

November 2009

Newsletter



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Hours

Monday - Thursday

10am - 9pm

Friday & Saturday

10am - 5pm

Sunday

Noon - 5pm

“No
reservations
are necessary
when you
travel in
books.”

~Life's Little
Instruction Calendar,
Volume XIV

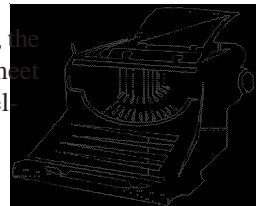


NJ Writers Society sets November 10th meeting @ the library

The New Jersey Writers Society (NJWS) invites the public to its first meeting in the Margaret E. Heggan Free Public Library on Tuesday, November 10 from 6 to 8 p.m.

A. Craig Newman will be giving a talk on “*The Dramatic Elements: Passion, Theme, and Character Flaws.*” Come see how passion drives an author, theme drives a story, and flaws drive a character.

Beginning in January, the writers group will meet monthly. All are welcome to come and enjoy the challenges of becoming better writers, defeating writer’s block, learning from each other, and perfecting the craft.



This program is open to everyone. Advance online registration is required. Go to the calendar at www.hegganlibrary.org to register.

Frequently Asked Questions

Here are the most frequently asked questions (and answers) asked by library customers:

1. How do I get a PIN? Why do I need a PIN? The library assistants at the check-out desk can set up or change your PIN. You need a PIN to access your account, place holds, and renew books online.

2. How many DVDs can I check out at one time? Can I renew DVDs? You may check out 16 items at one time. This can be any combination of items. You cannot renew DVDs.

3. If I check this out here, can I return it to my home library? Yes.

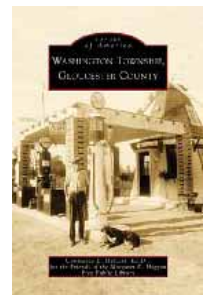
4. How do I place a hold? After you have found the title you would like to place a hold on, click on Details (next to the title.) Then click on Place Hold. Type in your 14 digit library card number and PIN. Select where you want to pick up your book, then click Place Hold. You will be notified when the title is available.

5. Do you accept donations? The library accepts donations of hard and paperback books, newer encyclopedias, CDs, DVDs, videos, and audiobooks. We do not accept magazines, textbooks, and older encyclopedias.

Book Signings

The library will host 2 authors for book signings on Thursday, November 19 at 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Local author George Robinson, author of *Elmer the Elf*, will join Constance McCart, author of *Images of America: Washington Town-*



ship, Gloucester County, a pictorial history of Washington Township, to sign copies of their books.

Elmer the Elf is the story of a young elf who has a very important job at the North Pole. He is one of many elves who help Santa every Christmas. The story tracks the adventure of Elmer as he travels the world to find the Magical Jingle Bells.

Both books will make nice gifts for someone on your gift list.

Kid's Corner

There will be lots of Thanksgiving fun for children at the library this month,



including Thanksgiving crafts and a Tummy Yummies for children

ages 3-6 and a caregiver where they can make a Thanksgiving Treat.

There is also a Lego Play Date for children ages 5-6 and a caregiver.



Children in grades 4-8 can Create a Pillow on the 12th.

Please see the calendar on page 4 for a complete list of program times, dates, and ages. Or check out the calendar on our website.



TEEN BOOK CLUB GRADES 6-12

Earn a chance to win a \$25 Barnes & Noble gift card. Every time you read 3 books, you can fill out an entry form and place it in the box on the check-out desk. Entry forms can be found at the check-out desk and at other areas throughout the library.

This session will run from September 1st to December 31st.

POSTER WINNERS!

William Dennery was the winner of a "Where the Wild Things Are" poster. Katelyn Scott was the winner of a "Twilight" poster.

Need homework help?

