Meet at the Library

These days, the library is more than a place for books. Increasingly, it has become a place where people gather. The Chathams are known for their large number of community groups. Many of them are choosing the library as the place for their meetings and events. Quilters, Toastmasters, the Sierra Club, as well as writers, cultural organizations, and Boy and Girl Scouts galore – there is room and a warm welcome for everyone. In September alone, 29 different community groups booked the library’s meeting rooms for a total of 40 meetings!

We have four rooms of different sizes, the largest of which holds up to 150 people. Our audiovisual and computer equipment can accommodate most presentation needs. You can request a room on the library’s website by clicking on the Meeting Rooms tab at the top of the screen. There is no charge for nonprofit Chatham-based community groups to use the library’s meeting rooms.

More than ever, we feel the community’s need for meeting space. That is why one of the purposes of our Bridging Space to Place Campaign is increasing the size and flexibility of spaces available to the residents of the Chathams.

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HOLIDAY BOOK SALE
Saturday, December 7
10 am to 4 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.

Connect with us!

Holiday Trees & 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 club also provided the beautiful wreaths on the entrance to the library. Thank you Town & Country Garden Club!
Adult

NOVEMBER

Pastel and Acrylic Art Show by Pam Gosner
Opening reception
Sunday, November 3
2:15 to 4 pm
New Providence resident Pam Gosner will hold a show of her pastel and acrylic paintings that include landmarks in France and scenery in U.S. National Parks. The show may be viewed during regular library hours through November. Reception sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Medigap Buyers’ Guide
Monday, November 4 – 3 pm and 7 pm
Open enrollment for Medicare Supplement Insurance is October 15-December 7. If you are about to enroll in Medicare, or think you are paying too much for your Medicare Supplement Insurance, this program is for you. Jessica Moody from Weiss Financial Ratings will explain and demonstrate the library’s database Medigap Buyers’ Guide which compares and recommends different supplement insurance options based on your circumstances. She will talk about what Medicare does not cover and questions you should ask when getting a quote for prescription drug coverage.

Book Talk with Lisa Tognola
Tuesday, November 5 – 7 pm
Chatham resident Lisa Tognola will speak about her recent novel As Long As It’s Perfect, involving a couple who try to build their dream house and find that it comes with much conflict as well as humor. Lisa Tognola is a freelance writer, social worker, and a former humor columnist at The Alternative Press.

Jersey Lightning: A Story of Booze, Apples, and Local Industry
Wednesday, November 6 – 7 pm
Maressa McFarlane of the Morris County Park Commission will speak about the history of the alcoholic beverage known as applejack and its production in New Jersey. Learn about the beverage that was once king of the Garden State!

Gen Y Networking Group and Other Job Seekers
Wednesdays, November 6 & 20 – 7 pm
Gen Y Networking Group is a forum dedicated to job searching, networking, and career development. The group is open to all job seekers.

Meditation Class with Jean Leigh
Saturdays, November 9 & 23 – 10 am
Jean Leigh, a meditation teacher from Morristown, will present guided meditation classes. Benefits of meditation include relief of stress, anxiety and tension, enhancement of focus, increased memory, and a sense of peace.*

C.A.L.L. - Introduction to Modern Art
Mondays and Wednesdays
November 11, 13, 18 & 20 – 10:30 am to 12 pm
See back cover for details.

Veterans Day Program
World War I: The Great War 100 Years After
Monday, November 11 – 7 pm
Tom DeStefano, an instructor of American History at Bergen Community College, will present a lecture on the causes of World War I, how the United States got involved in the war, the Zimmerman Telegram, the role of trench warfare, and how new military weapons—submarines, tanks, machine guns, and aeroplanes—affected the outcome of the Great War and conflicts to follow.

Donate to Friends of the Library While You Shop
If you shop on Amazon, the AmazonSmile program donates 0.5% of your eligible purchases to a charity of your choice. All you need to do is start your shopping at smile.amazon.com and designate Friends of the Library of the Chathams as your charity.

