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ADAMSTOWN AREA LIBRARY MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | DECEMBER 2022



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## THANK YOU FOR AN AMAZING 2022!



Take a look back at 2022 with us as we wrap up the year and get ready to jump into 2023! The staff, board, volunteers, and Friends of the Adamstown Area Library want to wish you and your family a Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas, Happy Kwanzaa, and a Happy New Year! We can't wait to have more adventures with you next year!

### Hours

Monday: 9:30 AM - 8:00 PM

Tuesday: 9:30 AM - 8:00 PM

Wednesday - 9:30 AM - 8:00 PM

Thursday: 9:30 AM - 8:00 PM

Friday: 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday: 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Sunday: CLOSED

Can you spot any familiar faces in our 2022 collage? Don't forget to check out the event calendar for information on our Hat and Mitten Tree and Toys for Tots donation bin to see how you can help out families in our community this holiday season!



### TRUSTEES

Anne Williams, *President* & Jess McManimen, *Vice President*

Brad Rauch, Hope Schmids, JJ Valerio, Marj Hyrb, Cindy Mellinger, & Curt Unruh

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# DECEMBER 2022

CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR THE LATEST LISTINGS AS WE MAY BE ADDING EVENTS.

## 1 THURSDAY

### ELF ON THE SHELF @ THE LIBRARY

Cocoa the Elf on the Shelf is hiding in the library! Tell a librarian where you saw him hiding and receive a raffle ticket to enter to win a prize basket! He moves every day, so stop in often to claim more raffle tickets! Until December 20th.

### WINTER READING BINGO @ THE LIBRARY

Through January 31st, pick up a Bingo card at the library, cozy up with some good books this winter, and enter to win a beautiful winter themed prize basket! For ages 18 and up.



## 3 SATURDAY

### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY @ THE LIBRARY (9:30 - 11:00 AM)

Come celebrate the beginning of the season at the library with pictures with Santa, Mrs. Claus, and an elf, a special winter backyard bird feeding program with the Lancaster County Parks Department, storytime by the fireplace, cookies and milk, gifts from Member's 1st FCU, holiday music, games by Scout Pack 3204, and raffle prizes!

## 5 MONDAY

### MONDAY FUNDAY FLANNEL BOARD STORIES @ THE LIBRARY (10:00 AM)

Join us for storytimes to help your child develop skills in language, memory, cause and effect, problem solving, and cooperation throughout December! For ages 2-6.

### WINTER READING PROGRAM

For ages 5 to 15: read 20 minutes a day for 20 days to earn a FREE ticket to Lancaster County Libraries Day at the Reading Royals on Sunday, March 5th 2023!

Participate now until February 25th, 2023.

Reading logs will be available for pickup at the front desk soon, so keep an eye out!

## 7 WEDNESDAY

### TECH Q&A @ THE LIBRARY (4:30 - 6:30 PM)

Drop in at the library to get one-on-one help with your devices. Bring questions like "How do I attach my resume to an email?", "How do I download audiobooks to my Kindle?", or "Can you show me how to use Microsoft Word?" or anything else that perplexes you! Tech help and software training is also available other times by appointment. For adults and older students.

## 8 THURSDAY

### DAYTIME DISCOVERERS @ MIDDLE CREEK VISITORS CENTER (1:00 PM)

Are you doing "at-home" learning? Join Miss Jess for exciting and educational programs on the 2nd Thursday of the month. This month, attendees will learn all about foxes! Event locations will vary. For families.

### CHOCOLATE PROCESSING AND SENSORY EVALUATION @ THE LIBRARY (6:30 - 7:30 PM)

Learn how chocolate is manufactured, including farming practices, processing, and ingredients used. Practice professional taste testing skills as you evaluate different kinds of chocolate. For adults and teens. Registration is required!



## 9 FRIDAY

### MITTEN & ACCESSORY TREE @ THE LIBRARY

It's the last day to donate NEW unwrapped mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, socks, and other outerwear to be distributed to local families and children in need.



# EVENT CALENDAR

DON'T MISS OUT ON THE FUN! [ADAMSTOWNAREALIBRARY.ORG/EVENTS](http://adamstownarealibrary.org/events)

## 12 MONDAY

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### DROP-IN STEAM @ THE LIBRARY (2:00 - 5:00 PM)

Explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math through games and activities with Miss Maribeth. This month join us for Lego Club and a paper circuit and button making activity! An adult is required to accompany children under 8.



## 13 TUESDAY

### MARINE CORPS RESERVE TOYS FOR TOTS @ THE LIBRARY

It's the last day to bring in donations of new, unwrapped gifts for children in need! Donations are accepted in the box next to the Community Board.

