



# Connection

The Cabell County Library Connection

Winter 2021–2022

# *A Taste of Winter*

# The Director's Column

## The Friends Script

### Short and Sweet...

I hope this note finds you well and fully engaged in this particular holiday season. Let's hope this holiday season we can put the difficulties of the past two years behind us and look forward to time spent renewing acquaintances with friends and family. And speaking of renewing things!! Friends of the Cabell County Library membership renewal statements are enclosed in your mailed copy of the Connection. Please consider two things when you get it...

One, think about increasing your giving. Right now you can be a member for as little as \$5.00 a year. Please consider increasing the amount you give. You can use our application on the back page of this Connection magazine if you are interested in doing that very thing. If not, we remain very appreciative of your membership at any level.

Two, please give some thought to buying anyone in your household a membership. Spouse, children, grandchildren, partner, uncles, aunts, whoever else lives with you! And, while you are in the spirit of giving this holiday season, don't forget your friends, these memberships make great holiday gifts.

Why? Because the Friends do much good for the Cabell County Public Library. For example, your membership dues help pay for the Library's Summer Reading Program for adults as well as children. In the past the Friends have helped pay for interior upgrades to some of the Branches in our area. And this year the Friends made a nice donation to the new and much needed library construction in Barboursville! This very newsletter is printed with funds provided by the Friends! The Cabell County Library staff reports back to us on all the good things we do with our funds in order to promote Cabell County Public Library, which, in case you missed it, is a national award winner. We will be hosting our next Book Sale on Friday, February 4, and Saturday, February 5. We will have a veritable plethora of titles to select from and all at incredibly low prices. For those who are concerned about health protocols we have safeguards in place to make sure you have as safe an experience as is possible.



Happy Holidays everyone!!!

Bill Patton, President  
Friends of the Cabell County Public Library

It is count-down time in more ways than one. The building at Barboursville is moving along at a pretty good pace at present. We are looking for the construction to be completed sometime in February if all goes well. We should also have the match for the NEH grant before the deadline of March 31, although we could still use donations especially for the Giving Tree. Gallaher Village siding project has begun and we hope that it will be completed in two or three months. So, several projects will be ending in the February-March time frame, including my retirement at the end of March.



We are planning a Legislative Breakfast in early December to let our Legislators know the needs of libraries. We would like to see an increase in funding since there has not been an increase in several years. Also, with the new census figures being used next year some counties in our area will see a decrease in state funding. As you well know, everything has increased in price in the last months, so libraries are finding it very difficult to pay all bills. Many will see their grants-in-aid drop. Karen Goff is proposing a new line item that will give her some funding to make the transition easier and until other funds can be developed to close the gap. Also, in the improvement package the Commission sent to the Governor's office is an increase for Service Center libraries. CCPL provides fiscal management, delivery service, payroll services, etc. and it would be very helpful to have the stipend we receive from the Commission to cover more of these services. Lastly, we are asking that the Library Facilities Improvement Fund be actually funded. This would give libraries some construction funding which we have not had for the last twenty years—not from the state nor from the federal government. There could be some construction funding coming from the feds but we don't know about that yet.

I would like to urge all our patrons to come back to the library. We have some excellent programs planned both adult and juvenile. We also miss seeing you. We are doing everything we can to keep everyone safe from the virus, so I would again urge you to visit the library and check out a few books or other materials.

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**RECIPES FOUND IN THIS ISSUE OF THE CONNECTION WERE ALL BROUGHT TO YOU BY VARIOUS CABELL COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY EMPLOYEES. ENJOY!**



# Friends of the Library Book Sale

Friday, February 4, and  
Saturday, February 5  
10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

We have plenty to choose  
from including: Fiction,  
nonfiction, paperbacks,  
juvenile, young adults,  
magazines, & audiovisual  
and more!



## Kristy's Easy Chicken Enchiladas & Sauce

### Sauce Ingredients:

- 2 T olive oil
- 2 T all-purpose flour
- 2 T chili powder
- 1 tsp onion powder
- ½ tsp garlic powder
- ½ tsp salt
- ¼ tsp ground cumin
- ¼ tsp dried oregano
- 2 ¼ c chicken or vegetable broth
- 2 T tomato paste

**Directions:** Heat the olive oil in a small saucepan over medium-high heat. Add all the spices and stir to toast the spices. Add in the flour and whisk for one minute. Slowly pour in the broth, whisking constantly to make sure no lumps form. Add in the tomato paste and stir until the sauce thickens and smooths.

