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BD Book Discussion
FR Friends Program
ED Exhibits & Displays
DIV Diversity
MKR Maker Program
REG Please Register

*These programs may contain potential allergens. Please contact the Branch for details.
A – 1 pm, All Fridays

Holiday Film Fridays
12/6: It’s a Wonderful Life (PG) 130 min.
12/13: A Christmas Story (PG) 94 min.
12/20: The Holly and the Ivy (NR) 81 min.
12/27: Eight Crazy Nights (PG) 76 min.

F – 12/7, 2 pm, Saturday

Happy Days String Band
Come strut your stuff or sing along as the Happy Days String Band performs. Sponsored by the Friends of the Barnegat Library. REG

CH – 12/9, 1:30 pm, Monday
Drop-In Craft
Stop by the Kid’s Zone for a craft to celebrate National Cookie Day. Ages 6+. REG

FR – 12/10, 12:30 pm, Tuesday
Friends of the Barnegat Library Meeting
Come join an active group looking for new ideas to support the Library.

T – 12/11, 7 pm, Wednesday
Teen Craft Club
Create an ornament, or other keepsake for the winter holidays. Ages 12 – 18. REG

A – 12/11, 7 pm, Wednesday
Adult Writers Group
Hone your craft with like-minded adult writers. REG

CH – 12/12, 11 am, Thursday
Holiday Craft Night for Kids
Celebrate the holidays with fun and festive crafts. Ages 5 – 12. REG

F – 12/30, 6:30 pm, Monday

Owls of New Jersey
"Whooo" knew owls could be so cool? Join the staff of Cloverdale Farm County Park as they give a presentation on the eight species of owls common to New Jersey, discuss unique adaptations, and conduct a group owl pellet dissection. REG
DIV/CH – 12/2, 10:30 am and 3:30 pm, Monday
**Holiday Crafts**
Stop by and learn about different winter holidays like Hanukkah, Christmas and Kwanzaa and make holiday crafts. **REG**

CH/PA – 12/3, 4 pm, Tuesday
**Paws for Reading**
Practice your reading skills in the company of gentle therapy dogs. **REG**

A – 12/4, 6:30 pm, Wednesday and 12/7, 11 am, Saturday
**Film Screening: Yesterday**
After a freak accident during a worldwide blackout, struggling musician Jack Malik wakes to discover that he is the only person in the world to remember The Beatles. (PG-13) 116 min.

FR – 12/5, 1 pm – 4 pm, Thursday
**Friends of the Upper Shores Branch Open House**
Luncheon begins at 1 pm with entertainment to follow. Please join your Friends.

A – 12/5, 2 pm, Thursday
**Fred Miller’s Lectures in Song: A Sentimental Journey**
This lecture in song features music from WWII and the Big Band Era in the years 1938 – 1945. Sponsored by the Friends of the Upper Shores Branch. **REG**

A – 12/6, 11 am and 2 pm, Friday
**Adult Craft: Holiday Cards**
Learn to make an origami cards for Christmas, Kwanzaa, and Hanukkah. Limit 15 attendees. **REG**

A – 12/7, 12 pm, Monday
**Drop-In Kwanzaa Craft**
Stop by the Kid’s Zone for a craft. Ages 6+.

A – 12/7, 1 pm, Saturday
**History of Lavallette**
Join local historian and photographer Denise Wirth for a fun and informative presentation about our very own Lavallette, “City by the Sea”. **REG**

A – 12/12, 12/26 1 pm, Thursdays, and 12/14, 12/28, 1 pm, Saturdays
**EWE Knit and Crochet**
Drop in with your own supplies.

DIV/CH – 12/16, 1:30 pm, Monday
**Drop-In Hanukkah Craft**
Stop by the Kid’s Zone for a craft. Ages 6+.

BD – 12/17, 2 pm, Tuesday
**Homegoing by Yaa Gyasi**
New members welcome. Copies available for pickup at the Branch.

A – 12/17, 7 pm, Tuesday
**DVD Discussion Group: A Man Called Ove**
Ove, an ill-tempered, isolated retiree who spends his days enforcing block association rules and visiting his wife’s grave, has finally given up on life just as an unlikely friendship develops with his boisterous new neighbors. (PG) 130 min.

A – 12/18, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
**Poetry Writers Group**
Hone your craft with like-minded adult writers.

CH – 12/20, 10:30 am and 3:30 pm, Friday
**Ice is Nice Crafts**
For children and families. Stop by and make crafts inspired by ice. **REG**

A – 12/21, 7 pm, Saturday
**Drop-In Kwanzaa Craft**
Stop by the Kid’s Zone for a craft. Ages 6+.

