Makers Day @ the Heggan Library

Comic Jam

Saturday, March 25 • 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Celebrate Makers Day 2017 with our largest scale Comic Jam ever! We will have our comic workshop set up all day, so come on in and learn how to make your very own comic book!

Materials, guides, and brainstorm activities will be available all day long. Books will be created at the end of the program, compiling everyone’s work, and can be picked up at the end of the program or at a later date. This event is open to all ages. Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult. No registration necessary.

Parking Lot Reconstruction Project

The library’s parking lot will be reconstructed in April. Tentative dates for this project are April 8-16. The library will be closed to the public during this process. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. Updates will be posted on our website at www.hegganlibrary.org

During this time, the book return will be inaccessible. Any previously checked out materials can be returned to the library when we reopen or at any of the other libraries in the LOGIN consortium. Due dates for library materials will be adjusted accordingly. Anything that is typically due during this time period will be due after the reconstruction project is completed. Please do not leave any library materials outside the library.

Beginning March 27, patrons will not be able to place holds on our materials or request to pick up holds at the library. Also in late March, museum passes and American Girl dolls will not be available to be borrowed.

Online resources will still be available. You will still be able to search the catalog, renew eligible materials, download audio and ebooks, register for programs, and access the library’s online resources from your home computer or mobile device.

Please remember that your Margaret Heggan library card can be used at any of the other libraries in Gloucester County, as well as a few in Salem and Cumberland Counties. A few of the closer libraries are Deptford Free Public Library, Franklin Township Public Library, Free Public Library of Monroe Township, McCowan Memorial Library in Pitman, and the Gloucester County Library in Mullica Hill and Glassboro. A complete list — with phone numbers, hours and driving directions — is available in the library.

We are looking forward to a new and much improved parking lot. Again, we are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause during the reconstruction phase.

“An old book is always comforting: it speaks to us from a distance, we can listen or not, and when suddenly mighty words flare up, we take them not as we would from a book of today, from an author with such and such name, but as though at firsthand, as we take the cry of a gull or a ray of sunlight.”

~Hermann Hesse
The library bids a fond farewell to Mrs. Alexander. After more than 15 years of developing a love of libraries and reading for so many children, Mrs. Alexander has decided to retire. She has many great adventures planned and will enjoy spending time with her grandchildren.

Fortunately, Mrs. Kramer will be taking over for Mrs. Alexander. This will be a smooth transition, as the children already know and love Mrs. Kramer. Mrs. Kramer is excited to be able to spend more time with the children.

There are many activities planned throughout the month. Please check the library website or pick up a calendar in the library to see all the events.

Unless noted, advance online registration is required for children’s programs and is limited to Heggan Library cardholders. To register, go to Programs and Events at www.hegganlibrary.org.

American Girl Book Club
for students in grades 1-5
March 15 • 6:30 p.m.
Happy Birthday, Josefina!
Join us for this book club to discuss an American Girl book, enjoy a snack and make a craft.
Please make sure that you read the book before the meeting so you can participate in the discussion.
Open to Heggan Library cardholders only. Advance online registration is required.
Please go to Programs and Events at www.hegganlibrary.org to register.

Yoga 4 Kids
Thursday, March 9
7:00 p.m.
Please bring a yoga mat to class and wear comfortable clothing.
Open to Heggan Library cardholders ages 6-9 only. Advance online registration is required. Please go to Programs and Events at www.hegganlibrary.org to register.

Tween Cooking Club
For ages 9-12
March 29 • 6:30 p.m.
Join us for a special Tweens Cooking Club presented by Diana Fiorentino, Registered Dietician for ShopRite of Washington Township!
Advance online registration is required. Open to Heggan Library cardholders only.

Minecraft Night
March 20 • 6:30 p.m.
Let’s Build a City in the Clouds
Players will take turns working together to create the object in question. This is not a competition.
For all ages. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Advance registration required.

ABCmouse.com for Libraries gives children access to its online learning resource that includes language and literacy, math, social studies, arts, and music skills for children ages 2 through 6.

Winner of numerous awards from national education, parent, and media organizations, ABCmouse.com offers a highly engaging curriculum for preschool, pre-k, kindergarten, and beyond with more than 3,500 individual learning activities and 450 lessons.

In terms of user friendliness for young learners, a child can get on and get started immediately. It has a voiceover feature for users who aren’t reading yet.

ABCmouse.com is available on the computers in the Children’s Library. There is always someone available in the children’s area to help your child get started.
Video Game Night @ the Library

March 6, 13, and 27 • 6:30 p.m.
Let’s Complete Undertale

Undertale is not rated by the ESRB, but can be considered T for teen.

April 24 • 6:30 p.m.
Pokemon Stadium

Pokemon Stadium is rated E for Everyone by the ESRB, for mild cartoon violence.

Video Game Night is open to everyone—adults and children. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Advance online or phone registration is required. Please call the library or go to Programs and Events at www.hegganlibrary.org to register.

