A New Year in Technology

The library is the place to improve and expand your computer skills. We are happy to report that the library has acquired ten brand new Dell laptops to be used for computer instruction, funded in part by Friends of the Library. Our first offering will be a Microsoft Word workshop in February for adults. A weeklong coding class for kids is in the works for the spring break. Keep your eyes open for more computer instruction to come!

Did you get a Kindle as a holiday gift? If you are not sure how to get started, our popular Bring Your Own Device service can help. You can make an appointment for a weekday or a Saturday with librarian Robert Schriek, who will help you learn to use your new gadget.

You can also improve your computer skills from home, at your own pace through Lynda.com. Looking for a job or a new career? Check out Job & Career Accelerator and Ferguson's Career Guidance Center. You can find electronic book suggestions through Book Sizzle at https://chathamlibrary.org/what-to-read/. Just click on Research on the library's homepage; learning and personal growth opportunities are endless.

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

JANUARY

Gen Y Networking Group
Wednesdays at 7 pm
January 3 & 17; February 7 & 21
All are welcome to attend this forum dedicated to Generation Y young adults interested in job search, networking, and career development.

Art Show with Fanelo Aguayo
Opening reception Sunday, January 7 - 2:15 to 4 pm
Fanelo Aguayo, Chatham resident and Spanish national, will hold a show of his oil paintings, "Extraordinary Stories," through January. Mr. Aguayo was the winner of the Marian Anderson Memorial Award for Portraiture in 2015 presented by the Visual Arts Center of New Jersey in Summit. Reception sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Taxation University Workshop
How to Start a Small Business in New Jersey
Monday, January 8 - 1 pm
Provided by the NJ State Library and Taxation University, the training unit of the NJ Division of Taxation, this workshop will teach different business structures, how to register a small business, legal entity registration, and how to report your New Jersey business income.
Registration is limited to 30 people.

College Financial Planning Seminar
Tuesday, January 9 - 7:30 pm
Mike Velasco, a college financial planner, will present a workshop for parents on ways to pay for their child's college education. Topics will include: how to send your child to the school of their dreams without going broke, increasing eligibility for financial aid, and finding scholarships and grants. Pre-registration is requested.

Medicare for Baby Boomers
Tuesday, January 16 - 7 pm
Neil Berger, advisor and former educator, will discuss Medicare issues including the impact of COBRA will have on Medicare, what to do if you work past retirement age, how Medicare coordinates with group health insurance, and other concerns. A question and answer session will follow the presentation. Pre-registration is requested.

BOOK CLUBS JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2018

FEBRUARY

Taxation University Workshop
Online Businesses & New Jersey Tax
Monday, January 29 - 6:30 pm
Provided by the NJ State Library and Taxation University, this workshop will teach topics such as the taxability of products and services; sales inside and outside of the state; the basics of shipping products; and the collecting and reporting of NJ Sales Tax.
Registration is limited to 30 people.

Book Group:
The Woman in Cabin 10
Wednesday, January 31 - 1 pm
The group will discuss "The Woman in Cabin 10" by Ruth Ware. Everyone is welcome to attend. You may reserve a copy of the book at the Information Desk.

Italian Conversation Group
Fridays at 1 pm
January 19 and February 16
Tuesdays at 7:15 pm
January 30 and February 27
Start the new year improving your Italian language skills. Luciana Santorello and Carmen Del Guercio-Evans moderate this Italian discussion group.

Dealing with Chronic Pain
Thursday, February 1 - 7 pm
In this presentation, licensed physical therapist Lisa Weinman, Director of Rehabilitation at Summit Center for Physical Therapy, will give an overview of some of the main contributors to chronic pain. A discussion will follow offering strategies for addressing and alleviating chronic pain, and where possible, target the root causes of back, neck and joint issues. Pre-registration is required.

