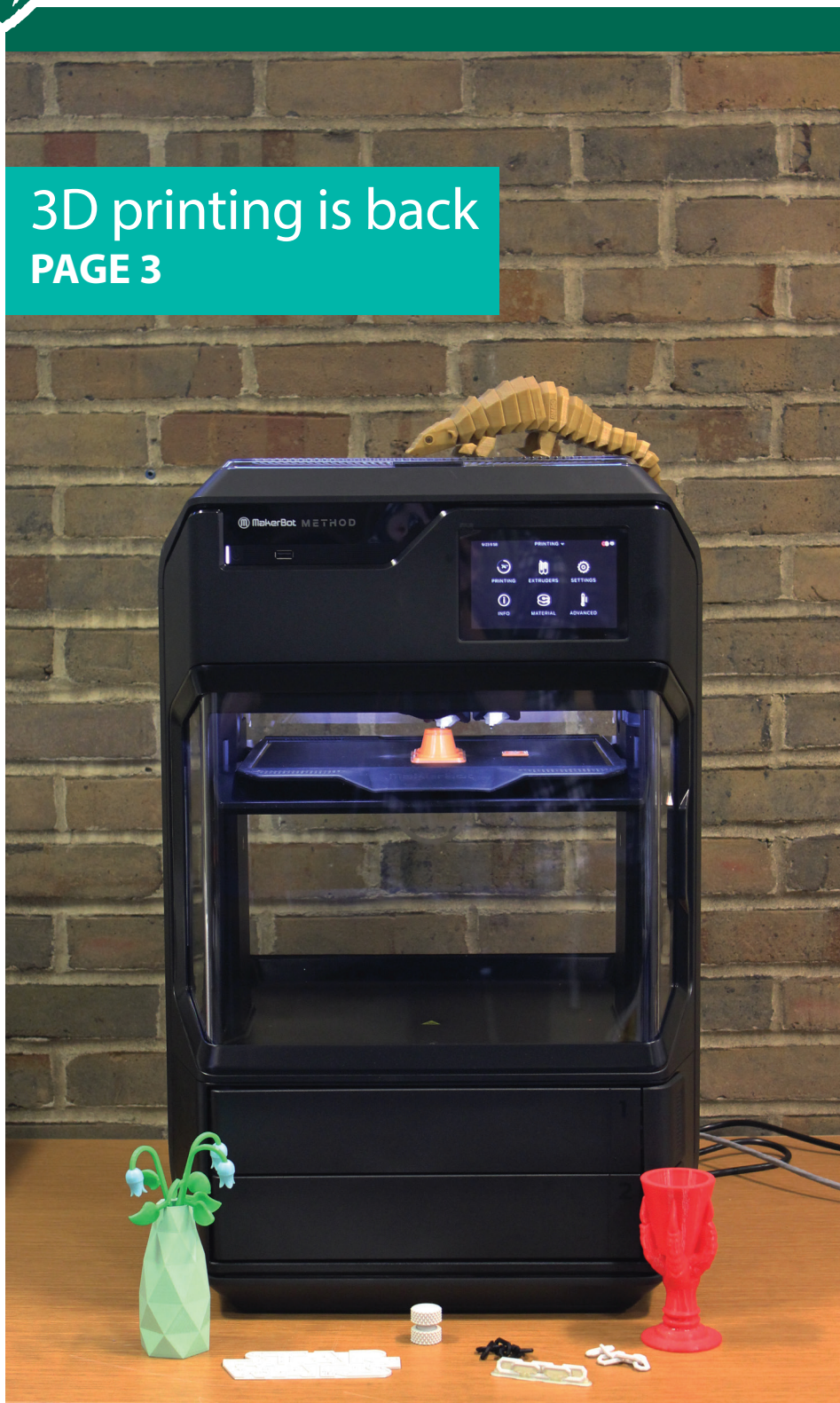


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- **November 11:** OPEN 9-9
- **November 23:** OPEN 9-5
- **November 24:** CLOSED
Thanksgiving Day
- **November 25:** OPEN 9-5
- **December 2:** CLOSED
Staff development day
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Christmas holiday
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What's new?

