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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.

"Libraries are community treasure chests, loaded with a wealth of information available to everyone equally, and the key to that treasure chest is the library card. I have found the most valuable thing in my wallet is my library card."

~Laura Bush

Heggan Happenings

MARGARET E. HEGGAN FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

The State of America's Libraries

The American Library Association (ALA) issued the State of America's Libraries report for 2019 during National Library Week.

Never have our nation's libraries played such a pivotal role in strengthening communities through education and lifelong learning. Libraries are a microcosm of the larger society. They play an important and unique role in the communities they serve and provide an inclusive environment where all are treated with respect and dignity. No longer just places for books, our public libraries serve as a lifeline for some of our nation's most vulnerable communities. From community-wide issues as illiteracy, homelessness and community silos, our nation's public libraries are acting as catalysts in fostering community-wide solutions that strengthen communities.

Some of the findings showed attendance at free public programs in libraries is up. Libraries offer opportunities for everyone and, in many cases, a safe place.

Libraries are community partners and respond to community needs. Today's libraries provide resources and expert guidance to help parents and caregivers advance children's literacy and boost early learning, which have extensive academic and economic impacts.



The complete report can be found at www.ala.org/news/state-americas-libraries-report-2019.

May is Mystery Month

Are you a fan of mysteries?

The library has a Mystery Book

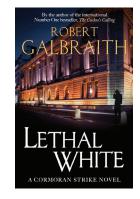
Discussion Group which meets on the third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. In May, they will be discussing *Lethal White* by Robert Galbraith.

The library also offers two other book discussions each month. Novel Mornings meets one Thursday each month at 11:30 a.m. to discuss popular adult fiction. Catch Up with the Classics

meets at 7:00 p.m. one Tuesday evening each month to discuss classic literature

These discussions are free and open to everyone. Advance online or phone registration is requested.

Please visit our online calendar for more information.



KIDS' CORNER

Here are the regular monthly activities Laura has planned:

Mother Goose on the Loose Storytime –

ages 6–36 months, with parents and/or caregivers. Mondays, 10:15 a.m. & 11:15 a.m., and Thursdays, 10:15 a.m.



Preschool Storytime -

ages 3–5, with parents and/or caregivers. Tuesdays, 1:15 p.m.

Family Storytime -

ages 6 month–6 years, with parents and/or caregivers. Every other Friday, 10:15 a.m.

Pajama Storytime -

ages 6 months–6 years, with parents and/or caregivers. Every fourth Wednesday night, 6:30 p.m.

LEGO Club – ages 5–11. Every other Thursday, 4:30 p.m.

Unless noted, advance online registration is required for children's programs and is limited to Heggan Library cardholders. For more information and to register, go to Programs and Events at www.hegganlibrary.org.

S.M.I.L.E.

The pets from FURever as Friends will be here on Thursday, May 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.



THE TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

@ Margaret E. Heggan Free Public Library presents:

TEEN CUISINE

Wednesday, May 15 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Celebrate the season with scrumptious, healthy snacks.

JACKBOX GAME NIGHT

Wednesday, May 29 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Come play Jackbox Party Pack 3 in celebration of Trivia Murder Party 2!

These programs are open to Heggan Library cardholder Teens only. Advance registration is required. www.hegganlibrary.org to register.



Stuck on that project?

Don't know how to start that essay?

Need a boost over your writer's block?

Come to Teen Homework Haven at the Heggan Library! Available in May on the following dates: May 1, 8, 14, 21, and 28 from

5:00-7:00 p.m. in the Teen Area.

CALLING ALL TEENS!

Teens are invited to join the Teen Advisory Board

Meetings on May 18 and 19 from 2:00–3:00 p.m

We are looking for teens to assist us in selecting books, creating teen displays, and planning fun events at the library.

If you are interested, join us May 18 or 19 at 2:00 p.m.

Video Game Night @ the Library

Monday, May 13 • 6:30 p.m. Let's Play Starship Titanic!



