Grand Strand Freedom Week: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration
January 17-24, 2020
https://www.caahf.com

The Carolina African American Heritage Foundation, Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce and the City of Myrtle Beach collectively present Grand Strand Freedom Week, January 17-24, 2020. The annual event commemorates the life, leadership and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. For more information, visit https://www.caahf.com.

Friday, January 17, 2020
• 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. – Welcome Reception, Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce, 1200 North Oak Street

Saturday, January 18, 2020
• 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. – Health/Fitness Summit and 5K Run, The Market Common

Sunday, January 19, 2020
• 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. – Ecumenical Service, Myrtle Beach First Presbyterian Church, 3810 Robert M. Grissom Parkway

Monday, January 20, 2020
• 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. – MLK Drum Major Awards and Breakfast, Myrtle Beach Convention Center, 2101 North Oak Street
• 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. – Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Parade, Along Ocean Boulevard, 26th to Ninth Avenues North

Tuesday, January 21, 2020
• 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. – Small Business Workshop, Myrtle Beach Train Depot, 851 Broadway Street
• 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. – Economic Development Summit, Myrtle Beach Train Depot, 851 Broadway Street

Wednesday, January 22, 2020
• 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Job Fair, Horry Georgetown Technical College, 950 Crabtree Lane

Thursday, January 23, 2020
• 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. – Bias Training Workshop, Myrtle Beach Convention Center, 2101 North Oak Street

Friday, January 24, 2020
• 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. – Performing Arts Celebration: Concert and Film Festival, Asher Theater, 3237 Waccamaw Boulevard

Fire Department hosts Third Session of Citizens Fire Academy
Application Period – January 20-31, 2020
https://www.cityofmyrtlebeach.com/i_want_to/apply_for/citizens_fire_academy.php
Applications are now available for the Myrtle Beach Fire Department’s third session of the Citizens Fire Academy, a program that gives participants an in-depth, behind the scenes look at the City of Myrtle Beach’s outstanding fire and rescue team. The 10-week program is set for 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, February 25-May 12. **The application period opens at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, January 20, and closes at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 31.** Participants have the opportunity to wear fire gear, drive a fire truck, learn and perform water rescue skills and more! Applications will be processed in the order received. Applicants must be 18 years of age, or older, and must be city residents or Horry County residents. Applicants undergo a criminal history background check and must provide a copy of photographic identification. Interested parties can mail, email or deliver the completed application in-person. For more information and to download the application, see [https://www.cityofmyrtlebeach.com/i_want_to/apply_for/citizens_fire_academy.php](https://www.cityofmyrtlebeach.com/i_want_to/apply_for/citizens_fire_academy.php).

**City Offices and Facilities Closed – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Observed Monday, January 20, 2020**

City offices and facilities will be closed on Monday, January 20, 2020, to observe Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Residential solid waste and recycling will be collected on the following schedule….

*No collections on Monday, January 20.*
- Zone 1 – Tuesday, January 21
- Zone 2 – Wednesday, January 22
- Zone 3 – Thursday, January 23
- Zone 4 – Friday, January 24

**City of Myrtle Beach hosts American Red Cross Blood Drive**
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 21, 2020
Myrtle Beach Sports Center, 2115 Sports Center Way

Consider giving the gift of life alongside City of Myrtle Beach employees at the American Red Cross Blood Drive from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21. The blood drive takes place at the Myrtle Beach Sports Center, 2115 Sports Center Way, located behind the Myrtle Beach Convention Center, 2101 North Oak Street. For more information and to sign up, call 843-918-1114.

**Small Business Workshop: How to Do Business in Myrtle Beach**
1:00 to 3:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 21, 2020
Myrtle Beach Train Depot, 851 Broadway Street

During the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Week Celebration, small business owners, operators and entrepreneurs are invited to learn how to do business in the city from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21, at the Myrtle Beach Train Depot, 851 Broadway Street. Admission and parking are free. The educational workshop is designed to connect local entrepreneurs and business owners with city and county procurement officials. Officials share useful tools, opportunities and resources to help local businesses compete for government contracts. Questions about becoming a City of Myrtle Beach vendor? Call the city’s Purchasing Division at 843-918-2170 for information.