Get your books delivered

Did you know the library has a free delivery service for residents of the Bethlehem Central School District who are unable to visit the library because of a permanent or temporary disability or medical condition. There is no age restriction.

The library van will make deliveries to your home every two weeks and pick up materials ready for return. The service will begin shortly after your request is processed. You can end the service at any time.

To request delivery service, call the library at (518) 439-9314 or use the online Books to People request form. A member of our staff will take your name, address and phone number, ask about the types of materials you would like to receive, and set up a delivery schedule.

Have you met Libby?

In early 2023, OverDrive will finish the process of discontinuing their legacy app in favor of the reader-friendly Libby app.

Libby makes it easy to borrow e-books, audiobooks and magazines to read on your smartphone or tablet. With your library card and the app, you have access to OverDrive's extensive digital collection.

Libby is compatible with all major computers and devices, iPhone, iPad, Android phones and tablets and Chromebooks. Through Libby, you can also send titles to your Kindle. All titles will automatically expire at the end of the lending period and there are no late fees. Readers can also download titles onto Libby for offline use.

Are you struggling with the transition from the OverDrive app to Libby? We can help. Stop by the Information Desk to get your questions answered.

Planning for the future

At the end of 2019, the library was starting to put the finishing touches on a Long Range Plan that would provide a blueprint for our future in terms of services and space needs. As we all know, things changed dramatically in early 2020 with the onset of the Coronavirus pandemic.

We were able to adjust the Long Range Plan to be flexible enough to encompass a rapidly evolving outlook, but felt it was important to go back to the drawing board when it came to looking at the library building and how it could best serve our community.

Keeping in mind the public feedback we received when we started this process, we have once again turned our gaze toward the future of this building. We have recently hired an architect to come up with some ideas that incorporate those earlier comments while also addressing new issues that became apparent over the past couple of years.

We welcome your input as we move forward and encourage you to share your comments at our monthly board meetings or by e-mailing Library Director Geoff Kirkpatrick via www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org/about-us/contact-us/contact-the-director.

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All ages

3D printing at the library is back

In 2014, we added a MakerBot 3D printer to our collection of tech tools. It was one of the first 3D printers in the area available to the public, and it saw steady use, from everyday tinkerers to library programs for children and adults. We have to admit, that original MakerBot was a workhorse, even churning out dozens of specialty pieces for face shields to be used by front line workers in the early days of the pandemic.

As we prepared to reopen our Studio Makerspace this summer, there was a renewed interest in bringing back the 3D printer. Sadly, our eight-year-old MakerBot had given us all it had and could not be brought back online. With demand for 3D printing still high, we decided to replace that trusty original with a sleek new MakerBot Method.

The MakerBot Method is just as user-friendly as the original with some notable improvements, including dissolvable supports, a non-stick build plate, enclosed build space, video monitoring and more. Our new 3D printer has both practical and whimsical applications. Bring your ideas to life when you use it to print spare parts or tools, jewelry, home decor, figurines and so much more. Build your own 3D files or download a ready-to-print file from www.thingiverse.com.

Ready to learn more about 3D printing at the library? Get a hands-on introduction to the MakerBot Method **Saturday December 17** at one of four 30-minute sessions. We'll show you how to select, size and send your projects to the printer, as well as change the printing filament for a different look. **Visit bethlehem.librarycalendar.com to sign up for one of the following times: 1pm, 1:30pm, 2pm or 2:30pm.**

The MakerBot Method was purchased using money generously donated to the Krakower-Storch Family Technology Fund founded by Bethlehem residents Joe and Naomi Storch in honor of their parents and grandparents. It is part of a collection of tech tools available through our Studio Makerspace, where you'll also find a FASTphoto scanner, podcasting and video equipment, a VHS-to-DVD convertor and more. Studio Makerspace time can be booked in two-hour blocks on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays up to two weeks out through our Book a Space webpage.