Never be stumped by a tough homework assignment again! Students from Kindergarten to 12th grade, those in introductory-level college courses, and adult learners can simply visit the library's website to get on-demand, free help from qualified tutors. The library



offers Homework Help NJ[®], an online tutoring service from Tutor.com[™] that connects students to expert tutors (at no charge) in math, science, social studies,

and English via the internet. Spanish-speaking tutors are available to help students in math and science.

Free Help in Core Subjects

This free service allows students to connect to an expert tutor either from the library or from their home computer with a library card, every day from 2:00 to 10:00 p.m. Homework Help NJ is easy to use. Children and teens simply go to the library's website, click on the Homework Help NJ link on the home page and then enter their grade level and the subject they need help in. In just a few minutes, students are connected to a tutor in an Online Classroom for one-to-one help in math (elementary, algebra, geometry, trigonometry and calculus), science (elementary, earth science, biology, chemistry, physics), social studies (American history, world history, political science), and English (spelling, grammar, essay writing, book reports).

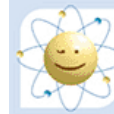
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All tutors are certified teachers, college professors, professional tutors, graduate, or under graduate school students from across the country. Tutor.com has more than 1,800 tutors available to work with kids when they need help most. Every tutor is certified by Tutor.com and has completed a third party background check.

Homework Help NJ is supported by the New Jersey State Library through a generous grant from PSE&G.



Go to the library home page and look for this icon to connect to Homework Help NJ.



Homework Help NJ

Career Center

Job seekers and adult learners can get customized help and resources to meet their needs in conducting a job search, preparing for the GED or going back to school with the Homework Help NJ Career Center, a free online service from Tutor.com[™], available through the library's website.

Online Tutoring: Adults work one-to-one with professional tutors in a supportive and encouraging environment to study for a citizenship test, prepare for the GED and get help with specific subjects.

ProofPoint[™] Real Time Writing Center: Adults get help in real time with writing resumes and cover letters, polishing business letters and proposals, and proofreading papers and essays.

SkillsCenter[™] Resource Library: Adults access robust resources to supplement academic and career pursuits.

BOOKS FOR KIDS

The library has begun its annual "Books for Kids" drive. Give a child the gift of reading by bringing a new book or books to the library's collection box. Books for children from pre-school through age eighteen are needed.

Scout troops, community service organizations, schools, etc., are also invited to collect books to donate.



"Books for Kids" is a statewide program sponsored by the New Jersey Library Association's Children's Services Section. Each year, with the help of over 200 libraries, thousands of books are distributed to children across the state.

Book donations will be accepted through December 7, and will be given to Mother's Cupboard. For more information, please contact the library, 856-589-3334.

Interviewing Skills

Monday, November 23

6:30 p.m.

This seminar is designed to prepare you for the interview. Emphasis will be placed on the type of questions asked, how to answer them and why they are important. This informal seminar will prepare you with the principles to plan and land that perfect job. Hosting the session will be Mr. Bob Marino, a training specialist and Fortune 500 facilitator, experienced in the needs and wants of large and small businesses when it comes to hiring full and part-time employees.

Upon completion of this seminar, the participant will be able to plan for successful interviews, demonstrate that you can do the job and will do the job, extract appropriate reference material from your local library, be familiar with the top 45 questions asked on interviews, know what can be asked and what should be avoided, use the telephone interview appropriately, and avoid mistakes interviewees make.

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Library Displays in November



Main Display Case
Travel

Main Display
Recycling
Thanksgiving

Adult Display
Entertaining for the Holidays
American Diabetes Month
Check-Out Desk Display
Thanksgiving

By Popular Demand

Learn About Travel
Opportunities with



Tuesday, November 24
7:00 p.m.

Adults ages 50+ can find out about the exciting learning adventures sponsored by Exploritas

Carol Geschwindt, an Exploritas Ambassador, will share her love of travel with Exploritas, the world's leading provider of educational travel opportunities for those over 50. The not-for-profit organization, which collaborates with nearly 2,000 educational and cultural institutions worldwide, offers programs—from a few nights to several weeks in length—that explore subjects ranging from astronomy and aviation to wine making and zoo studies.

