

BOOKENDS

Newsletter of
Library of The Chathams

November - December 2017



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Will You Vote?

In response to your letters to our elected officials, a ballot measure will include the following public question in the November 7, 2017 general election.

NEW JERSEY LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION BOND ACT

Do you approve the “New Jersey Library Construction Bond Act?” This bond act authorizes the State to issue bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$125 million. The proceeds of the bonds will be used to provide grants to public libraries. The grants will be used to build, equip, and expand public libraries to increase capacity and serve the public.

Library of The Chathams is working on plans for an RMR Project to Renovate, Modernize and Reorganize our existing building. If New Jersey residents vote in favor of the Library Construction Act, proceeds from the bonds could be used to provide partial funding for the project.

Visit Friends of the Library at www.chatlib.org/friends for more information about how the Library Construction Bond Act would benefit Chatham residents.

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HOLIDAY BOOK SALE

Saturday, December 2
11 am to 2 pm

Friends of the Library will hold their annual Holiday Book Sale for one day only. Browse the wonderful selection of holiday books, children's hardcover picture books, cookbooks and gift books.

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

Connect with us!



Programs and Events

Adult

NOVEMBER

Gen Y Networking Group

Wednesdays, November 1 & 15 - 7 pm

All are welcome to attend this forum dedicated to Generation Y young adults interested in job search, networking, and career development.

Financial Life Planning for the "Sandwich Generation"

Wednesday, November 1 - 7:30 pm

Tom Furda, a certified financial planner at Financial Life Focus, will present a workshop for adults aged 40 to 60 who support children and aging parents. Topics will include: how one's financial life is impacted in this situation; understanding financial planning considerations; stimulating communication between generations; knowing what questions to ask; and where to find assistance and helpful resources. Pre-registration is requested. ♦

The Old Asylum and Other Stories with Wheeler Antabanez

Thursday, November 2 - 7 pm

Author Wheeler Antabanez will read from his recent book, *The Old Asylum and Other Stories*, inspired by his exploration of the abandoned Overbrook Asylum in Cedar Grove, New Jersey. The author is best known for the *Weird NJ* special issue *Nightshade on the Passaic* and his underground classic *gasstationthoughts*. Pre-registration is requested. ♦



Wheeler Antabanez

Art Show Featuring Waterworks

Opening reception

Sunday, November 5 - 2:15 to 4 pm

Waterworks Artists will show their watercolor floral and landscape paintings through November.

Reception sponsored by Friends of the Library



Painting by Frank Vondervor

Spanish Conversation Group

Wednesday, November 8 - 7 pm

Would you like to improve your Spanish language skills? Native speakers Maria José Suarez and Andrea Plitt moderate this discussion group. ♦

Query Quandaries:

From Manuscript to Agent

Thursday, November 16 - 7 pm

Are you ready to pitch your manuscript to an agent but aren't sure how to begin? Perhaps you have your letter ready to go but are afraid of rejection. Join Lyndsay Faye, author of *Jane Steele*, *The Gods of Gotham* and *Dust and Shadow*, as she explains how to write a winning query letter and avoid stumbling blocks such as fear of rejection and procrastination on your journey to becoming a published writer. ♦



Lyndsay Faye

Italian Conversation Group

Friday, November 17 - 1 pm

Are you a bit rusty with your Italian language skills? Native speaker Luciana Santoriello moderates this discussion group. ♦

Book Group: A Piece of the World

Wednesday, November 29 - 1 pm

The library will discuss *A Piece of the World* by Christina Baker Kline. Everyone is welcome to attend. You may reserve a copy of the book at the Information Desk.

DECEMBER

Holiday Trees and Wreaths

The holiday trees that grace the lobby and Children's Room have been decorated by the **Town and Country Garden Club of the Chathams**. Featuring unique ornaments created with all natural materials, the trees have displayed the members' handiwork at the library for over 30 years.



The beautiful wreaths that are placed on the entrances to the library were provided by the **Woman's Club of Chatham**.

Thank you to both groups for decorating the library this holiday season.

Holiday Concert with the Concord Singers

Saturday, December 2 - 3 pm

The Concord Singers, founded in 1977, is a women's community chorus dedicated to high quality choral performances. The group will offer a holiday concert entitled *Myths and Mystery* featuring music such as *Hodie Christus Natus Est*, *Adam Lay Ybounden*, *Nes Gadol*, and *Fum, Fum, Fum*. All are invited to attend.