**January 2020 Neighborhood Watch Meetings**
Various Times, Dates and Locations

The following Neighborhood Watch meetings are scheduled for the next few weeks. Call Crime Prevention Officer Stephani James at 843-918-1806 for more information.

- **Seaside South Neighborhood Watch** – 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 21, Sixth Floor Banquet Room, Coral Beach Resort, 1105 South Ocean Boulevard
- **Old Pine Lakes Neighborhood Watch** – 7:00 p.m., Thursday, January 23, Fire Station No. 6, 970 38th Avenue North (*Meeting Location is Subject to Change*)
Grand Strand Humane Society hosts New Volunteer Orientation Sessions
Various Dates and Times
Grand Strand Humane Society, 3241 Mr. Joe White Avenue

The Grand Strand Humane Society hosts a special series of new volunteer orientation sessions on various dates in 2020. Not in the position to adopt or foster, but still want to help homeless animals? Become a GSHS volunteer and walk dogs, socialize cats, attend events and fundraisers, clean and more. Interested? Fill out the online volunteer application first to hear back from the volunteer coordinator at https://www.grandstrandhumanesociety.com/how-you-can-help/volunteer/. For more information, call 843-918-4910. The following new volunteer orientation sessions are scheduled in 2020:....

- 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 21
- 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Sunday, February 2

Dr. MLK Jr. Celebration Job Fair
12:00 to 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 22, 2020
Horry Georgetown Technical College, 950 Crabtree Lane

The City of Myrtle Beach, SC Works and CAAHF jointly host a Job Fair in observance of the Dr. MLK Jr. Celebration from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2020. The free job fair takes place at Horry Georgetown Technical College’s Conference Center, 950 Crabtree Lane.

Technology Advisory Group hosts eMYRge Social
4:00 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, January 23, 2020
Bumstead’s Pub, 400 Mr. Joe White Avenue, Suite #3604

Want to learn what the City of Myrtle Beach is working on to support the tech, entrepreneur, artisan and maker communities? Come meet the Technology Advisory Group from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, January 23. The free event takes place at Bumstead’s Pub (Dagwood’s Deli), 400 Mr. Joe White Avenue, Suite #3604. Attendees will have an opportunity to share ideas and network with the local innovation community. To RSVP, visit https://tinyurl.com/qtjykfc.

Creative Corner Art Classes
12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Mondays, January 6-March 9, 2020
Pepper Geddings Recreation Center, 3205 North Oak Street

Everyone’s invited to participate in Pepper Geddings Recreation Center’s Creative Corner Art Classes, set for 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. on Mondays, January 6-March 9. The classes show participants a variety of interesting art activities, and art supplies are provided. The art classes are included with “Choose to Move” program membership and fitness punch card holder membership, but classes are open to all. A single class fee is $4 for city residents and $10 for non-city residents. Space is limited. To participate, pre-registration dates are listed below. For more information or to register, contact Wendy Bass at 843-918-2271.

- 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, January 27 – Clay Creations, Part I (Registration Deadline is January 21, 2020)
• 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, February 3 – Clay Creations, Part II (Registration Deadline is January 27, 2020)
• 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, February 10 – Paper Quilling (Registration Deadline is February 3, 2020)
• 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, February 17 – Alcohol Ink Painting (Registration Deadline is February 10, 2020)
• 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, February 24 – Mixed Media (Registration Deadline is February 17, 2020)
• 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, March 2 – Collage Making (Registration Deadline is February 24, 2020)
• 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, March 9 – Art Show Prep

Public Forum: Improvement Districts
9:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 29, 2020
Myrtle Beach Train Depot, 851 Broadway Street

The City of Myrtle Beach’s Downtown Development Office hosts a public forum to discuss Improvement Districts at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 29. The event takes place at the Myrtle Beach Train Depot, 851 Broadway Street. The Improvement District Forum includes the Downtown Master Plan presentation, a panel discussion regarding Improvement Districts, a brainstorming discussion and a question and answer session. Admission is free and everyone is encouraged to attend! For more information, call 843-918-1065.

