

September 2009

Newsletter



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Hours

Monday - Thursday

10am - 9pm

Friday & Saturday

10am - 5pm

Sunday

Noon - 5pm

“Education
is not
preparation
for life;
education is
life itself.”

~John Dewey



September is Library Card Sign-Up Month

September is the time when students go back to school. It is also Library Card Sign-Up Month, a time to remind parents, teachers, and children that a library card is the most important school supply of all.



Studies show that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifetime learning.

The library works to ensure that materials are available at the library for students' research projects and homework assignments.

The library also has many databases that are available at the library or from home with a library card.

Students can also get online tutoring through Homework Help NJ via the library's website.



Live tutors are online ready to help students of every age with homework, skill building and everything in between.

Homework Help NJ can be accessed through the library's website every day from 2:00 p.m.–10:00 p.m.

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

Banned Books Week • September 26 - October 3, 2009

Banned Books Week, Celebrating the Freedom to Read, is observed during the last week of September. This annual event reminds Americans not to take this democratic freedom for granted. BBW celebrates the freedom to choose or the freedom to express one's opinion even if that opinion might be considered unorthodox or unpopular. It stresses the importance of ensuring the availability of those unorthodox or unpopular viewpoints to all who wish to read them.

Ten most farfetched (silliest, irrational, illogical) reasons to ban a book.

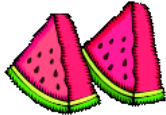
1. "Encourages children to break dishes so they won't have to dry them." (*A Light in the Attic*, by Shel Silverstien)
2. "It caused a wave of rapes." (*Arabian Nights*, or *Thousand and One Nights*, anonymous)
3. "If there is a possibility that something might be controversial, then why not eliminate it?" (*Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee*, by Dee Brown)
4. "Tarzan was 'living in sin' with Jane." (*Tarzan*, by Edgar Rice Burroughs)
5. "It is a real 'downer.'" (*Diary of Anne Frank*, by Anne Frank)
6. "The basket carried by Little Red Riding Hood contained a bottle of wine, which condones the use of 'alcohol.'" (*Little Red Riding Hood*, by The Grimm Brothers)
7. "One bunny is white and the other is black and this 'brainwashes' readers into accepting miscegenation." (*The Rabbit's Wedding*, by Garth Williams)
8. "It is a religious book and public funds should not be used to purchase religious books." (*Evangelical Commentary on the Bible*, by Walter A. Elwell, ed.)
9. "A female dog is called a bitch." (*My Friend Flicka*, by Mary O'Hara)
10. "An unofficial version of the story of Noah's Ark will confuse children." (*Many Waters*, by Madeleine C. L'Engle)

Source: www.ala.org

The library will be closed October 6-9 for a server upgrade.

Kid's Corner

Children will say "Good Bye Summer!" with watermelon fun on the 2nd.



The Philadelphia Zoo's Little Zoo on Wheels will bring "Backyard Bandits" to the library for 2 shows on the 24th. At



9:15 (before the library opens) there will be a show for 3-6 year olds and their caregivers. At

11:00 there will be a special show just for 2 year olds and their caregivers.

With the end of summer comes the return of Book Buddies, Toddler Time, Make and Takes, Tummy Yummies, and Early Birds.

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.

Online registration for October children's programs begins on Tuesday, September 29th at 10:00 a.m.

Children's Book Sale

September 14-20



All Books \$1

All books are used, donated books.

A Message from the Board of Trustees

New Library Update

On August 26, Council granted preliminary approval for the lease/purchase of the EIRC building. The final vote on this ordinance is scheduled for September 9.

The agreement with the EIRC is the result of many months of hard work by the Library Board of Trustees, and especially Board President Mike Allen.

The library can purchase the EIRC building utilizing the projected library income, requiring no additional funds from township residents.

The library hopes to be in the larger facility in the fall of next year.



Sometimes you will not be able to find the book or periodical you need in the Margaret Heggan Library or any of the other libraries that are members of LOGIN. If an item is not available in these libraries, you can use JerseyCat, New Jersey's statewide virtual catalog and interlibrary loan system to request a loan from other libraries throughout New Jersey. Nearly 800 libraries participate in JerseyCat which makes available over 4 million items.

If a title cannot be located in any of the libraries in New Jersey, we utilize other services provided by the New Jersey State Library in Trenton which puts us in touch with over 200 million books and periodicals throughout the nation.

Recent upgrades to JerseyCat have made searching for and requesting books easier.

JerseyCat can be accessed through the library's website, www.hegganlibrary.org, by clicking on the JerseyCat logo at the bottom of the page.

Introducing LibraryThing for Libraries

Have you read all the books by your favorite author?

Would you like to find books that are similar by other authors?

Did you like the book that you just finished reading?

Do you want to read something similar?

Would you like to share what you thought about it with others?

Finding books similar to those you have read is now much easier using the *LibraryThing for Libraries* service in the library catalog.

When you view the item information for most books in the library catalog, you will see a list of similar books listed under "Similar Books," located below the book's description and library holding information.

A tag cloud located below the "Similar Books" list is where you can view a list of tags that categorize the book. Click on a tag to find books on the same topic or that have similar themes.

You can also see and add reviews of books, audiobooks, CDs and DVDs that appear in the library catalog. Each title will have a link to add a review.

For more information and instructions about *LibraryThing for Libraries* go to www.login-libraries.org.

The list of similar books and the tags are the result of the collective efforts of the 280,000+ members of *LibraryThing*, a social networking website for people who love books. It is used to catalog members' book collections, swap reading suggestion, and more.