A – 12/28, 11 am, Saturday
**Saturday Documentary: Sammy Davis Jr. I’ve Gotta Be Me**
The first major film documentary to examine the performer’s vast career and his journey for identity through the shifting tides of civil rights and racial progress during 20th century America. (NR) 101 min.

DIV/CH – 12/30, 1:30 pm, Monday
**Drop-In Kwanzaa Craft**
Stop by the Kid’s Zone for a craft. Ages 6+.

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JOIN US FOR DROP-IN HOLIDAY CRAFTING,
MONDAYS AT THE BARNEGAT BRANCH!

12/16 at 1:30 pm
Drop-In Hanukkah Craft

12/23 at 1:30 pm
Drop-In Christmas Craft

12/30 at 1:30 pm
Drop-In Kwanzaa Craft

All crafts for ages 6+.
C – December
One-on-One Computer Instruction
Call the Branch to schedule a private computer class with our Librarian.

A – 12/4, 12/11, 12/18, 11 am, Wednesdays
English Conversation Group
Talk about current events and other subjects in an informal setting.

FR – 12/6, 10 am, Friday
Friends of the Beachwood Branch Meeting
New members are always welcome. Join us and support your local Branch.

CH/PA – 12/10, 10:30 am, Tuesday
The Polar Express

CH/PA – 12/28, 10 am, Saturday
Kwanzaa Beading
Bead your own bracelet or necklace in celebration of Kwanzaa. Ages 5 – 12. REG

CH – 12/31, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Toddler & Preschool Storytime
Enjoy a storytime and craft with our Librarian. Ages 2 – 5. REG

TW/T/PA – 12/16, 6 pm, Monday
Tween & Teen Night: Gingerbread Houses
Design and eat your own miniature gingerbread house. Ages 8 – 18. REG

A – 12/17, 2:30 pm, Tuesday
Make It: DIY Adult Craft
Enjoy a relaxing craft just in time for the holidays. REG

A – 12/19, 10 am, Thursday
Knit Wits
Enjoy knitting or crocheting? Join us.

F – 12/23, 6 pm, Monday
Hanukkah Movie Night: An American Tail
Meet Fievel. In his search to find his family, he discovered America. (G) 80 min. REG

BD – 12/26, 10:30 am, Friday
Homeschool Kids’ Book Club
Contact the Library for the current title. REG

CH – 12/31, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Toddler & Preschool Storytime
Enjoy a storytime and craft with our Librarian. Ages 2 – 5. REG

A – 12/2, 1 pm – 3 pm, Monday
ACA 2020 Enrollment Assistance
Ocean Health Initiatives, Inc. representatives will be present to answer questions and provide one-on-one assistance with enrollment in the Affordable Care Act, NJ Familycare, and Medicaid for the coming year. Open Enrollment ends December 15.

T/A – 12/2, 6 pm, Monday
Movie: The Longest Ride
Based on a Nicholas Sparks novel, this drama tells how the lives of a young couple intertwine with a much older man, as he reflects back on a past love. (PG-13) 123 min. REG

CH/PA – 12/3, 11:30 am, Tuesday
Storytime
Explore food through stories, songs, and crafts. Ages 2 – 6. REG

A – 12/5, 12/19, 10 am – 12 pm, Thursdays
Art Chat
Meet and talk with local artists.

BD/CH – 12/6, 10:30 am, Friday
Homeschool Kids’ Book Club
Contact the Library for the current title. REG

TW/T/PA – 12/17, 3:30 pm, Tuesday
Craft Club for Kids: Gingerbread
Decorate a gingerbread house. All materials provided. Younger children are also welcome with caregiver. Refreshments provided courtesy of the Tuckerton Library Association. Ages 8 – 18. REG

TW/T/A – 12/23, 6 pm, Monday
Movie: It’s a Wonderful Life
In this holiday classic, a man is shown the value that his life has had to others. (PG) 130 min. REG

F – 12/30, 6 pm, Monday
Movie: Aladdin
A kind-hearted street urchin and a power-hungry Grand Vizier vie for a magic lamp that has the power to make their deepest wishes come true. Bring the whole family. Pajamas optional. (PG) 128 min. REG
Nutcracker in a Nutshell
See dancers from Basically Ballet perform highlights from the classic ballet The Nutcracker condensed into 30 minutes. REG

Holiday Cards: Drop-In Craft for Children
Whatever holiday you celebrate this season, make a card with us at the Library.