Lasting Weds Game
2:00 to 6:00 p.m., Saturday, February 8, 2020
General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane

Crabtree Memorial Gymnasium staff members host a special Lasting Weds Game from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 8. This fun event takes place at the General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane. The event is free to attend and enjoy, with prizes awarded to winning couples. Questions? For more information, call 843-918-2355.

Sixth Annual Craft Fair Food Drive
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Sunday, February 9, 2020
General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane

The popular Craft Fair Food Drive returns to the General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 9. The event features more than 100 crafters selling handmade crafts, wooden wares, pottery, quilts, glass art, beach art, wreaths, pet items and more! Vendor space costs crafters a donation of nonperishable food items or pet food to the Lowcountry Food Bank. Shoppers gain entry to the event with a donation of nonperishable food items or pet food. Monetary donations are also accepted in lieu of nonperishable food. Last year’s event drew more than 1,500 attendees, and organizers collected 5,492 pounds of food and an estimated $2000 for the Lowcountry Food Bank. Interested in participating as a 2020 vendor? For more information, contact Ms. Mickey Davis at 6thfoodbankcraftfair@gmail.com. We hope to see you there!

Educational Conference: Grand Strand Stormwater Pond Management
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 25, 2020
General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane

The 2020 Grand Strand Stormwater Pond Management Conference provides an educational opportunity for those interested in learning more about stormwater and pond management. The event takes place from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 25, at the General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane. Invited attendees include pond owners, Homeowners
Association representatives, property managers and pond management professionals. Tickets cost $30 per person. For more information, see https://tinyurl.com/uzzolxv.

17th Annual Palmetto Regional FIRST Robotics Tournament – Volunteers Needed!
February 27-29, 2020
Myrtle Beach Convention Center, 2101 North Oak Street

Students from across Horry County and the nation participate in the 17th Annual Palmetto Regional FIRST Robotics Tournament, set for Thursday and Saturday, February 27-29, 2020, at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center, 2101 North Oak Street. The competition is fast-paced and fun to watch. Admission is free, and everyone’s invited to come see the next generation of scientists, teachers, engineers, mathematicians and leaders compete with robots they built from scratch, after school! For more information, visit http://www.firstroboticsmyrtlebeach.com/.

Want to sign up as a volunteer? Volunteers are needed for the annual FIRST Robotics Tournament at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center. Experience this fast-paced high school event up close and in person! Visit https://www.firstinspires.org/ways-to-help/volunteer and click the “Register to Volunteer” button.

Guns & Hoses Charity Softball Game
Saturday, February 29, 2020
Myrtle Beach Pelicans’ Stadium, 1251 21st Avenue North

The Myrtle Beach Police and Fire Departments and Horry County Police and Fire Departments square off in this annual softball series on Saturday, February 29, 2020, at the Myrtle Beach Pelicans’ Stadium, 1251 21st Avenue North. The Guns & Hoses Charity Game is a fun competition among city and county staff that’s open to the public. Ticket sales benefit Project Lifesaver, a search and rescue tracking program for “at risk” individuals (persons with Alzheimer’s, autism, Down syndrome, dementia, and other cognitive conditions) who are prone to wandering. It’s fun for the entire family, with entertainment for kids, snacks and drinks. More details to follow….

13th Annual Black History Celebration
5:00 to 8:30 p.m., Saturday, February 29, 2020
Mary C. Canty Recreation Center, 971 Canal Street

The Historic Myrtle Beach Colored School Museum and Education Center presents the 13th Annual Black History Celebration from 5:00 to 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 29. The event’s theme is “Rhythm of Our Roots” and the event takes place at the Mary C. Canty Recreation Center, 971 Canal Street. Event attire is African fashion. Everyone’s invited to attend, eat free food and enjoy live entertainment. RSVP by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 20, 2020. For more information or to RSVP, see https://bit.ly/2YD4GQc.