**NOTE:** Any sauce you don't use can be stored in a jar in the fridge for up to one week.

### Enchiladas Ingredients:

- 1 ½ c cooked, shredded chicken (I used boneless/skinless chicken thighs)
- 8 corn or flour tortillas, slightly warmed in the microwave under a damp paper towel
- 2 ½ c shredded Mexican blend cheese

**Optional toppings:** diced onions, chopped cilantro, sour cream, lettuce, guacamole

**Directions:** Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. In a large bowl, mix together the shredded chicken with ¼ cup of enchilada sauce and a little salt and pepper to taste.

Place a thin layer of enchilada sauce in the bottom of your baking dish. Assemble the enchiladas by laying out one warmed tortilla, and placing some of your shredded chicken from top to bottom on one side of the tortilla. Add a small amount of shredded cheese and roll the tortilla, then place it seam side down on the prepared baking dish. Repeat this until your dish is full. Cover the top of the enchiladas with a thick layer of the shredded cheese. Bake for about 20 minutes or until the cheese is melted and bubbly. Serve immediately with any optional toppings.



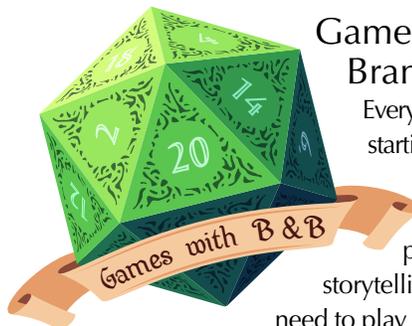
Kristy Browning, CCPL Business  
Manager, with her niece Mia

# The Main Branch Adult Programs

## Adult Crafts

Every Third Thursday of each month, 4:00 – 5:00 P.M.

Dec. 16: Take and make craft, Jan. 21: Valentine Self-Care Craft, Feb. 17: Feral Animal Houses



## Games with Ben and Brandon

Every other Saturday, 2:00 – 4:00 P.M.  
starting December 4

Join Ben and Brandon for an afternoon of imaginative play and collaborative storytelling. We provide everything you need to play but recommend bringing your own dice if you have any. Talk to Ben or Brandon at the circulation desk or email [circulation@cabellcountylib.org](mailto:circulation@cabellcountylib.org) if you have any questions. This program is for persons 18 years and older.



## Christmas Music

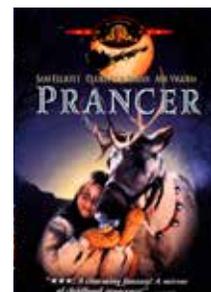
December 15 at 12:00 P.M.

As one of our Holiday Season's traditions, CCPL has invited Dr. Júlio Alves, guitar, and Kristen Alves, violin, to perform. Join us as we enjoy their amazing performance at the main library!

## Movie Day at Your Library

Saturday, December 18 at 2:00 P.M.

Bring your family to watch *Prancer* (1989). An 8-year-old girl believes that an injured reindeer she found is part of Santa's team. With the help of a veterinarian she must bring the reindeer back to health and keep it a secret from her father.



## Adult Painting Class

This class is for beginning to intermediate painters. We plan to accept new students. Please email or call us if you are interested. [circulation@cabellcountylib.org](mailto:circulation@cabellcountylib.org) or 304-528-5700

# Lemon Cheese Logs

by Maria O. Bare

c/o Michael Bare, Library Associate in Reference.

## Ingredients:

- 1 cup sugar
- 2 sticks of butter
- 1 package of softened cream cheese
- 1 egg yolk
- 2 ½ cup all-purpose flour
- 1 cup finely chopped walnuts
- ½ tsp salt
- 1 tsp grated lemon peel
- 1 package (6 oz.) semisweet chocolate morsels melted
- Holiday sprinkles

## Directions:

1. Cream the sugar, butter, and cream cheese in a large bowl until light and fluffy. Beat in yolk, stir in flour, walnuts, salt, and lemon zest. Refrigerate covered for 2 hours.

2. Preheat oven 325 degrees. Shape out 1 tablespoon of dough into a 1-inch log repeat with remaining dough. Place on an ungreased baking sheet. Bake until lightly browned about 12 minutes. Cool on wire racks dip one end in chocolate and pour sprinkles on the end. Let cookies stand until chocolate sets. Store between layers of wax paper in an airtight container.



