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For Immediate Release:

December full of holiday events at library

Newton, NC, Nov. 24, 2014:

Holiday movies, craft times and STEM learning programs for children are part of December plans at Catawba County Library System. These and other events are free and open to the public.

Affordable Health Care Sessions continue at all library locations with assistance by a representative of Family Care Center. Story times, ESL classes, computer programs and more round out the calendar. For the most current information, check the on-line calendar at

<http://www.catawbacountync.gov/library>

COMING ATTRACTIONS

*Please pre-register for Maiden events and all computer classes.
The library will be closed Dec. 24-26, and will close at 5 pm on Dec. 31.*

Main Library, 465-8664

- Ready to Learn Story Time, Wednesdays & Thursdays at 10 a.m. (age 2-5)
- Ready to Learn Story Time 5 p.m. Tuesdays (school age)
- Paws to Read with Maggie & Brandi, Dec. 1, 4-6 pm by appointment, 465-8668.
- Paws to Read with Nichole, 4-6 pm Tuesdays by appointment 465-8668)
- Merry Movie Mondays, 4 pm, all ages
- Affordable Health Care Session, Mondays noon-8 pm
- STEM Christmas Worms, Dec. 2, 5 pm, school age
- Shopping Malls Local History with Gary Freeze, Dec. 2, 6:30 pm, adults
- Friends of the Library decorate for holidays, 9:30 am, Dec. 8, adults
- Holiday Festival, Dec. 9, 5 pm, all ages
- Catawba County Genealogical Society, Dec. 9, 6-8 pm
- Open Forum about Computers, Dec. 10 & 17, 10 am, adults
- Southern Pens book club, *Wish You Well*, 10 a.m. Dec. 13, adults
- STEM Gingerbread Houses, Dec. 16, 5 pm, school age

Claremont Branch, 466-6817

- Affordable Health Care Sessions, Tuesday, noon-3:30 pm
- Intro to Excel, Dec. 4, 2 pm, adults
- DIY Storytime Kits, Dec. 11, 6 pm adults, preregister
- Snowflake Science, Dec. 13, 11 am, kids
- Frozen Sing-along Party, Dec. 16, 5:30 pm, all ages
- Intro to Word, Dec. 18, 2 pm, adults

Conover Branch, 466-5108

- Little Learning Party story time 11 a.m. Tuesdays, preschool
- Intro to Excel, Dec. 5, 10 am, adults
- Cookie Swap, Dec. 5, 4 pm adults, preregister
- T-Shirt Crafts, Dec. 9, 6 pm teens, preregister
- Snowflake Science, Dec. 13, 11 am, kids
- Frozen Sing-along Party, Dec. 16, 5:30 pm, all ages
- Wee Explore Boxes, Dec. 17, 10 am, 6-18 months
- Intro to Word, Dec. 19, 10 am, adults

Maiden Branch, 428-2712

- Ready to Learn Story Time , 9:30 a.m. Thursdays
- Affordable Health Care Sessions, Wednesdays, 9 am-6 pm
- STEM Igloo Building, Dec. 13, 11 am, school age, preregister

St. Stephens Branch, 466-6821

- Ready to Learn Story Time 6 p.m. Tuesdays (preschool)
- Ready to Learn Story Time Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10 a.m. (preschool)
- Affordable Health Care Sessions, Mondays, noon-8 pm
- Knitting Club, Dec. 1, 6 pm, adults
- ESL Class for adults, Mondays, 5:30-7:30 pm, preregister
- Meet Ilse the Therapy Dog, Dec. 2, 5:30 pm, parents & preschoolers. Story time at 6.
- Intro to Computers, 10 am, Dec. 3
- Home Buying in Spanish, Dec. 9, 6 pm
- Santa Visit, Dec. 10, 10 am, all ages
- Intro to Hoopla, Dec. 17, 10 am, adults
- STEM Gingerbread Houses, Dec. 19, 3:30 pm, school age, preregister

Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch, 466-6827

- Ready to Learn, Story Time 10 a.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays (preschool)
- Baby Bounce, 1:15 p.m. Tuesdays (age 0-24 and parents)
- Affordable Health Care Sessions, Tuesdays, noon-8 pm
- Computer & eReader Drop-In, 6 pm Dec. 2, 16 & 30, adults
- Making Sense of Medicare, Dec.2, 6:30 pm
- 3D Paper Snowflake Ornaments, Dec. 2, 5:30 pm, adults, preregister
- Pawsitive Reading (read to therapy dog, kids), Dec. 4, 3:30-5 pm, preregister
- Tree Lighting & Santa Visit, Dec. 5, 6-8 pm, all ages
- 12 Days of Christmas Movies, Dec. 8-20, check with branch for schedule
- Electronic Christmas Cards, Dec. 9, 6 pm, adults
- Owl Crafting, Dec. 11, 4 pm, ages 6-11, preregister
- Mickey's Magic Movie Marathon, Dec. 13, noon-4 pm, all ages
- Wii Got Game! Dec. 22, 4 pm, teens
- Pinterest, Dec. 23, 6 pm, adults
- Frozen Party, Dec. 29, 4 pm, children

Southwest Branch, 466-6818

- Ready to Learn Story Time, 10 a.m. Wednesdays & 11 a.m. Thursdays (preschool)
- Affordable Health Care Session, Wednesdays, 9 am-6 pm
- Intro to PowerPoint, Dec. 5, 10 am, adults
- Intro to Publisher, Dec. 12, 10 am, adults

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About: The Catawba County Library System, headquartered in Newton, NC, serves the citizens of Catawba County with seven branches throughout the county and is a year-round, integral provider of early literacy and lifelong learning. In addition to traditional services, the system provides a full complement of computer and digital services, classes and support to bridge the digital divide, empower job seekers, and enhance community quality of life and economic health.