Colonel Robert Hawkins Veteran Volunteer Service Award
Nomination Deadline – 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 1, 2020

Nomination forms are now available for the city’s Military Appreciation Committee’s second annual Colonel Robert Hawkins Veteran Volunteer Service Award! The late Bob Hawkins, a retired U.S. Army colonel and key volunteer behind Myrtle Beach’s Military Appreciation Days, is remembered with this award. The award recognizes a person for their volunteer services to a veterans group, an individual veteran, veterans’ families and/or the greater Grand Strand veterans’ community. The submission deadline is April 1, 2020. To download the nomination form, which includes submission directions, see https://tinyurl.com/yy6yfqqa.

Friends of Chapin Memorial Library’s Shirley W. Boone Scholarship
Application Deadline – Saturday, February 15
https://tinyurl.com/yzaxzdsm
Applications are now available for the Friends of Chapin Memorial Library’s Shirley W. Boone Scholarship! The deadline to apply is Saturday, February 15. The one-time $3,000 scholarship is available to high school seniors who meet the following requirements: live in Myrtle Beach city limits; attend school in Myrtle Beach city limits; or, volunteer at Chapin Memorial Library. For more information and to download the application, see https://tinyurl.com/yzaxzdsm.

What is the "Friends of the Chapin Memorial Library" organization? It is a non-profit 501(c)(3) volunteer organization established in January 1987. The group is made up of citizens who share the belief that a strong public library is an essential part to our community's success. The organization sponsors activities, provides financial support, awards a local high school senior with the Shirley W. Boone Scholarship and much more. The scholarship is named for longtime librarian and city employee Shirley W. Boone. For more information, call 843-918-1275.

NEW! Chapin Memorial Library’s Online Program Registration
https://www.chapinlibrary.org/calendar

Chapin Memorial Library now offers online program registration through the library’s calendar feature! Visit https://www.chapinlibrary.org/calendar to view the monthly programs available. To register for a specific program, click the hyperlinked program listed on the calendar and fill out the “Sign Up” Form with your email address, name and phone number. The helpful tool also includes the number of available spots available before registration closes. The registration feature is available for the library programs listed below. For more information, call the library at 843-918-1275.

Chapin’s Homebound Delivery Program
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library now offers a pilot delivery service to provide reading materials to homebound patrons! The service is exclusively for those who have limited mobility due to physical conditions, and covers a limited delivery area. For more information, call 843-918-1275.

Films at the Library
1:30 p.m., Fridays
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library invites you to join in on the cinematic fun every Friday at 1:30 p.m. at the library, 400 14th Avenue North. Participants must be 18 years of age, or older. Popcorn is served and you may bring your own non-alcoholic beverage. Questions? Call 843-918-1275.

Friday, January 17 – Where’d You Go, Bernadette (PG-13)
Friday, January 31 – Once Upon a Time in Hollywood (R)

Knit and Crochet Group
2:00 to 4:00 p.m., Fridays
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library offers knit and crochet classes in the second floor meeting room on Friday afternoons at the library, 400 14th Avenue North. Join us to learn basic knitting and crochet skills or get help with an existing project. Please bring your own supplies. Volunteers are needed to teach and assist with programs, creating displays and other library activities. Call 843-918-1275 for more information.

Grand Strand Genealogy Club
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Second Saturday of the Month
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North
The Grand Strand Genealogy Club invites library patrons to attend monthly meeting from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on the second Saturday of each month at Chapin Library, 400 14th Avenue North. For more information regarding the Grand Strand Genealogy Club, please visit www.scgsgc.org.

Grand Strand Multiple Sclerosis Self Care Group
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Third Saturday of the Month
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

The Grand Strand Multiple Sclerosis Self Care Group invites everyone facing challenges of MS to attend the monthly meeting from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on the third Saturday of each month at Chapin Library, 400 14th Avenue North. For more information, please contact Ernie Tate 843-213-1423. To learn more about MS, visit https://www.nationalmssociety.org.