Essex Water Color Club Art Show
Opening reception Sunday, February 4 - 2:15 to 4 pm
The Essex Water Color Club, the oldest watercolor club in New Jersey, will hold its annual show through February. Reception sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Sign up online or call 973-635-0603.
# January 2018 Programs

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**ARCADE WEEKEND**
All Ages
Friday, January 19 - 3 to 5:30 pm
Saturday, January 20 - 9:30 am to 4 pm
This event is for all gamers out there – teenagers, children, and other gamers of all ages welcome! There will be many systems set up to play from the original Alien, Nintendo, and Sega consoles to newer systems like the Wii U. In Memory of Alexander Bults

**SUPER SMASH BROS. TOURNAMENTS**
Saturday, January 20
Registration opens Friday, January 5
Ages 10 & Under - 11:30 am - Limit: 16 participants
Ages 11 & Up - 2 pm - Limit: 16 participants
Compete in the Wii U tournament on our big screen! Depending on the number of participants, they will be streamed into groups of 8\x2C 4\x2C and 2. Limited participants.

Costs: $25 GameStop gift card for 1st place, $15 GameStop gift card for 2nd place, sponsored by Friends of the Library

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**LIBRARY OF THE CHATHAMS - 214 MAIN STREET - CHATHAM, NJ • 973.635.0603**
Mon-Thur 9:30 am - 9 pm • Fri 9:30 am - 6 pm • Sat 9:30 am - 5 pm • Sun 2 pm - 5 pm
# February 2018 Programs

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**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 with Miss Rachael**
- January 4, February 1
- Practice yoga poses to go along with yoga stories.

**Music with Mr. John**
- January 11, February 8
- Move, sing, dance and sing to Mr. John's guitar music.

**Miss Carol Dance**
- January 18, February 15
- Miss Carol introduces basic movements to music in a fun and loving atmosphere.

**Bob Conrad Magic & Puppets**
- January 25, February 22
- A fun, funny puppet and magic show perfect for preschoolers.
The Schuyler Sisters and Alexander Hamilton
Tuesday, February 6 - 7 pm
Rick Feingold, a lecturer with a degree in History from Rutgers University, will discuss the love story of Elizabeth Schuyler and Alexander Hamilton. Elizabeth, daughter of wealthy General Philip Schuyler, married Alexander, a penniless orphan and immigrant. The love letters Hamilton sent to Eliza during their courtship will be read, and information will be offered concerning two women who also had designs on Alexander.

Income Tax Assistance
Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) will be held on Wednesdays, February 7 to April 11 from 10 am to 2 pm.
Appointments for this free service may be made in person or by calling the library at 973-635-0603. Please bring all your financial records from 2017, copies of your 2016 Federal and State tax returns, photo ID, and a printed and blank form from the Internal Revenue Service.

Diabetes Prevention
Thursday, February 8 - 2 pm OR
Tuesday, February 20 - 7 pm
Ellen Kranefuss, Diabetes Prevention Program Coordinator at the Madison YMCA, will host a question and answer session on the prevention of type 2 diabetes. Participants will learn how to assess their risk and explore prevention options. This program will be presented twice for your convenience.

CALL: The History and Politics of North Korea
Tuesdays, February 13 & 20 - 1 pm
Dr. Roy Lacklader, Professor of Political Science at Rutgers University, will present a two-part lecture series on the history and politics of North Korea. See back cover for details.

Irish Music Concert with Ian Gallagher and John Nolan
Saturday, February 24 - 2:30 pm
Ian Gallagher, an Irish singer and guitarist, will perform Irish classics with accordion player John Nolan. Ian has performed at events attended or hosted by Liam Neeson, Gabriel Byrne, Mary Higgins Clark, and Frank McCourt. John became the first American to win the Senior All-Ireland Championship Accordion Player Award in 1982.

Microsoft Word 2010 Workshop
Monday, February 26 - 2 to 3:30 pm
Barbara Smith, owner and instructor at Programs Plus, will hold a workshop teaching the basics of Microsoft Word 2010. With a few simple tips and tricks, you will learn how to correct and avoid problems. Registration is required. The library will provide laptops for 10 attendees; however, if you have Microsoft Word 2010 on your own laptop, you may bring it to participate in the class.

