

# Marion & Ed Hughes Public Library

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## Have a Hobby?

Do you have a hobby that you are passionate about? Would you love for the library to subscribe to one of those specialty magazines that would help you with projects and techniques? Guess what? We do have many of those magazines and articles at your fingertips whenever you need them...DIGITALLY! Why not check out our Hobbies & Crafts Reference Center Database



and see what we have for your hobby?

Are you into beadwork? Are you wanting to look for a project that can't be found on YouTube? Why not search for an idea in "Bead & Button" or "Beadwork"? These magazines have step by step instructions, color photos, and even suggestions on how to make the projects your own.



Maybe beads aren't your speed. Maybe you like to crochet in your free time and buying a pattern you'll only use once is just not in the

budget. You could learn how to crochet different Tunisian laces in an article in "Crochet!" Or if you are more experienced with crocheting, have you ever thought about creating your own crochet template from an old sewing pattern or an old piece of clothing in your closet? That is another article you can find in "Crochet!" for free in the library's hobby & crafts database.



There are also articles on the history of crochet and the development of different types of crocheted laces from all over the world in "Interweave Crochet" which could help you understand why Irish lace is so beautiful when

made properly.

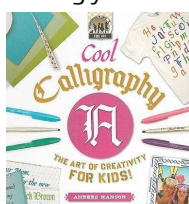
There has been a big interest lately in craft beers, home-made wines, and even moonshine. Have you thought about creating your own brew recipe to share with friends but you just don't know where to start?



"Beer Connoisseur" has several articles to walk you through your first brew and every brew after that one. Have you ever tried to pick out the best wine to go with that big dinner but you honestly didn't know what went with red or white?



"Food & Wine" has many articles to help you tackle this issue and be the belle of the ball. Do you want to step out and make your OWN wine? There's an article for that too! "Wine: Start at the Beginning" will walk you through everything you need to make



your own special blend.

Do you home-school your children or have kids who are interested in

learning how to draw, paint, knit, or even learn magic? This database has magazines ranging from "Cool Calligraphy" to "Kids Draw Manga Fantasy" to "Fun for Kidz."



Have you recently discovered that your collection of baseball cards from the 1950s or those toys you cherished so much were never thrown out or given away? Are you curious

about how much they might be worth or any of the history behind how they were made? The online database has articles from "Antiques & Collecting" which will give you information on where to find the antiques you're looking for and where you can sell off the ones you have. Want to learn the truths to some common collecting myths? Why not check out the issues of "Antique Roadshow Insider" that is in this database? You can learn things about autographs, paintings, posters, and even furniture.



Do you have photos all over the place and have thought about scrapbooking? Or would you like to take some of those photos



and create scrapbook pages to give as a gift? This database can help give you pointers on how to get started on scrapbooking or even how to use some advanced scrapbooking skills to create beautiful keepsakes for you

to give as gifts. "Scrap & Stamp Arts" has articles covering pocket scrapbooking which will allow you to scrapbook photos into your pocket journals to help you keep up with your schedule and have reminders of why you are so busy all the time. If you want an article to teach you the basics of scrapbooking, "Creating Keepsakes" will show you how to create a beautiful scrapbook page for any occasion.



No matter what hobby you love or want to learn about, the Hobbies & Crafts Reference Center Database will have the articles, pictures, and "how tos" to get you started at any level. Why not see what is waiting for you online right now?

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Hours of operation

**Monday**  
1PM - 9PM

**Tuesday - Friday**  
10AM - 6PM

**Saturday**  
10:30 AM - 2PM

**Closure dates:**  
**January 1st**  
**January 20th**

**February 17th**

# One-on-One Tech Help @ your Library

Need help using your new Kindle? Want to create a Facebook profile but don't know where to get started? Did you get a new smartphone and just can't get the hang of it? The library staff can help you with all of that and so much more!