Winter 2020 Storytime Schedule
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library offers free storytimes that provide age-appropriate activities, such as songs, fingerplays, flannelboards, crafts, stories and more! Storytimes are designed to develop early literacy skills for school readiness. Every Child Ready to Read® is a project of the Association for Library Services to Children and the Public Library Association, divisions of the American Library Association. Registration is not required. For more information, please call 843-918-1275 or visit www.chapinlibrary.org.

BABY STORYTIMES: Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. For ages four months to 18 months old. Children enjoy rhymes, fingerplays, music, bubbles and age appropriate toys with your child. Limited to 12 babies and their caregivers per session.

TODDLER STORYTIMES: Wednesdays at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. For toddlers, up to 35 months old, who enjoy listening to stories. Activities include stories, flannelboards, fingerplays, songs, an age appropriate craft and more. Early learning toys are available for parent/child use after storytime.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIMES: Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. For ages 3 through 5 years old. Children enjoy stories, songs, fingerplays, flannelboards and a craft. Literacy toys are available after storytime.

Let’s Talk About It 2020: Modern South Carolina Novelists – Book Distribution Underway!
Thursdays, January 30-March 5, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library hosts the annual “Let’s Talk About It” Book Discussion and Mixed Media Series on Thursdays, January 30 through March 5, 2020. This year’s theme is, “Modern South Carolina Novelists,” and includes book discussions and movies. Book distribution is underway! For more information, call 843-918-1275.

2020 Selection Titles
“Prince of Tides,” by Pat Conroy
“Clover,” by Dori Sanders
“Serena,” by Ron Rash

Events and Selection Titles
10:00 to 10:30 a.m., Thursday, January 30 – Meet & Greet
10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Thursday, January 30 – “Prince of Tides” Book Discussion
1:30 p.m., Thursday, February 6 – “Prince of Tides” Movie Program (Refreshments Available)
10:00 to 10:30 a.m., Thursday, February 13 – Meet & Greet
10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Thursday, February 13 – “Clover” Book Discussion
1:30 p.m., Thursday, February 20 – “Clover” Movie Program (Refreshments Available)
10:00 to 10:30 a.m., Thursday, February 27 – Meet & Greet
10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Thursday, February 27 – “Serena” Book Discussion
1:30 p.m., Thursday, March 5 – “Serena” Movie Program (Refreshments Available)

Tai Chi Mind/Body Beginner Exercise Program
10:00 to 11:00 a.m., Mondays, January 6-April 6, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library hosts the popular Tai Chi Mind/Body Beginner Exercise Program from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. on Mondays, beginning January 6, at the library, 400 14th Avenue North. The series, taught by Dawud Hasan, introduces beginners to the ancient art of Tai Chi. Registration is underway for this free 13-week course! The program is limited to adults, ages 18 and older. For more information and to register, contact Deb at 843-918-1281 or call warrington@chapinlibrary.org.

Free SC Codes Monthly Meet-Ups and Workshops
3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Third Wednesday of the Month
5:30 to 6:30 p.m., First Thursday of the Month
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Want to become part of the technology workforce? Want to learn how to write code? Well, here’s your chance! Attend monthly meet-ups and free workshops at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North, to achieve your goal. Everyone’s invited to attend the meet-ups at 3:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month. And, at 5:30 p.m. on the first Thursday of every month. The City of Myrtle Beach is pleased to be a partner in helping our tech force “level up.”

About “SC Codes” effort… SC Codes was developed to build an increasingly diverse technology talent pipeline to support SC industry. Working with partners around the state, the mission is to ensure that any interested student has access to this platform. The goal is to prepare more South Carolinians for jobs in the technology industry by making it easy to access curriculum, training, mentors, events and job postings. A ready workforce means more opportunity, stronger communities and an attractive economy. SC Codes offers coding courses and mentorship opportunities to anyone who wants access to technology education. Online courses can be completed at your own pace, in your own home – regardless of your technological background. Resources are available for students brand-new to coding, as well as for professional developers looking to add a new skill. SC Codes also will connect you with experienced programming mentors in your area who can offer guidance and support in-person or online. And it’s all free of charge. From your first coding lesson to your career path, SC Codes is here to help you get where you want to be. For more information, please visit https://www.sccodes.org/.