Holiday Wrapping Party
Bring your presents to the Library where we have brown kraft paper, DIY gift tags, and plenty of space to wrap gifts. REG

Meditation for Adults with Special Challenges and Their Caregivers
Learn the basics of meditation, a practice to bring calmness and focus. Please arrive and settle in by 11:15 am. REG

Homeschool Art
Come to create, learn, and have fun with all different mediums and styles. Ages 12 – 18. REG

Holiday Wrapping Party
Bring your presents to the Library where we have brown kraft paper, DIY gift tags, and plenty of space to wrap gifts. REG

Facebook Basics
REG

World Crafters
Each month we will explore a different culture through crafts. Ages 7 – 11. REG

Design a Droid
Make your own BB8 or R2D2. Ages 6 – 12. REG

Teen Maker Night
This month visit the Sparks’s Lab and learn the basics of paper quilling. Ages 12 – 18. REG

Oracle & Tarot Card Club
Are you ready to sharpen your oracle skills? Learn, practice, and meet like-minded friends from beginners through experts. For entertainment purposes only. REG

The Polar Express

Tuesday, December 10th at 10:30 am
Beachwood Branch • 732-244-4573

Saturday, December 14th at 10:30 am
Stafford Branch • 609-597-3381

Thursday, December 19th at 6:30 pm
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Please alert us of any food allergies upon registration.
A – December

Computer and eBook Help
Please call for an appointment.

A – December

Pop-In Puzzle
Stop in and help us complete a puzzle.

A/PA – 1:30 pm, All Mondays

Monday Movies
Bring lunch or a snack to enjoy while watching the movie. Register for each movie separately. REG
12/2: Fast Color (PG-13) 100 min.
12/9: The Lion King (PG) 118 min.
12/16: White Christmas (NR) 120 min.
12/23: Almost Christmas (PG-13) 112 min.
12/30: Spiderman: Far From Home (PG-13) 130 min.

A/PA – 12/2, 11 am, Monday

Holiday Recipe Exchange
Meet new people and swap recipes for the holiday season. Bring a homemade treat and copies of your recipe to share. REG

A – 12/2, 2 pm – 7 pm, Monday

American Red Cross Blood Drive
Make a difference and donate blood. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are preferred. To make an appointment, call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit www.redcrossblood.org.

A/PA – 12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 12/31, 10 am – 11:30 am, Tuesdays

Tea Tuesdays
Warm up with a cup of tea and a good book, and delight in life’s simple pleasures.

CH – 12/3, 10:30 am, Tuesday

Baby and Me
Rhythm, rhyme, music and movement for babies up to 12 months with caregiver. This is designed for babies not yet walking. REG

T – 12/4, 6:30 pm, Wednesday

Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting
Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18. REG

A – 1 pm, All Thursdays

An Afternoon of Mah Jongg
If you have your own set, please bring it.

F – 12/5, 7 pm, Thursday

Nutcracker in a Nutshell: A Ballet Performance
Join us for this holiday-themed ballet performance. Presented by Basically Ballet Studio. REG

CH – 12/6, 10:30 am, Friday

Toddler Time
Play with your little one as we share stories, rhymes, songs, and dance. Ages 1 – 2. REG

F – 12/7, 10 am – 1 pm, Saturday

Holiday Card Photo Shoot
Stop in to have your picture taken in front of our green screen, select a background, and leave with an electronic file you can use to order photo cards from your favorite online shop. Please have an email address to which the file can be sent. REG

A – 12/11, 6:30 pm, Wednesday

Mantra Meditation with Sound Techniques
This call and response chanting is accompanied by traditional folk instruments, and quiets the mind by invoking a higher state of consciousness. REG

MKR/T – 12/12, 5:30 pm, Thursday

Preschool Storytime
Ages 3½ – 5. REG

MKR/CH – 12/12, 10:30 am, Thursday

Teen Art Club
Get creative. Artwork will be displayed each month in the Teen Zone. Ages 12 – 18. REG

CH – 12/12, 10:30 am, Thursday

Broadway Bound Dance Centre Presents: The Nutcracker
The Broadway Bound Dance Centre proudly presents The Nutcracker. REG

A – 12/14, 2 pm, Saturday

How to Be Safe in Cyberspace
There is an invisible threat in your home and this cyber threat is coming from inside the house from all of your internet connected devices. An IT professional from AT&T will be here to discuss, guide and provide resources on how to be safe in cyberspace. There will be a question and answer segment after the presentation. REG

F – 12/14, 2:30 pm, Saturday

Crafty Kids Drop-In: Paper Bag Puppets

CH – 12/16, 10 am, Monday

Waddler Time: Holiday Party
Join us for a fun holiday party. Dress to impress. Ages 12 – 23 months. REG

