

BOOKENDS

Newsletter of
Library of The Chathams

March - April 2017



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Fostering Learning and Building Community in a Safe, Effective Space: Library RMR Plan Status

The library's existing space fulfills many community needs. But after many structural changes and additions over the years, the space needs to be reorganized with more efficiency and enhanced safety. The Modernization Plan will address these needs.

RMR (RENOVATE, MODERNIZE, REORGANIZE) PLAN HIGHLIGHTS

All within the building's existing footprint!

- Teen Center (benefits teens AND adults who want a quiet library!)
- New Children's Activity Room
- Multi-Use STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math)/Conference Room doubling as meeting room
- Three new quiet study rooms
- A modern, cataloged local history room
- Modern, efficient lighting
- Unobstructed walkways and many other improvements enhancing patron safety
- Space for expanded programming

FUNDING GOALS AND PROGRESS TO DATE

Target: \$4.5 million

Raised to date: \$1.2 million

Board of Trustees presented the RMR Plan and requested funding of \$3 million from Chatham Township and Chatham Borough on November 10 and 14, 2016 respectively. As soon as we hear back, we will update our community.



Karen Brodsky, Director

Connect with us!



DID YOU KNOW? LIBRARY USAGE IN 2016

238,527 Visits to library

227,352 Visits to library website

227,147 Items checked out

1,348 Youth, adult, and community group programs attracted **24,904** visitors

604 Children signed up for Summer Reading Club and read **12,224** books

80% of Chatham Borough and Chatham Township residents have a library card!

Friends of the Library of The Chathams remind you:

Book Sale 2017!

Saturday, March 11 - 9:30 am to 4 pm
(Early entry 7:30 - 9:30 am, \$25)

Bag Sale opening early this year!

Sunday, March 12 - 10 am to 4 pm

March 13 & 14

During regular library hours

Did you receive your annual appeal letter?
Mail back the enclosed card
or donate online at

www.chathamlibrary.org/make-a-donation
and support Friends of the Library today!



Programs and Events

Adult

MARCH

Income Tax Assistance

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

**Wednesdays through April 12
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 2016, copies of your 2015 Federal and State tax returns, proof of health insurance, and all printed and blank forms from the Internal Revenue Service.

Gen Y Networking Group

Wednesdays, March 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.

Bring Your Own Device

Tuesdays, March 7 & 21 - 11 am or 2 pm

Saturdays by appointment

Bring your smartphone or tablet to the library for individual training with a reference librarian. Learn to download library eBooks to your own device. Call for an appointment at 973-635-0603.

Friends of the Library Book Sale

Saturday, March 11 through Tuesday, March 14

See front page for hours

Thousands of books! All genres! Proceeds benefit Library of The Chathams.

Notable Women of New Jersey

Tuesday, March 28 - 7:30 pm

Join us for our second annual celebration of Women's History Month to meet and hear the stories of notable women who work, live and serve in New Jersey. See back page for details.

Book Group: *Americanah*

Wednesday, March 29 - 1 pm

The library book group will discuss *Americanah* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. You may reserve a copy of the book at the Information Desk.

APRIL

Fool for Love Dance

Saturday, April 1 - 2 pm

Learn to dance the Merengue and the Hustle with a dance instructor from the Fred Astaire Dance Studio in Morristown. Sign up online or call 973-635-0603.

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Tuesdays, April 4 & 18 - 11 am or 2 pm

Saturdays by appointment

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CALL: Chatham Adult Lifeworks Learning New Directions in American Foreign Policy: The Trump Administration

Tuesdays, April 4, 11, 18 & 25 - 11 am

Dr. Douglas W. Simon, professor emeritus of political science specializing in international affairs, and a two-time recipient of the President's Award for Distinguished Teaching at Drew University, will present a four-part series on changes in American foreign policy. A \$40 fee for this series is required payable to Friends of the Library by March 28.



Dr. Douglas
Simon

Featured Database:

referenceUSA®

One of our most amazing online resources comes to us through the New Jersey State Library. Reference USA is a powerful database that provides detailed, accurate and current directory information on millions of U.S and Canadian businesses and residents. Search by company name, business type, geographic locations, satellite images and more.

To use Reference USA, go to our website at www.chathamlibrary.org and select the Research tab.