The Marion & Ed Hughes Public Library offers FREE One-on-One Tech Help by appointment. So when you have more than a quick question about technology, try booking up to a 30 minute appointment for one-on-one technology help! To make an appointment for a one-on-one technology assistance session, call the library staff at (409) 722-1255. Please note that you may only book ONE appointment at a time. This

is a trial program. Its continuation will depend on use and staffing issues that may arise.

Examples of what you can learn how to use:

- Kindle eReaders
- Setting up your devices to use Overdrive
- Microsoft Office Basics
- Setting up a Gmail and a Google Drive account
- Social Media such as Facebook, Twitter, etc.
- Smartphone Basics
- Downloading apps to your devices (smartphones, tablets, laptops, etc.)

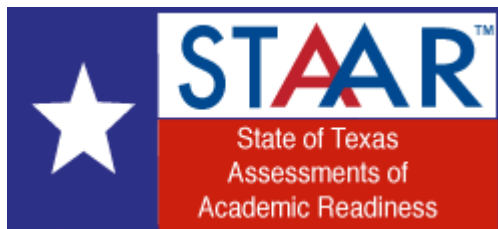
You'll need to have some information to get started and there are some limits on the help we can provide.

- One-on-One appointments are scheduled on a first come, first served basis.
- Please arrive with a clear goal of what you would like to learn and any de-

vice you need help with

- Please note that the library staff may not be able to provide detailed assistance for all products such as non-standard software.
- Library staff can't suggest what type of software you might need for a particular issue or project you are trying to tackle if they have not already used that specific type of program before.
- Library staff cannot give advice on medical, legal or tax issues nor will they be able to write, edit, or complete any documents for any individuals.

For more information on this call us at 722-1255.



Is your child stressed out about having to take the STAAR tests this year? Would you love to have a way to help them study for this test? Well the library has an answer for you!

Brainfuse is the Homework Help service that the library has available for all card holders to use. Now on their SkillSurfer section, they have quizzes, practice tests, and lessons covering all of the different subjects that the tests cover. This will give parents and guardians the ability to see what subjects their student really needs help on and which they have already mastered.

Why not try it tonight? All you need is an internet connection and your library card. Go to [www.ned.lib.tx.us](http://www.ned.lib.tx.us) and start today.



## Friends of the Nederland Library Annual Book Sale

**Monday March 2nd**  
**Members Only Preview Night**  
**5:30 PM until 8:30 PM**

**Tuesday March 3rd—Friday March 6th**  
**10:00 AM until 5:30 PM**

**Saturday March 7th**  
**10:30 AM until 1:30 PM**



# Storytime Schedule

## January

January 2

### Festival of Sleep



::YAWN:: It's the new year but all we want to do is sleep in! At story time, we'll hear some wonderful bedtime

stories and make a sleepy time craft for you to take home.

January 8

### Book Blitz Month

Have you ever read a book that was so good you had to share it with everyone? January is Book Blitz Month and we are going to celebrate it by sharing our favorite books during storytime.



January 9

### Police Appreciation Day



Did you know that we have superheroes in our neighborhood every day? Today we'll celebrate the heroes who serve and protect the City of Nederland...the police officers! Come hear them read stories and then you can check out a police car.

January 15

### Snow Day

We all love snow in the winter. Come hear stories about other kids who loved playing in the snow as much as you do. We will also have a frosty craft for you to take home after the stories.

January 16 Appreciate a Dragon Day

Have you ever wondered what would happen if you owned a dragon? Would they be hard to raise? Could they really fly? At storytime today we will be hearing stories about kids who have raised and trained dragons and we will make a dragon craft for you to take home.



January 22 Hug Day



There is nothing better in the whole universe than a hug! Come hear stories about characters who just need a hug and how getting that hug

changes their whole day for the better.

January 23

### Opposite Day

On opposite day, everything is crazy and we like it that way! Come hear stories about things that aren't quite right but still fun!

January 29

### Library Shelfie Day

You've heard of taking a selfie! Why not come learn how to take a shelfie at the library? Come hear some of our favorite stories, create a craft, and then take a



shelfie to share with your friends!