MKR/T – 12/16, 1 pm, Monday

Homeschool STEM Academy for Teens
Visit our Spark’s Lab and learn all about robotics, 3D printing, DIY projects, and more. Ages 12 – 18. REG

A – 12/16, 6:30 pm, Monday

Adult Writers Group
All levels of writing experience and genres are welcome. REG

CH – 12/16, 6:30 pm, Monday

Boys Club
Ages 8 – 12. REG

CH – 12/17, 10:30 am, Monday

Paws for Reading
Practice your reading skills in the company of gentle therapy dogs. Ages 2 – 3. REG

C – 12/18, 3 pm, Wednesday

The Right Career for You
REG

CH – 12/18, 10:30 am, Wednesday

First Art
Ages 3½ – 5. REG

CH – 12/18, 10:30 am, Wednesday

Teddy Bear Storytime
Ages 3½ – 5. REG

CH – 12/18, 4:30 pm, Wednesday

Paws for Reading
Practice your reading skills in the company of gentle therapy dogs. Ages 6 – 12. REG

T/PA – 12/18, 6:30 pm, Wednesday

Perfume 2 Go
Participants will design their own personalized fragrance and blend it with an oil/beeswax base to make a solid perfume balm that they can take home. Not recommended for those with allergies, sensitivities, or asthma.
MKR/TW/T – 12/5, 11 am, Thursday
Bullet Journal Monthly Meetup
Join us to share bullet journaling ideas, try new techniques, and design pages for next month. Beginners are welcome. Ages 12 – 18. REG

A – 6 pm, All Thursdays
Adult Knitting Meetup

A – 12/5, 12/19, 6 pm, Thursdays
Gamers Corner

A – 12/5, 7 pm, Thursday
WREP – When Radio Entertained People
Actors will perform vintage radio skits featuring a Halloween episode of "Ozzie and Harriet" and two Christmas episodes from "Suspense" and "Grand Central Station." REG

CH – 12/6, 10 am, Friday
Toddler Time
Ages 2 – 3. REG

MKR/F – 12/7, 11 am – 1 pm, Saturday
Maker Travel Series: England
England-themed green screen photo and craft.

F – 12/7, 2:30 pm – 4 pm, Saturday
Drop-In Video Games for Kids

MKR/F – 12/7, 2 pm – 4 pm, Saturday
Scarves for a Cause
Learn to knit or crochet while giving back to your community. REG

CH – 12/9, 10:30 am, Monday
Arty Party
Ages 3½ – 5. REG

T – 12/9, 5:30 pm, Monday
Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting
Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18.

MKR/T/A – 12/9, 6 pm – 8 pm, Monday
Drop-In Craft: Mini Paper Wreath
Create a beautiful winter wreath with layers of cut paper. Ages 13+.

F – 12/9, 6:30 pm, Monday
Light the Candle: Create Birthday Cards for Foster Children
Help create a birthday card for a child. Join Jordan Lacey, founder of Light the Candle, a non-profit movement that provides free and homemade birthday cards to foster children. REG

A/PA – 12/9, 7 pm, Monday
Cookbook Club
REG

MKR/A – 12/10, 2:30 pm, Tuesday
DIY Holiday Ornaments
Create ornaments that celebrate the holidays. REG

T – 12/10, 4:30 pm, Tuesday
Teen Anime
Join friends, new and old, for manga discussions, anime viewings, and learning about all things Japanese. New members are always welcome.

CH – 12/10, 6:30 pm, Tuesday
Young Artist’s Studio
Ages 6 – 12. REG

BD – 12/10, 7 pm, Tuesday
Big Little Lies by Liane Moriarty

CH – 12/11, 10:30 am, Wednesday
Let’s Play LEGOS®
Ages 3½ – 5. REG

TW – 12/9, 6:30 pm, Monday
Tween Art
Make an old fashioned winter decoration. Sponsored by the Friends of the Berkeley Library. Ages 10 – 12. REG

A – 12/10, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Craft for Adults with Special Challenges
Materials will be supplied. REG

A – 12/10, 11:30 am, Tuesday
Movie for Adults with Special Challenges
The movie will be chosen on day of showing. REG

A/PA, 12/16, 6:30 pm, Monday
Kids Cook
Make something tasty and learn cooking skills. Space is limited so please register. Contact the Branch for any allergy concerns. Ages 8 – 12. REG

A – 12/17, 2 pm, Tuesday
Adult Craft: Winter Wreaths
Materials will be supplied. Sponsored by the Friends of the Berkeley Library. REG