This wacky point and click adventure is sure to bring the laughs and head scratchers.

Stareship Titanic is not rated by the ESRB but can be considered T for Teen.

Monday, June 24 • 6:30 p.m.

The 4th Annual

Super Smash Brothers Summer Tournament!

Super Smash Brothers Ultimate is rated by the ESRB as E10+ for Everyone age 10 and up for cartoon violence, comic mischief, and 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 registration is required. Please call the library or go to Programs and Events at www.hegganlibrary.org to register.

COMIC LAB

Monday, May 6 • 6:00 p.m.

Learn how to create a comic book from start to finish.

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

Minecraft Night

May 20 • 6:30 p.m. Let's Build Spaceships!

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



Costume Jewelry Sale

May 10-12

during regular library hours

Most items – \$1.00

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library



is now available on



Favorite programs from BBC, including Call the Midwife, Coupling, Upstairs Downstairs, Little Britain, and more, are now available on hoopla!

Hoopla allows patrons to instantly borrow digital movies, music, ebooks, audiobooks, TV shows, comics, and more.

Hoopla can be accessed on the library website. Please speak with a librarian for assistance.

Blood Drive

June 10 • 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.

Connect with the librarywherever you are













DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day

On April 25, 2019, Emily, Jakob, Lucas, and Wesley participated in Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day. This celebration began in 1993 and it encourages children to start thinking about their futures, introduces children to work opportunities, and gives children an educational experience outside of school. The group helped with the following tasks:

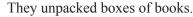






They gathered books and set up a book display.







They checked out books.



They made poppies for a display.



They helped at Storytime.

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Stop the Bleed Thursday, May 2 • 6:30 p.m.

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

Comic Lab: Super Heroes! Monday, May 6 • 6:00 p.m.

Librarian by Appointment Tuesdays, May 7 or 14 • 5:30 p.m.

Managing Pregnancy Complications Tuesday, May 7 • 6:30 p.m.

Introduction to Microsoft Word Tuesday, May 7 • 6:30 p.m.

Fairy Gardens are for Everyone Wednesday, May 8 • 7:00 p.m. Open to Heggan Library cardholders only.

Video Game Night: Let's Play Starship Titanic! Monday, May 13 • 6:30 p.m.

New Jersey State Parks Thursday, May 16 • 7:00 p.m.

Chanty Jong: Cambodian Genocide Survivor Wednesday, May 22 • 6:30 p.m.

Helping Animals: Action Beats Intention Thursday, June 6 • 7:00 p.m.

Self-Care Class: Ways to Replenish Body & Mind Wednesday, June 12 • 7:00 p.m.

Video Game Night: Super Smash Brothers Summer Tournament! Monday, June 24 • 7:00 p.m.

Peace Starts with You and Me: A Man's Quest for Peace Across the Globe Thursday, June 26 • 7:00 p.m.

These events are free and open to everyone, unless otherwise noted. Advance online or phone registration is required. Please go to www.hegganlibrary.org or call the library to register.

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 write, share, and be inspired.

Novel Mornings

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

May 2

The Buffalo Soldier by Chris Bohjalian

June 6

The Weight of Blood by Lauro McHugh

Mystery Book Discussion

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

May 20

Lethal White by Robert Galbraith

June 17

Magpie Murders by Anthony Horowitz

Catch Up with the Classics

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

May 21

Mrs. Dalloway by Virginia Woolf

June 25

The War of the Worlds by H.G. Wells

These events are free and open to everyone.

Advance online or phone registration is required.

Please go to Programs and Events at

www.hegganlibrary.org or call the library to register.

COMPUTER AND TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

Introduction to Microsoft Word Tuesday, May 7 • 6:30 p.m.

This class is free and open to everyone.

Advance registration is required. Please call the library, 856-589-3334, or go to Programs and Events at www.hegganlibrary.org to register.



The library will be closed on Monday, May 27, in observance of Memorial Day.