# CCPL Adult Book Clubs!

## Main

### Brown Bag Book Club

The following Wednesdays  
from noon – 1:00 P.M.

Dec. 1, Jan. 26, Feb. 23

## Online

### Sip and Read

Last Tuesday of each  
Month at 6:00 P.M.

Good Reads



## New Year, New You?

Join us for a series of financial health education sessions every 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month from 12:00 – 1:00 P.M. starting in January.

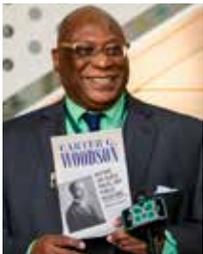
- January 6 – New Year, New You: Your Financial Journey to Financial Freedom. Come discover how to design your personalized roadmap to financial freedom. You will learn how to set reachable financial goals, maximize your budget, and understand credit to help you reach your destination.
- February 3 – For the Love of Credit, Get Me Out of Debt! We all find ourselves in relationships with credit cards and other credit situations. Come learn how to make wise decisions about credit and create a plan to get out of debt to experience financial freedom.
- March 3 – Spring Forward into Making a Housing Decision. Discover the different types of safe and affordable housing, weigh the pros and cons of renting or buying a home, and understand how much you can afford for monthly housing.

## A Celebration of Black History

Saturday, February 26 10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Join us as we celebrate Black History Month with a genealogy workshop and a presentation by Dr. Burnis Morris.

Visit the main library between 10:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M., where Cabell County Librarians and Marshall University faculty members will assist with tips on genealogical and local history research and guide you through steps to research and preserve your family and community history.

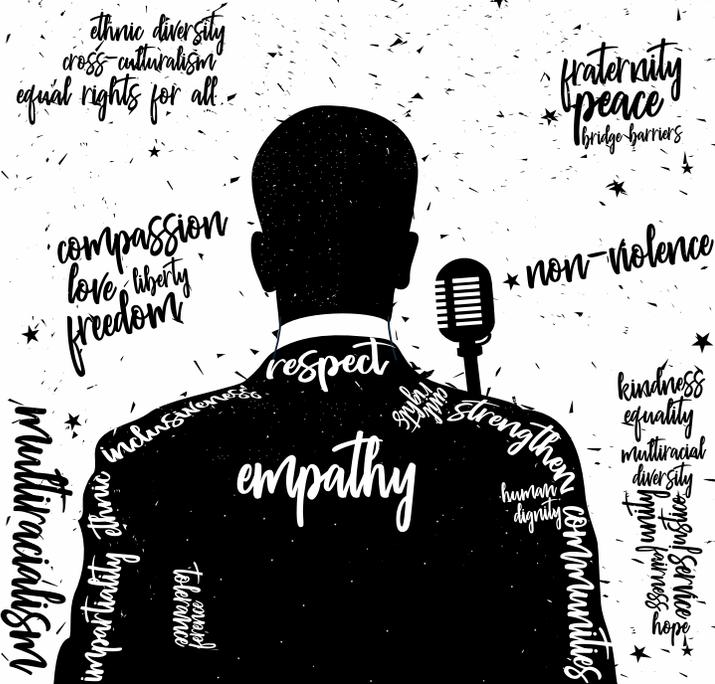


At 2:30 P.M. we will be joined by Dr. Burnis Morris as he discusses the life and work of Dr. Carter G. Woodson. Dr. Morris is the Carter G. Woodson Professor of Journalism and Mass Communications, and director of Marshall University's Maple Grove Society, which promotes the work of Dr. Carter G. Woodson, former Huntington resident and founder of Black History Month.

## Overdrive Magazines

We have some very exciting news to share! You may now access magazines supplied by ZINIO through your Overdrive account. There are over 3,000 titles! Start downloading with the Libby app today. We hope you enjoy this service!

\*Magazine checkouts will not count against your existing Overdrive limits.



## Black History Month

Throughout the Month of February CCPL is planning some wonderful programs and displays for Black History Month. Join us at the main library with Marshall University faculty members and learn about the history of our area.

### Barboursville

Mystery Book Club  
with Jill

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each  
month at 2:00 P.M.

Dec.: *Down the Hatch*  
by M.C. Beaton.