January 30

### Snowman Week

Do you want to build a snowman? Come hear stories about other kids who loved playing in the snow and making snowmen with their family and friends.

We will also have a frosty craft for you to take home after the stories.



## February

February 5

### Popcorn Day

Day

Nothing is better with a movie or a cartoon than a warm bag of popcorn! Come hear stories at story time and maybe there might be a little treat for you to take home!

February 6

### Library Lover's Month

We all LOVE our library! It's the best place to be on a day like today! You can read books, play on the computers, play with the Duplos, and just have fun with your friends. We will have a cool book-mark craft for you to put in your favorite story when you read it later.

February 12

### International Book Giving Day

We give lots of things to people but one of the greatest things we could give someone is a book. Come hear some of our favorite stories and get a book from the story time storytellers.

February 14

### Valentine's Day

It's Valentine's Day, everyone! Time to tell the ones you love that they are really special to you. Today we will hear stories about kids sharing Valentine's with their friends and family. After the stories, we will create a fun Valentine craft for you to share with someone special.

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19

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### Texas Cowboys

Did you know that some people think that everyone in Texas is a cowboy?

Come hear stories about kids who are cowboys or work for cowboys. Afterwards, we will create a cowboys craft for you to take home.

February 20  
your Pet Day

Love



Our pets are just like family to many of us. They can be furry, fuzzy, scaly, or even smooth. We have some wonderful stories about the most lovable pets ever. After we

hear them, we will have a pettirific craft.

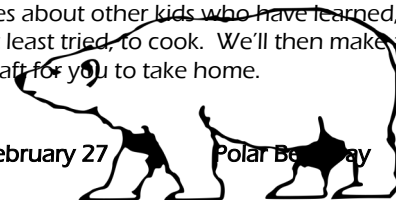
February 26

### Chef Day

Have you ever helped mom make dinner? Do you want to learn how to make your own grilled cheese? Today we'll hear stories about other kids who have learned, or at least tried, to cook. We'll then make a craft for you to take home.

February 27

### Polar Bear Day



# Hot New Releases

## Adult Fiction

<i>A Minute to Midnight</i>	David Baldacci
<i>The Night Fire</i>	Michael Connelly
<i>The Rise of Magicks</i>	Nora Roberts
<i>Spy</i>	Danielle Steel
<i>Criss Cross</i>	James Patterson
<i>Blue Moon</i>	Lee Child
<i>Moral Compass</i>	Danielle Steel
<i>Treason</i>	Stuart Woods
<i>Unfinished Business</i>	Nora Roberts

## DVDs

Hustlers  
It: Chapter 2  
Ad Astra  
Once Upon a Time ...  
in Hollywood  
Angel Has Fallen  
The Peanut Butter Falcon  
The Goldfinch  
The Art of Racing in the Rain  
Ready or Not  
Don't Let Go  
The Rules of Attraction  
Abominable  
Blinded by the Light  
Deadwood the Movie  
High Life  
The Dead Don't Die  
Wedding at Graceland

## Adult Audiobooks

<i>Criss Cross</i>	James Patterson
<i>Blue Moon</i>	Lee Child
<i>The Night Fire</i>	Michael Connelly
<i>A Dangerous Man</i>	Robert Crais
<i>Blood Oath</i>	Linda Fairstein
<i>Bloody Genius</i>	John Sandford
<i>Child's Play</i>	Danielle Steel
<i>Wyoming Heart</i>	Diana Palmer
<i>Meant to be Yours</i>	Susan Mallery



## Getting Crafty

Thursday January 16th  
DIY Locker Clothespin  
Photo Holder  
4:00-5:00 pm



Thursday February 13th  
Mardi Gras Mask  
4:00-5:00 pm

Come create a personalized Mask for Mardi Gras! We will supply all supplies needed but if you want anything special on your mask, please feel free to bring it with you.

## Tax Time Again

REMEMBER .... you will not be getting IRS booklets in the mail this year. Have you located a place to find them?