Adults

Coffee and Conversation: Masterpiece Quilts at the DAR Museum

Friday November 4 • 1pm

Join correspondent docent Julie Johnson for an overview of the masterpiece quilts in the DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) Museum's collection and the women who made them. The quilt collection is focused on quilts of the 18th and 19th centuries. *Co-sponsored by Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc.*

Fall Wreath Workshop

Saturday November 5 • 2:30pm

Everything will be provided to construct a festive fall wreath from scratch or using a pre-made vine frame. Participants may elect to bring their own gloves to handle the materials and tools.

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Intro to 3D Printing December 17



Listening Parties

Thursdays at 7pm

November 17

Carlos Santana

with special guest Hal Miller

Listen to the music of guitarist Carlos Santana with guest host, Hal Miller, a local jazz expert, who has been associated with the Santana Band as a percussionist for more than 30 years.

***This is a hybrid presentation. You may attend in person or over Zoom.**

Listen to great music, discuss and share your opinions.

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Adults *(continued)*

More Sunday Music

Our ever-popular concert series, A Little Sunday Music, brings an entertaining lineup in November and December to warm your days with song.

The Lark Strings continue the 2022 season **Sunday November 20 at 2pm** with some classical chamber music. The quartet is made up of locally based musicians with extensive training and professional experience on an international level.

The series concludes **Sunday December 11 at 2pm** with harpist Elizabeth Huntley, who will present a winter-themed classical concert in our Community Room. Ms. Huntley is principal harpist with the Glens Falls Symphony, and has accompanied a wide range of musicians.

Concerts will be held in the Community Room. *Sponsored by the Friends of Bethlehem Public Library.*

Dungeons and Dragons **S**

Tuesday November 8 • 6:30pm

Tuesday December 13 • 6:30pm

Join us for a night of laughs, critical thinking, improvisation and role playing. All playing materials will be provided, but feel free to bring your own dice or D&D 5th Edition Character Sheet. Beginners welcome.

Barns of the Hudson Valley

Wednesday November 9 • 7pm

*Ted Hilscher will talk about identifying the barns and associated outbuildings of the Hudson Valley. **Registration is not required, but is advised due to limited seating.***

This series of historical talks is presented through a partnership with the Town of Bethlehem Historical Association.

Lunchtime Documentaries: 'Summer of Soul'

Thursday November 10 • 1pm

Join us for an afternoon screening of 2021's "Summer of Soul" directed by Ahmir Questlove Thompson. This music documentary explores and reclaims the legacy of the six-week 1969 Harlem Cultural Festival.

Craft & Color for Adults

Monday November 14 • 11am

Monday December 12 • 11am

Choose between coloring or doing an open-ended craft activity. This program is specifically designed for adults of all abilities.

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday November 15 • 1-6pm

Call 1-800-RED-CROSS or go to www.redcrossblood.org for more information and to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins welcome.

Community Yoga

Saturday November 19 • 2:30pm

Wednesday December 14 • 6pm

Enjoy a gentle and grounding community-level yoga class designed for yoga practitioners of any skill level. Dan May brings Jai Yoga School's Bhakti yoga practice which includes song, cultural information and stories.

