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On behalf of the Board of Trustees & Staff here at Hartford City Public Library, we wish you a very happy new year, filled with good wishes of peace, love, and joy!

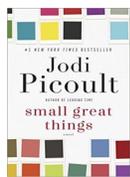
Each sunrise is a fresh start..... a new day..... a brand new pencil on an empty page.
- Linda Poindexter

WEEKLY *		
Mondays	5:00-6:30	Common Threads—knit and crochet
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

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

The Friends Book Club

When the Friends Book Club meets again on Wednesday, January 31, the book, *Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult will be discussed. We hope you'll join us! Please ask the staff about reserving a copy.



Ruth Jefferson is a labor and delivery nurse at a Connecticut hospital with more than twenty years' experience. During her shift, Ruth begins a routine checkup on a newborn, only to be told a few minutes later that she's been reassigned to another patient. The parents are white supremacists and don't want Ruth, who is African American, to touch their child. The hospital complies with their request, but the next day, the baby goes into cardiac distress while Ruth is alone in the nursery. Does she obey orders or does she intervene?

Ruth hesitates before performing CPR and, as a result, is charged with a serious crime. Kennedy McQuarrie, a white public defender, takes her case but gives unexpected advice: Kennedy insists that mentioning race in the courtroom is not a winning strategy. Conflicted by Kennedy's counsel, Ruth tries to keep life as normal as possible for her family—especially her teenage son—as the case becomes a media sensation. As the trial moves forward, Ruth and Kennedy must gain each other's trust, and come to see that what they've been taught their whole lives about others—and themselves—might be wrong.

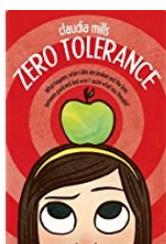
With incredible empathy, intelligence, and candor, Jodi Picoult tackles race, privilege, prejudice, justice, and compassion—and doesn't offer easy answers. *Small Great Things* is a remarkable achievement from a writer at the top of her game.



OUR BOOK CLUB

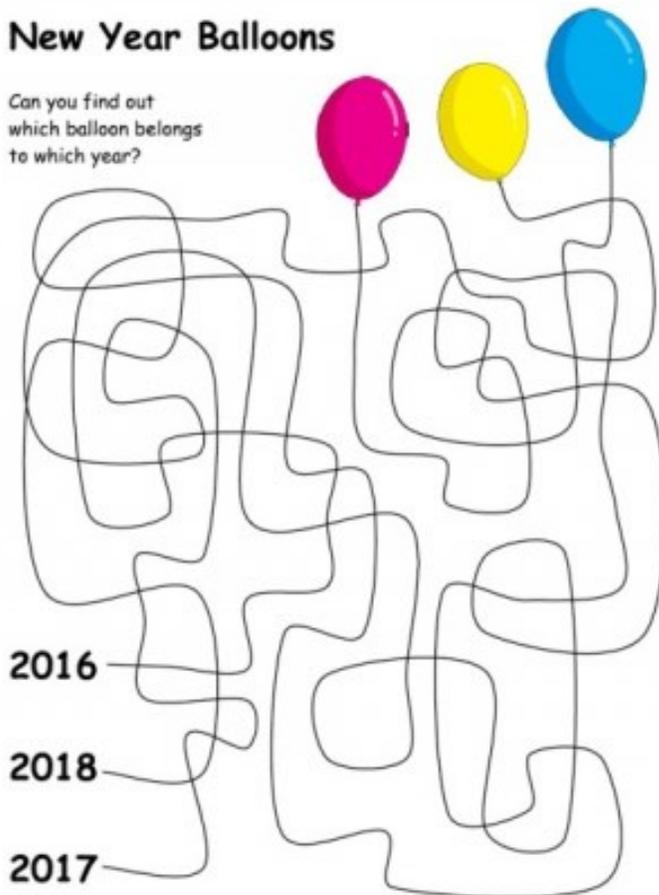
Book for January

“Seventh-grader Sierra Shepard has always been the perfect student, so when she sees that she accidentally brought her mother's lunch bag to school, including a paring knife, she immediately turns in the knife at the school office. Much to her surprise, her beloved principal places her in in-school suspension and sets a hearing for her expulsion, citing the school's ironclad no-weapons policy. While there, Sierra spends time with Luke, a boy who's known as a troublemaker, and discovers that he's not the person she assumed he would be—and that the lines between good and bad aren't as clear as she once thought.”



New Year Balloons

Can you find out which balloon belongs to which year?



www.ActivityVillage.co.uk - Keeping Kids Busy

WEEKLY	WEEKLY	MONTHLY
<p><u>Story & Craft</u></p> <p>Wednesdays—2 sessions!</p> <p>10:30-11:30 with Maggie the Reading Therapy Dog (morning session only)</p> <p>3:30-4:30</p> <p>Children must be accompanied by an adult.</p>	<p><u>Our Book Club</u></p> <p>Thursdays 5:-00-6:00</p> <p>Grades 6-10 (4-5 with parental approval)</p> <p>January's book is</p> <p><i>Zero Tolerance</i></p> <p>Claudia Mills</p>	<p><u>Teen Art Club</u></p> <p>1st Wednesday every month 5:00-6:00</p> <p>Grades 4-12</p> <p><i>Drawing & Shading</i></p>