five Nights at Freddy's franchise by coming to our FNAF party! Teens ages 13-18 can play the Switch games, decorate Chica's cupcakes, and play some mini arcade games!

CRAFT NIGHT | 5:30PM- 7:00PM

DECEMBER 11TH | ADULTS | MEETING ROOM A

Join us for an evening of crafting! We will be making book themed ornaments for the holidays. This program is for adults, registration is appreciated, but not required.



[Register Here](#)

CHRISTMAS BOOK BINGO | 11:00AM-12:00PM

DECEMBER 13TH | AGES 5-12 | MEETING ROOM A

Get in the holiday spirit by playing Christmas Book Bingo and win books and fun holiday treats. Space is limited so you must be registered to play. Register online or visit the circulation to register.



[Register Here](#)

CHAT WITH A SCIENTIST: PROTEIN TANGLES AND THE BRAIN | 1:30PM- 3:00PM

DECEMBER 13TH | ADULTS | MEETING ROOM A

Have you ever wondered how your own mind works? Join our friends from the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine at WVU for an engaging session that begins with the basics—what proteins are, what they're made of, and how they function in our bodies. We'll then explore how changes in protein structure can lead to "tangles" in the brain and contribute to neurological diseases. Like following a good mystery in a book, we'll uncover how scientists study these molecular clues to better understand memory, aging, and brain health.

COME HYGGE | 5:00PM-7:00PM

DECEMBER 15TH | ADULTS | MEETING ROOM A

Hygge (pronounced "hoo-ga") is a Danish word that means comfort, coziness, and togetherness. Join us for an evening of all things cozy. Enjoy hot beverages, sweet snacks, and cozy activities. Feel free to bring a book to read, a knitting project to work on, or just bring yourself and enjoy quiet conversation and crafts. Winter is cold, so let's bring some warmth into our lives! This is a program for adults – stay the entire time or just drop in.

MORGANTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME | 10:00AM- 10:30AM

DECEMBER 16TH & DECEMBER 17TH | AGES 2-5 | MEETING ROOM A

Join us for one week of holiday story time at the library. During our time together, children will listen to two stories and explore a different theme each week.

TEEN ANIME CLUB | 5:00PM- 7:00PM

DECEMBER 16TH | AGES 13-18 | MEETING ROOM B

December is "Intro to Seinen!" We will be discussing the pensive nature of the seinen genre in anime/manga, and watching a range of examples. There will be an anime showing, and a craft or game. New enthusiasts and experienced fans are welcome.

NASA'S ASTRO CAMP | 6:00PM-7:00PM

DECEMBER 17TH | AGES 10-12 | MEETING ROOM A

Our librarians have been specially trained by NASA to bring authentic space and earth science experiences and missions to our community. Through hands-on activities, experiments, and problem-solving challenges, kids will discover what it's like to think like scientists, build like engineers, and explore like astronauts. AstroCamp inspires the next generation of innovators by making science fun, accessible, and out of this world! This month, we'll be learning all about the International Space Station! Tweens will build a 3-D model of the ISS while learning about its design and function.

READ TO ROVER | 6:30PM-7:30PM

DECEMBER 18TH | CHILDREN | CHILDREN'S AREA

Hey kids, do you like dogs? Do you like to read? Join us at the Morgantown Public Library for our monthly Read To Rover programs where you can combine your two loves and read to a trained therapy dog. Children between the ages of five and twelve are invited and encouraged to register to participate in this fun and free program. You must register for your reading time spot by calling the library at 304-291-7425 or stop by the front desk.

SCI-FI & FANTASY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP | 6:30PM-7:30PM

DECEMBER 18TH | ADULTS | MEETING ROOM B

Do you enjoy reading science fiction and fantasy books and want to talk about your current reads with others? If so, this Book Discussion Group is the right place for you! Join us at Morgantown Public Library every fourth Thursday at 6pm to discuss your favorite books. Whether you are reading book 5 of a high-stakes space opera or a standalone cozy fantasy book, all are welcome! Snacks and drinks are provided.

ARNETTSTVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

SENIOR LUNCH AND LEARN | 12:00PM- 2:00PM

DECEMBER 3RD | ADULT | APL MEETING ROOM

Join us at the Arnettsville Public Library for our monthly Senior Lunch & Learn events. This month we will meet on Wednesday, December 3 at 12 noon. Join us for our Ugly Sweater Party and Holiday Games and Roast Beef lunch. Please bring a covered dish to share with others at the luncheon.