♦ Sign up online or call 973-635-0603.

November 2017 Programs

ADULT (A) TEEN (T) CHILDREN (C)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Spanish Storytime 10 am (C) Homework Helpers 3:30-5 pm (C) Coding: HTML 4:30 pm (C) Coding: Scratch 5:45 pm (C) Gen Y Group 7 pm (A) Financial Life Planning 7:30 pm (A)	2 Blood Pressure 10 am-12 pm (A) Yoga Storytime 10, 10:45 am (C) Stitch a Justice League Wonder Woman 4-5 pm (C) Essay Writing 4-6 pm (T) Trip Around The World: Day of the Dead 4:30 pm (C) <i>The Old Asylum and Other Stories</i> 7 pm (A)	3 Video Game Club Gr 6-12 3-4:45 pm (T)	4 Storytime 11 am (C)
5 Waterworks Art Show Reception 2:15-4 pm (A)	6 Storytime 9:45, 10:15, 11 am (C) ShopRite Nutrition: Healthy Holiday Desserts 4-5 pm (C)	7 Storytime 10, 10:30 am (C)	8 Coding: HTML 4:30 pm (C) Coding: Scratch 5:45 pm (C) Spanish Conversation Group 7 pm (A)	9 Music with Mr. John 10, 10:45 am (C) Library Cinema 2 pm (C) Stitch a Justice League Wonder Woman 4-5 pm (C) Essay Writing 4-6 pm (T) Movie Night 7 pm	10 Video Game Club Gr 6-12 3-4:45 pm (T)	11 Storytime 11 am (C)
12	13 Storytime 9:45, 10:15, 11 am (C) Turtle Dance Music 4 pm (C)	14 Storytime 10, 10:30 am (C) Teen Advisory Group 7 pm (T)	15 Homework Helpers 3:30-5 pm (C) Read to Therapy Dogs 4-5 pm (C) Coding: HTML 4:30 pm (C) Gen Y Group 7 pm (A)	16 Miss Carol Dance 10, 10:45 am (C) Stitch a Justice League Wonder Woman 4-5 pm (C) Essay Writing 4-6 pm (T) Query Quandaries: From Manuscript to Agent 7 pm (A)	17 Italian Conversation Group 1 pm (A) Video Game Club Gr 6-12 3-4:45 pm (T)	18 Storytime 11 am (C) Chess Mates 2-4 pm (C)
19 Legopalooza! 2:30 pm (C)	20	21	22 Library closes at 6 pm	23 Library Closed	24 Library Closed	25
26	27	28	29 Book Group: <i>A Piece of the World</i> 1 pm (A) Homework Helpers 3:30-5 pm (C)	30 Magic & Puppets 10, 10:45 am (C) Movie Night 7 pm		

December 2017 Programs

ADULT (A) TEEN (T) CHILDREN (C)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Holiday Concert with Dance Innovations Wednesday, December 13 - 4:30 pm For children of all ages Join students from Dance Innovations, directed by Susan M. Coutts, for a song and dance celebration.</p>					1 Video Game Club Gr 6-12 3-4:45 pm (T)	2 Concord Singers Holiday Concert 3 pm (A)
3 	4 Stories with the Librarian 10 am (C) ShopRite Nutrition: Winter Squash for the Win! 4-5 pm (C)	5 Trip Around The World: Christmas in Germany 4-5 pm (C)	6 Spanish Storytime 10 am (C) Homework Helpers 3:30-5 pm (C) Gen Y Group 7 pm (A)	7 Blood Pressure 10 am-12 pm (A) Yoga Storytime 10, 10:45 am (C) Stitch a Justice League Superman 4-5 pm (C) Trip Around The World: Sinterklaas/ Santa Claus 5-6 pm (C) Movie Night 7 pm	8 Winter Cupcakes 4-4:45 pm (T)	9 Chess Mates 2-4 pm (C)
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17 Lincoln Center at the Movies: <i>George Balanchine's The Nutcracker</i> 2:30 pm (All)	18 ECLC Holiday Concert 10 am (C)	19 	20 Homework Helpers 3:30-5 pm (C) Read to Therapy Dogs 4 pm (C) Gen Y Group 7 pm (A)	21 Miss Carol Dance 10, 10:45 am (C) Stitch a Justice League Superman 4-5 pm (C)	22 	23
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Lincoln Center at the Movies:**George Balanchine's *The Nutcracker***

Sunday, December 17 - 2:30 pm

Experience the New York City Ballet's stunning performance of *George Balanchine's The Nutcracker* on the big screen. Filmed at Lincoln Center, the troupe brings to life Tchaikovsky's musical setting of this Christmas fantasy.