We'll be a great place to get them, but the IRS had made program changes:

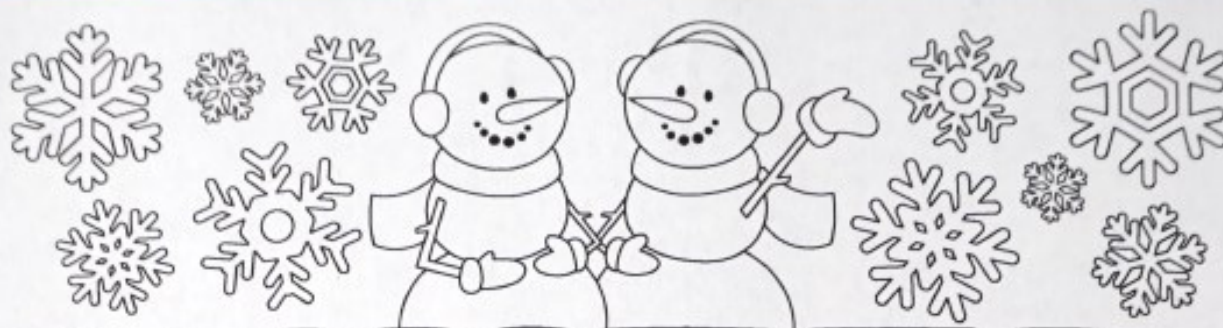
1. They will only send us Form 1040 and the instructions for the 1040 form. All other forms or publications can be either printed out at home or here for 15 cents per page.
2. Due to tax law changes, the IRS provides online assistance at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov).

So if you need other forms or have questions about what forms are needed or how to file taxes electronically from your home safely, check out their website. It is a very helpful tool for everyone that needs a little enlightenment on the rules and regulations of the IRS.

The library staff can not give you any advice on what types of forms you might need or how to fill them out. If you know what extra forms you will need and want to have them printed here, staff can help you get signed in on a pub-

lic computer and direct you to the IRS website so that you can print what you need.





# WINTER

## WORD SEARCH

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 FROST  
 FROZEN  
 GLOVES  
 HEATER  
 HOT COCOA  
 ICE  
 ICE SKATES  
 ICICLE  
 JANUARY  
 MELT  
 SCARF  
 SHOVEL  
 SKIING  
 SLED  
 SLIPPERY  
 SNOWING  
 SNOW BALL  
 SNOWFLAKE  
 SNOWMAN  
 SWEATER  
 WINTER

# Meet Me @ the Park



## BrainFuse Help Now

The first day back to school after the long winter break is January 6th. Does your student need help understanding their homework? Why not let the library's newest online service help?

Brainfuse is a homework help website where students and tutors can meet in the Brainfuse Online Classroom. There tutors guide students through homework challenges and help them develop the necessary skills to complete assignments on their own. But that is just the beginning of what Brainfuse has to offer students and adults.

Brainfuse offers live skills tutoring and an extensive library of Brainfuse-created lessons and videos tutorials that can be accessed when the tutors are offline or if the student just needs a little more information on the subject. There are games and quizzes that the student could customize by just uploading the list of words or material needed to be studied and then "play" their way into remembering it all. In addition, SkillSurf-

er contains hundreds of practice tests in a wide range of subjects. Along with the normal subjects, SkillSurf offers practice test for tests such as:

- The new SAT
- ACT
- The new GED
- TASC (a GED alternative test)
- HiSet (a GED alternative test)
- GRE
- GMAT
- ASVAB
- TOEFL
- TOEIC
- US Citizenship Test Course: (including practice tests and lessons)
- College Placement Test Preparation: (COMPASS/ACCUPLACER)

Once the practice test is taken, the student can see what areas of the test they need help on and either use the online lessons and videos or access a tutor for more help.

Brainfuse also has a Writing Lab where a student can upload a paper they are writing to have the tutors look over it and give them suggestions about areas of their paper, including voice, fluency, organization, and word choice.



**HelpNow**  
Homework Help  
Live Tutoring  
Writing Lab  
Test Prep  
For All Ages