Jazz Café: Music and Lecture Series
January 9-March 5, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Looking ahead, the popular Jazz Café returns to Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North, in 2020. The free series includes lectures and live jazz music with light refreshments. Questions? For more information, call 843-918-1275.

5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, January 23… Jazz Café: Live Music with Kyle Strain Trio
5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, January 30… Jazz Café: Live Music with Lloyd Kaplan and the Aristocats
5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, February 6… Jazz Café: Live Music with Bruce Whitcomb Trio
5:30 p.m., Monday, February 10... “Gottschalk, an American Musical Pioneer” Lecture with Lloyd Kaplan, Jazz Teacher and Musician

5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, February 13... Jazz Café: Live Music with Tim Fischer and Matt White Duo

5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, February 20... Jazz Café: Live Music with Ben Gendle and Timothy Hardwick Duo

5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, February 27... Jazz Café: Live Music with Conrad Kenner Quartet

5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, March 5... Jazz Café: Live Music with Oracle Blue

Family Dance Party
11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Friday, January 17, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

For the little ones, Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North, hosts Family Dance Party from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Friday, January 17. The party consists of a story, fingerplays, movement and music. This event is geared towards toddlers and pre-schoolers, but all families are welcome. Questions? Call 843-918-1275 for more details.

LEGO Build
11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Saturday, January 18, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library offers monthly LEGO building sessions to keep kids’ engineering and problem-solving skills sharp, strengthen STEM muscles and spark imagination with LEGO bricks. The next program is set for 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Saturday, January 18. Youth, ages four to 14, are invited to attend. Young children, ages eight and under, must be accompanied by an adult. For more information or to register, call 843-918-1275.

Chapin Chapters Book Club
11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Third Tuesday of the Month
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Interested in joining a book club? Chapin Chapters Book Club meets from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Questions? Contact 843-918-1275 or warrington@chapinlibrary.org for more information.

Tuesday, January 21, 2020 — The Last Ballad, by Wiley Cash

Chapin’s Craft Corner: Botanical Rubbings
2:00 to 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 21, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Join Chapin Library for another fun-filled craft session and learn how to make botanical rubbings from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21. Craft supplies will be provided, and participants bring their creativity! Space is limited. Registration is required by Wednesday, January 15. For more information, call 843-918-1275.

Teen Game Night
4:30 to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 21, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North
Teens in grades sixth through 12th are invited to hang out, make new friends, play board games and eat pizza for “Teen Game Night” at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21. The event takes place at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Registration is required and admission is free. To sign up, call 843-918-1275.

Kids’ S.T.E.A.M. Program – Art Activity
4:30 to 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 22, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Kids in kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to participate in a S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) program from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 22. The activity includes art class with F.G. Burroughs-S.B. Chapin Art Museum’s Tracey Roode! The monthly program takes place at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Registration is required and admission is free. To sign up, call 843-918-1275.

Playtime Yoga
9:30 to 10:00 a.m., Friday, January 24, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Small children, ages two and older, and parents are invited to participate in playtime yoga from 9:30 to 10:00 a.m. on Friday, January 24. Attendees are asked to bring a yoga mat or beach towel. Classes take place at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Questions? Call 843-918-1275 for information.

AARP Smart Driver Course
9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Saturday, January 25, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Refresh your driving skills and learn new rules of the road at the AARP Smart Driver Course, set for 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 25. The course takes place at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Students must be 18 years of age, or older. Cost is $15 for AARP members and $20 for non-members. Questions? Contact Judy Chamberlain at 843-945-4455.

Youth Chess Club
3:00 to 4:00 p.m., Saturday, January 25, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Youth, ages four to 17, and all skill levels meet from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 25, at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Attendees play chess and learn new tactics and strategies. This program is organized by volunteers and chess enthusiasts. For more information, contact kshartford@gmail.com.