CRAFT NIGHT | 5:30PM- 7:00PM

DECEMBER 17TH | ADULT | APL MEETING ROOM

Join us for our monthly Craft Night at the Arnettsville Public Library held the third Wednesday of the month. This month's event will take place on Wednesday, December 17 at 5:30 p.m. where we will be making a variety of holiday ornaments to decorate your Christmas tree. Wear your ugliest Christmas Sweater and bring a sweet treat to share with the group as we wrap up a year of crafting fun.

MOVIE NIGHT | 6:15PM- 9:00PM

DECEMBER 19TH | ADULT | APL MEETING ROOM

Join us at the Arnettsville Public Library on Friday, December 19 for our monthly Movie Night at 6:00 p.m. During the winter months, we will be starting the movie earlier.

This month's featured movie will be "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever."



CHEAT AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY

WEDNESDAY MORNING STORY TIME | 10:30AM-12:00PM

DECEMBER 3RD, 10TH, 17TH | ALL AGES WELCOME

Come to the Cheat Area Public Library every Wednesday to listen to engaging stories, do themed crafts, and play with new friends! Ages 3- 6 recommended. All ages welcome. No registration necessary.

TODDLER PLAYGROUP | 10:30AM | FRIDAYS

DECEMBER 5TH, 12TH, & 19TH | ALL AGES WELCOME

Toddlers and parents meet up at the library to play and socialize! The library provides a variety of exciting toys and crafts that make for a fun, casual, weekly gathering. Ages 1-5 recommended. All ages welcome!

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Word list:
BELLS
CANDLES
CHRISTMAS
FAMILY
GIFT
JINGLE
MERRY
REINDEER
SLEIGH
SNOWMAN

CLAY BATTELLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

PRE-K STORYTIME | 10:30AM- 11:30AM | FRIDAYS

DECEMBER 5TH & 12TH | ALL AGES WELCOME

Join Miss Abby weekly to read a new story, make crafts, play games and have so much fun!

CLINTON DISTRICT PUBLIC LIBRARY

TODDLER STORY TIME | 11:00AM -11:30AM| FRIDAYS

DECEMBER 5TH, 12TH, 19TH, & 26TH | AGES 0-5 RECCOMENDED- ALL AGES WELCOME

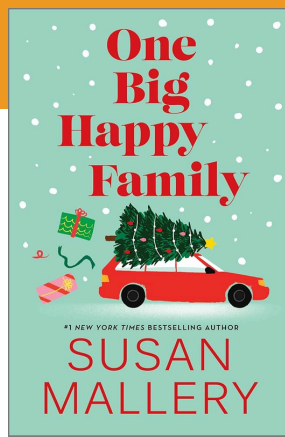
Join Clinton District Public Library every Friday at 11am as we explore new themes, read books, be introduced to rhymes and rhythm, music and song, puppets, taking turns, paying attention, being in a group and having fun! Ages recommended, 0 to 5. All ages welcome.



LIBRARY LATTES AND LAUGHS | 11:00AM- 12:00PM

DECEMBER 18TH | ADULTS

Join the Library Lattes and Laughs book club as we read and discuss a book every 4th Thursday of the month. We discuss all types of genres in a fun and encouraging environment. We also share treats and have coffee, tea or hot chocolate available. December we'll dive into "One Big Happy Family" by Susan Mallery, the story of a mother who couldn't love her kids more but hopes that, just this once, they please don't come home for Christmas.



VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALKS

**SCHEMING WIVES AND HIGH-STAKES HILARITY WITH
AUTHOR SUE HINCENBERGS | DEC 2ND | 2:00PM-3:00PM**



Buckle up for a wild ride and join us as we sit down for an online chat with debut author Sue Hincenbergs to discuss her novel *The Retirement Plan*, in which murder is the name of the game. When the only thing standing between three best friends and a sunny beachfront retirement condo are their husbands, what ensues is a diabolical plan to collect on their spouses' life insurance policies.



[Register Here](#)



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Remember, you can access the library's digital collection any time!



GIVING TUESDAY

“Having a library card is like having a valid passport—it opens up so many possibilities, so many opportunities for joy.”

Julie P. and daughter Millie,
Cheat Area and Morgantown
Public Library patrons



#GivingTuesday is on December 2

We already feel like the luckiest library, thanks to our patrons. This year, we're participating in Giving Tuesday—a global day to support nonprofits—to raise \$2,500 for our Summer Reading Program.

Watch your inbox and our social media December 2!



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