

October 2016



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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.

*After dark,
library
sprites fly
through
author
spirits
with
fluttering
inky wings.*

~Terri Guillemets

Heggan Happenings

MARGARET E. HEGGAN FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

Reading Champions



We had a fun time at the library this summer. Our summer theme was “On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!”

There were so many activities for children to get them moving and learning about being healthy during the summer.

The library offered 132 programs for children which were attended by 3,157 people.

There was also a lot of reading going on this summer. Children read 1,990 books.

The library welcomed 381 new library members in June, July, and August.

National Reading Group Month

October is National Reading Group Month. It's a great time to check out one, two, or all three of the reading groups that meet in the library each month.

If you're a fan of mysteries, the Mystery Book Group meets on the third Monday each month at 6:30 p.m.

Catch Up With the Classics one Tuesday each month at 6:30 p.m.

Discuss popular fiction at Novel Mornings which meets one Thursday each month at 11:30 a.m.

For information about the books that will be discussed each month, please see the back page of this newsletter.

These discussions are open to everyone. Advance online or phone registration is required.

Celebrate Indie Author Day

Join us on Saturday, October 8, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. to celebrate Indie Author Day.

Meet local independent authors and enjoy a panel discussion about the writing and publishing process. Refreshments will be served.

The panel discussion will be moderated by Laura J. Kaighn.

This event is sponsored by the New Jersey Writers Resource Group, which meets in the library on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

KIDS' CORNER

While your older kids are in Lego League with Mrs. Alexander, join us for Mrs. Kramer's Corner at 4:15 p.m. on October 26 and learn about all the latest picture books the library has to offer.

The dogs and cats from FURever as Friends will be here to listen to children read on October 6 and 20 at 6:30 p.m. The pets will be in costume and there will be snacks on the 20th for a special Howl-o-ween Party. Open to everyone. Please call or visit the library to register.

Join us on October 12 at 1:30 p.m. for Abrakadoodle, a youth art class for children ages 5-10.

Mr. Malcolm will be here on October 15 at 11:00 a.m. for a Halloween Special. Feel free to wear your costume.

There will be a Halloween Costume Parade for all ages on October 31 at 11:00 a.m. We'll supply the bags so you can Trick or Treat around the library after the parade.

There are many other fun activities planned throughout the month. Please check our calendar of events on the library website or pick up a calendar in the library to see more events.

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.

Halloween Themed Tween Cooking Club

For ages 9-12

September 28 • 6:30 p.m.

Advance online registration is required. Open to Heggan Library cardholders only.



A Very Harry Potter Halloween

For Heggan cardholders in grades 5-12

**Wednesday, October 26
6:30 p.m.**

Put on your best wizard wear and join us at the library for some spooky Halloween fun!

Advance online registration is required.

Teen Halloween Video Game Night Batman: Arkham Knight

**Monday, October 31
6:30 p.m.**

For teens ages 12 and up only.
Advance online registration required.

Mrs. Kramer's Corner

October 26 • 4:15 p.m.

Join Mrs. Kramer in the Children's Library and discover the latest picture books the library has to offer!

For ages 3 and up, plus a caregiver;
advance online registration required.

American Girl Book Club

for students in grades 1-5

**October 12 • 6:30 p.m.
Meet Molly**

**November 16 • 6:30 p.m.
Kit Learns a Lesson**

Join us for this book club to discuss an American Girl book, enjoy a snack and make a craft.

Open to Heggan Library cardholders only. Advance online registration is required. Please go to Programs and Events at www.hegganlibrary.org to register.

Board Game Night

**Monday, October 3
6:30 p.m.**

Terrifying Trivia

**Monday, November 7
6:30 p.m.**

Settlers of Catan

Video Game Night

**Monday, October 24
6:30 p.m.**

Let's Play

Five Nights at Freddy's

Five Nights at Freddy's does not have an official ESRB rating, but can be considered T for Teen.

Special Teen Halloween Video Game Night

**Monday, October 31
6:30 p.m.**

Batman: Arkham Knight

Arkham Knight is rated by ESRB as M for Mature, for blood, violence, and suggestive themes.

**Monday, November 28
6:30 p.m.**

Let's Play

Sonic Generations

Sonic Generations is rated by the ESRB as E for Everyone for cartoon violence.

Game nights are open to everyone—adults and children. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. 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

October 17 • 6:30 p.m.

Let's Build a Haunted House

November 14 • 6:30 p.m.

Let's Build the Mayflower

Players will work in teams. For all ages. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Advance registration required.

National Friends of Libraries Week

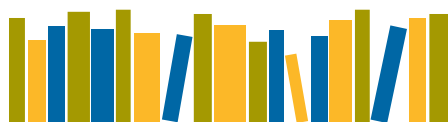
October 16–22, 2016

The Friends of the Margaret E. Heggan Free Public Library is a 501(c)(3) organization that supports the library through fundraising and advocacy.

The Friends of the Library raise money through book sales, jewelry sales, and other fundraisers.

Recently, the Friends purchased two new computers for the Children's Library, the statue of two kids on a bench in front of the library, and donated funds for the library's new flagpole.