### Coxlanding

The Hive

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each  
month at 10:30 A.M.

Inspirational

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each  
month at 10:00 A.M.

### Gallagher Village - West

True Crime

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each  
month at 5:30 P.M.

Page Turners

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each  
month at 5:30 P.M.

Paranormal Madness

4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each  
month at 10:00 A.M.

Cozy Mystery

On your own book club



# Youth Services Programs and Events

## Toddler Time

Join the wonderful youth services staff every Wednesday at 10:30 A.M. for Toddler Story Hour! Hear stories, sing songs, create crafts, and have much more fun! This program is for children ages birth – 7.

## Crafts for Kids

Join us for a seasonal craft at 6:00 P.M.

- Monday, December 6
- Monday, January 10
- Monday, February 7

## Read Your Fines Off

Reminder: Children ages 0 – 17 can read their fines off at any Cabell County Public Library! (1 hr.= \$5.00)

## Students

Did you know we have several online databases available for you to use for free with your library card? You can learn different languages, find primary resources for your homework assignments, and more. Visit [cabell.lib.wv.us](http://cabell.lib.wv.us) or call 304-528-5700 for more information.

## Educators

Call to schedule a classroom visit to discuss our many resources available to your students.

## Day care Story Hour

Call us to schedule a day care story hour at the library or on-site! 304-528-5700

## Make it Monday

Join Emily every Monday on our Facebook page. Emily will share stories, facts, and create a craft.



# Seasonal Programs

## Unwrap a Good Book

Check out our interactive book display! Throughout December.

## Reading Makes You Bright

Color a holiday light, recommend a book, and we will add your recommendation bulb to our string of lights. Throughout the month of December.

## Holiday Express

Friday, December 3 at 4:00 P.M.

Stop by the Youth Services Department for a holiday craft and story!

## Snowflake Craft

Tuesday, December 7 at 4:00 P.M.

Tweens and teens are invited to make a snowflake ornament!

## Create a Clay Pen

Tuesday, December 14 at 4:00 P.M.

Make your own polymer clay pen! This program is for tweens and teens. Registration is required. 304-528-5700

## New Year's Celebration

Wednesday, December 29 at 4:00 P.M.

Happy New Year! Celebrate the ending of 2021 with a fun craft!

## Snowflake Crystal Lab

Friday, January 14 at 4:00 P.M.

Create a snowflake crystal!

## Children's Authors and Illustrators Week

February 1 – 4

Celebrate all of the beloved children's authors and illustrators by checking out one of our many titles today! We will have a book display showcasing some of our favorites all week long!

## Black History Month

Celebrate Black History Month by checking out one of our books on display. All month long in February.

## Valentine's Day Card Celebration

Friday, February 4 at 4:00 P.M.

Make your own Valentine's Day card for someone special!

## Paint Your Art Out

Monday, February 14 at 4:00 P.M.

Celebrate the month of love through paint by number!

# Foodie Friday

Join Beth and learn a new recipe inspired by one of the books in our collection. Once a month on our Facebook Page.





# 1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

Bring your child in to one of our libraries today and sign up for our "1,000 Books Before Kindergarten" program. Children will win incentives for every 100 books that they read with their caregiver with the goal to read 1,000 books before they begin school. Ages birth – 5. In collaboration with the Western Counties Regional Library System, Facing Hunger Food Bank, Cabell County Schools, and the West Virginia Department of Education. Made possible by the WV Leaders of Literacy: Campaign for Grade Level Reading Partner Grant.



Follow us on our website and social media accounts for program additions and/or updates.

Website: [www.cabell.lib.wv.us](http://www.cabell.lib.wv.us)  
Facebook: Cabell County Public Library (<https://www.facebook.com/cabellcountypubliclibrary/>)  
Instagram: cabellcolibrary  
Twitter: CabellCoLibrary  
TikTok: CabellCoLibrary

\*Any program information including updates or cancellations will be listed on our Facebook page and/or website. You may also call 304-528-5700 for program information/updates.

For a full description of our programs visit [www.cabell.lib.wv.us](http://www.cabell.lib.wv.us) or call 304-528-5700

# Pastina Soup

by Beth Simental



Prep: 10 min. Cook: 25 min.