Women’s History Month

Celebrate Women’s History Month at the library with the Notorious Women of History series.

Learn about infamous Sunday school teacher Lizzie Borden, when living history reenactor Kate Butler presents “The Bizarre Case of Lizzie Borden” on March 8 at 7:00 p.m. Hear this fascinating story from Lizzie’s point of view.

On March 22, at 7:00 p.m. Kate Butler returns to the library; this time as Mary Mallon, also known as Typhoid Mary, in “Typhoid Mary: Dinner is Served.” Kate will tell the story of this young Irish immigrant who worked as a cook for several wealthy families and left suffering and death in her wake.

These programs are open to everyone. Advance online or phone registration is required.

New Jersey Writers Resource Group presents
Writing Screenplays: A Brief Encounter
March 14 • 6:30 p.m.

Novelist Brian McKinley, author of Ancient Blood and Drawing Dead, will share his expertise on creating and marketing screenplays for public consumption. Resources and examples will be provided, along with a brief writing exercise on the fine points of screenwriting formats. This event is open to everyone ages 16 and up. Advance registration is requested.

DIRECTOR’S CORNER

The Friends of the Library recently donated $2,955.37 to the library. Those funds will be used to purchase 118 new adult large print books. A list of all of the books purchased will be available by March.

We are very grateful to have such a generous and dedicated Friends of the Library group! Please consider joining the group. Membership is only $5.00 per year. Applications are available in the library and at the following URL: www.hegganlibraryfriends.org.

Sheila Mikkelsen

Mrs. Alexander Sets Off on a New Adventure

On October 22nd, 2001, it was fortunate for children and their caregivers in Washington Township that Joanie Alexander was hired! February 28th 2017 was Joanie’s last day working at the library. She has a new adventure planned for her future. She is spending more time with her family, including her grandchildren, who are thrilled to see her more often. We are sincerely going to miss Joanie and all that she contributed to children at the Heggan Library for many years. We wish her happiness in her retirement and we hope that she visits us often!
PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Do You Know the Signs of a Stroke?
Thursday, March 2 • 2:00 p.m.

Knitting and Crocheting Basics
Saturdays, March 4 and 11 • 2:00 p.m.

Video Game Night @ the Library
Let’s Complete Undertale
Monday, March 6 • 6:30 p.m.

Librarian by Appointment
Tuesday, March 7 • 5:30 p.m. or 7:00 p.m.

The Bizarre Case of Lizzie Borden
Wednesday, March 8 • 7:00 p.m.

Video Game Night @ the Library
Let’s Complete Undertale
Monday, March 13 • 6:30 p.m.

Writing Screenplays: A Brief Encounter
Tuesday, March 14 • 6:30 p.m.

Color Me Happy:
A Coloring Club for Grown-Ups
Tuesday, March 14 • 7:00 p.m.

Introduction to the Mouse
Tuesday, March 21 • 6:30 p.m.

Typhoid Mary: Dinner is Served
Wednesday, March 22 • 7:00 p.m.

Video Game Night @ the Library
Let’s Complete Undertale
Monday, March 27 • 6:30 p.m.

An Important Conversation to Have
While You’re Healthy
Wednesday, March 29 • 2:00 p.m.

Knitting and Crocheting Basics
Saturdays, April 1 and 22 • 2:00 p.m.

Introduction to the Internet and Email
Monday, April 3 • 6:30 p.m.

Video Game Night @ the Library
Pokemon Stadium
Monday, April 24 • 6:30 p.m.

Building a Backyard Habitat
Wednesday, April 26 • 7:00 p.m.

These events are free and open to everyone, unless otherwise noted. Advance online or phone registration is required. Please go to Programs and Events at www.hegganlibrary.org or call the library to register.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS AND WRITERS GROUP

NJ Writers Resource Group
meets on the second and fourth Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Aspiring writers ages 16 and up are invited to come and write, share and be inspired.

Writing Screenplays: A Brief Encounter
March 14 • 6:30 P.m.

Novel Mornings
meets one Thursday each month at 11:30 a.m.

March 2
The Last Days of Dogtown by Anita Diamant
April 6
The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin

Mystery Book Discussion
meets on the third Monday at 6:30 p.m.

March 20
Murder on the Quai by Cara Black
April 17
House of Secrets by Brad Meltzer

Catch Up with the Classics
meets one Tuesday each month at 7:00 p.m.

March 28
Emma by Jane Austen
April 18
Daisy Miller by Henry James

These events are free and open to everyone. Advance online or phone registration is required. Please go to Programs and Events at www.hegganlibrary.org or call the library to register.

COMPUTER AND TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

Introduction to the Mouse
Tuesday, March 21 • 6:30 p.m.

Introduction to the Internet and Email Lecture
Monday, April 3 • 6:30 p.m.

These classes are free and open to everyone. Advance online or phone registration is required. Please call the library, 856-589-3334, or go to Programs and Events at www.hegganlibrary.org to register.