March 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) Gen Y Group 7 pm (A)	2 Yoga Storytime* 10, 10:45 am (C) Blood Pressure 10 am-12 pm (A)	3	4 Family Storytime 11 am (C)
5	6 Storytime 9:45, 10:15, 11 am (C)	7 Storytime 10, 10:30 am (C) BYO Device 11 am, 2 pm (A) No-Sew Lucky Bear 4-5 pm (C)	8 Spanish Conversation Group 7 pm (A)	9 Music with Mr. John* 10, 10:45 am (C) Stitch a Stuffed Cartoon Kitten 4-5 pm (C)	10	11 Friends of the Library Book Sale 9:30 am-4 pm Family Storytime 11 am (C)
12 Friends of the Library Book Sale 10 am-4 pm	13 Friends of the Library Book Sale Storytime 9:45, 10:15, 11 am (C)	14 Friends of the Library Book Sale Storytime 10, 10:30 am (C)	15 Homework Helpers 3:30-5 pm (C) Read Aloud to Therapy Dogs 4-5 pm (C) Gen Y Group 7 pm (A)	16 Miss Carol Dance* 10, 10:45 am (C) Stitch a Stuffed Cartoon Kitten 4-5 pm (C) Chess for Kids 4:30, 5:30 pm (C) Teen Advisory Group 7 pm (T)	17 Italian Conversation Group 1 pm (A) Henna Art Workshop for Teens 4-5 pm (T)	18 Family Storytime 11 am (C)
19	20 Storytime 9:45, 10:15, 11 am (C)	21 Storytime 10, 10:30 am (C) BYO Device 11 am, 2 pm (A)	22 Spanish Conversation Group 7 pm (A)	23 Bob Conrad Magic and Puppets* 10, 10:45 am (C) Stitch a Stuffed Cartoon Kitten 4-5 pm (C) Chess for Kids 4:30, 5:30 pm (C)	24 Video Game Club Gr 6-12 3-4:45 pm (T)	25 Family Storytime 11 am (C)
26 Legopalooza! 2:30 pm (C)	27 ShopRite Nutrition: Noodles 4-5 pm (C)	28 Notable Women of NJ 7:30 pm (All Ages)	29 Book Group: <i>Americanah</i> 1 pm (A) Homework Helpers 3:30-5 pm (C)	30 Drop-In Crafts 10, 10:45 am (C) Chess for Kids 4:30, 5:30 pm (C) Movie Night 7 pm	31 Video Game Club Gr 6-12 3-4:45 pm (T)	

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*Held next door at
 St. Paul's Church



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 Mon-Thu 9:30 am - 9 pm • Fri 9:30 am - 6 pm • Sat 9:30 am - 5 pm • Sun 2 pm - 5 pm

April 2017 Programs

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Fool for Love Dance 2 pm (A)
2	3 Storytime 9:45, 10:15, 11 am (C) ShopRite Nutrition: Artichokes 4-5 pm (C)	4 Storytime 10, 10:30 am (C) BYO Device 11 am, 2 pm (A) CALL: New American Foreign Policy 11 am (A) CALL: Post-Impressionism 1 pm (A)	5 Spanish Storytime 10 am (C) Gen Y Group 7 pm (A)	6 Yoga Storytime 10, 10:45 am (C) Blood Pressure 10 am-12 pm (A) Stitch a Fuzzy Tsum Baby Chick 4-5 pm (C) Chess for Kids 4:30, 5:30 pm (C)	7 Video Game Club Gr 6-12 3-4:45 pm (T)	8 Family Storytime 11 am (C) Treasures of The Chathams Scavenger Hunt: Kickoff Event 11 am (All Ages)
9 Drew Art Association Show Reception 2:15-4 pm (A)	10 Storytime 9:45, 10:15, 11 am (C) Library Cinema 2 pm (C)	11 Storytime 10, 10:30 am (C) CALL: New American Foreign Policy 11 am (A) CALL: Post-Impressionism 1 pm (A) Legopalooza! 3 pm (C)	12 Drop-In Crafts 10 am-12 pm (C) Spanish Conversation Group 7 pm (A)	13 Music with Mr. John 10, 10:45 am (C) Stitch a Fuzzy Tsum Baby Chick 4-5 pm (C) Fossil Fuels and the Environment 7 pm (A)	14 Library Closed	15 Family Storytime 11 am (C) Honeybees and Beekeeping 2 pm (A)
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23 Treasures of The Chathams Scavenger Hunt: Closing Ceremony 3 pm (All Ages)	24 Storytime 9:45, 10:15, 11 am (C)	25 Storytime 10, 10:30 am (C) CALL: New American Foreign Policy 11 am (A) CALL: Post-Impressionism 1 pm (A)	26 Book Group: <i>Hot Milk</i> 1 pm (A) Homework Helpers 3:30-5 pm (C) Spanish Conversation Group 7 pm (A)	27 Bob Conrad Magic and Puppets 10, 10:45 am (C) Chess for Kids 4:30, 5:30 pm (C) Movie Night 7 pm	28 Video Game Club Gr 6-12 3-4:45 pm (T)	29 Family Storytime 11 am (C)
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Blood Pressure Screenings