The Friends meet on the fourth Thursday of every month and welcome new members. Membership applications are available in the library.



Friends of the Margaret E. Heggan Free Public Library

Blood Drive

Wednesday, November 9
2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Appointments are preferred. Please call **1-800 Red Cross** or sign up online at **redcrossblood.org**.

Enter sponsor code
Margaret E. Heggan.

National Novel Writing Month

Comic Jam

November 21 • 6:00 p.m.

Come with an idea—
leave with a comic book.

For all ages. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Advance registration required.

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

In September 2016, the Pew Research Center released findings from a telephone survey of 1,601 Americans ages sixteen and older conducted from March 7 to April 4, 2016. They found that most Americans view public libraries as important parts of their communities. Here is a brief summary of some of the results:

- 77% say that public libraries provide them with the resources they need
- 66% say the closing of their local public library would have a major impact on their community
- 64% of library users age sixteen and older checked out a book in the last twelve months
- 53% of Americans age sixteen or older have had some interaction with a public library in the past year.
- 29% used a computer at the library in the last twelve months
- 7% of those sixteen and older have been visited in some way by a librarian in the past twelve months as the idea of an outreach librarian is increasing in popularity

Sheila Mikkelsen, Library Director

Don't be Afraid of Databases

When people hear the word database, many think of pages and pages of lists and numbers. While many databases can be intimidating, the library offers its patrons a number of databases, or online resources, that can be fun as well as informational.

If you want to learn a new language, Mango Languages and Rosetta Stone are both available through the library. Mango offers 72 languages, including Pirate, as well as 19 ESL courses. Rosetta Stone offers courses in 30 languages.

TumbleBooks offers animated, talking picture books which teach kids the joy of reading. It includes storybooks, chapter books, math stories, graphic novels, non-fiction videos, puzzles and games, and language learning books.

NoveList and NoveList K-8 will help you pick out your next book to read. NoveList provides thousands of popular fiction titles and book recommendations as well as author

read-alikes, booklists, and book discussion guides. NoveList K-8 is designed for elementary and middle school students and provides reading recommendations to support the school curriculum as well as pleasure reading.

Is your car acting up? Auto Repair Reference Center can provide you with automotive repair information for most domestic and imported vehicles, including Technical Service Bulletins, wiring diagrams, labor costs and maintenance estimates.

Explora is a searching interface that provides an easy way to do online research on a variety of topics.

LearningExpress Library is an online learning platform of practice tests and computer skills tutorials for students in grade 4 through adults.

These resources can be accessed by going to the Research tab on the library's website. If you need assistance, please speak with a librarian.

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Board Game Night @ the Library
Terrifying Trivia

Monday, October 3 • 6:30 p.m.

Women Justices
of the U.S. Supreme Court
Wednesday, October 5 • 7:00 p.m.

NJWRG's Indie Author Day
Saturday, October 8 • 2:00 p.m.

WWI and American Art
Thursday, October 13 • 7:00 p.m.

Train Your Brain with Exercise
Tuesday, October 18 • 2:00 p.m.

Rosie the Riveter: We Can Do It!
Tuesday, October 18 • 7:00 p.m.

Video Game Night @ the Library
Let's Play Five Nights at Freddy's
Monday, October 24 • 6:30 p.m.

Ladies Night Out:
The Secrets to Wellness for Women
Wednesday, October 26
6:00 p.m. (check in)
6:30 p.m. (discussion and refreshments)

Color Me Happy
Tuesday, November 1 • 7:00 p.m.

Knitting and Crocheting Basics
Saturday, November 5 and 12 • 2:00 p.m.

Board Game Night @ the Library
Settlers of Catan
Monday, November 7 • 6:30 p.m.

Librarian by Appointment
Tuesday, November 8 • 5:30 or 7:00 p.m.

National Novel Writing Month
Comic Jams
Monday, November 21 • 6:00 p.m.

Video Game Night @ the Library
Let's Play Sonic Generations
Monday, November 28 • 6:30 p.m.

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

BOOK DISCUSSIONS AND WRITERS GROUP

NJ Writers Resource Group
meets on the second and fourth Tuesday at
6:30 p.m. Aspiring writers ages 16 and up are
invited to come and write, share and be inspired.

Special Event: Indie Author Day
Saturday, October 8 at 2:00 p.m.

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

October 13
The Boston Girl by Anita Diamant

November 3
The World Below by Sue Miller

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

October 17
A Hole in Juan by Gillian Roberts

November 21
And Then There Were None by Agatha Christie

Catch Up with the Classics
meets one Tuesday each month at 7:00 p.m.

November 15
The Mayor of Casterbridge by Thomas Hardy

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COMPUTER AND TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

Introduction to Excel Data Entry Workshop
Wednesday, October 5 • 10:00 a.m.

Advanced Workshop:
Introduction to Excel Formulas
Wednesday, October 12 • 10:00 a.m.

Introduction to the Internet and Browsers
Workshop
Wednesday, October 19 • 10:00 a.m.

Introduction to Email Workshop
Wednesday, October 26 • 10:00 a.m.

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