Newsletter of Library of The Chathams



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## **Happenings Director's Message**

With dozens of dedicated volunteers and organizers, it takes many months for Friends of the Library to prepare for their annual book sale in March.

But each year the book sale is one of the biggest events, and biggest sources of program funding, that we see at Library of The Chathams.

Last year the book sale brought in nearly \$30,000 and attracted hundreds of visitors from all over New Jersey and neighboring states.

This year's book sale begins on Saturday, March 12 at 9:30 am.

The monies raised from the annual book sale are used for many things, with the largest portion going to support programming for children, teens, and adults at our library.

Each month children's programming attracts thousands of visitors for story times, music, dance, arts and crafts, science, and much more, the majority of which receives support from Friends of the Library.

Summer Reading Clubs for all ages are also in part supported by the Friends' efforts. In the summer of 2015, more than 700 children, dozens of teens, and more than 100 adults signed up for our clubs, reading, reporting on books, and earning prizes.

Thank you Friends of the Library for supporting Library of The Chathams and the community. We hope to see everyone at this vear's book sale!

Karen Brodsky







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Friends of the Library of The Chathams remind you:

The Book Sale begins Saturday, March 12 at 9:30 am and runs through Friday, March 18. Open during regular library hours.

Did you receive your annual appeal letter? Mail back the enclosed card or donate on-line at www.chathamlibrary.org/make-a-donation and support your Friends today!

> Browse new book gifts at chathamlibrary.org or pick up a list at the library.



# **Programs and Events Adult**

#### **MARCH**

#### **Gen Y Networking Group**

Wednesdays, March 2 and 16 - 7 pm

Gen Y Networking Group is a forum dedicated to Generation Y young adults interested in job search, networking, and career development.

#### Friends of the Library Book Sale

Saturday, March 12 through Friday, March 18 -

Open during regular library hours

Thousands of books from all genres! All proceeds benefit Library of The Chathams.



#### Notable Women of New Jersey Panel

Wednesday, March 23 - 8 pm Registration is required

In celebration of Women's History Month, a panel of accomplished women from New Jersey will share their stories. See back page for details. *Refreshments provided by Friends of the Library* 



Oxford's Very Short
Introductions offer
concise introductions to
a wide range of subjects
- from Islam to Sociology,
Politics to Classics, and
Literary Theory to
History. Every Very Short
Introduction gives a
readable summary of the
subject in question,
demonstrating how it has
developed and
influenced society.

Funded by Friends of the Library - come check them out!

### TALKING BOOK PROGRAM

Do you know someone who is visually impaired but would love access to books?

Friends of the Library of The Chathams offers services to the visually impaired, and people with a physical impairment or reading disability, through the State Library's Talking Book & Braille Center. Enjoy audio books delivered to your door. An audio book player may be provided on loan. Call 973-635-0603 or stop by to inquire.

#### Book Group: The Nightingale

Wednesday, March 30 - 1 pm

This month the library book group will be discussing *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah. Everyone is invited to attend. You may reserve a copy of the book at the Information Desk.

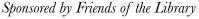
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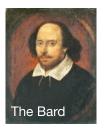
#### **APRIL**

#### Play: Twelfth Night

Saturday, April 2 - 1 pm

The Hudson Shakespeare Company will perform this Shakespeare classic live in the library. Registration is required and available online or by calling 973-635-0603.





#### **Drew Art Show Reception**

Sunday, April 3 - 2:15 to 4 pm

Works will remain on display throughout April in the Lundt Meeting Room. All are welcome to attend. Sponsored by Friends of the Library

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Wednesdays, April 6 and 20 - 7 pm

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## **Iridology and Your Health with Dr. Stone** Saturday, April 9 - 2 pm

Dr. William Stone of Chatham is a chiropractor, certified nutritional consultant, and iridologist. He will speak about iridology, an alternative medicine technique which can determine systematic health by observing patterns, colors and other characteristics of the iris.