Chair Yoga Class
1:00 to 2:00 p.m., Monday, January 27, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Join certified yoga instructor Dawn DiVita for this unique, gentle yoga class that teaches chair yoga, a yoga style that helps make practice fun and easy for all. The class meets from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. on Monday, January 27, at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Questions? Call 843-918-1275 for information.

Topics Trivia
4:00 to 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 28, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North
Everyone's invited to participate in “Topics Trivia” from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Players form teams (one to six players) and compete to answer fun trivia questions. Topics include literature, geography, sports, television, history, movies and more. The team with the most points in the end wins a prize. RSVPs are appreciated, but not required. Questions? Call 843-918-1295 for information.

Harry Potter Book Club
4:30 to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 28, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library invites fourth through ninth graders to embark on a magical year-long journey as the club reads and discusses all eight Harry Potter books! Each discussion includes an accompanying craft, activity or game. Registration is required. For more information or to register, call 843-918-1275.

Tuesday, January 28 – Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone Activity (Build Golden Snitch Catapults)

NEW! Messy Munchkins Program
11:00 a.m., Friday, January 31, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Toddlers, ages 18 to 36 months, are invited to participate in “Messy Munchkins,” a new program that provides a storytime with sensory play stations at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, January 31. Participants should come dressed to make a fun mess! The program takes place at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. For more information or to register, call 843-918-1275.

Veterans Awareness Series (VAS)
1:00 to 3:00 p.m., First Monday of Various Months
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Attention, veterans, family members and friends… Chapin Memorial Library hosts an informative, helpful series of seminars to aid local veterans from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on the first Monday of various months. The Veterans Awareness Series at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North, provides local veterans with a supportive peer network that promotes health and well-being for our military veterans and their family members. This outreach program is led by Myrtle Beach Veterans Affairs Peer Support Specialist Bernard McLeroy and provides one-to-one and group sessions, educational classes, connections to community resources and other helpful services for veterans. Topics include counseling, re-entry, housing, mental health, education, compensation and employment. Veterans can also sign up for a free library card. RSVPs are appreciated, but not required. For more information and to sign up, contact Kim Felton at 843-918-1295 or felton@chapinlibrary.org. The 2020 VAS dates are, as follows….

February 3, March 2, April 6, June 1, August 3, October 5, November 2 and December 7

African Folktales Program
5:30 p.m., Thursday, February 27, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North, hosts a variety of characters from stories that celebrate African folktale traditions at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 27. The program is presented by Bright Star Touring Theatre. For more information, call 843-918-1275.

Senior Friday Movies
Enjoy a free movie for adults and seniors every Friday at 3:00 p.m. at the General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center. Soft drinks and popcorn are available to movie attendees for $1 each. Questions? Call 843-918-2380.

3:00 p.m., Friday, January 17, 2020 – *Astronaut* (PG-13), Richard Dreyfuss
3:00 p.m., Friday, January 24, 2020 – *Green Book* (PG-13), Viggo Mortensen
3:00 p.m., Friday, January 31, 2020 – *Stockholm* (R), Ethan Hawke
3:00 p.m., Friday, February 7, 2020 – *The Lion King* (PG), Beyoncé
3:00 p.m., Friday, February 14, 2020 – *Judy* (PG-13), Renee Zellweger
3:00 p.m., Friday, February 21, 2020 – *The Lighthouse* (PG-13), Robert Pattinson
3:00 p.m., Friday, February 28, 2020 – *Ophelia* (PG-13), Daisy Ridley
3:00 p.m., Friday, March 6, 2020 – *The Peanut Butter Falcon* (PG), Dakota Johnson
3:00 p.m., Friday, March 13, 2020 – *The Art of Racing in the Rain* (PG), Kevin Costner
3:00 p.m., Friday, March 20, 2020 – *Rambo: Last Blood* (R), Sylvester Stallone
3:00 p.m., Friday, March 27, 2020 – *Angel Has Fallen* (PG-13), Morgan Freeman
3:00 p.m., Friday, April 3, 2020 – *Badland* (PG-13), Kevin Makely
3:00 p.m., Friday, April 10, 2020 – *47 Meters Down: Uncaged* (PG-13), Corinne Foxx
3:00 p.m., Friday, April 17, 2020 – *Where’d You Go, Bernadette* (PG-13), Cate Blanchett
3:00 p.m., Friday, April 24, 2020 – *Ad Astra* (PG-13), Brad Pitt
3:00 p.m., Friday, May 1, 2020 – *Harriet* (PG-13), Joe Alwyn
3:00 p.m., Friday, May 8, 2020 – *Overcomer* (PG-13), Alex Kendrick
3:00 p.m., Friday, May 15, 2020 – *Gemini Man* (PG-13), Will Smith
3:00 p.m., Friday, May 29, 2020 – *Bombshell* (PG-13), Kate McKinnon
3:00 p.m., Friday, June 5, 2020 – *Ford vs. Ferrari* (PG-13), Matt Damon