Punched Tin Candle Shade **S**

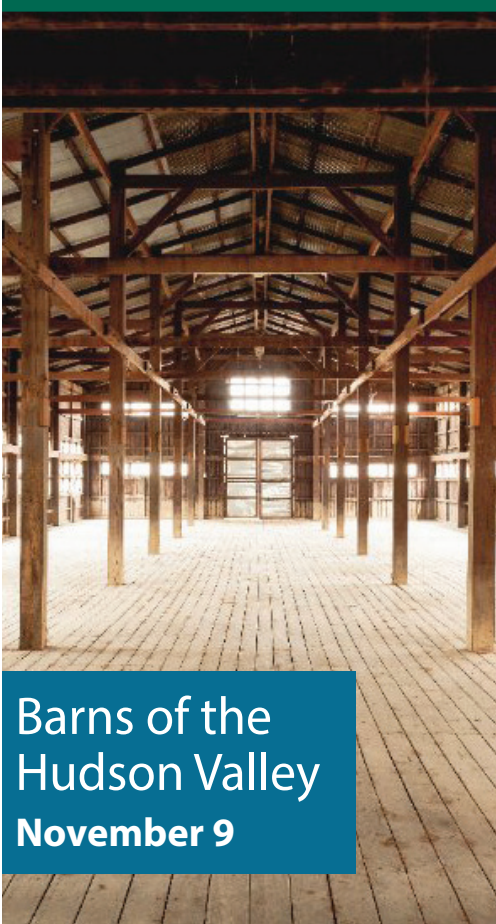
Tuesday November 22 • 6pm

*Join us for an introduction to tin punching and make a tin candle shade that would go nicely on your holiday table. All supplies will be provided. **Teens welcome!***

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Punched Tin Candle Shade **S** November 22



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Monday Matinee: 'Sunset Boulevard'

Monday November 28 • 2pm

This classic film (1950, not rated, 110 min.) will be shown with subtitles.

The Many Faces of American Folk Art

Wednesday November 30 • 7pm

Marilyn Sassi will discuss how American Folk Art grew out of a craft tradition and knowledge of working with paint plus the innate gift for design and color.

Explore some of these Folk Art objects created by these craftsmen-turned-artists.

Registration is not required, but is advised due to limited seating. *This series of historical talks is presented through a partnership with the Town of Bethlehem Historical Association.*

Android Smartphone Basics

Thursday December 8 • 2pm

This workshop for beginners will cover the basic functions of an Android smartphone, such as calling, texting, taking photos, sound and display settings, and more.

Intro to Streaming Video

Friday December 16 • 10am

Did you know you can watch feature films, indie movies, TV shows and award-winning documentaries from home with your library card? Join us for an overview of the streaming video options that the library provides.

Lunchtime Documentaries: 'Eating Our Way to Extinction'

Thursday December 15 • 1pm

Narrated by Kate Winslet, this 2021 documentary featuring shocking undercover footage and poignant first-hand accounts from indigenous people, this documentary will permanently change your perception of food and its connection to the future of our planet.

Mini Macrame Plant Hanger

Wednesday December 21 • 6pm

*Join us as we create a smaller version of a classic macrame plant hanger! Prior macrame experience not required. Due to the popularity of this program, we ask that if you participated in the previous session (August 2022), that you allow others to attend. **Teens welcome!***

Meet the authors

Get to know some of your favorite authors and enjoy Q&A opportunities with bestsellers through virtual author talks available exclusively to Bethlehem cardholders through a partnership with the Library Speakers Consortium. Recordings of past author events are also available.

Visit library.org/bethlehempublib for more information or to register for one or more upcoming talks.

Coming up in November/December:

November 2 • 4pm: "The Founding Mothers of NPR": Author talk with Lisa Napoli

November 10 • 2pm: "Lessons in Chemistry": Author talk with Bonnie Garmus

November 15 • noon: "How to Have Difficult Conversations About Race":

Author talk with Kwame Christian

December 6 • 7pm: "A Horse": Author talk with Geraldine Brooks

December 14 • noon: "Murder and Indigenous Justice in Early America":

Author talk with Nicole Eustace



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Book Discussions

Day Books Mondays at 1:30pm

November 7

The Feather Thief: Beauty, Obsession, and the Natural History Heist of the Century
by Kirk Wallace Johnson

December 5

The Sweetness of Water by Nathan Harris

Own Voices Book Group Wednesdays at 7pm

November 16

The Undocumented Americans
by Karla Cornejo Villavicencio

Dark Corners Book Group Wednesdays at 7pm

December 7

The Woman in the Library
by Sulari Gentill

New members welcome. Copies are available at the information desk. Audio, large print and downloadable copies may be available.

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Snowflake Knot Pillow December 16



Leaf Suncatchers November 18

Tweens and teens

Upcycled Jewelry: Tween and Teen Maker Workshop

Saturday December 10 • 2:30pm

Take apart old junk electronics and turn the components into one-of-a-kind wearable art. This program requires the dexterity and discipline to safely use sharp tools and materials. **For ages 11-18.**

Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Afternoon

Friday November 4 • 3:45pm

Friday November 18 • 3:45pm

December 16 • 3:45pm

Join your friends to play Super Smash Bros. Ultimate on the Nintendo Switch!