First Thursday of the Month

March 2 and April 6

10 am to 12 pm

CALL: Chatham Adult Lifeworks Learning Post-Impressionism

Tuesdays, April 4, 11, 18 & 25 - 1 pm

Michael Norris, Ph. D., has been an art educator at the Metropolitan Museum of Art for over 20 years. He will present a four-part series on Post-Impressionism, highlighting artists such as Seurat, van Gogh, Gauguin and Cézanne. A \$40 fee for this series is required payable to Friends of the Library by March 28.



Michael Norris

Gen Y Networking Group

Wednesdays, April 5 & 19 - 7 pm

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

Drew Art Association Show

Opening reception Sunday, April 9 - 2:15 to 4 pm

The Drew Art Association will hold its annual show through April. The public is invited to attend.

Opening reception sponsored by Friends of the Library

Honeybees and Beekeeping

Saturday, April 15 - 2 pm

Adele Barree, retired librarian and beekeeping hobbyist for nearly 9 years, will present some facts on honeybee decline; describe what takes place in a honeybee colony; and give a few tips on how anyone, not just beekeepers, can help bees survive. The program will conclude with a varietal honey tasting. Sign up online or call 973-635-0603.



Fossil Fuels and Their Effect on the Environment

Thursday, April 13 - 7 pm

Eric Hausker, member of the Loantaka Group of the Sierra Club in New Jersey, will speak about fossil fuels, their negative impact on the environment, and the necessity to turn to alternative forms of energy. Sign up online or call 973-635-0603.

Book Group: Hot Milk

Wednesday, April 26 - 1 pm

The library book group will discuss *Hot Milk* by Deborah Levy. You may reserve a copy of the book at the Information Desk.

Programs and Events Teen

All Teen programs and events sponsored by Friends of the Library

MARCH

Teen Advisory Group

Thursday, March 16 - 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.

Henna Art Workshop for Teens

Friday, March 17 - 4 to 5 pm

Ages 14 & Up Limit: 20 students

Registration opens Friday, March 3

Come to the library to learn about the ancient art of henna - Mehendi. A brief presentation will be followed by a hands-on Henna Art Workshop. Try out your artistic skills on your own skin. All materials will be provided - just bring your artistic talents and a willingness to try new things.



Teen Video Game Club
Fridays, March 24 & 31; April 7 & 28
3 to 4:45 pm
Grades 6 to 12

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

APRIL

Teen Advisory Group

Thursday, April 20 - 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.

Spring Cupcakes for Teens

Friday, April 21 - 4 pm

Ages 12 & Up Limit: 12 students

Registration opens Friday, April 7

Decorate two designer cupcakes! Make a spring flower cupcake with marshmallows and use fondant to make an Earth Day cupcake.



Programs and Events Children

*All Children's programs and events made possible by
Friends of the Library*

MARCH

Spanish Storytime

Wednesday, March 1 - 10 to 10:45 am

All Ages

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

Homework Helpers

Wednesdays, March 1, 15 & 29 - 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!

No-Sew Lucky Bear with Miss Polly

Tuesday, March 7 - 4 to 5 pm

Ages 5 & Up Limit: 8 children

Registration required

Join Miss Polly to make a no-sew teddy bear for St. Patrick's Day! Prior scissor experience necessary.

Stitch a Stuffed Cartoon Kitten with Miss Polly

Thursdays, March 9, 16 & 23 - 4 to 5 pm

Ages 6 & Up Limit: 8 children

Registration required

Miss Polly will show you how to stitch your very own cat doll based on a popular cartoon character.



CHESS FOR KIDS

Thursdays, March 16 through May 11
(No class April 13)

Group 1:

Players who know how pieces move
4:30 - 5:15 pm Ages 5 to 8 Limit: 12 children

Group 2:

Players who can finish a game with checkmate
5:30 - 6:15 pm Ages 8 & Up Limit: 16 children

Registration opens Thursday, March 2

Back by popular demand, we are starting a new series of Chess for Kids. Players must be prepared to attend all 8 sessions.