Casual Play Game Time (Chess and Checkers)
6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Mondays
General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane

Do you like to play strategic games? Join us for a casual game of chess or checkers at General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Mondays. It’s free and fun! Bring a partner and play with deluxe Staunton-style chess pieces. Free coffee is also available. For details, call 843-918-2380.

Senior Bingo at the Base
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays
General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane

Attention, seniors… If you are looking for fellowship and fun, do not miss Senior Bingo at the General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane. Stop in and play on Mondays and Wednesdays, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Players are asked to bring a prize valued at $1 to play. Questions? Call 843-918-2380 for information.

Senior Dances at the Base
7:00 to 10:00 p.m., Various Fridays and Saturdays
General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane

Seniors, attend and participate in the popular senior dance series at General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., and dances take place from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. on various Fridays and Saturdays. Tickets are $7 per person and may be purchased at the door. For more information or to reserve a table, call 570-881-0244. Here is a list of upcoming dance dates….
Myrtle Beach Marathon
Friday and Saturday, March 6-7, 2020
https://www.mbmarathon.com

The 2020 Myrtle Beach Marathon weekend is set for Friday and Saturday, March 6-7, 2020. More route details to follow…. For more information and to register, visit https://www.mbmarathon.com.

Crabtree Gym’s Annual Open House Event
10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Saturday, March 14
Crabtree Memorial Gymnasium, 1004 Crabtree Lane

Crabtree Memorial Gymnasium invites everyone to enjoy the Annual Open House event set for 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 14, at the recreation center, 1004 Crabtree Lane. The free event includes fun activities, informative workshops, entertainment, vendors and much more! For more information, call 843-918-2355. More details to follow….

32nd Annual Pee Dee Street Rodders’ “Run to the Sun” Car and Truck Show
Thursday through Saturday, March 19-21, 2020
Burroughs & Chapin’s Former Mall Site, 2501 North Kings Highway

The Pee Dee Street Rodders and the City of Myrtle Beach present the 32nd annual “Run to the Sun” Car and Truck Show, Thursday through Saturday, March 19-21, at the former Myrtle Square Mall site. The annual “Run to the Sun” has been described as the “largest independent car and truck show on the East Coast,” with 3,200-plus cars and trucks from all over the United States. For more information, visit www.peedefstreetrodders.com.

Jazz in the Park
2:00 to 6:00 p.m., Sunday, April 26, 2020
Chapin Park, 1410 North Kings Highway

Save the date and attend “Jazz in the Park,” a celebration of Jazz Appreciation Month and Myrtle Beach’s jazz history from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 26, 2020. Attendees bring lawn chairs and enjoy free, live entertainment. Music from local bands, artists, food vendors and more make this a special family-friendly event you do not want to miss. More details to follow…. Questions? For more information, contact the Neighborhood Services Department at 843-918-1062.

For more events in the Myrtle Beach area, visit http://www.visitmyrtlebeach.com/things-to-do/events/ or http://theartsmyrtlebeach.com.