DIV/T – 12/18, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
Star of David Wall Art
Learn how to create this festive work of art using recycled materials. Grades 7 – 12. REG

CH/PA – 12/19, 4 pm – 5 pm, Thursday
Paws for Reading
Practice your reading skills in the company of gentle therapy dogs. REG

CH – 12/20, 10:30 am, Friday
Baby and Me
Rhythm, rhyme, music, and movement for babies up to 12 months with caregiver. This is designed for babies not yet walking. REG

T – 12/20, 3:30 pm, Friday
Mixed Media Art Club
Join us for a chance to let your creativity grow. Beginners welcome. Bring your sketchbook or the work of art. Come to create and share.

CH – 12/27, 10 am – 11:30 am, Friday
Playtime Fun!
Drop in anytime between 10 am – 11:30 am to play with our toys and socialize with other kids. Ages 1 – 4.

CH – 12/31, Tuesday
Drop-In Craft
Drop in anytime to make a party hat for New Year’s Eve.
ED – December
Our meeting room will exhibit various types of sewing and needlework created by the Brick knitting group, Stitch in Time.

F – 12/2, 10 am, Monday
Letters to Santa Drop-In
Drop by between 10 am – 11 am to create and decorate a wishlist letter to Santa.

Friends of the Brick Library
Annual Meeting & Luncheon
FR – 12/4, 11 am, Wednesday
Friends of the Brick Library Annual Meeting & Luncheon
Please note later start time of meeting.
The cost of the Friends luncheon is $10. Reservations must be made in advance and are required to attend. Please call 732-920-1624.

C – 12/5, 10 am, Thursday
hoopla
Borrow digital movies, music, and eBooks. REG

C – 12/5, 2:30 pm, Thursday
Lifelong Learning Using the Library Website
An overview of Library databases you can use to keep learning. REG

A – 12/6, 12/20, 10 am, Fridays
Stitch in Time
Bring your crochet, knitting, or crafting needles and your craft. REG

CH – 12/6, 10:30 am, Friday
Pajama Storytime by the Fire
Join us for some cozy stories and a craft. Ages 2 – 5. REG

BD – 12/6, 2 pm, Friday
First Friday Book Discussion
Bookshop on the Corner by Jenny Colgan.

F – 12/9, 10 am, Monday
Winter Decorating Drop-In
Help us decorate the Library by coloring winter shapes.

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T/PA – 12/2, 5 pm, Monday
Geek Treats
Recreate food from your favorite fandoms. Ages 12 – 18. REG

MKR/A – 12/2, 5:30 pm or 7 pm, Monday
Holiday Mugs with Cricut®
Use vinyl to decorate mugs for the holidays. Register for one session. Registration is required as supplies are limited. REG

CH – 12/2, 6:30 pm, Monday
Girls Club
Ages 8 – 12.

A – 12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 10 am, Tuesdays
English Conversation Group
New members welcome.

DIV/CH/PA – 12/3, 11 am, Tuesday
Homeschool Kids Club: Holiday Hoopla
Listen to stories about Christmas, Hanukkah, and Kwanzaa. Then enjoy treats and create crafts for each celebration. Ages 6 – 12. REG

MKR/F – 12/3, 3 pm – 5 pm, Tuesday
Drop-In Building
Drop in and create original works of art or design contraptions with our specialty building toys.

T – 12/3, 6 pm, Tuesday
Creature Feature Escape Room
Try out this escape room challenge featuring a voted on creature. Ages 12 – 18. REG

A – 12/3, 6:30 pm, Tuesday
An Evening with Pete Wagula
Come enjoy a performance by bottleneck guitarist Pete Wagula featuring his “live loops.” REG

A – 12/4, 12/11, 12/18, 10 am, Wednesdays
English Conversation Group
New members welcome.

CH – 12/4, 10:30 am, Wednesday
Letter D – Preschool Storytime
Join us each month as we explore a new letter in the alphabet at preschool storytime. Ages 3½ – 5. REG

CH/PA – 12/4, 3:30 pm, Wednesday
National Cookie Day
Celebrate National Cookie Day by decorating a cookie. Ages 6 – 12. REG

T – 12/4, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
Board Game Night
Learn a new game or play a classic. Ages 12 – 18. REG

MKR/F – 12/4, 5 pm – 6:30 pm, Wednesday
3D Print Drop-Off
Bring your 3D files to be printed or create new ones with the help of the Maker Team.

CH – 12/5, 10 am, Thursday
Baby & Me
Ages 0 – 12 months. REG
Library Programming Available 24/7

Visit our website at http://theoceancountylibrary.org/shore-view for DIY tutorials, recommended reads, how tos, and so much more.

