

All Ages

CCO Chess Club League

Columbia County Library
Saturday, August 2 • 10AM- 4:30PM • Classroom A & Cafe
Come participate in the year-long running USCF Rated Chess League, hosted by the Columbia County Chess Club. Compete in as many or as few Chess League events, earning points throughout the year. Participants must have an USCF membership and pay a tournament entry fee. Free play will be available in the cafe for all skill levels from 11AM to 3PM. For more details, please visit www.columbiacountychessclub.com.

Book Doctor Drop-In

Grovetown Library
Monday, August 4 • 2:30PM • Meeting Room
The Book Doctor is in and ready to help! Bring your personal books for a bit of mending and TLC. We'll fix them up and have them ready for your bookshelf again (minor defects and spine repairs--no rebinding).

Reel Time

Columbia County Library
Tuesday, August 12 • 2PM • Hardin Auditorium
Watch a movie in the theater. This month's movie is *Last Breath* (2025) PG-13. A true story that follows seasoned deep-sea divers as they battle the raging elements to rescue their crew mate trapped hundreds of feet below the ocean's surface.

Adult

Adult Guitar Club

Columbia County Library
Tuesday, August 5 & 19 • 5:30PM • Ages 16+
Experienced adult players, this is a chance to get together with other adult guitar players to swap tips and songs. Call 706-447-7667 for more information.

Genealogy

Harlem Library
Thursday, August 7 • 6PM
Discover your family history!

Medicare Made Easy

Columbia County Library
Thurs. August 7 & 21 • 6PM & Sat. August 23 • 11AM • Meeting Room
Learn everything you need to know about Medicare in this workshop for seniors turning 65. Registration required by calling (678) 528-1715 or by visiting www.GAMedicare101.org.

Genealogy Club

Columbia County Library
Monday, August 11 • 10:30AM
A genealogy group who shares research tips and information. All skill levels are welcome!

AARP Smart Driver™

Columbia County Library
Saturday, August 16 • 8:45AM - 3:30 PM
Take the AARP Smart Driver™ classroom course, and you could save on your car insurance! Refresh your driving skills and knowledge of the rules of the road. Registration required; call 706-863-1946, ext. 4. Please note this course has a required fee charged by AARP.

Alzheimer's Support Group

Columbia County Library
Thursday, August 21 • 2PM
A support group for caregivers and family members who have a loved one with dementia. Share your questions, concerns, fears, frustrations, or struggles with others who understand your journey.

English as a Second Language Early Registration

Columbia County Library
Tuesday, August 26 & Wednesday, August 27 • 10AM
The English as a Second Language (ESL) classes are free and open to adults whose first language is not English. Our classes begin in September. Email 7022esl@gmail.com to schedule a registration appointment.

Stormwater Snacks & Facts

Columbia County Library
Tuesday, August 26 • 6PM • Classroom B & C
Join us for a snack while discovering how native plants can help reduce stormwater runoff on your property. Plus, earn a credit on your Stormwater Fee for a whole year! We ask that you register for this FREE event. Please contact Rachael Osborne by emailing: rosborne@columbiacountyga.gov or calling (706)312-7203.

PenCraft Guild

Columbia County Library
Tuesday, August 26 • 5:30PM • Meeting Room • Ages 16+
A writers group where you can discuss projects, write, or participate in challenges while meeting other writers.

Yoga

Grovetown Library
Thursday, August 28 • 3PM • Meeting Room
Stretch, breathe, and unwind...join us for a relaxing yoga session for teens and adults. Mat required. No registration required.

Tween & Teens

Minecraft Club

Grovetown Library
Saturday, August 9 • 11AM
Enjoy playing Minecraft with other gamers. Bring your portable device with Minecraft already installed if you have one.

CosCrafters

Grovetown Library
Monday, August 11 • 6PM
Teens and young adults, bring whatever cosplay project you're working on and hang out with other cosplayers while everyone works on their next cosplay. Please bring your own materials. No heat or resin crafting.

Tween Takeover: DIY Shoe Charms

Grovetown Library
Thursday, August 21 • 4PM • Ages 8-12
We're making shoe charms for your clogs for this month's Tween Takeover. No registration needed.

Young Writers

Columbia County Library
Thursday, August 28 • 4PM
Kids ages 8-12 join us in the Children's Program Room. All you need to bring is your imagination!

Children

Book Buddies Storytime

Grovetown Library
Wednesdays • 10:30AM • Ages 3-6
Enjoy a time of stories, singing, fingerplays, interactive play, and crafts

Wigglers and Jigglers Baby Storytime

Grovetown Library
Tuesdays • 10:30AM • Ages 0-2
All babies can bring their adult to a special storytime with stories, singing, and interactive play. No registration required.