Yield: 4 servings

- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 stalk celery, finely chopped
- 1 carrot, finely chopped
- 2 shallots, minced
- 3 sprigs thyme
- Kosher salt
- 1 2-inch piece parmesan cheese rind
- 1 quart chicken stock (homemade or low-sodium)
- 1 1/4 cups star-shaped pastina or any shape pasta
- 1 cup frozen peas, thawed
- 1/2 cup grated parmesan cheese
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon zest (optional)

Directions: Heat a medium saucepan over medium heat. Add the olive oil, celery, carrot and shallots and cook, stirring often, about 5 minutes, or until softened.

Add the thyme, 1/4 teaspoon salt, the parmesan rind, chicken stock and 1 cup water. Bring to a simmer and cook for 10 minutes.

Add the pasta and stir with a wooden spoon to prevent it from sticking to the pan. Return to a simmer and cook 8 to 10 min. more, or until the pasta is cooked and the liquid is slightly thickened.

Remove the thyme sprigs and parmesan rind. Stir in the peas. Ladle the soup into bowls and top with grated parmesan and lemon zest, if desired.

Recipe courtesy of Giada De Laurentiis  
From: Food Network Magazine  
soup example and photo by: Beth Simental, Library Associate in Youth Services at the Cabell County Public Library.

# Our Branches

## Programming and Events

Barboursville (304) 736-4621

- Story Hour  
Every Wednesday at 10:30 A.M.  
the Nancy Cartmill Park in Barboursville.
  - December 1,8,15,22,29
  - January 5,12,19,26
  - February 2,9,16,23
 STORY HOUR FUN-Get your snowsuits out!
- Meredith and the Wellie Wisher Book Read Mondays
  - December 6,13,20,27
  - January 3,10,17,24,31
  - February 7,14,21,28
 Join Meredith with a virtual program every Monday.
- Mystery Book Club with Jill  
Wednesday, December 1, January 5,  
February 2, 2:00 P.M.  
Join Jill in the meeting room for a mystery book club.
- Christmas Craft for Children  
Tuesday, December 21, 4:00 P.M.  
Join the library staff for a Christmas Craft.
- Winter Craft for Children  
Tuesday, January 18, 4:00 P.M.  
Join the library staff for a winter craft.
- Valentine Craft for Children  
Thursday, February 10, 4:00 P.M.
- Movie Basket Give Away  
December, January and February  
Check out a mystery movie and receive a raffle ticket for a movie basket.
- Count How Many Items in a Jar?  
December, January and February  
Guess how many items and receive a raffle ticket to win a themed basket.

Cox Landing (304) 733-3022

- Poinsettia Flower Wreath  
Friday, December 3 at 5:30 P.M.  
Create a wreath using a metal strainer and deco mesh. Please Register
- Annual Christmas Party sponsored by the Lesage Lion's Club  
Friday, December 17 at 5:30 P.M.  
Santa pictures and snacks.
- Alcohol Inked Cups  
Thursday, December 30 at 5:30 P.M.  
Use alcohol ink and modge podge to decorate coffee cups. All supplies provided.
- Paper Marbling  
Thursday, January 6  
Create journaling pages with ink. All supplies provided.
- Paint Pour  
Thursday, January 20, at 5:30 P.M.  
Pour mixed paint over canvases to create your own masterpiece. All supplies provided.
- Blind Date with a Book Week  
February 7– 11 anytime  
Come check out a book this week. Surprise included with each checkout.
- Polymer Clay Pens  
Thursday, February 24  
Decorate pens with Polymer clay. Supplies provided.
- The Hive (Adult Book Club)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 10:30 A.M.  
Snacks served.
- Adult Inspirational Book Club  
1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month 10:00 A.M.
- Story Hour  
Every Friday at 10:30 A.M.

Gallagher Village (304) 528-5696

- True Crime Book Club  
1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month, 5:30 P.M.  
For fans of forensic files and crime documentaries comes this nonfiction book club that focuses on true crime stories. Call for monthly selection.
- Genealogy Lab  
Tuesdays 10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.,  
Appointment Only  
Working on your family tree? Get a weird DNA test result and need to research? Ask our genealogy expert, Miss Marsha!
- Gallagher Village Neighborhood Association  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month, 6:30 P.M.  
Missing our old Walnut Hills meetings? Join us as we work together to build the neighborhood and discuss community engagement projects.
- Page Turners Book Club  
3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month, 5:30 P.M.  
Try out an evening adult book club with themed monthly reading challenges!
- Story Time  
Every Thursday, 10:00 A.M.  
Stories, crafts, and snacks for preschoolers.  
Call to register.
- Pen 2 Paper  
Every Tuesday, 4:00 P.M.  
Creative writing and art for children.
- Speaking of Books  
4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month, 1:00 P.M.  
Description: Adult book group discussion.  
Call the library for selections.