**Video Game Club**

Fridays, November 3, 10 & 17 - 3 to 4:45 pm

Grades 6 to 12

Stop by to play Super Smash Bros. on the big screen!

Teen Advisory Group

Tuesday, November 14 - 7 to 8 pm

Earn a volunteer hour while helping to plan new teen programs. Discuss books, movies, music and more! Snacks will be served. ♦

DECEMBER**Video Game Club**

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Grades 6 to 12

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Winter Cupcakes

Friday, December 8 - 4 to 4:45 pm

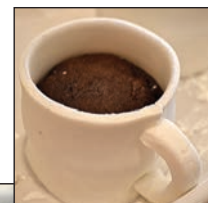
Ages 12 & Up Limit: 12 students

Registration opens

Monday, November 27

Decorate your own holiday cupcakes that look like a snowball and a cup of hot chocolate, perfect for the season. Eat the cupcake and the cup!

If you have allergy concerns or questions about ingredients, call us at 973-635-0603 before signing up. ♦

**Teen Advisory Group**

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Programs and Events Teen

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NOVEMBER**Writing a Winning Analytical Essay**

Thursdays, November 2, 9 & 16 - 4 to 6 pm

Grades 9 to 12 Limit: 15 students

Must be able to attend all 3 classes

Registration opens

Thursday, October 19

Alisha Davlin will help you learn the building blocks for how to organize and execute a well-structured analytical essay. These skills will transfer to all subjects throughout high school, college and beyond. *This program is limited to Chatham residents only; residents of other towns can participate only if space permits. ♦*



Alisha
Davlin

♦ Sign up online or call 973-635-0603.

Programs and Events Children

Sponsored by Friends of the Library

NOVEMBER**Spanish Storytime**

Wednesday, November 1 - 10 to 10:45 am

All Ages

Introduce your child to basic Spanish vocabulary with fun stories, songs and music!

For preschoolers and their caregivers...

EVERY THURSDAY IS LIBRARY DAY!

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

Yoga Storytime

November 2, December 7

Music with Mr. John

November 9, December 14

Miss Carol Dance

November 16, December 21

Bob Conrad Magic and Puppets

November 30

Winter Crafts with Ms. Fish

December 28

Homework Helpers

Wednesdays, November 1, 15 & 29 - 3:30 to 5 pm
Grades K to 5 Limit: 6 children per session
Registration opens two weeks prior to each session
Two Chatham High School students will provide
homework help for children in grades K to 5.
All subjects welcome!

Stitch a Justice League Wonder Woman with Miss Polly

Thursdays, November 2, 9 & 16 - 4 to 5 pm
Ages 6 & Up Limit: 8 children
Registration required
Sew your own Wonder Woman doll
in this 3-week class!



TRIP AROUND THE WORLD

El Día de los Muertos/Day of the Dead

Thursday, November 2 - 4:30 to 5:30 pm
Ages 8 & Up Limit: 20 children
Registration required

Come join us to learn about one of Mexico's most important festivals where families gather to honor the dead. By placing marigolds, fresh bread, candles, sugar skulls, photographs, and mementos of the departed on special altars, families welcome the souls of the dead on their annual visit home. Leticia Zuniga and her son Santiago Figueroa are delighted to host this special celebration.



ShopRite Nutrition:

Healthy Holiday Desserts

Monday, November 6 - 4 to 5 pm

Ages 5 to 8 Limit: 15 children

Registration opens Monday, October 23

Who says you can't have dessert every once in a while? Let's make it fruit-focused! Love apple and pumpkin? This class with ShopRite dietitian Monica Hansen is a must!

