

September 2018

Heggan Happenings

MARGARET E. HEGGAN FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



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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.

*“We are not afraid
to entrust the
American people
with unpleasant
facts, foreign ideas,
alien philosophies,
and competitive
values. For a nation
that is afraid to let
its people judge the
truth and falsehood
in an open market
is a nation that
is afraid of its
people.”*

~John F. Kennedy

Banned Books Week September 23-29

Banned Books Week is an annual event celebrating the freedom to read. Banned Books Week was launched in 1982 in response to a sudden surge in the number of challenges to books in schools, bookstores and libraries. Typically held during the last week of September, it highlights the value of free and open access to information. Banned Books Week brings together the entire book community—librarians, booksellers, publishers, journalists, teachers, and readers of all types—in shared support of the freedom to seek and to express ideas, even those some consider unorthodox or unpopular.



The 2018 theme, “Banning Books Silences Stories,” is a reminder that everyone needs to speak out against the tide of censorship.

Please see page 3 for the list of the Top 10 Challenged books of 2017.

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month!

As students head back to school, there is one essential school supply that requires no shopping and doesn't cost a penny—a library card.

Since 1987, Library Card Sign-Up Month has been held each September. During the month, libraries unite in a national effort to ensure every child signs up for their own library card.

This year, Disney Pixar's the

Incredibles are Library Card Sign-Up Month honorary chairs, helping to promote the value of a library card and bring attention to the many ways libraries and librarians transform lives and communities through education. During September, children with a Heggan Library card can enter a raffle to win a stand up of the Incredibles.



KIDS' CORNER

The Wetlands Institute will be here on Wednesday, September 19, at 10:15 a.m., with **Sea Creatures with Amazing Features!** Discover the world of water animals such as sea stars, sea urchins, hermit crabs, clams, sea snails, and more in an interactive, hands-on program for 5-10 year olds.



There are so many other fun activities planned for September—Book Buddies, Tasty Treats, Toddler Time, Baby-Time Rhymes, puzzles, art, and music.

Please pick up a calendar in the Children's Library or visit our online calendar to see all the wonderful things that are happening this month.

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 pets from FURever as Friends are back from their summer break and will be here on Thursday, September 20 at 6:30 p.m. to listen to children read.

No library card necessary. Please call or visit the library to reserve your spot.

SEPTEMBER TEEN AND TWEEN EVENTS

All programs take place in the Story Room

Board Games

Tuesday, September 4
6:30-8:00 p.m.

Ceramic Painting

Tuesday, September 11
6:30-8:00 p.m.

Teen & Tween Cooking Club

Tuesday, September 18
6:30-8:00 p.m.

Locker Crafts

Monday, September 24
6:30-8:00 p.m.

Locker Crafts

Tuesday, September 25
6:30-8:00 p.m.

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

Ahoy Mateys!

September 19 is "Talk Like a Pirate Day."



If it's pirate chatter ye be after, Mango Language's Pirate Language Course will teach you everything you need to know to 'parley' in perfect Pirate.

Pirate is only one of 72 languages and 19 ESL courses that are available through the library.

You can access lessons on your home computer, or you can download the mobile app.

Please visit the library website for more information about Mango.

Video Game Night @ the Library



Monday, September 24 • 6:30 p.m.

Legend of Mana

Legend of Mana is rated T for Teen by the ESRB,



Monday, October 29 • 6:30 p.m.

Let's Play Frankenstein

Through the Eyes of the Monster

Frankenstein: Through the Eyes of the Monster was rated by the ESRB as K-A in 1995, and as T for Teen in 1996 for language and 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.

Minecraft Night

September 17 • 6:30 p.m.

Let's Build a Tower

October 15 • 6:30 p.m.

Let's Build a Monster!

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



We are thrilled to announce that the library now has two new Early Literacy Stations in our Children's Library. Designed for children ages 2-8, these computers will prepare young learners for the educational world ahead of them. Children will encounter familiar faces when using these computers, including Diego, Dora the Explorer, Reader Rabbit, SpongeBob, Sesame Street characters, and more.

These stations are possible thanks to a generous donation from the Friends of the Library. The Friends of the Library support the library through fundraising and advocacy.

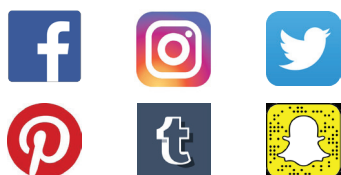
Cost of membership is only \$5.00 per year. For more information about the Friends, please visit their website at www.hegganlibraryfriends.org

Wowbrary

Do you want to know what's new on the library's shelves?