## 13 TUESDAY (CONT.)

### GENEALOGY GROUP @ THE LIBRARY (6:30 PM)

This group meets once a month for lively discussions, research help, or short talks from genealogy researcher Ken McCrea. Join others with an interest in researching family history and learn more about online resources for genealogy research. For adults and older students.



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## 20 TUESDAY

### ALMOST PERFECT CRIMES VIA ZOOM (6:30 PM)

Join Miss Jess as we discover "Whodunit" together! Upon registration through the Events page on our website, you will receive a Zoom link to the event as well as the Mini Murder Mystery Story. Additional clues and evidence will be revealed during our meeting as we try to solve the crime together. Starting again this month on the third Tuesday of each month. For teens and adults due to some graphic content.



## 24 SAT & 26 MON

### LIBRARY CLOSED

The library will be closed Saturday the 24th and Monday the 26th in observation of Christmas. Have a safe and happy holiday!

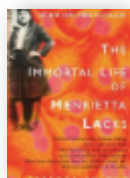
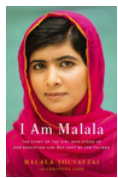
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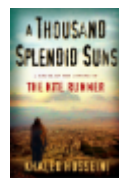
The library will be closed Saturday the 31st and Monday January 2nd in observation of the new year. Have a safe and happy holiday, and we'll see you all next year in 2023!

# UNIVERSAL HUMAN RIGHTS MONTH

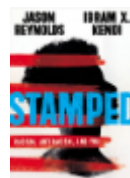
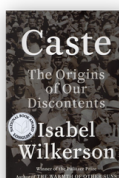
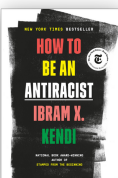
LEARN HOW TO UPLIFT, EMPOWER, AND PROTECT YOUR FELLOW HUMANS WITH THESE BOOKS



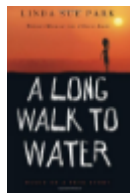
*I Am Malala: How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban* by Malala Yousafzai  
*The New Jim Crow* by Michelle Alexander  
*The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot



*Girl in Translation* by Jean Kwok  
*A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khaled Hosseini  
*The Vanishing Half* by Brit Bennett



*How to be an Antiracist* by Ibram X Kendi  
*Caste: The Origins of our Discontents* by Isabel Wilkerson  
*Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You* by Jason Reynolds



*Watch Us Rise* by Renee Watson and Ellen Hagan  
*Brown Girl Dreaming* by Jacqueline Woodson  
*A Long Walk to Water: Based on a True Story* by Linda Sue Park

# HOOK, LINE, & SINKER

In this feature in our monthly newsletter, we're introducing a book by just the author, title, and first line - and if it hooks you in, stop in to the library to check it out for yourself!



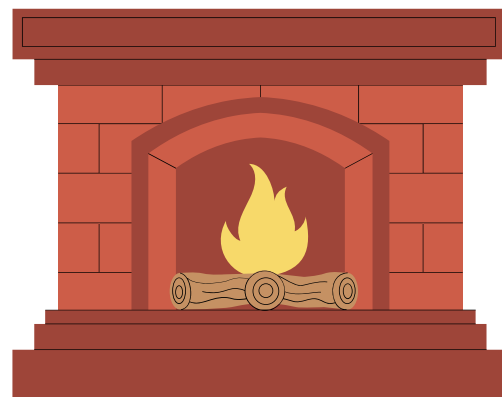
## MJWTK MISS JESS WANTS TO KNOW!

Teens, we want your opinion! Stop in at the Young Adult and Teen Graphic Novel section of the library for the question of the month, and use a sticker to vote for your answer! This December, participate in "Perfect Pet Wars." Results will be posted on our Facebook page at the end of the month. Stay tuned for a new matchup each month to vote on!

# YOUNG AT HEART

1ST AND 3RD WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH (9:00 - 11:00 AM)

REAL Life Community Services invites you to Young at Heart, with free events for anyone age 60 and up. Join us at the library for coffee, chatting, games, crafts, and more on the first and third Wednesday of every month. For more information call 717-336-7797 or visit [REALCS.org](http://REALCS.org).



# NO BOOK SALE IN DECEMBER

THANK YOU FOR A WONDERFUL YEAR!

The Friends' Book Sale held in our Community Room is on pause to give our lovely Friends who run the sale a break for the Holidays. The sale will resume on January 17th. The Friends will still be accepting donations while the sale is halted, and have carts placed outside of the Community Room for donated materials to be placed on. Thank you all for your generous donations and patronage through this year, and we look forward to the next!