Library Cinema

Thursday, November 9 - 2 pm

Bring a mat or a pillow to get comfortable.
We'll provide the popcorn.



NEW: CHESS MATES

2 to 4 pm

**Saturdays, November 18
December 9 & 16**

Ages 6 & Up

Limit: 12 children per session

Registration opens on the Monday before each session. Priority will be given to children who are not currently enrolled in **Chess for Kids**.

Join Ryan and Darren, members of the Chatham High School Chess Club, for an afternoon of chess! They will help beginners learn how to play. All skill levels welcome.

Neurodiversity Rocks!

Sensory-Friendly Music, Bubble and Comedy Show

Monday, November 13 - 4 pm

Ages 6 & Up

Turtle Dance Music helps kids come out of their shells. This sensory-friendly show is fun and inclusive for kids with and without autism. It celebrates neurodiversity and is an exciting program for all children. Dr. Temple Grandin says, "The world needs all kinds of minds!" There will be instruments from all over the world, giant bubbles, original storytelling, robots, comedy, and music technology. See back cover for more details.



Read Aloud to Therapy Dogs

Wednesday, November 15 - 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.

Legopalooza!

Sunday, November 19 - 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.

DECEMBER**Stories with the Librarian**

Mondays, December 4 & 11 - 10 to 10:30 am

All Ages

Children and caregivers can enjoy a few stories, a few songs and maybe a simple craft.

ShopRite Nutrition:**Winter Squash for the Win!**

Monday, December 4 - 4 to 5 pm

Ages 5 to 8 Limit: 15 children

Registration opens Monday, November 20

Acorn squash, spaghetti squash, butternut squash... can you tell the difference? Join ShopRite dietitian Monica Hansen to learn about these winter squash and try all three!

TRIP AROUND THE WORLD**Christmas in Germany**

Tuesday, December 5 - 4 to 5 pm

Ages 8 & Up Limit: 20 children

Registration opens Tuesday, November 21

Guten Tag Chatham! We will celebrate the tradition of Saint Nikolaus Day by stuffing children's shoes with candy and treats and listening to favorite German holiday songs. Saint Nikolaus is the patron saint of children because he was known for his kindness and generosity towards them. This special day marks the beginning of the holiday season in Germany. We will also learn about a variety of holiday traditions in Germany and enjoy *Lebkuchen*, a favorite cookie of the season. Presented by Torri Van Wei.

**Spanish Storytime**

Wednesday, December 6 - 10 to 10:45 am

All Ages

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Homework Helpers

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Grades K to 5 Limit: 6 children per session

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Stitch a Justice League Superman with Miss Polly

Thursdays, December 7, 14 & 21 - 4 to 5 pm

Ages 6 & Up Limit: 8 children

Registration opens Tuesday, November 21

Sew your own Superman doll in this 3-week class!

**TRIP AROUND THE WORLD****Sinterklaas/Santa Claus**

Thursday, December 7 - 5 to 6 pm

Ages 8 & Up Limit: 20 children

Registration opens Wednesday, November 22

Welkom bij de viering van Sinterklaas (Welcome to the celebration of Santa Claus)! This traditional Dutch holiday on December 6 comes from the Netherlands. Major celebrations start on December 5, when Sinterklaas arrives by boat with his helpers bringing children presents. Come explore and enjoy a fun activity from the Netherlands and taste some *pepernoten* (tiny ginger snaps). Hosted by Ursula von Rydingsvard.

**Legopalooza!**

Sunday, December 10 - 2:30 to 4 pm

All Ages

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Lincoln Center at the Movies:**George Balanchine's The Nutcracker**

Sunday, December 17 - 2:30 pm

Experience the New York City Ballet's stunning performance of George Balanchine's *The Nutcracker* on the big screen. Filmed at Lincoln Center, the troupe brings to life Tchaikovsky's musical setting of this Christmas fantasy.**ECLC Holiday Concert**

Monday, December 18 - 10 am

Join the choir from ECLC for a lovely holiday concert of traditional favorites.

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Grades K & Up

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

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The Library of The Chathams Board of Trustees, the staff and the Friends of the Library would like to thank everyone listed below and those who wish to remain anonymous for your contributions from September 2016 to August 2017. We appreciate your support and generosity throughout the year.

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