



# Hartford City Public Library

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## Spotlight on the Board of Trustees



### MICHAEL TABOR



Michael was born in Muncie in 1944, and graduated from Muncie Central H.S. in 1962. He continued on to Ball State University, where he earned a B.A. in Education in 1966 and an M.A. in American History in 1970. He came to Hartford City in 1966, where he taught social studies at the Junior High for 42 years. He married his wife, Rochelle, in 1973, and they have two sons, Andrew and Jonathan. Since retiring in 2008, he has more time to enjoy yard work, woodworking, grandchildren, and writing books on the history of his family. He has also written a history of the library, *A Jewel of the Community: a History of the Hartford City Public Library*. He shares,

*"It has been my pleasure to serve on the Library Board since 2013 and have been Board President for the last two years. It has exposed me to the inner workings of a public organization, as opposed to a private one, such as the church. I feel the people who have served or are serving on the Board are most willing to give their time, insights, and talents to help make the library a better place in order to serve the community."*



### CIDER & COOKIES

Please join us Thursdays throughout December to celebrate the season with some refreshment! Enjoy cider and cookies, available each Thursday until they run out.



### WORK ONE PROGRAM OFFERED AT THE LIBRARY

High School Equivalency (HSE) Preparation Why do people take the High School Equivalency tests? Students who have not yet graduated from high school generally consider the High School Equivalency Diploma for one of two reasons: to continue their education and get into college, or to get a job that requires a high school diploma. The High School Equivalency Diploma is widely accepted by employers as an alternative to a traditional high school diploma from an accredited high school.

**This class will be offered in the meeting room downstairs  
9:15-11:45 AM**

**December 5, 7, 12, 14**

#### WEEKLY \*

Mondays	5:00-6:30	Common Threads— knit and crochet
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#### MONTHLY \*

1st Tuesdays	5:00-6:30	Craft Lab
2nd Tuesdays	5:00-6:30	Healthy Choices
Last Tuesdays	5:00-6:00	Doodles & Daydreams
3rd Wednesdays	5:00	Library Board Meetings
Last Wednesdays	5:00-6:00	Friends Book Club (not in December)

\* These recurring events are held in the Becky Musser Meeting Room in the lower level.



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**TEEN ART CLUB**

**Wednesday, December 6**  
**5:00-6:30 pm**

We are continuing to work on our papier mache projects. If you missed last month, you may still join in!

**HOLIDAY STORY & CRAFTTIMES**  
**& PARTY**

Wednesdays, December 6 and 13  
 10:30-11:30

(Please note there will be a holiday break with no story and craft times December 20 and 27.)

December 13 will be our Story & Craft Time Christmas Party! We will be decorating graham cracker houses and having a treat in addition to our regular activities. There will be a sign-up sheet in the children's department for those who wish to do this. (If you miss the sign-up, you are still welcome to come, but we encourage everyone to sign up in order to have enough for everyone!)

**OUR BOOK CLUB**

The book club will meet every Thursday in December 5:00-6:00 pm.  
 This month's book is *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*.

Laughs abound in this bestselling Christmas classic by Barbara Robinson! *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* follows the outrageous shenanigans of the Herdman siblings, or "the worst kids in the history of the world." The siblings take over the annual Christmas pageant in a hilarious yet heartwarming tale involving the Three Wise Men, a ham, scared shepherds, and six rowdy kids.

Ralph, Imogene, Leroy, Claude, Ollie, and Gladys Herdman are an awful bunch. They set fire to Fred Shoemaker's toolshed, blackmailed Wanda Pierce to get her charm bracelet, and smacked Alice Wendelken across the head. And that's just the start! When the Herdmans show up at church for the free snacks and suddenly take over the Christmas pageant, the other kids are shocked. It's obvious that they're up to no good. But Christmas magic is all around and the Herdmans, who have never heard the Christmas story before, start to reimagine it in their own way.

This year's pageant is definitely like no other, but maybe that's exactly what makes it so special.