Book Group:
My Name Is Lucy Barton
Wednesday, February 28 - 1 pm
The group will discuss My Name Is Lucy Barton by Elizabeth Strout. Everyone is welcome to attend. You may reserve a copy of the book at the Information Desk.

Programs and Events
Teens

All Teen programs and events sponsored by Friends of the Library, unless noted otherwise

JANUARY

Yoga for Teens
Thursdays, January 4, 11, 18 & 25 - 5 to 6 pm
Grades 8 to 12
Limit: 12 students
Registration opens two weeks prior to each class
Annie Oberhelman, LPC and owner of Stress and Emotional Wellness Counseling, will offer yoga classes for teenagers. She incorporates yoga in her therapy with teens and adults. Ms. Oberhelman will guide you through poses (asana), breathing (pranayama) and meditation (focusing) to help you feel calm and energized. Mats, blocks and straps will be provided. Wear comfortable clothing so you can move easily in the poses. Put your troubles aside, relieve some stress, build self-esteem and have fun!

Video Game Club
Fridays, January 5, 12 & 26 - 3 to 4:45 pm
Grades 6 to 12
Stop by to play Super Smash Bros. on the big screen!

Teen Advisory Group
Thursday, January 18 - 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.

◊ Sign up online or call 973-635-0603.
FEBRUARY

Video Game Club
Fridays, February 2, 16 & 23 - 3 to 4:45 pm
Grades 6 to 12
Stop by to play Super Smash Bros. on the big screen!

Valentine’s Day Cupcakes
Friday, February 9 - 4 to 4:45 pm
Grades 6 to 12
Limit: 12 students
Registration opens Friday, January 26
Use frosting, fondant, and other yummy decorations to create cupcakes perfect for Valentine’s Day!

Teen Advisory Group
Thursday, February 15 - 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.

Teen Painting Night
Monday, February 19 - 6:30 to 8:30 pm
Ages 13 & Up
Limit: 10 students
Following the guidance of art teacher Erica Pizza, learn to use acrylic paint on canvas to blend color and create a beautifully moonlit landscape. Bring your creativity and willingness to learn. Materials will be provided for you to create your masterpiece! Ms. Pizza is an art teacher who specializes in painting, ceramics, and portfolio preparation for students.

Stories with the Librarian
Monday, January 8 - 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: Let’s Get Tropical!
Monday, January 8 - 4 to 5 pm
Ages 5 to 8
Limit: 15 children
Registration opens Tuesday, December 26
Forget the cold and wintry weather; let’s have a beach party and take a trip to the tropics through food! Think pineapple... mango... coconuts... and more!

Make a No-Sew Mini Olaf with Miss Polly
Thursdays, January 11 & 18 - 4 to 5 pm
Ages 5 & Up
Limit: 8 children
Registration opens Thursday, December 28
Make a mini Olaf stuffed toy based on the movie Frozen in this 2-week class!

Library Cinema
Monday, January 15 (MLK Day) - 2 pm
All Ages
Bring a mat or a pillow to get comfortable. We’ll provide the popcorn.

Stitch an Elephant and Piggie Valentine with Miss Polly
Thursdays, January 25; February 1 & 8
4 to 3 pm
Ages 6 & Up
Limit: 8 children
Registration opens Thursday, January 11
Make someone special a cute Elephant and Piggie valentine in this 3-week class!

Programs and Events
Children

All Children’s programs and events made possible by Friends of the Library, unless otherwise noted

JANUARY

WINTER STORYTIME
Storytime is an 8 week, progressive program for preschoolers and their caregivers.
Registration is required
Registration opens Monday, January 8

Mondays, January 15 through March 5
9:45 - 10:15 am
24 months & younger
10:15 - 11 am
4 - 6 years
11 - 11:30 am
2 - 3 years

Tuesdays, January 16 through March 6
10 - 10:30 am
24 months & younger
10:30 - 11 am
2 - 3 years

Free Drop-In Storytime – no registration required
Saturdays, January 20 through March 10
9:45 - 10:15 am
All Ages (Families)

CHESS FOR KIDS
Mondays:
January 15 through February 19
Registration opens Tuesday, January 2
Register only if you can attend all 6 classes.