A – 12/9, 6:30 pm, Monday
Monday Night Craft for Adults
Join us for a festive winter craft. REG

CH – 12/10, 11:30 am, Tuesday
Homeschool Happenings – Grandparents are the Best
Make something fun to show appreciation for your grandparents. Bring a 5” x 7” picture of yourself with grandparent(s). Ages 5 – 11. REG

C – 12/10, 2:30 pm, Tuesday
Genealogy Club
Please join us to do some searching and share your successes. REG

CH/PA – 12/10, 4 pm, Tuesday
Paws for Reading
Practice your reading skills in the company of gentle therapy dogs. Ages 6 and up. REG

CH – 12/10, 6 pm, Tuesday
Try It Tuesday
Have fun exploring science and crafts. Ages 6 and up. REG

A – 12/10, 6 pm, Tuesday
Knit Wits
Bring your crochet, knitting or crafting needles and your craft. REG

A – 12/11, 10 am, Wednesday
Craft for Adults with Special Challenges
Join us for a fun craft. REG

C – 12/11, 10:30 am, Wednesday
Internet Basics
Learn Internet basics. REG

A – 12/11, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
Poets Group
Share your poems in a positive environment. Write poems, read poems, or work on writing prompts for poetic inspiration. New members and beginner poets are always welcome. REG

C – 12/12, 10 am, Thursday
Kanopy
Access this free streaming film service. REG

A – 12/12, 6:30 pm, Thursday
Battle of the Bulge: America’s Greatest Battle
Seventy-five years ago, Hitler launched his final counter-offensive in Europe. Join Paul Zigo, the Director of the World War II Era Studies Institute, for a riveting discussion of the battle that Winston Churchill called the “greatest American Battle of the War.” Sponsored by the Friends of the Brick Library. REG

C – 12/12, 7 pm, Thursday
Winter Reads
Learn about the Library’s Adult Winter Reading Program and resources for finding your next fireside book. REG
**Holiday Craft Drop-In**
Stop by between 10 am – 11 am and create some holiday-themed crafts. REG

**Microsoft® Word Basics**
Learn basic word processing skills to create and format a document. REG

**Holiday Holidays Rock Storytime**
Join us for stories, music, and movement to celebrate Christmas, Hanukkah, and Kwanzaa, followed by a wreath craft. Ages 1½ – 5. REG

**Holiday Green Screen Drop-In**
Drop by between 10 am – 11 am and have your picture taken against the green screen with a holiday-themed background.

**Poets Corner**
Come to a lively discussion of poetry and share your own work. New members and beginners are always welcome. REG

**Night Crafting for Adults**
The craft is a toilet paper roll wreath. REG

**Happy Teeth**
Ocean Pediatric Dental Associates of Toms River will share stories and a craft about the importance of good dental hygiene. Ages 2 – 5. REG

**Android Help**
Bring your Android device and your questions. REG

**Decorate Holiday Cookies**
Decorate some festive holiday cookies. Be advised that some ingredients may contain allergens. REG

**Holiday Green Screen Drop-In**
Drop by between 10 am – 11 am and have your picture taken against the green screen with a holiday-themed background.

**Feature Film: Long Shot**
Starring Charlize Theron and Seth Rogen. A journalist is hired as a speechwriter by his former babysitter, who is now running for president. (R) 120 min. REG

**Holiday Access Video on Demand**
Learn how to use this database. REG

**All Together Storytime**
Stories, songs, and a craft for the whole family; geared toward children ages 1 – 6. REG

**Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting**
Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18. REG

**Cook the Book: Pies**
Prepare a recipe for this potluck book club and bring it to share. A copy of the recipe is required to participate. REG

**Teen Homeschool Hangout**
Complete a craft or project and explore some of the Library’s resources. Ages 9 – 13. REG

**An American Marriage by Tayari Jones**
BD – 12/10, 1 pm, Tuesday
A copy of the book is required to participate. REG

**Glass Jar Luminaries**
Create a lovely luminary jar with Mod Podge® and tissue paper. Ages 3 – 12. REG

**Make It: Día Holiday Ornaments**
Decorate a white porcelain ornament and learn about traditions in Mexico. All supplies will be provided. REG

**New Year’s Eve Storytime**
Make wishes and crafts for the New Year. Ages 3 – 5. REG

**Teen New Year’s Afternoon**
Join us for crafts, games, snacks and more to celebrate New Year’s Eve a little early; we’ll even count down at a reasonable hour. Ages 0 – 12. REG

