

# This Week @ Your Library

Feb 6-12, 2021

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## Contribute to Our Seed Library Ongoing

Help us build a seed library, where the community can exchange seeds for free! We'll accept viable seeds at all locations during their standard business hours, and heirlooms are especially welcome. Please package and label any donations you drop off. The seed swap collection will be available to the public in early March and will be housed at the Main Library in Newton. Seeds are subject to availability and cannot be reserved.



## Virtual Zumba with Honey & Jossiah Monday, February 8 at 6 pm

This fun dance workout is appropriate for every skill and ability level and open to anyone 14+ (parental signature required for teens under 18). Access the session with this Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87120563944?pwd=S09kaEVkd0dydm1VYW14WnVUZG9sUT09>. Then enter the meeting ID: **871 2056 3944** and follow it with the passcode: **Dance**. [Please note that this word is case-sensitive. Enter it exactly as shown.] You can also visit [www.facebook.com/ZumbaWithHmongSibs/](https://www.facebook.com/ZumbaWithHmongSibs/). Meets every Monday.



## St. Stephens Digital Book Club

Monday, February 8 at 6:30 pm

This month's digital book club meeting centers around Black History Month, so participants are invited to come prepared to chat with others about their chosen read! The group meets at [www.facebook.com/groups/St.StephensBookClub/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/St.StephensBookClub/).

## Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, February 9 at 12 noon

The 7-member library advisory Board gathers for its quarterly meeting at the Main Library in Newton. The public is invited to attend. For details about the Board's roles and responsibilities, visit [www.catawbacountync.gov/county-services/library/about/library-board-of-trustees/](http://www.catawbacountync.gov/county-services/library/about/library-board-of-trustees/).

## Spring into Reading STEAM Program: Borax Crystal Snowflakes

Tuesday, February 9 at 4 pm

Join us to learn how to make crystal snowflakes using simple household supplies. Participants must register at <https://www.tinyurl.com/SpringIntoReading> to receive the Zoom link. **Note:** This is the second of seven STEAM programs connected to our youth-targeted Spring Into Reading challenge coordinated through Beanstack. Participants can use this same link to register for any of the weekly STEAM programs running from February 2 through March 18.



## ESL Class – Intermediate

Tuesday, February 9 at 6 pm

Practice speaking English with us on Tuesday evenings! We'll spend the first 20 minutes or so on grammar and usage topics and then start our conversations. If you'd like to register for class or get more information about the weekly series that runs through May 2021, please call the Newton branch at 828.465.8664.



## Harry Potter Virtual Teen Trivia Night

Tuesday, February 9 at 6 pm

Open to teen wizards, witches, muggles, and squibs! Join us for a virtual trivia event live via Zoom and Kahoot! You've read the books, you've seen the films, you've even been sorted into a Hogwarts house on Wizarding World – now it's time to show off your knowledge of the Harry Potter universe! We're inviting up to 25 teens or households to join us. Please visit [tinyurl.com/cclshptrivia](https://tinyurl.com/cclshptrivia) to register by February 7. We'll send a Zoom link out the day before the program. Prizes will be given to the winners, and costumes/HP gear is encouraged! (For the best experience we recommend connecting two devices, a laptop and phone/tablet. To prepare you can install the Kahoot! app but it's not required to participate.)



## Valentine Canva Designs

Wednesday, February 10 at 11 am

It's a perfect time to make a personalized card for anyone you love (or even just like). Join us for a Zoom session on making personalized cards with Canva, a free graphic design program! We'll quickly cover what we learned in the Canva basics session and continue with making and sharing digital cards. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/cclscanvavalentine>. You'll receive a Zoom link to attend the virtual program.



## Live Preschool Storytime via Zoom

Thursday, February 11 at 10 am

Gather the kids and join us for a live, interactive preschool storytime! This family-friendly virtual event will include singing, reading, finger plays, and lots of your favorite activities! This week we'll be celebrating Valentine's Day! Please register at <https://tinyurl.com/CatawbaThursdayStorytime>. You'll receive the registration confirmation and Zoom link in your email.