Group 1:
Players with little or no experience with chess
Suggested ages 6 to 8
Limit: 12 children
Chess Expert Sean Finn will lead this series of Chess for Kids.

Group 2:
Players who can finish a game with checkmate
Suggested ages 8 & Up
Limit: 16 children

Sign up online or call 973-835-0603.
**Library Cinema**
Monday, February 19 (Presidents' Day) - 2 pm
All Ages
Bring a mat or a pillow to get comfortable.
We'll provide the popcorn.

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**FEBRUARY**

**ShopRite Nutrition: Celebrating Red Foods**
Monday, February 5 - 4 to 5 pm
Ages 5 to 8  Limit: 15 children
Registration opens Monday, January 21
Is red your favorite color? It might be after this class with ShopRite dietitian Monica Hansen! In honor of Valentine's Day and Heart Health Month, let's learn about red fruits and veggies and make some superfood recipes featuring red produce.

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**Trip Around the World: Chinese New Year**
Tuesday, February 13
4:30 to 5:30 pm
Ages 6 & Up Limit: 20 children
Registration opens Tuesday, January 30
Join us to bring in the New Year! This February, Chinese people around the world will be celebrating the start of the Year of the Dog. In this program we will make a dragon puppet, taste a Chinese pastry, and talk about the holiday's traditions and superstitions. Hosted by Emily Wang.

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**Trip Around the World: Panama**
Thursday, February 15 - 5 to 6 pm
Ages 6 & Up Limit: 20 children
Registration opens Thursday, February 1
Come visit Panama! Between the bustle of Panama City, flourishing rainforests, and the Panama Canal, there is always something exciting to do, see, and learn! Presented by Serena Riback and friends.

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**Touch the Music: The Carnival of the Animals**
Wednesday, January 31
4 to 4:45 pm
Ages 4 to 9 Limit: 40 children
Registration opens Wednesday, January 17
Touch the Music is a hands-on music program that introduces children of all ages to the fascinating world of musical instruments. After reading the poems by Ogden Nash and listening to the beautiful music of Camille Saint-Saëns, Touch the Music owner Claudia Lemmerz will introduce different instruments representing the animals: violin, cello, bass, clarinet, Glockenspiel and piano. Children will have the opportunity to try them all out!

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**RECURRING PROGRAMS**

**Spanish Storytime**
Wednesdays
January 3 and February 7
10 to 10:45 am
All Ages
Introduce your child to basic Spanish vocabulary with fun stories, songs and music!

**Homework Helpers**
Wednesdays
January 10 & 24; February 7 & 21
3:30 to 5 pm - Grades K - 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!

**Chess Mates**
Sunday, January 21 and Saturdays, February 10 & 24
2 to 4 pm - Ages 6 & Up
Limit: 12 children per session
Registration opens on the Monday before each session
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.

**Read Aloud to Therapy Dogs**
Wednesdays
January 17 and February 21
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!**
Sundays
January 28 and February 25
2:30 to 4 pm - All Ages
Build your own LEGO creation from our enormous collection of LEGO. All creations will be put on display in the Children's Room.
Featured Program

CALL: The History and Politics of North Korea

Tuesdays, February 13 & 20 – 1 pm

Dr. Roy Licklider, Professor of Political Science at Rutgers University with a Ph.D. in International Relations from Yale, will present a two-part lecture series on the history and politics of North Korea. We will examine its history from 8000 BC through its dynasties, wars, and relationships with the Soviet Union, China, and the U.S. We will also look at present-day North Korea with its dependence on foreign aid for food, its tight political control by a young and untested leader, its move toward nuclear weapons, threats about conquering South Korea and waging war against the U.S. This is a free CALL series. Pre-registration is requested. Register online or call 973-635-0603.