Do you know someone with low vision who would like to use the library?

The library is taking part in a trial program of a small portable magnifier called the MonoMouse.

The MonoMouse works by simply plugging it in to your television and scrolling the mouse over the text. It is designed to allow people who have sight difficulties to read any book.

Please ask a librarian or call the library for more information.

Fall Computer Classes

Computer Basics

Friday, September 18
9:00 a.m.

Learn how to identify parts of the computer, control the mouse and define some basic computer terms.

Internet for Beginners

Friday, September 25
9:00 a.m.

Learn how to identify and locate some popular websites, define basic internet terms and evaluate websites for reliability. You must be comfortable using a mouse!

Web-based Email

Friday, October 2
9:00 a.m.

Learn about free web-based email. Participants will sign up for a Yahoo! mail account. You must be comfortable using a mouse!

Class sizes are limited and open to Margaret Heggan Library cardholders only. Registration is accepted in person or by phone, 589-3334, x22.

Library Displays in September

Main Display Case

Turtles

Main Display

African American Writers
The Ethnic Experience

Adult Display

Planning for College
Banned Books Week

Check-Out Desk Display
Dinosaurs



**Wednesday,
September 30**
1:00-2:00 p.m.

Resume Workshop Webinar

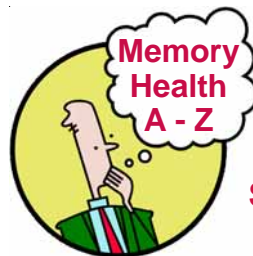
Resume expert and author Barbara Safani will present this workshop via webinar. Job seekers can participate in it at the library.

Ms. Safani, owner of Career Solvers, will teach attendees how to write an effective resume that gets attention—and interviews.

The Resume Workshop will cover:

- Writing a powerful profile and skills summary.
- Transforming a list of job tasks into success stories.
- Leveraging education and internships.
- Using resume design templates.

This program is open to everyone. Advance online registration is required.



**Wednesday,
September 30**
7:00 p.m.

Feeling forgetful lately? You're not alone. Many people notice greater difficulty remembering names, appointments, and other details. Join us as Tanya McKeown of Kennedy Health System helps us take a look at ways to improve our memory health from A to Z.

This program is open to everyone. Advance online registration is required.



Starting Out, Starting Over

Making a Positive
Career Change

Wed., October 14
6:30 p.m.

Do you find it necessary to make a career change? Learn the skills needed to compete in today's job market.

This seminar is presented by business trainer and consultant, Robert Marino.

This program is open to everyone. Advance online registration is required.

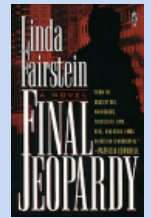
Book Discussion Groups

The library currently offers two book discussion groups that you can join to share camaraderie and a love of books.

Mystery Book Group

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

On September 21, the group will discuss *Final Jeopardy* by Linda Fairstein, a brilliant novel of shocking realism, powerful insight, and searing suspense. No one knows the inner workings of the D.A.'s office like Linda Fairstein, renowned for two decades as head of Manhattan Sex Crimes Unit.



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

Adult Book Group

The adult book discussion group meets on the first Thursday of the month at 1:30 p.m.

On September 3, *A History of the Wife* by Marilyn Zalom will be discussed.

A History of the Wife is a provocative and comprehensive study of how marriage has affected the lives of women from the earliest days of civilization to the 21st century.



On October 1, *Welcome to the World, Baby Girl* by Fannie Flagg, will be discussed.


Welcome to the World, Baby Girl is the story of Dena Nordstrom, a rising network TV anchorwoman in '70s Manhattan, whose future is full of promise, whose present is rich with complications, and whose past is clouded by mystery.

Please register online or call the library for more information.



September

@ the Margaret E. Heggan Free Public Library

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Labor Day Library Closed	Book Buddies 10:15am, 11:00am, or 1:00pm age 3-5	Book Buddies 10:15am, 11:00am, or 6:30pm age 3-5	Toddler Time 10:15am or 11:00am age 2 & caregiver Book Group 1:30pm		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	Make & Take Paper Plate Horse 10:15am or 11:00am ages 3-6 & caregiver Children's Book Sale September 14-20	Book Buddies 10:15am, 11:00am, or 1:00pm age 3-5	Book Buddies 10:15am, 11:00am, or 6:30pm age 3-5 Trustees Meeting 7:00pm	Toddler Time 10:15am or 11:00am age 2 & caregiver Friends Meeting 7:00pm	Computer Basics 9:00am	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Make & Take Squirrel Magnet 11:00am or 1:00pm ages 3-6 & caregiver Mystery Book Group 7:00pm	Book Buddies 10:15am, 11:00am, or 1:00pm age 3-5	Book Buddies 10:15am, 11:00am, or 6:30pm age 3-5	Little Zoo on Wheels "Backyard Bandits" 9:15am ages 3-6 & caregiver Little Zoo on Wheels "Tiny Tots" 11:00am age 2 & a caregiver	Internet for Beginners 9:00am	
27	28	29	30			
	Media Sale September 28- October 4 Early Bird 9:30am ages 3-5 & caregiver/family style <i>Bring a spoon!</i>	Online registration for October children's & teen's programs begins at 10am	Yummy Tummies 10:00am, 11:00am, or 1:00pm age 3-6 & caregiver Memory Health A - Z 7:00pm			

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