# PASSPORT PROCESSING

AVAILABLE TO SCHEDULE IN PERSON OR ON THE PHONE

The Adamstown Area Library is a passport office for the United States Department of State. Passports and passport photos are processed by appointment only. All passport processing is done in privacy. Appointments are made for Tuesdays - Saturdays. Please call the library at 717-484-4200 to schedule an appointment, or talk to one of our staff at the front desk during your next visit.

# WONDERBOOK ADOPTION

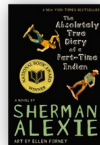
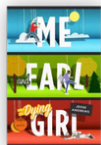
READ (OR SING!) ALONG TO YOUR FAVORITE BOOK!

Have your kids tried Wonderbooks yet? Children love these storybooks that read (or even sing!) to them. In fact, they love them so much, we can hardly keep them on the shelf! You can help foster a love of reading in our young patrons by adopting a Wonderbook and adding it to our collection. Each WonderBook costs \$50 - scan the QR Code below to download an adoption form!



# BANNED BOOK SPOTLIGHT

With book bans at an all-time high, it's more important than ever to interact with materials that challenge and enlighten us. We believe our motto "Educate, engage, empower" aligns with the values of those pushing back against materials (written in many cases by marginalized authors) being restricted from public access. Check out each month's banned book from the Adamstown Area Library.



## TAKE A LOOK BACK AT THE AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION'S 10 MOST FREQUENTLY BANNED BOOKS OF THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

10. *Beyond Magenta* by Susan Kuklin (photographer)
9. *This Book is Gay* by Juno Dawson
8. *The Bluest Eye* by Toni Morrison
7. *Me and Earl and the Dying Girl* by Jesse Andrews
6. *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* by Sherman Alexie
5. *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas
4. *Out of Darkness* by Ashley Hope Pérez
3. *All Boys Aren't Blue* by George M. Johnson
2. *Lawn Boy* by Jonathan Evison
1. *Gender Queer* by Maia Kobabe



# ONLINE RESOURCE GUIDE

AVAILABLE TO YOU THROUGH YOUR LIBRARY CARD!

Your library card isn't just for books! Under the Learn & Research tab on our website, the barcode on your library card gives you access to these trustworthy online databases and many more!

## FEATURED PA PHOTOS & DOCS

PA Photos & Docs is a database where you can explore millions of digitized photographs, documents, and newspapers from Pennsylvania's rich and varied history in collections provided by libraries and other organizations across the commonwealth.



Heritage Quest

**Heritage Quest:** Access census records, city directories, and more!

Overdrive

**Overdrive:** Borrow digital content (like ebooks and audiobooks) anytime, anywhere.



**Tumblebooks:** Puzzles, videos, and animated picture books for kids.

Flipster

**Flipster:** Magazine database optimized for browsing on mobile devices.



**BookFlix:** Pairs classic video storybooks with related nonfiction ebooks to help build a love of reading in children.

**Pennsylvania CareerLink:** Free help to job seekers and employers for a variety of employment related needs.





# YOUTH PROGRAMMING

## TWINKLING STARS BABY STORYTIME EVERY THURSDAY AT 10:00 AM

Join us Thursday mornings for simple stories, rhymes, puppets, songs, and fingerplays. Bring your 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten packets to help you achieve your goal! For ages birth-2 with an adult. On December 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th.

## THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS TODDLER TIME EVERY THURSDAY AT 10:30 AM

Join us Thursday mornings for stories, songs, and fingerplays, followed by an easy craft and free play. Bring your 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten packets to help you achieve your goal! For ages 2-3 with an adult. On December 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th.

## BUDDING BOOKWORMS PRESCHOOL STORYTIME EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 10:00 AM

Join us for Budding Bookworms Preschool Storytime with Miss Maribeth. Children will participate in read-alouds, songs, activities, and crafts. For ages 3-6 with an adult. On December 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th.

## FALL AND WINTER THEMED I-SPY WINDOW GAME

All through November and December, stop in at the library to "spy with your little eye" all of the fun things on the window to the Children's Area. When you finish, come inside to receive your congratulatory sticker! Items on the window change weekly.

## TAKE-HOME ACTIVITY PACKS

1st Monday: American Girl Bag

2nd Monday: LEGO Activity Bag

3rd Monday: Teen Take-and-Make Bag (Embossed Foil Sign)

Supplies of each pack are limited, so please take one American Girl and LEGO bag per family and one Take-and-Make bag per person.



## STORY WINDOW

Stop and read *Snowmen at Night* by Caralyn Buehner to get you in the holiday spirit as you walk into the library! Tell a staff member at the Circulation Desk the answer to the trivia question at the end of the book to win a prize!



## COMING SOON!

Changes to the Children's Storytime schedules are coming in the New Year! Keep an eye out for more info from Miss Jess and Miss Maribeth as January approaches!