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

March 2*, April 6

Music with Mr. John

March 9*, April 13

Miss Carol Dance

March 16*, April 20

Bob Conrad Magic and Puppets

March 23*, April 27

Drop-In Crafts

March 30

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

Read Aloud to Therapy Dogs

Wednesday, March 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, March 26 - 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.

ShopRite Nutrition: Noodles

Monday, March 27 - 4 to 5 pm

Ages 5 to 8 Limit: 15 children

Registration opens Monday, March 13

ShopRite dietitian Jenn Luster will make some fun and tasty noodle recipes.

APRIL

ShopRite Nutrition: Artichokes

Monday, April 3 - 4 to 5 pm

Ages 5 to 8 Limit: 15 children

Registration opens Monday, March 20

ShopRite dietitian Jenn Luster will talk about the health benefits of artichokes and make a fun recipe!

Spanish Storytime

Wednesday, April 5 - 10 to 10:45 am

All Ages

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

Stitch a Fuzzy Tsum Baby Chick with Miss Polly

Thursdays, April 6 & 13 - 4 to 5 pm

Ages 6 & Up Limit: 8 children

Registration opens Thursday, March 23

Miss Polly will assist you in stitching a sweet spring baby chick stuffed toy in the trendy new Japanese style of Tsum.

**Library Cinema**

April 10 (Spring Break) - 2 pm

All Ages

Bring a mat or a pillow to get comfortable.

We'll provide the popcorn.

Legopalooza!

Tuesday, April 11 (Spring Break) - 3 to 4:30 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.

Calling all would-be detectives
and treasure seekers...

**TREASURES OF THE CHATHAMS
SCAVENGER HUNT**

Ages: The Whole Family

Join Great Swamp Watershed Association and Library of The Chathams, along with several community partners, for this hands-on exploratory event. Have some springtime fun as you look for answers to clues all around The Chathams. Discover little-known information and fun places right at your doorstep that you never knew existed! Register to pick up your clue book and map at the **Kickoff Event** or any time thereafter.

Join us at the **Closing Ceremony** for fun activities, to check your answers, and win prizes. You can drop off your finished hunt at the library any time before April 23.

Kickoff Event
Saturday, April 8 - 11 am

Closing Ceremony
Sunday, April 23 - 3 pm

Sponsored by the
Great Swamp
Watershed Association

**SPRING STORYTIME**

Storytime is an 8 week, progressive program for preschoolers and their caregivers.

Registration is required

Registration opens Monday, March 27

Mondays, April 3 through May 22

9:45 - 10:15 am	24 months & younger
10:15 - 11 am	4 - 6 years
11 - 11:30 am	2 - 3 years

Tuesdays, April 4 through May 23

10 - 10:30 am	24 months & younger
10:30 - 11 am	2 - 3 years

Drop-In Storytime - no registration required**Saturdays, April 8 through May 27**

11 - 11:30 am	All Ages (Families)
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Drop-In Crafts

April 12 (Spring Break) - 10 am to 12 noon

All Ages

Drop in and make an original craft to take home.

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Wednesday, April 19 - 4 to 5 pm

Grades K & Up

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Homework Helpers

Wednesday, April 26 - 3:30 to 5 pm

Grades K - 5 Limit: 6 children per session

Registration opens Wednesday, April 12

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You never know
whom you'll meet
at the library...



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Featured Program Notable Women of NJ

On Tuesday, March 28 at 7:30 pm you will have a chance to hear the stories of some of the state's most accomplished women:

- **Myriam Alvarez** - journalist and writer with 15 years of work at the United Nations and author of the historical novel *Flowers in the Dust*.
- **Anna Maria Chávez** - attorney, inspirational speaker, writer and former CEO of the Girl Scouts of the USA.
- **Mary Ann LoFrumento, MD, FAAP** - medical director of the Newborn Nursery at Morristown Medical Center and co-founder of Hands Up for Haiti.
- **Kelly J. Watson** - National Service Group Leader of KPMG's Risk Consulting Practice who leads a team of more than 4700 partners and professionals.

The panel will be moderated by **Irene Chang Britt, CEO**, ICB Enterprises. For more information on the participants, please go to <http://chathamlibrary.org/notable-women/>.

Students and adults welcome. Registration required. Sign up online or call 973-635-0603.



Notable Women of New Jersey with special connections to Chatham (clockwise from top left): Myriam Alvarez, Anna Maria Chávez, Mary Ann LoFrumento, and Kelly J. Watson