For grades 6 and up.

Dungeons and Dragons

Friday November 11 • 3:45pm

Friday December 9 • 3:45pm

Use your imagination and problem-solving skills while socializing with others who enjoy role-playing games. Playing materials provided. **For grades 6 and up.**

Take and Make: Snowflake Knot Pillow

Friday December 16

Get cozy for winter by making your own fleece pillow in a fun snowflake pattern.

*Please register each teen individually by noon December 14. **For grades 6 and up.**

MarioKart 8

Friday December 30 • 3:45pm

Join us for a special holiday session of MarioKart 8. **For grades 6 and up.**

Teen Book Boxes

Cozy up with one of our Teen Book Boxes this winter. These special care packages for teens are filled with books and fun novelties to keep and enjoy.

Teen Book Boxes are only available to BCSD residents in grades 6-12; one box per household. **Sign up for the winter box is open December 5-19.**

Space in this program is limited. An email will be sent to you once your spot has been confirmed, so please use an email address that you check regularly. Books are being chosen from a limited stock and specific requests cannot be accommodated. Each box will include 2-3 books. In January, participants will be contacted when their box is ready for pick-up or delivery.

Teen Book Boxes are generously sponsored by the Friends of Bethlehem Public Library.

Kids and families

Take and Make: Thanksgiving Beaded Turkey

Friday November 11

Start the preparations for Thanksgiving early with this fun beaded turkey craft.

*Please register each child individually by noon November 9. **For grades 1-5.**

Take and Make: Leaf Suncatchers

Friday November 18

A fun fall activity for our littlest friends, these leaf-shaped suncatchers are a craft classic. *Please register each child individually by noon November 16.

For ages 0-6 with caregiver.

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Kids and families (continued)

Take and Make: 3D Hot Cocoa

Friday December 9

It's officially cocoa season! Celebrate with this 3D hot cocoa craft. *Please register each child individually by noon December 7. **For grades K-5.**

Snowflake STEAM

Tuesday December 27 • 11am

Learn about the science of snow, including their geometry, then take what you've learned and cut your own relatively realistic paper snowflakes.

For ages 8-13.

Take Flight with Paper Airplanes

Tuesday December 27 • 2pm

We'll have lots of colorful paper and fun designs to try out. See how far your plane can fly in our big Community Room. **For ages 8-13.**

Vacation Cinema: 'Encanto'

Wednesday December 28 • 10am

Join us for a screening of the Disney hit (PG, 99 min.) about an extraordinary family who live in the mountains of Colombia. **For kids and families.**

Snowflake Suncatchers

Thursday December 29 • 11am

Create a pretty snowflake suncatcher to make you smile throughout the winter.

For pre-K-grade 5.

Vacation Cinema: 'Lightyear'

Thursday December 29 • 2:30pm

Join us for a screening of the Disney Pixar hit (PG, 100 min.) about Legendary Space Ranger Buzz Lightyear. **For kids and families.**

Story times and more

Baby Bounce & Books

Tuesdays November 1-December 20 • 10am AND 11am

Stories, songs and baby bounces. **For up to age 35 months with caregiver.**

Family Story Time*

Wednesdays November 2-December 21 • 10am AND 11am

Thursdays November 3-December 22 • 10am AND 11am

Stories, songs and more. **For ages 0-6 with caregiver.**

*No story time November 23 and 24.

Sensory Story Time

Friday November 4 • 10am

Friday November 18 • 10am

Friday December 9 • 10am

Traditional story time components with sensory elements ideal for children who would benefit from a more low-key story time. **For ages 2 and up with a caregiver.**


Literacy tip

Clapping along to rhythms helps children hear the syllables in words, and it improves motor skills.

Parents, please note:

All abilities are welcome. No signup is required unless noted, but space is limited and storytimes begin promptly. There may be a limited capacity for each session. When Bethlehem schools are closed or delayed, all storytimes are cancelled.



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