* Sign up at www.chathamlibrary.org or call 973-635-0603.
# November 2019 Programs

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**ADULT (A)  TEEN (T)  CHILDREN (C)**
Italian Conversation Group  
**Tuesday, November 12 – 7:15 pm**  
**Friday, November 22 – 1 pm**  
Luciana Santoriello and Frank Foca will moderate Italian discussion groups with help from other fluent speakers.

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**DECEMBER**

**Programs and Events**

**Teen**

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**Book Group: Circe**  
**Wednesday, December 4 – 1 pm**  
The group will discuss *Circe* by Madeline Miller. You may pick up a copy of the book at the Information Desk.

**Gen Y Networking Group and Other Job Seekers**  
**Wednesdays, December 4 & 18 – 7 pm**  
Gen Y Networking Group is a forum dedicated to job searching, networking, and career development. The group is open to all job seekers.

**Holiday Concert with Ian Gallagher**  
**Saturday, December 7 – 1 pm**  
Singer/guitarist Ian Gallagher will perform holiday songs to get you into the spirit of the season.

**New Jersey Art Association Show**  
**Opening reception Sunday, December 8 2:15 to 4 pm**  
The NJ Art Association, founded in 1940 as the Millburn-Short Hills Art Center, will hold a show of the group’s work. The show may be viewed during regular library hours through the month.  
*Reception sponsored by Friends of the Library*

**Italian Conversation Group**  
**Tuesday, December 10 – 7:15 pm**  
**Friday, December 13 – 1 pm**  
Luciana Santoriello and Frank Foca will moderate Italian discussion groups with help from other fluent speakers.

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**All Teen programs and events sponsored by Friends of the Library**

**NOVEMBER**

**Video Game Club**  
**Fridays, November 1, 8, 15 & 22; December 6, 13, 20 & 27 – 3 to 4:45 pm**  
**Grades 6 to 12**  
Stop by to play Super Smash Bros. Ultimate for Nintendo Switch on the big screen! **Feel free to bring your own Joy-Cons or Switch Pro controller.**

**Chinese Conversation Group**  
**Wednesdays, November 6 & 20 – 7:15 pm**  
This program is for teens and young adults, but anyone who is interested in Chinese culture is welcome. Meetings will include practice in daily conversation, learning new words, introduction to Chinese culture, as well as crafts and games. *

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**DECEMBER**

**Teen Holiday Cookie Decorating**  
**Thursday, December 19 3:30 to 4:30 pm**  
**Grades 6 to 12**  
**Limit: 12 students**  
**Registration opens Thursday, December 5**  
Get into the holiday spirit! We will use icing, candy, and an assortment of sprinkles to decorate winter holiday cookies. *

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*We have resources for you. chathamlibrary.org/stay*

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Programs and Events

Children

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

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 and Miss Jenn
November 7, December 5

Music with Carolyn Dempsey
November 14, December 12

Miss Carol Dance
November 21, December 19

Jumpin’ Jamie Music and Puppets
December 26

Saturdays from 2 to 3 pm
Grades K to 3
Limit: 10 students in each class

Explore scientific concepts in a fun way! Chatham High School students Lea and Jack Casano-Boris will lead this series of experiments followed by an explanation of the science behind each experiment.

November 2 – Make Your Own Ice Cream
Registration opens Friday, October 18

November 16 – Lava Lamp/Density
Registration opens Friday, November 1

NOVEMBER

ShopRite Nutrition: Pumpkin Party!
Monday, November 4 – 4 to 5 pm
Ages 5 to 8 Limit: 15 children
Registration opens Monday, October 21
Pumpkins are not just for decorating! Join Tory, ShopRite of Chatham’s Registered Dietitian, to make a fall-inspired nutritious treat using pumpkins and learn about the benefits of adding pumpkin to your diet.

Culinary Adventure Around the World: U.S.A.
Tuesday, November 12 – 5 to 6 pm
Ages 8 & Up Limit: 20 children
Registration opens Tuesday, October 29
Time to give thanks...to the cranberry!
Thanksgiving is just around the corner and we will learn how to make cranberry sauce. We will talk about the history of the cranberry, how it was used by Native Americans and its status as a NJ top crop! This Cultural Committee of the Chathams program will be presented by Tracy Ness and Jennifer McNally.