Storytime

Harlem Library
Mondays • 10:30AM • Ages 0-8
Reading, singing, dancing, crafting, and playing! All ages welcome.

Grab & Go Crafts

Harlem Library
Saturday, August 2, 9, 16, 23 • 10AM • Ages 2-8
Stop by the library to pick up a craft to go! While supplies last.

Picture This Movie Club

Columbia County Library
Thursday, August 7 • 10:30AM • Ages 3+
Come to the children's program room to watch a movie, create crafts, and have some snacks. This month's movie will be *Click, Clack, Quack to School!*

Timeless Tales Princess Story Time

Grovetown Library
Friday, August 8 • 10:30AM
You're cordially invited to enjoy a special princess story time and pictures!

Timeless Tales Dreamy Princess Story Time

Columbia County Library
Thursday, August 14 • 10:30AM • Ages 3+
You are cordially invited to join us for a princess storytime and pictures!

Morris Museum

Columbia County Library
Tuesday, August 19 • 3:30PM • Ages 6+
Drop-in for a crafternoon with the Morris!

Preschool Storytime

Columbia County Library
Tuesday, August 19 & 26 • 10:30AM & 11:10AM • Ages 3-5
Join us for a 3-5 year old storytime. Tickets are given on a first come, first serve basis at 10AM at the ticket window for the 10:30 storytime. We will give out tickets for the second storytime at the Children's Information desk.

Baby Storytime

Columbia County Library
Wednesday, August 20 & 27 • 10:30AM & 11:00AM • Ages 0-2
Join us for a 0-2 year old storytime. Tickets are given on a first come, first serve basis at 10AM at the ticket window for the 10:30 storytime. We will give out tickets for the second storytime at the Children's Information desk.

Mo Willems Party

Columbia County Library
Thursday, August 21 • 10:30AM • Ages 3+
Come join us for crafts that are inspired by the creator of Pigeon & Elephant and Piggie.

Lego Club

Harlem Library
Thursday, August 21 • 5:30PM
Let's build! Join us for activities with everyone's favorite building block!

Crafts & Hobbies

Sassy Stitchers

Columbia County Library
Thursdays • 10AM - 12PM • Ages 18+ • Meeting Room
A knit and crochet group who share patterns and advice with each other. All skill levels are welcome!

Sip & Sketch

Columbia County Library
Monday, August 4 • 6:30PM • Meeting Room
Bring your current drawing project and meet other artists in the area while sipping mocktails. All mediums and skill levels are welcome.

Hook, Yarn, & Crochet

Grovetown Library
Thursday, August 7 • 10:30AM
Learn to crochet or bring in any type project to work on with good company. Supplies provided, but you're welcome to bring your own.

Doll Camaraderie Evening

Columbia County Library
Sunday, August 10 • 2PM • Meeting Room • Ages 15+
Join us for an afternoon ball jointed doll meet up! Bring your doll (or dolls!) to chat about all things doll related, trade doll clothes, eyes, wigs, accessories, and share care tips and tricks on doll ownership. All dolls of any origin, size, or make are welcome!

Sewing for Beginners

Grovetown Library
Monday, August 11 • 11AM • Ages 18+
Learn to sew. Machines are provided but you can bring in your portable if you'd like. Some fabrics are available. If you have a project you want to work on, bring it in and get any help you may need.

Crochet Class

Harlem Library
Thursday, August 14 & 28 • 2PM
Join us for a fun afternoon of crocheting! Supplies provided. Registration required.

Acrylic Painting Workshop

Columbia County Library
Friday, August 22 • 10:30AM
Join us for a two hour painting workshop to discover a fun new hobby! Supplies will be provided. Registration required. Space is limited to 15. This program is only for adults.

Games

Let's Play Chess!

Columbia County Library
Monday, August 11 • 4:30PM • Classroom A
Chess class 4:30–5:30PM. Open play is 5:30-6:30PM. Class is open to all ages! You can attend with no previous experience playing and learn all the fundamentals. People with experience can attend and learn something new.

Canasta - Hand & Foot

Columbia County Library
Monday, August 4 & 18 • 1PM • Classroom A
Canasta is expanding! Hand & Foot is a Canasta variant involving three to six decks. Come learn to play or join in on the fun.

Canasta

Columbia County Library
Thursday, August 7, 14, 21 • 1PM • Classroom A
Come learn to play Canasta or join in on the fun!

Family Game Night

Grovetown Library
Tuesday, August 26 • 5:30PM • Meeting Room
Family time, friendly competition, and unforgettable moments with Chess, Monopoly, Password, Battle Ship, and other favorite games including Nintendo Switch Sports.

