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Monday - Thursday 10 a.m. – 9 p.m. Friday & Saturday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Sunday 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

"Writing is not, after all, merely the record of having lived, but an aspect of living itself."

~Joyce Carol Oates

# Heggan Happenings

MARGARET E. HEGGAN FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

### November is Family Literacy Month

National Family Literacy Month, organized by the National Center for Families Learning, takes place every November and celebrates the work that literacy programs do to empower families.

Family literacy programs use a family-focused approach to learning, increasing the skills of the parents and the children together. It encourages

November is also Picture Book Month

Founded by author and storyteller Dianne de Las Casas, Picture Book Month is an international literacy initiative that celebrates the print picture book.

Adults reading picture books to children is a perfect way to encourage early literacy and improve reading skills.

The library has a large collection of picture books on the shelves. New books are always being added.

Another option for picture books is



TumbleBooks.
TumbleBooks
offers animated
picture books,
including
storybooks,
chapter books,

graphic novels, and more.

TumbleBooks is available to Heggan Library cardholders on the computers in the Children's Library and from home through the library's website. A staff member in the Children's Library will be happy to give you a demonstration.

parents to become more involved in their children's learning and literacy development.

## Founders Ensemble @ the Heggan Library

Join us on Friday, December 8, at 7:00 p.m. for an after hours concert by the Founders Ensemble.



The Founders Ensemble is a songwriting collective that combines classical and folk music with original compositions and pop arrangements. With songs ranging from Appalachian themed originals to Radiohead covers to art songs using famous poetry, Founders is reimagining the boundaries of musical styles.

Funding is made possible in part by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Division of State, a Partner Agency of the National Endowment for the Arts from a grant to the Gloucester County Cultural and Heritage Commission at Rowan College at Gloucester County.

This concert is open to everyone. Advance online or phone registration is required. Please call 856-589-3334 or visit www.hegganlibrary.org to register. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

#### **KIDS' CORNER**

The library's new program, **Baby Lapsit**, for babies ages 0–6 months, will be held on Wednesdays, November 1, 8, 22, and 29, at 10:15 a.m.

Our popular Making Music program for children ages 3-6 and their caregivers will be offered on Wednesdays, November 1, 8, 22, and 29, at 11:00 a.m.

Children
ages 3-10
can join
us for our
long-running
Heggan
Library
tradition...



creating **Thanksgiving Apple Turkeys** on Sunday, November
19, at 1:30 p.m. or 3:30 p.m.

Lego Fun will be held on Wednesday, November 1 at 6:30 p.m. Children ages 5-11 can create, build, and have fun with their peers. Children ages 5 and 6 must be accompanied by a caregiver.

Mrs. Kramer has many more activities planned throughout the month. Please check our website or pick up a calendar in the library to see them all.

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.

#### S.M.I.L.E.

The dogs from
FURever as Friends
will be here on November 2
and 16 at 6:30 p.m. to listen
to children read.
No library card necessary.
Please call or visit the library to
reserve your spot.

## ATTENTION TEENS AND TWEENS

International Games Week
Retro Board Game Night
@ the Library
November 2 • 6:30 p.m.

#### Maker Monday

Plastic Lacing November 20 • 6:30 p.m.

Learn how to make bracelets, keychains, lanyards, and more from plastic cording.

### Teen & Tween Cooking Club

Happy Teens-giving! November 21 • 6:30 p.m.

Be thankful for waffles! Waffle sundaes and breakfast waffles are on the menu, so register today.

These programs are open to Heggan Library cardholders in grades 6-12 only. Advance online or phone registration is required.



Did you know that the library has American Girl dolls that you can check out and take home for a week?

Please go to the Children's Desk for more information.

#### **Minecraft Night**

November 13 • 6:30 p.m. Let's Build a Fleet!

December 18 • 6:30 p.m. Let's Build an Ice Palace!

For all ages. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Open to Heggan Library cardholders only. Advance registration required.

## Video Game Night @ the Library



Monday, November 27 • 6:30 p.m. Let's Play No Man's Sky

No Man's Sky is rated T for Teen by the ESRB for fantasy violence.



Monday, December 11 • 6:30 p.m.