**Polar Express**
Join us for a live experience of The Polar Express. Hear stories from the conductor, enjoy cookies and cocoa, and sing Christmas carols. Don’t forget to wear your favorite Christmas pajamas. Presented by A Land and Sea Mermaid. Sponsored by the Friends of the Stafford Library. Please alert us of any food allergies upon registration. For children up to age 12. REG

**All Together Storytime**
Stories, songs, and a craft for the whole family; geared toward children ages 1 – 6. REG

**Make your own wired ear muff headphones. Ages 12 – 18. REG**
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CH – 12/4, 10:30 am, Wednesday
Baby Time
Stories, fingerplays, and songs for children 18 months and younger. REG

CH – 12/14, 10:30 am, Saturday
Peto’s Palette Pals
Learn to create in the artistic style of Clementine Hunter. Be prepared to get messy in this hands-on artistic experience. Sponsored in part by a grant from the Ocean County Cultural and Heritage Commission and OceanFirst Foundation. Ages 6 – 12. REG

CH/PA – 12/27, 3:30 pm, Friday
Paws for Reading
Practice your reading skills in the company of gentle therapy dogs. Ages 5 – 12. REG

TW – 12/10, 3:30 pm, Tuesday
Twen Tuesdays
Come hang out with other tweens for gaming or crafting. Ages 10 – 12.

CH – 12/13, 3:30 pm, Friday
Drop-In Holiday Cards
Create a special card for your holiday. Ages 5 – 12.

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ED – December
Paintings and Metal Art
by Sydney Nebus (Meeting Room);
Carved Wooden Ducks Collection
by Marlizne (Large Display Case);
Pokémon Collection
by Kendall (Small Display Case).

CH/PA – 12/4, 4 pm, Wednesday
Paws for Reading
Practice your reading skills in the company of gentle therapy dogs.

BD – 12/4, 7:30 pm, Wednesday
Good Readers Book Club
Small Great Things by Judy Picoult.

A – 12/5, 2 pm, Thursday
Dementia Conversations
Learn some tips for having those difficult conversations about the most common issues that arise regarding Alzheimer’s or another form of dementia. Presented by the Alzheimer’s Association of the Greater New Jersey Region. REG

A – 12/5, 12/19, 12/27, 1 pm – 3 pm, Fridays
Games for Adults
Bring a friend and have fun playing a variety of board games.

A – 12/7, 2 pm, Saturday
Flute/Guitar Holiday Concert
Marjorie Koharski, flutist, and Keith Calmes, classical guitarist, will perform an hour program of holiday music. Sponsored by the Friends of the Pt. Pleasant Borough Branch. REG

T – 12/9, 2:30 pm, Monday
Teen Volunteer Day
Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18. REG

CH – 12/10, 11 am, Tuesday
Preschool Parachute & Music:
Celebrate the Season
Play along with musical instruments and shake the parachute to the sounds of the holidays. Ages 4 – 6. REG

A – 12/12, 11 am, Thursday
“Off the Hook” Knitting and Crocheting Group
Do you enjoy knitting and/or crocheting? Bring your own yarn and needles and make some new friends. All skill levels welcome.

A – 12/12, 11 am, Thursday
Dessert & A Movie: Rocketman
An epic musical fantasy about the uncensored human story of Sir Elton John’s breakthrough years. (R) 121 min. REG
A – 12/2, 12/16, 12/30, 10 am, Mondays
Knit Chat Chain Volunteers
Items are donated to hospitals.

DIV/MKR/A – 12/2, 2 pm, Monday
Kuumba: Create a Candle
for Kwanzaa or Your
Favorite Winter Holiday
One of the core principals
of Kwanzaa is Kuumba, to
honor and celebrate creativity
and to leave the community
more beautiful and beneficial
than we inherited it. Make a
seasonal candle for gift giving
in honor of Kwanzaa, or your
favorite winter holiday. REG

CH – 12/2, 12/16, 11 am, Tuesdays
An Evening with George Simonovich:
Old and Ancient Christmas Tunes
Experience a Victorian Christmas with
ancient and old Christmas tunes and
carols, familiar and obscure, performed
on classical guitar and cittern. REG

A – 12/10, 7 pm, Tuesday
Winter Craft for Adults
REG

T – 12/13, 3 pm, Friday
Nintendo® Gaming Club
Play Super Smash Bros., Mario Kart 8
and other Nintendo® games. REG

CH – 12/16, 3:30 pm, Monday
LEGO® Club
Bring your imagination and have fun
with our LEGO® collection. For ages 5
and up. Program sponsored by Friends
of the Point Pleasant Beach Branch.
Walk-ins welcome.