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Tel: (304) 736-4621 • Fax: (304) 736-6240  
Email: barboursville@cabellcountylib.org

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9:00 A.M. – 5:30 P.M. Monday, Wednesday,  
Friday  
9:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M. Tuesday, Thursday  
9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. Saturday

Manager: Angela Arthur  
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Email: coxlanding@cabellcountylib.org

Hours:  
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Manager: Kayla Morris  
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Hours:  
9:00 A.M. – 5:30 P.M. Monday – Friday  
9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. Saturday

## Guyandotte (304) 528-5698

- Story Time with Joshua  
Wednesdays at 10:30 A.M.  
Story time is back! Books, songs, and finger plays geared for ages 6 months to 5 years. Call to register.
- Wrapping Paper Station  
Throughout December  
Need a place to wrap presents away from prying eyes? Stop by the library to make use of our complimentary materials.
- Baking Holiday Cookies with Kista  
Thursday, December 2, 9, 16 on Facebook.  
Kista will be baking all sorts of holiday goodies and will share her recipes.
- Adult Holiday Craft  
Tuesday, December 7, 5:00 P.M.  
Check our Facebook page for details as we near the date for this craft. We provide the supplies.
- Polar Express Pajama Party  
Tuesday, December 14, 5:00 P.M.  
Join us in your PJs for hot cocoa and a showing of the Polar Express!
- Kids' Winter Craft  
Tuesday, January 11, 4:00 P.M.  
Check our Facebook page for details as we near the date for this craft.
- Adult Winter Craft  
Tuesday, January 25, 5:00 P.M.  
Join us to create a winter craft. Supplies will be provided.
- Valentine Craft Night  
Tuesday, February 8, 5:00 P.M.  
We will have all the materials you need to make a valentine for that special someone in your life!
- Sugar Cookie Decorating  
Tuesday, February 22, 4:00 P.M.  
We provide the cookies, you provide the artistry! Come decorate some delicious cookies.

Manager: Katie Curry  
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Hours:  
9:00 A.M.–5:30 P.M. Monday – Friday  
9:00 A.M.–1:00 P.M. Saturday

## Milton (304) 743-6711

- Story Time  
Every Tuesday at 10:00 A.M.  
Join us every Tuesday for a story, song, and crafts.
- Can You Make It At Home?  
Weekly  
Check our Facebook page for a weekly craft video that you can try at home.
- Knotty Knitsters  
Tuesdays 1:00 – 3:00 P.M.  
Weekly knitting session for beginners and pros alike. No knowledge, needles, or yarn needed, as we can provide all three.
- Fireside Story  
Wednesday, December 1 at 4:00 P.M.  
Join us for a cozy after-school Story Time!
- Back in Who-ville  
Tuesday, December 7 at 4:00 P.M.  
The Grinch has stolen our after-school Story Time! He demands that we read his story and make a very Grinchy craft!
- Winter Crafts Week  
Monday, December 13 – Friday, December 17  
Visit us at any time this week to enjoy one of our special winter crafts.
- "Snow" Place Like the Library  
Tuesday, January 4, during library hours.  
"Snow" one does crafts like the library! Pick up one of our snowflake crafts today.
- Milton's Got Talent  
Monday, January 17 – Friday, January 21  
This week is all for the crafters and artists of Milton! We will display any submissions of painting, knitting, quilting, etc, during this week.
- Groundhog's Craft  
Tuesday, February 1 & Wednesday, February 2  
When the groundhog looks for their shadow, we'll be ready with this craft!
- Skate'n'Read  
Tuesday, February 8 & Wednesday, February 9  
We have a fun ice skate craft for kids!