#### Third Annual Winter Smash Brothers Tournament

Super Smash Brothers WiiU is rated E10 for Everyone 10 and up by the ESRB for cartoon violence, comic mischief, and mild suggestive themes.

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

## 8TH ANNUAL COAT DRIVE

Time to clean out your closets and donate your gently used coats for men, women, and children.

All donated coats will be given to local charities through Heart of Gloucester County.

A donation box will be in the library's lobby through January 31.



#### **Through November 6**

International Games Week continues at the library!

November 1 • 3:00 p.m. Then and Now: The Oregon Trail

November 2 • 6:30 p.m. Retro Board Game Night @ the Library

November 3 • 3:00 p.m. The Heggan Library Plays Pokemon

Monday, November 6 International Games Week Finale Free for All!

> 3:00 p.m. Super Smash Brothers Free for All

> > 5:00 p.m. Gamer Trivia

6:30 p.m. Five Nights at Freddy's 20/20/20/20/20/20/20/ 20/20 Mode Challenge

In addition, our Pokemon GO gym will be accepting challengers, our large collection of books about games and gaming will await you, and our Minecraft server will allow you to explore the realm of Hyrule!

Please visit our website for event details and registration.

#### **Blood Drive**

November 8 • 2 - 7 p.m.

Appointments are preferred.
Please call 1-800 Red Cross
or sign up online at
redcrossblood.org. Enter sponsor
code Margaret E. Heggan.



Second Annual Friends of the Library

### Holiday Bazaar

December 1–3 during regular library hours

The Friends of the Library are accepting donations of new or likenew items for their Second Annual Holiday Bazaar including small Christmas and holiday decorations, jewelry, CDs and DVDs, and books.

Items may be dropped off at the Circulation Desk.





The Margaret Heggan Library will be the site of a Write-In on Saturday, November 18, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Join other word-loving adults for an afternoon of writing, sharing, inspiration, and support. Bring a writing project and avoid home distractions.

This Write-In is open to everyone ages 16 and up. Advance online or phone registration is requested. Please visit www.hegganlibrary.org or call the library, 856-589-3334, to register.

This event is sponsored by the New Jersey Writers Resource Group, which meets in the library on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. New members are always welcome.

#### **DIRECTOR'S CORNER**



Congratulations to Carly Johnson, Part-time Library Shelver, who was given the Caught in the Act Award for the time frame spanning July through December 2017. Carly was caught in the act of taking the initiative to go above and beyond in helping a patron on a Friday afternoon just before the library was about to close. Carly politely asked the man if he needed help carrying his books from the adult fiction section to the checkout desk, and she carried them to the desk for him.

The Caught in the Act Award is financially sponsored by the Friends of the Margaret E. Heggan Free Public Library.

The library will be closed on Saturday, November 11, in observance of Veterans' Day.

The library will close at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 22, and will be closed on November 24 and 25 for Thanksgiving.

#### PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Knitting and Crocheting Basics Saturday, November 4 • 2:00 p.m.

All About the Foot: Bunions, Ankle Arthritis, and Flat Foot Deformities

Tuesday, November 7 • 6:30 p.m.

Windows 10 File Navigation and Management

Wednesday, November 8 • 6:30 p.m.

My Loved One has Passed, Now What? Tuesday, November 14 • 11:00 a.m.

NJ Writers Resource Group Write-In Saturday, November 18 • 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

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Making Digital Comics Lecture Monday, December 4 • 6:30 p.m.

Introduction to Microsoft Word Wednesday, December 6 • 6:30 p.m.

Bad Art Night
Ugly Christmas Sweaters
Thursday, December 7 • 7:00 p.m.

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#### **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.

Write-In

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#### **BOOK DISCUSSIONS**

Novel Mornings

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

November 2

All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr

December 7

The Plot Against America by Phillip Roth

Mystery Book Discussion

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

November 20

The Woman in Cabin 10 by Ruth Ware

December 18

A New York Christmas by Anne Perry

Catch Up with the Classics

meets one Tuesday each month at 7:00 p.m.

November 28

The Sun Also Rises by Ernest Hemingway

December 19

Native Son by Richard Wright

For the Love of Nonfiction

meets quarterly at 7:00 p.m.

December 5

The Omnivore's Dilemma by Michael Pollan

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