**Valentine's Day Origami: Zoom Session***Thursday, February 11 at 4 pm*

This Valentine's Day, celebrate the special people in your life by making them an origami surprise message card!



Register online

at [www.tinyurl.com/valentineorigami](http://www.tinyurl.com/valentineorigami) and then pick up your take-and-make kit at the branch of your choice (please allow 2-3 days for delivery). Then, join us on Thursday, February 11 at 4 pm for a Zoom meeting with step-by-step instructions.

**Upcoming! Hearts & Minds OLBC***Thursday, February 18 at 5:30 pm*

This OnLine BookClub has a focus on health and wellness. We'll meet on Zoom to discuss Stephanie Butland's *The Curious Heart of Ailsa Rae*. Make yourself a cup of tea or coffee and settle in with the rest of us to talk about this novel and its themes of life, loss, love, and living. Send an email to [share@catawbacountync.gov](mailto:share@catawbacountync.gov) to receive the Zoom invitation.

**Community**

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**Virtual Tai Chi***Wednesday, February 10 at 12 noon*

Join our lunchtime tai chi class, led by Cooperative Extension director Dr. George Place. This short virtual session is designed to help people relax in their homes or offices during a quick 30 minutes. It also



helps promote balance and alleviate the effects of arthritis. To get the Zoom code, check [www.facebook.com/catawbacountylibrarysystem](https://www.facebook.com/catawbacountylibrarysystem) the day of the class.

**Positive Parenting Workshops***Thursday, February 11 from 6-7:30 pm*

The Catawba County Partnership for Children is hosting a three-part series to offer practical tips for managing common parenting challenges and helping families



develop loving relationships. The series meets via Zoom on February 4, 11, and 18. Call 828.695.6565 to register and get the Zoom meeting info.

**Registration**

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**PROGRAM REGISTRATION**

By scanning this QR Code with the camera app of your smartphone, you'll open an Internet browser and will be directed to our online events calendar. Then, simply click on any program name to find a link that will allow you to register online!

**REGISTER KIDS NOW!**

Our *Spring Into Reading* challenge runs seven weeks, beginning on Groundhog Day (*February 2*) and ending on the first day of spring (*March 20*). The challenge has two parts:

- 1) Kids are asked to read a total of 120 minutes each of the 7 weeks.
- 2) They're encouraged to attend 5 of the 7 virtual STEAM programs we're offering as well.

If they complete the reading challenges and the STEAM program requirements, they'll be entered into a drawing to win a cool, 3-D-printed monster!

To register for the virtual STEAM programs and receive materials lists to participate, visit <https://tinyurl.com/SpringIntoReading>. To log reading time and STEAM attendance, register at <https://catawbacountync.beanstack.org/reader365>.

The STEAM challenges are as follows:

- Week 1: Shadow Puppets
- Week 2: Borax Crystal Snowflakes
- Week 3: Ski Challenge
- Week 4: Save Han Solo
- Week 5: Bug Out Robots
- Week 6: Origami Rainbow Flowers
- Week 7: Pi Day

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**Kits for Pick-Up**

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**Happy ValenThyme! DIY***Kit Pick-up: January 30-February 15*

Celebrate your love of herbs during the Valen"thyme" season with a take-home kit you can use to explore the health benefits and recipe options of thyme. The kit includes seeds, a flower pot, items to make a cute herb stake, and instructions. You can pick one up at the library you specify when registering. Sign up for your kit at <https://tinyurl.com/ccls-valenthyme-reg> and register for our live Zoom program at 2 pm on Monday, February 15, where you'll plant thyme, create the herb stake, and learn all about the versatile herb. One kit per household, please, while supplies last.

**Valentine's Day Origami***Kit Pick-up: February 1-11*

This Valentine's Day, celebrate the special people in your life by making them an origami surprise message card! Register online at [www.tinyurl.com/valentineorigami](http://www.tinyurl.com/valentineorigami) and then pick up your take-and-make kit at the branch of your choice (please allow 2-3 days for delivery). Join us on Thursday, February 11 at 4 pm for a Zoom meeting with step-by-step instructions.