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Hours:  
9:00 A.M.–5:30 P.M. Monday, Wednesday,  
Thursday, Friday, Saturday  
9:00 A.M.–7:00 P.M. Tuesday

# Holiday Cookies with Kista

## Ingredients

1/2 cup shortening	1 1/2 cups all purpose flour
3/4 cup peanut butter	1 tsp baking soda
1/3 cup packed brown sugar	1/2 tsp salt
1/3 cup white sugar	36 Hershey kisses unwrapped
1 egg	1/4 cup additional sugar to roll cookies in.
2 TBSP milk	
1 tsp. vanilla	

## Directions

Heat oven to 375 degrees. Beat shortening and peanut butter in a large bowl until well blended. Add 1/3 cup of granulated sugar and brown sugar; beat until fluffy. Add egg, milk and vanilla; beat well. Stir together flour, baking soda and salt; gradually beat into peanut butter mixture.

Shape dough into 1-inch balls. Roll in granulated sugar; place on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake 8 to 10 minutes or until lightly browned. Immediately press a chocolate into the center of each cookie; cookie will crack around edges. Remove from cookie sheet and onto a wire rack. Cool completely. Makes around 3 dozen

**Join Kista Black, Library Associate at the Guyandotte Library, Thursday, December 2, 9, and 16 on Facebook while she bakes all sorts of holiday goodies!**



# Our Branches

## Programming and Events

Salt Rock (304) 733-2186

West (304) 528-5697

# Nanny's Peanut Butter Balls

by Anna Collister

2 cups creamy peanut butter  
3 cups powdered sugar  
1 cup butter, softened  
1 package (12 oz.) chocolate chips  
1/4 block paraffin wax

### Directions:

Combine the peanut butter, powdered sugar, and softened butter in a bowl. Cover the bowl and place in the refrigerator for 2-4 hours for the mixture to firm up.

Combine the chocolate chips and paraffin in the top of a double boiler over simmering, not boiling, water. Stir until the chips are melted.

Scoop the peanut butter mixture into 1-inch size balls. Using a candy dipping fork (or regular fork or skewer), dip the peanut butter balls into the melted chocolate, letting excess drip off. Place the balls on waxed paper to cool.

When all the balls are done, let them cool completely then store in an air tight container.

- **Create & Craft (adults)**  
Friday, December 3, during library hours. Stop by and pick up a goody bag filled with everything you need to create a special handmade item. While supplies last, one per family, please.
- **Stick With It! For Everyone!**  
Sign up any time during regular hours. Stay focused Stick with Reading! We encourage everyone to come in and choose a book series of their choice. This program is meant to inspire readers of all ages to find and discover new authors, series, to enjoy. Program will run through May. Prizes too!
- **Children's Read-In Christmas Classics**  
December, anytime during regular hours. Join us during the month of December for classic Christmas stories, activities, snacks.
- **Create & Craft (adults)**  
Friday, January 7, during library hours. Stop by and pick up a goody bag filled with everything you need to make a special handmade item. While supplies last, one per family, please.
- **Frozen Fridays**  
Each Friday in January, 9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. Join us Fridays in January for fantastic winter fun with activities, crafts, prize give-aways, and treats
- **Create & Craft (adults)**  
Friday, February 4, during library hours. Stop by and pick up a goody bag filled with everything you need to make a special handmade item. While supplies last, one per family, please.
- **Fidget Frenzy**  
February, anytime during regular hours. Make and take your own fidget, free fidget giveaways, and much more
- **Ongoing Weekly:**  
Mondays, 10:00 A.M.: Art Club  
Thursdays, 10:00 A.M.: Stitch in the Ditch, quilting/sewing group
- **Indian Cupboard Food Pantry:** Drop off any nonperishable food items, personal care or paper products at the library to help the Indian Cupboard Food Pantry at Salt Rock Elementary.
- **Craft Time and Chill**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month, 4:30 P.M. Hang out with Ms. Mary at this monthly event. All materials provided.
- **Krafty Kiddos**  
4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month, 4:30 P.M. Attention caregivers! Does your kiddo love to craft? Looking for something fun to do with them on a Thursday night? Join Miss Olivia's Krafty Kiddos program, where we provide the materials and you provide the fun!
- **Paranormal Madness Book Club (For Adults)**  
4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month, 10:00 A.M. Join us for entertaining book discussions, the occasional craft, and good food!
- **Family Story Time with Ms. Terry**  
Monday – Friday, 10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. Schedule a private story time Ms. Terry! For ages 3-6 years-old, but siblings outside of this age range, homeschool groups and daycares are welcome as well. Time slots are for 45 min., call us to schedule today!
- **Cicada Book Store Story Time**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month, 10:00 A.M. Join Ms. Lisa or Ms. Mary at Cicada Book Store, located at 604 14<sup>th</sup> St. West, for a story with crafts and games!
- **Cozy Mystery Book Club**  
Monday – Saturday, during library hours. Like cozy mysteries and free books? Stop in and check out a cozy mystery and pick up a punch card. Have your card punched for every cozy mystery you check out. Once your card is full, redeem it for a free book!
- **Name That Book!**  
Every Tuesday, December thru February, on our Facebook page, we'll post three clues describing a book in our collection. Guess the book correctly and you'll be entered into a drawing for a prize at the end of each month.
- **Veteran's Home and Animal Shelter Donations**  
Wednesday, December 1 – 15. Annual donation drive for the Cabell/Wayne Animal Shelter (food, treats, toys, etc.) and the local veteran's home (winter wear: gloves, hats, thermals, etc.)