Crafts with Miss Stephanie: Thanksgiving Decorations
Wednesday, November 20 – 4 to 5 pm
Ages 6 & Up Limit: 8 children
Registration opens Wednesday, November 6
Create Mason Jar luminaries and beaded pumpkins. Perfect decorations for your Thanksgiving table!
Sponsored by MOMS Club of Berkeley Heights/Summit

Stories with the Librarian
Mondays, December 2 & 9 – 10 to 10:30 am
All Ages
Children and caregivers can enjoy stories and songs.

ShopRite Nutrition: Healthy Afterschool Snacks
Monday, December 2 – 4 to 5 pm
Ages 5 to 8 Limit: 15 children
Registration opens Monday, November 18
Looking for a snack for your kids to curb their appetite but also give them energy? Join Tory, ShopRite of Chatham’s Registered Dietitian, to learn about healthy afterschool snack combinations and to make some no-bake energy bites.
**Dance Innovations Holiday Concert**
Wednesday, December 4 – 4 to 4:45 pm
All Ages
Join students from Dance Innovations under the artistic direction of Susan M. Coutts for a song and dance celebration of the holiday season. This is a preview of the school's December 21 *Nutcracker* show, which will raise scholarship funds for children with special needs or circumstances to help them pursue their dreams in arts programs.

**Culinary Adventure Around the World: Australia**
Tuesday, December 10 – 5 to 6 pm
Ages 8 & Up  Limit: 20 children
Registration opens Tuesday, November 26
G'day mate! Come visit us Down Under - make some Fairy Bread, taste our Anzac Cookies and if you're brave try Vegemite! This Cultural Committee of the Chathams program will be presented by Renae James.

**Crafts with Miss Stephanie: Light-Up Holiday Cards**
Wednesday, December 11
4 to 5:30 pm
Ages 8 & Up  Limit: 8 children
Registration opens Wednesday, November 27
Create LED light-up holiday cards using a simple electrical circuit. A great, fun way to mix science with art!
_Sponsored by MOMS Club of Berkeley Heights/Summit_

**Paper Mill Playhouse Children's Theater on Tour Performs**
Thursday, December 12 – 4 pm
Ages 4 & Up  Attendance limit: 100
You will love this fanciful and heartwarming stage adaptation of the celebrated animated film. Adapted for young audiences, this musical includes favorite *Frozen* songs such as *Love Is an Open Door*, *Do You Want to Build a Snowman?* and *Let It Go*, as well as wonderful new songs from the Broadway production. This production of *Frozen KIDS* is sure to prove that “some people are worth melting for.”

**ECLC Holiday Concert**
Monday, December 16 – 10:30 am
All Ages
Join the choir from ECLC for a lovely holiday concert of traditional favorites.

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**RECURRING PROGRAMS**

**Homework Helpers**
Wednesdays, November 13; December 4 & 18
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!

**Read Aloud to Therapy Dogs**
Wednesdays, November 20 & December 18
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, November 24 & December 15
2:30 to 4 pm
All Ages
Build your own LEGO creation from our enormous collection of LEGOs. Creations will be displayed in the Children’s Room.
THANK YOU TO ALL WHO GAVE!
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All lectures are from 10:30 am to 12 pm

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Wednesday, November 13 – Abstraction
Monday, November 18 – Dada and Surrealism
Wednesday, November 20 – Abstract Expressionism

Kimberly Rhodes, instructor of modern and contemporary visual culture at Drew University, will present a four-part course surveying the history of modern art. There will be discussion of how modern artists challenged conventions and revolutionized painting and sculpture in the 19th and 20th centuries. Works by Édouard Manet, Paul Cézanne, Pablo Picasso, Marcel Duchamp, and Jackson Pollock will be studied in these lectures. A fee of $40 will be charged for the series or $10 per individual class.