#### WWW.CHATHAMLIBRARY.ORG

## March 2016 Programs ADULT (A) TEEN (T) CHILDREN (C)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Storytime 10, 10:30 am (C) BYO Device Instruction By appt. (A)	2 VITA Tax Assistance 10 am - 2 pm (A) Gen Y Network Group 7 pm (A)	3 * Yoga Storytime 10, 10:45 am (C) Blood Pressure 10 am - 12 pm (A) Leprechaun Hat 4 pm (C)	4	5 Storytime 11 am (C)
6	7 Storytime 9:45 am 10:15 am 11 am (C)	8 Storytime 10, 10:30 am (C)	9 VITA Tax Assistance 10 am - 2 pm (A)	10 * Music with Carolyn Dempsey 10, 10:45 am (C) Leprechaun Hat 4 pm (C)	11	12 Friends of the Library Book Sale Mar 12-18 Storytime 11 am (C)
13 Friends of the Library Book Sale <i>Mar 12-18</i>	14 Book Sale Storytime 9:45, 10:15, 11 am (C)	15 Book Sale Storytime 10, 10:30 am (C) BYO Device Instruction By appt. (A)	16 Book Sale VITA Tax Asst. 10 am - 2 pm (A) Read to Therapy Dogs 4 pm (C) Gen Y Network Group 7 pm (A)	17 Book Sale  *Miss Carol Dance 10, 10:45 am (C)  Easter Peeps 4 pm (C)	18 Book Sale	19 Storytime 11 am (C)
20	21	22	23 VITA Tax Asst. 10 am - 2 pm (A) Notable Women of NJ Panel 8 pm (A)	24 * Bob Conrad Magic & Puppets 10, 10:45 am (C) Easter Peeps 4 pm (C) My Movie Night 7 pm (A)	25 Good Friday Library Closed	26
27 Easter Library Closed	28 Storytime 9:45, 10:15, 11 am (C) ShopRite Nutrition: Muffins 4 pm (C)	29 Storytime 10, 10:30, 11 am (C)	30 Jungle Gym Jam 10 am (C) VITA Tax Asst. 10 am - 2 pm (A) Book Group 1 pm (A)	31 Kid Crafts 10, 10:45 (C) Teen Advisory Group: Gr 6-12 7-8 pm (T)		
*	Event	Next	Door	At	St. Paul's	Church

## April 2016 Programs ADULT (A) TEEN (T) CHILDREN (C)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Video Game Club: Gr 6-12 3-4:30 pm (T)	2 Storytime 11 am (C) Shakespeare Play: Twelfth Night 1 pm (A)
3 Drew Art Show Reception 2:15 pm (A)	4 Storytime 9:45, 10:15, 11 am (C) ShopRite Nutrition: Earth Day 4 pm (C)	5 Storytime 10, 10:30, 11 am (C) BYO Device Instruction By appt. (A) Poetry Collage 4 pm (C)	6 VITA Tax Assistance 10 am - 2 pm (A) Gen Y Network Group 7 pm (A)	7 Yoga Storytime 10, 10:45 am (C) Blood Pressure 10 am–12 pm (A) T-Shirt Pillow 4 pm (C) My Movie Night 7 pm (A)	8 Video Game Club: Gr 6-12 3-4:30 pm (T)	9 Storytime 11 am (C) Iridology Lecture Dr. William Stone 2 pm (A)
10	11 Storytime 9:45, 10:15, 11 am (C) Art For Kids 10 am (C) Creative Writing 2 pm (T)	12 Storytime 10,10:30, 11 am (C) Art For Kids 10 am (C) Legopalooza 2:30 pm (C) Poetry Collage 4 pm (C)	13 Art For Kids 10 am (C) VITA Tax Asst. 10 am - 2 pm (A) Creative Writing 2 pm (T)	14 Kid Crafts 10, 10:45 am (C) Art For Kids 10 am (C) Creative Writing 2 pm (T) T-Shirt Pillow 4 pm (C)	15 Art For Kids 10 am (C) Arcade: Old & New Video Games 3-5:30 pm (All Ages)	16 Storytime 11 am (C) Arcade 9:30 am - 4:30 pm (All Ages) Super Smash Bros Tournament 2 pm (All Ages)
17 Arcade: Old & New Video Games 2 - 4:30 pm (All Ages)	18 Storytime 9:45, 10:15, 11 am (C)	19 Storytime 10, 10:30, 11 am (C) BYO Device Instruction By appt. (A) Let's Bloom Together 4 pm (C)	20 Read to Therapy Dogs 4 pm (C) Gen Y Network Group 7 pm (A)	21 Miss Carol Dance 10, 10:45 am (C) T-Shirt Pillow 4 pm (C) Teen Advisory Group: Gr 6-12 7-8 pm (T)	22 Video Game Club: Gr 6-12 3-4:30 pm (T)	23 Storytime 11 am (C)
24	25 Storytime 9:45, 10:15, 11 am (C)	26 Storytime 10, 10:30, 11 am (C)	27 Book Group A Thousand Acres 1 pm (A)	28 Bob Conrad Magic & Puppets 10, 10:45 am (C) Family Movie Night 7 pm (All Ages)	29 Video Game Club: Gr 6-12 3-4:30 pm (T)	30 Storytime 11 am (C) Poetry Reading: Jane Rawlings 2 pm (A)



## BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS First Thursday of the month - 10 am to noon

#### **Arcade: Old and New Video Games**

Friday, April 15 - 3 to 5:30 pm Saturday, April 16 - 9:30 to 4:30 pm Sunday, April 17 - 2 to 4:30 pm

Come play some of your favorite old school

games or show your kids what video games were like back in the day! There will be many systems set up to play, from original



Atari, Nintendo, and Sega consoles to newer systems like WiiU.

In Memory of Alexander Butta

#### Super Smash Bros Tournament!

Saturday, April 16 - 2 pm All Ages Limit: 32 people Registration opens on Monday, April 4 Compete in this tournament for Wii U! First place will receive a \$25 gift card to GameStop. Sponsored by Friends of the Library

#### **Book Group:** A Thousand Acres

Wednesday, April 27 - 1 pm

This month the library book group will be discussing *A Thousand Acres* by Jane Smiley. Everyone is invited to attend. You may reserve a copy of the book at the Information Desk. *Refreshments provided by Friends of the Library* 

#### **VITA PROGRAM**

Every Wednesday from March 2 to April 13 10 am to 2 pm

Through the Volunteer Income Tax
Assistance (VITA) program, IRS-certified
volunteers provide free basic income tax
return preparation with electronic filing
to qualified individuals.

Space is limited. Registration required by calling 973-635-0603 or stopping by the front desk.

#### **Poetry Reading by Jane Rawlings**

Saturday, April 30 - 2 pm

In celebration of National Poetry Month, Jane Rawlings, author of *The Penelopeia*, will read from her work. Her poems have appeared in *The New York Times, Prairie Schooner*, and other publications. *Refreshments provided by Friends of the Library* 

### **Programs and Events** Teen

All Teen Programs and Events sponsored by Friends of the Library

#### **MARCH**

#### **Teen Advisory Group**

Thursday, March 31-7 to 8 pm Grades 6 to 12

Earn volunteer time while discussing the library's plans for a new teen room, programs, your favorite books, movies and more! Snacks will be served.

#### **APRIL**

#### Video Game Club

Fridays, April 1, 8, 22 and 29 - 3 to 4:30 pm Grades 6 to 12

Stop by to play Mario Kart, Super Smash Bros, and more!

#### **Creative Writing**

Monday, April 11; Wednesday, April 13; Thursday, April 14 - 2 to 3:30 pm Grades 6 to 12 Limit: 12 students Registration opens on Monday, March 28 Get ahead of the college admissions process by practicing your essay skills now! Union County College writing instructor Tom Cantillon will lead this three day workshop for high schoolers.

#### **Teen Advisory Group**

Thursday, April 21 - 7 to 8 pm Grades 6 to 12

Earn volunteer time while discussing the library's plans for a new teen room, programs, your favorite books, movies and more! Snacks will be served.



# **Programs and Events Children**

All Children's Programs and Events sponsored by Friends of the Library

#### **MARCH**

#### Make a Leprechaun Hat With Miss Polly

Thursdays, March 3 and 10 - 4 to 5 pm Ages 6 & Up Limit: 8 children Registration opens Monday, February 22 Sew a felt leprechaun hat and wear it home in this 2 week class with Miss Polly!

#### **Read Aloud to Therapy Dogs**

Wednesday, March 16 - 4 to 5 pm Grades K & Up

Sit down and read your favorite book to a gentle and loving therapy dog certified by St. Hubert's.



#### **Easter Peeps With Miss Polly**

Thursdays, March 17 and 24 - 4 to 5 pm Ages 6 & Up Limit: 8 children Registration opens Monday, February 29 Stitch a stuffed Easter Peep, sweet enough to hug but not to eat, in this 2 week class with Miss Polly!



#### **ShopRite Nutrition: Muffins in March**

Monday, March 28 - 4 to 5 pm Ages 5 to 8 Limit: 15 children Registration opens Monday, March 7

You may have had a blueberry muffin before, but what about a zucchini muffin? Ever thought of putting pumpkin into your muffins? ShopRite dietitian Monica will teach about alternative ideas and provide samples of each type of muffin.