Wowbrary is a free weekly email featuring the library's most recent acquisitions—books, DVDs, CDs, and audiobooks. Sign up at the bottom of the library's website.

Connect with the library—wherever you are



DIRECTOR'S CORNER

It is with extreme sadness that we announce the passing of former library staff member Nina M. Flemming. Nina worked at the library as the Board Recording Secretary for fifteen years. She retired in 2014. She was a graduate of Glassboro High School. Besides the library, Nina also worked for several years as a secretary at Elmer Elementary School. Nina had an affection for the Heggan family and was proud to be part of Peg Heggan's dream of providing a library to township residents.



Nina will be remembered as a kind, friendly, helpful person who always acted in a polite and professional manner.

Sheila Mikkelsen

Top 10 Challenged Books of 2017

Thirteen Reasons Why

written by Jay Asher

The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian

written by Sherman Alexie

Drama

written and illustrated by Raina Telgemeier

The Kite Runner

written by Khaled Hosseini

George

written by Alex Gino

Sex is a Funny Word

written by Cory Silverberg and illustrated by Fiona Smyth

To Kill a Mockingbird

written by Harper Lee

The Hate U Give

written by Angie Thomas

And Tango Makes Three

written by Peter Parnell and Justin Richardson and illustrated by Henry Cole

I Am Jazz

written by Jessica Herthel and Jazz Jennings and illustrated by Shelagh McNicholas

Frankenstein Turns 200!

In 1818, Mary Shelley published the first edition of *Frankenstein*, a novel that has captured our imagination for 200 years.

On a stormy night in June of 1816 at Lord Byron's villa on Lake Geneva, Lord Byron, Mary, her husband Percy Bysshe Shelley, and other guests decide to have a ghost story writing competition.

Shelley was aware of the experiments by Luigi Galvani and Alessandro Volta on the connection between electricity and muscular motion. She captured the cutting-edge science of her time and wrote what is considered to be the first science fiction novel.

Since the publication of *Frankenstein*, there have been more than 300 editions of the novel, at least 90 films, and hundreds of comic books and academic books inspired by it.

The library has planned a series of events to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the publication of Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*. Visit our online calendar for details, and join us for these free events throughout the month.

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

'Ere the Shadows Fade: New Jersey's
Civil War Era Photographers

Thursday, September 6 • 7:00 p.m.

Stories and Songs of the Irish Brigade
in the Civil War

Thursday, September 13 • 7:00 p.m.

Knitting and Crocheting Basics
Saturday, September 15 • 2:00 p.m.

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Saturday, September 22 • 2:00 p.m.

Video Game Night @ the Library
Legend of Mana

Monday, September 24 • 6:30 p.m.

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Knitting and Crocheting Basics
Saturday, September 29 • 2:00 p.m.

The Bride and Her Monster
Wednesday, October 3 • 7:00 p.m.

Knitting and Crocheting Basics
Saturday, October 6 • 2:00 p.m.

Someone Must Wash the Dishes:
An Anti-Suffrage Satire

Wednesday, October 10 • 7:00 p.m.

Indie Author Day

Saturday, October 13 • 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Oktoberfest Concert
with the Odessa Klezmer Band
Thursday, October 18 • 7:00 p.m.

Frankenstein D20
Monday, October 29 • 6:30 p.m.

Introduction to Microsoft Word
Wednesday, October 24 • 6:30 p.m.

Vegetarian Society of South Jersey
Wednesday, October 24 • 7:00 p.m.

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WRITERS GROUP & BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

NJ Writers Resource Group

This group meets on the second and fourth
Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Aspiring writers ages 16+ are
invited to come and write, share and be inspired.

Indie Author Day

Saturday, October 13 • 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Novel Mornings

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

September 6

The Invisible Bridge by Julie Orringer

October 4

The Nightingale by Kristen Hannah

Mystery Book Discussion

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

September 17

The Lock Artist by Steve Hamilton

October 15

Day of the Dead by Judith A. Jance

Catch Up with the Classics

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

October 16

Main Street by Sinclair Lewis

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COMPUTER AND TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

Introduction to Microsoft Word

Wednesday, October 24 • 6:30 p.m.

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**The library will be closed on
Monday, September 3,
in observance of Labor Day.**