Technology

Ask Alex Open Hours Tech Help

Harlem Library

Tuesday, August 5 & Thursday, August 21 • 10AM - 5PM

Columbia County Library

Monday, August 4 & Thursday, August 28 • 10AM - 5PM

Grovetown Library

Wednesday, August 6 & Tuesday, August 26 • 10AM - 5PM

Are you experiencing technical problems with your computer, phone, or tablet? Well, stop by and visit Alex during his open Tech Help hours. It's not just for gadget help! Alex can help you with the Microsoft or Google suite of programs as well.

Block Coding: Minecraft Hour

Columbia County Library

Monday, August 4 & 18 • 5PM • Ages 8+

Each week, we'll explore fun lessons using block coding and Python. Only 12 computers with Minecraft Education are available for use, so please bring your own laptop if you have the full version of Minecraft Education Edition installed.

Boot Camp 1: Computers and Windows Basics

Harlem Library

Monday, August 18 • 1PM

Columbia County Library

Wednesday, August 20 • 10:30AM

Grovetown Library

Friday, August 15 • 10AM

Learn the basics of using Windows 11 including parts of the computer, using the mouse, saving to a USB Flash drive, and basic computer maintenance. Also, what to look for when buying a new computer.

Boot Camp 2: Internet Surfing and Safety

Harlem Library

Monday, August 18 • 3PM

Columbia County Library

Wednesday, August 20 • 1:30PM

Grovetown Library

Friday, August 15 • 1:30PM

Learn the basics of using the internet including web sites and browsers, instruction on what is and how to use a search engine, browser addons, scams, adblockers, and keeping yourself safe on the internet.

Cyber Security and Internet Safety: VPN

Harlem Library

Monday, August 25 • 1PM

Columbia County Library

Wednesday, August 27 • 10:30AM

Grovetown Library

Friday, August 22 • 10AM

Learn the basics of protecting yourself online. We will cover what a VPN is, common cyber scams, buying online, passwords, online bullying, malware, adware, protecting yourself from phishing, and more.

Free Library Resources and Apps

Harlem Library

Monday, August 25 • 3PM

Columbia County Library

Wednesday, August 27 • 1:30PM

Grovetown Library

Friday, August 22 • 1:30AM

Learn about free resources that the library has to offer. This class will cover eBooks, audiobooks, legal forms, Galileo, library apps, and many other resources the library provides.

Book Clubs

Pub Fiction Book Club

Columbia County Library

Monday, August 11 • 7PM • Pizza Central

This outgoing, slightly raucous book club meets at Pizza Central in Evans. This month's book is *Just Like Home* by Sarah Gailey.

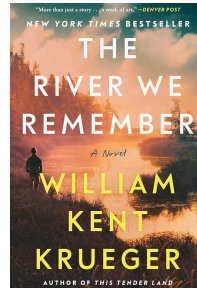


Monday Night Book Discussion

Columbia County Library

Monday, August 18 • 6:30PM

This evening book club meets every third Monday of the month. This month's book selection is *The River We Remember* by William Kent Krueger.

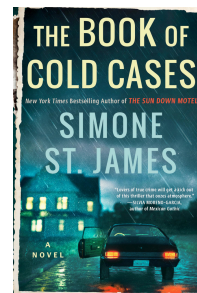


Brown Bag Book Discussion

Columbia County Library

Thursday, August 21 • 11:30AM

This lunchtime book club meets on the third Thursday of the month in the upstairs classroom. This month's book selection is *The Book of Cold Cases* by Simone St. James.



B.Y.O.N. (Bring Your Own Novel)

Harlem Library

Thursday, August 21 • 4PM

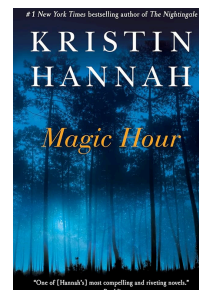
B.Y.O.N. is a theme-based book club where you can choose a book based on the month's theme and see what others picked. This month's theme: *Psychological Thriller*. You might discover your next read!

On the Same Page Book Club

Grovetown Library

Thursday, August 28 • 10:30AM

Sit with other book lovers and discuss some great titles! This month's selections are *The Hobbit* by J.R.R. Tolkien and *Magic Hour* by Kristin Hannah.



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August 2025

Exciting Tech Classes This Month!

Block Coding: Minecraft Hour

Alex will use block coding and Python to teach a fun lesson through Minecraft Education.

FREE Library Resources & Apps

Learn about all the free resources you can take advantage of from the library including free audiobooks from Libby and Hoopla.

What are VPNs?

Learn about VPNs and how you can use them to protect yourself online.



Learn more on page 4!

Library Holiday Closure



The Columbia County Libraries will be closed **Saturday, August 30 - Monday, September 1** for Labor Day Weekend.

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Columbia County Library

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Become a safer & more confident driver!

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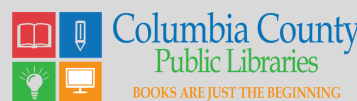
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