The Heggan Library has a new website!

Check it out at www.hegganlibrary.org.

In addition to a new and improved layout and program registration system, its features include a Book Review Blog, an interactive Kids Page, and in-depth research guides. The Teen Page features a Pinterest board and various social media widgets. On our Geek Page, users can interact by telling us what they “geek” on our Geek Blog.

What do you geek?

Everyone has something they are passionate about—something they geek. Maybe you geek football or hip hop. Maybe you are passionate about organic gardening, classic movies or volunteering. Or maybe you just geek the weather.

Whatever you geek, serious or fun, the public library supports you.

The public library inspires and empowers. With internet access, knowledgeable librarians and local programs, it is an important resource for your community. And for millions of Americans, it is their only access to essential resources they need to improve their lives. For many, the library is not a luxury, it is a necessity.

The problem is, public libraries are struggling.

Many libraries are cutting staff, programs and hours, and some are closing their doors forever. And even though usage has increased, funding is not sufficient to meet the need.

Tell us what you geek!

Send an email to geek@hegganlibrary.org explaining what you geek and how the library helps you geek it. Please include your name, or specify if you wish to remain anonymous. Please keep articles to an appropriate length and use appropriate language in order to ensure that your article will be featured on our website. Not all articles will be posted.
Kid’s Corner

There are so many fun things for kids to do at the library this month.

Halloween fun begins on Saturday, October 26th with a Halloween Make & Take.

On the 29th, there will be Halloween Bingo for kids ages 3-6 and their caregivers.

Also on the 29th, Tweens ages 9-12 can decorate pumpkins. Mr. Malcolm will present a Halloween Special on the 30th.

Kids ages 7-11 will have fun playing Halloween Bingo on the 30th.

On Halloween, please wear a costume for our Costume Sharing and Story. This will be followed by a parade around the library.

Throughout the month we will also have fun with puzzles, parachutes, Legos, art, food, and much more.

Please see the calendar on page 4 for program dates, times and ages.

To register, go to events at www.hegganlibrary.org.

TWEENS

Kids ages 9-12, check out our programs just for you.

Tween Cooking Club
Monday, October 28 • 4:15 p.m.

Tween Pumpkin Decorating
Tuesday, October 29 • 4:15 p.m.

To register, go to events at www.hegganlibrary.org.

Attention

Wizards and Witches in grades 6-12

Join us for a Very
Harry Potter Halloween

Wednesday, October 30
6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Create edible magic wands, play Harry Potter bingo, win prizes, and enjoy lots of candy.

Advance online registration is required. Please go to events at www.hegganlibrary.org to register.

Summer Statistics

The library was a popular place this summer. Almost 40,000 people entered the library during June, July and August.

- 277 adults and 187 children signed up for library cards.
- 53 children participated in the Children’s Book Club, reading 1,055 books.
- 3,213 people attended 129 children’s programs.
- 12 teens participated in the Teen Book Club, reading 114 books.
- 6 teen programs were offered and were attended by 52 teens.
- 30 adults participated in the Adult Reading Contest.
- 175 adults attended one of 9 adult programs that were offered.

October Displays

Main Display Case
Poney Express
Gallery
Geek the Library
Corner Display
Geek the Library
**Focus Groups**

What’s one thing you wish the library could provide, or change?
What’s the role of the library in our community?
What should the library be doing in 5 to 10 years?
How should the library be using new technology?

Join us for one, two, or all three of these focus groups to help us develop a strategic plan for the library.

**Thursday, October 3, 2013 • 6:00 p.m.**
**Monday, October 7, 2013 • 10:00 a.m.**
**Saturday, October 19, 2013 • 10:00 a.m.**

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**Has the library helped you find a job, learn computer skills, discover a new interest, finish that research paper, write that novel, find a book, learn a new language?**

**If so, please share your story with us.**

Email your stories to geek@hegganlibrary.org.

Please indicate if you would like to remain anonymous.

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**4th Annual COAT DRIVE**

It’s time to clean out your closets and donate your new or gently used coats for men, women and children.

Please place coats in the collection box in the library’s lobby.

We will be collecting coats through December 13.

Coats will be given to various area charities through Heart of Gloucester County.

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**Coming Soon!**

Watch for the renovations to the library’s entrance.

We will be installing automatic doors, a covered entrance, ramps, and more handicap parking spaces.

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**Mystery Book Discussion Group**

The Mystery Book Discussion Group meets in the library on the third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

**October 21**
**Ghosts . . .**
87th Precinct by Ed McBain

**November 18**
**The Short Forever** by Stuart Woods

Please register online or contact Rose DeCicco, 856-881-8490 or rdecicco1@yahoo.com.

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**Adult Programs**

**Paranormal 101**
October 9 • 5:30 p.m.

**Beginning Calligraphy**
October 10, 17 & 31 • 6:00 p.m.

**Medicare 101**
October 22 • 10:30 a.m.

**Mathew B. Brady**
Cameraman of the Civil War
November 4 • 6:00 p.m.

**Eat Right on a Budget**
November 6 • 6:30 p.m.

**HPV Concerns for a New Generation**
November 7 • 6:30 p.m.

**Memories in Music**
November 13 • 6:30 p.m.

These programs are free and open to everyone. Advance online or phone registration is required. Please go to events at www.hegganlibrary.org to register online.

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**NJ Writers Resource Group**

A group of local writers meets in the library every other Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

Aspiring writers ages 16 and up are invited to come and write, share, and be inspired.

Please see the calendar on page 4 for meeting dates.

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**Computer Classes**

**Windows Navigation**
Wednesday, October 2

**Introduction to Microsoft Word**
Wednesday, October 23

All classes start at 10:00 a.m.

Patrons may only attend 3 classes per month. Patrons may not attend the same class more than once. Patrons must have a Heggan Library card at the time they sign up. Patrons must pass all prerequisites before attending a class.

Please call 856-589-3334 x 222 for information and to register.
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