This program is open to everyone. Advance online registration is required. Go to the calendar at www.hegganlibrary.org to register.

Computer Classes

Microsoft Word for Beginners
Friday, November 20
9:00 a.m.

Learn some basic word processing terminology and features of Microsoft Word.

Creating Basic Spreadsheets in Microsoft Excel
Friday, December 4
9:00 a.m.

Learn some basic spreadsheet terminology and features of Microsoft Excel.

You must be comfortable using a mouse for each of these classes. Class sizes are limited and open to Heggan Library cardholders only. Registration is accepted in person or by phone, 589-3334, x22.

LOCAL INTEREST DVDs

The library has recently received 3 Philadelphia themed DVDs as a gift from WHYY.

South Philly Italian Style
Things That Aren't There Anymore

The Philly Food Show

These DVDs are available in the new non-fiction DVD section.

Book Discussion Groups

Mystery Book Group

The Mystery Book Group meets in the library on the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

On November 16, the group will discuss *Burglars Can't Be Choosers* by Lawrence Block.



Fans of Lawrence Block's saucy series burglar Bernie Rhodenbarr will be delighted to learn that Dutton is bringing back the book that launched Bernie about 16 years ago. *Burglars Can't Be Choosers* shows an insouciant Bernie before he acquired the antiquarian bookstore he now runs when not burgling.

Please register online or contact Rose DeCicco, 856-881-8490, for information.

Adult Book Group

The Adult Book Group meets on the first Thursday of the month at 1:30 p.m.

On November 5, *My Lobotomy: A Memoir* by Howard Dully will be discussed.

On December 3, *Family Tree* by Barbara Delinsky will be discussed.

Barbara Delinsky's *Family Tree* is an utterly unforgettable novel that asks penetrating questions about race, family, and the choices people make in times of crisis—choices that have profound consequences that can last for generations.



Please register online or call the library for more information.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Make & Take Rubbing Stencil Art 10:15am or 11:00am age 3-6 & caregiver Children's Book Sale November 2-8	3 Book Buddies 10:15am, 11:00am, or 1:00pm age 3-5	4 Book Buddies 10:15am, 11:00am, or 6:30pm age 3-5 Wooden Tree Necklace 1:00pm age 6-9	5 Toddler Time 10:15am or 11:00am age 2 & caregiver Thanksgiving Bookmarks 1:00pm or 1:30pm age 3-9 & caregiver Book Group 1:30pm	6	7
8	9 Tummy Yummies Thanksgiving Treat 10:15am, 11:00am, or 1:00pm age 3-6 & caregiver	10 Book Buddies 10:15am, 11:00am, or 1:00pm age 3-5 New Jersey Writers Society Meeting 6:00pm	11  Veteran's Day Library Closed	12 Toddler Time 10:15am or 11:00am age 2 & caregiver Thanksgiving Bookmarks 1:00pm age 3-6 & caregiver Create a Pillow 7:00pm grades 4-8	13	14
15	16 Make & Take Give Thanks Necklace 10:15am or 11:00am age 3-6 & caregiver Mystery Book Group 7:00pm	17 Book Buddies 10:15am, 11:00am, or 1:00pm age 3-5	18 Book Buddies 10:15am, 11:00am, or 6:30pm age 3-5 Wooden Tree Necklace 7:15pm age 6-9 Trustees Meeting 7:00pm	19 Toddler Time 10:15am or 11:00am age 2 & caregiver Book Signing 7:00pm Friends Meeting 8:00pm	20 Microsoft Word for Beginners 9:00am	21
22	23 Interviewing Skills 6:30pm	24 Online registration begins at 10:00am Travel Opportunities with Exploritas 7:00pm	25	26  Thanksgiving Library Closed	27 Library Closed	28
29	30 Lego Play Date 10:30am or 1:00pm age 5-6 & caregiver					

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