## Jason Didner and the Jungle Gym Jam

Wednesday, March 30 10 to 10:45 am Ages 3 to 7 Stop by for this great interactive musical performance!



For preschool aged children...

## EVERY THURSDAY IS LIBRARY DAY!

Choose either 10 - 10:30 am or 10:45 - 11:15 am No registration required

Yoga Storytime
March 3\*, April 7
Music with Carolyn Dempsey
March 10\*
Miss Carol Dance
March 17\*, April 21

March 24\*, April 28

Kid Crafts

March 31, April 14

\*Held next door at St. Paul's Church

#### **APRIL**

#### **ShopRite Nutrition: Earth Day Celebration**

Monday, April 4 - 4 to 5 pm

Ages 5 to 8 Limit: 15 Children

Registration opens Monday, March 21 Join Monica Hansen, dietitian from ShopRite in Chatham, for this special class where children will learn how plants grow, make a healthy recipe, and plant their own seeds!

#### Found Poetry Collage With Miss Polly

Tuesdays, April 5 and 12 - 4 to 5 pm Ages 9+ Limit: 8 children Registration opens Monday, March 28 It's National Poetry Month! Write your own poem and make a collage using words and pictures cut from old books and magazines.

#### **Old T-Shirt Pillow With Miss Polly**

Thursdays, April 7, 14, and 21 - 4 to 5 pm Ages 6+ Limit: 8 children Registration opens Monday, March 28 Bring in your clean, outgrown, child-sized t-shirt to stitch a fun, decorative pillow.

#### **Art For Kids**

Monday, April 11 to Friday, April 15 - 10 to 11 am Grades 1 to 5 Limit: 15 children Registration opens Monday, March 28

A week-long series of art classes taught by Tom Cantillon, an art and creative writing teacher from Union County Community College.

#### LEGOPALOOZA!

Tuesday, April 12 - 2:30 to 4 pm All Ages

Build your own LEGO creation from our enormous collection of Legos. All creations will be put on display in the Children's Room.



#### Let's Bloom Together

Tuesday, April 19 - 4 to 4:45 pm Limit: 30 Children Registration opens Monday, April 4 Learn all about compost in this fun

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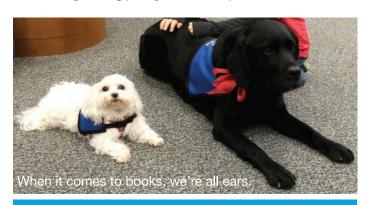
CHECK OUT...INSTRUMENTS!

Did you know you can check out musical instruments? Inquire at the front desk.

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Wednesday, April 20 - 4 to 5 pm Grades K & Up

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## SPRING BREAK KIDS AND YA PICKS

Planning to travel, or enjoy a nice "staycation" at home, and looking for some entertainment to fill the time? Give these audiobooks and movies a try!

Kids Audiobooks (also available as books)

The Cat in the Hat

by Dr. Seuss

Ling and Ting Share a Birthday

by Grace Lin

Beezus and Ramona

by Beverly Cleary

Frindle

by Andrew Clements

YA Audiobooks (also available as books)

The Book Thief

by Markus Zusak

The Fault in Our Stars

by John Green

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone

by J.K. Rowling *Hatchet*by Gary Paulsen

Movies

The Book of Life
Despicable Me 1 & 2
Minions
Inside Out
Song of The Sea
Star Wars Episodes I-VI

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# **Featured Program Notable Women of NJ**

On Wednesday, March 23 at 8 pm you will have a chance to hear the stories of some of the state's most accomplished women, including:

- Irene Chang Britt immediate past President of Pepperidge Farm Inc. and former Global Chief Strategy Officer for Campbell Soup Co., she is currently a director of Dunkin' Brands Group Inc. and The Men's Wearhouse Inc.
- Assemblywoman Nancy F. Muñoz representative of the 21st legislative district, which includes 16 towns in Morris, Essex, Somerset, and Union counties, since 2009
- Paula Wiseman VP and Publisher of Paula Wiseman Books, an imprint of Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing
- **JoJo Starbuck** competed in the 1972 Olympics in pairs skating and currently directs Starbuck & Company, a special events group centered on ice skating

Pre-registration required. Students and adults welcome. Sign-up online or call 973-635-0603. Refreshments provided by Friends of the Library



Notable Women of New Jersey with special connections to Chatham (clockwise):
Irene Chang Britt, Nancy F. Muñoz,

Paula Wiseman, and JoJo Starbuck