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# Whole Leaf Baechu Kimchi

by Gretchen Claypool

## Ingredients

### Brining the Cabbage:

- 3 heads Napa cabbage
- 6 gallons filtered or bottled water
- 1 cup crystal kosher salt or sea salt

### Making the Kimchi:

- 1 cup – coarse ground gochugaru (Korean chili flake)
- ¼ cup – glutinous rice flour
- ¼ cup sugar
- ½ cup fish sauce
- ¼ cup fish sauce
- 20 garlic cloves
- 1 Two inch piece fresh ginger peeled
- 1 small Asian pear
- 12 ounces – daikon radish, peeled and cut into ¼ - by ¼ - by 2 in. batons
- 2 medium carrot, peeled and cut into 1/4- by 1/4- by 2-inch batons
- 16 scallions, discard root end, scallions halved lengthwise and cut into 2 in. pieces



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## Directions

**Making Kimchi:** Discard any blemished outer leaves from cabbage head. Cut the cabbage in half lengthwise, using a knife for the tougher stem and then pulling the heads apart by hand not to damage the delicate leaves

Wet the cabbage and then salt each leaf concentrating on the thickened stem. Pack the cabbage in a container and let the cabbage leach water for 2-4 hours, turning the cabbage halves every half hour and rotating their positions. The cabbage is fully leached when the hard stems are flexible but intact and the upper leaves are somewhat wilted. Rinse the cabbage half heads no less than 4 times, fully submerging each head of cabbage and making sure no salt remains on the leaves. Wring out the cabbage. Taste the cabbage to make sure it isn't too salty.

**Making kimchi paste:** In a small saucepan, combine rice flour, sugar, and 1 cup water, and whisk to combine. Bring to a simmer over medium heat, whisking constantly to prevent mixture from scorching and forming lumps, and cook until mixture thickens to a paste, 3 to 4 minutes. Remove from heat, stir in bloomed gochugaru, Set aside until cool.

Combine, garlic, ginger, Asian Pear, onion and fish sauce in a blender or food processor. Add this mixture to the cooled gochugaru paste. Shrimp or other blended shellfish can be added in place of fish sauce for those who do not have an allergy. Vegan Oyster sauce which does not contain oysters can be used in place of fish sauce to make vegan kimchi.

Add the cut vegetables and green onions to the paste in a large bowl. Put on rubber or latex-free gloves and place one of the half heads of cabbage in the bowl of vegetation and paste. Paint each side of every cabbage leaf with your mixture. The heads of cabbage should be compressed and have the tender leaves folded over and they should be layered in a sterile glass or plastic container until all the heads of cabbage are processed and all the paste is used.

**Storing Kimchi:** Store kimchi in dark area and let ferment, maintaining an ambient temperature between 55°F and 75°F for 3 days; check mixture daily for signs of gas formation and do not overly tighten the lid as this may cause well-fermented kimchi to explode. After first 24 hours, vegetables should have released a good deal of moisture; using a clean spoon, press down on cabbage to submerge in liquid. After 3 days, transfer container to refrigerator and continue to ferment for at least 2 more days before eating. After 5 total days of fermentation, begin tasting kimchi daily until it has reached desired flavor. Kimchi will continue to slowly ferment while refrigerated, becoming ripe in flavor over time. Baechu kimchi can be refrigerated for up to 2 months and is eaten in savory pancakes, fried rice dishes, by itself as a side dish, in soups and stews, and is an excellent addition to a grilled cheese sandwich.



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