MKR/A – 12/3, 2 pm, Tuesday
Design Your Own Tote Bag
Supplies will be provided. REG

MKR/T – 12/3, 6 pm – 8 pm, Tuesday
Polymer Clay Charms
Make charms of your favorite characters
using Sculpey polymer clay.
Grades 6 – 8. REG

CH – 12/10, 7 pm, Tuesday
Prose & Ink Writers’ Group
All genres welcome. Bring 3 to 5
pages of a work in progress for
discussion and critique. REG

CH – 12/3, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Baby and Me
A lapsit program for our youngest
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Ages 0 – 18 months. REG

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A – 12/4, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
How to Launch a Successful Small
Business
Discuss critical skills needed prior to
launching your business, including
financial, marketing and business plans.
Presented in partnership with SCORE of
Ocean County. REG

DIV/F – 12/4, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
December Holiday Gift Making
Make Hanukkah, Christmas and
Kwanzaa gifts. REG

T/PA – 12/4, 6:30 pm – 8 pm,
Wednesday
NaNoWriMo Story Share
Now that you’ve written your short story
for NaNoWriMo, come to the Jackson
Branch to share snacks, your process,
and your story with other teen writers.
Ages 12 – 18. REG

CH/PA – 12/5, 10:30 am, Thursday
Sensory Play
Squish, squelch, and make a mess in a
sensory play experience for all.
Suggested ages 2 – 5. REG

ED – December
Curio Cabinet
Holiday Display – Liz Hahner

CH – 12/2, 12/16, 11 am, Mondays
Wigglers & Walkers
Please join us for rhymes, songs, stories
and movement, followed by playtime.
For children under 2 years of age with
caregiver. REG

T – 12/6, 3 pm, Friday
Dungeons & Dragons
Learn how to play this game of
storytelling and adventure. REG

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Toddler Sing-a-Long
Ages 18 – 36 months. REG

A – 12/9, 12/23, 1 pm, Mondays
Knitting and Crocheting at the Beach
Knitters and crocheters of all skill levels
welcome. REG

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CH – 12/2, 6:30 pm, Monday
Doggie Drop-In Craft
Come celebrate National Mutt Day with
some dog-themed crafts. Ages 3+. REG

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**A/PA – 12/5, 1 pm, Thursday**
Lunch & Learn: Wellness Workshop
Bring a bagged lunch and learn about the dimensions of wellness, stress management, nutrition, and tips for incorporating new behaviors in and excluding unhealthy behaviors from your routine. Presented by the Heath Education Division of the Ocean County Health Department. This program is made possible through the Partnership for a Healthier Ocean County. **REG**

**MKR/TW – 12/5, 6:30 pm, Thursday**
Book Safe Decorating
Tweens get creative and design a hollowed out book to store their treasures. Suggested ages 8 – 12. **REG**

**MKR/PA – 12/10, 6 pm – 8 pm, Tuesday**
Study Break: Switch & Green Screen Shenanigans
Play games on our Switch and take selfies at exotic locales with our green screen. Grades 9 – 12. **REG**

**MKR/A/PA – 12/11, 7 pm, Wednesday**
Healthy Holidays with Essential Oils
Choose two essential oil blends to soothe the overwhelmed, turn up the holiday spirit, keep your immune system jolly and bright, or unwind and relax after the holidays. **REG**

**A/PA – 12/5, 1 pm, Thursday**
Dance with Me
Simple steps and lots of fun. Ages 3 – 5. **REG**

**BD – 12/10, 1 pm, Tuesday**
The One in a Million Boy
by Monica Wood

**MKR/CH – 12/12, 10 am, Thursday**
Homeschool Makers
Come learn how to make something new in the Library’s makerspace. Ages 8 – 12. **REG**

**A – 12/12, 10 am, Thursday**
Armchair Traveling Series – Best American Treks
Film available through Ocean County Library database Access Video on Demand. (NR) 52 min. **REG**

**F – 12/6, 10:30 am, Monday**
Bits n’ Bridle Storytime
Giddyup with an interactive horse story and songs, while learning about and touching equipment used on real horses. **REG**

**A – 12/9, 2 pm, Monday**
Holiday Trimming Centerpieces
Join Tracy from Whiting Flower Shoppe to create your own holiday flower arrangement. **REG**

**A – 12/9, 12/23, 6:30 pm, Mondays**
Knit Chat Chain Volunteers
Items are donated to hospitals. **REG**

**CH – 12/10, 10:30 am, Tuesday**
Superhero Yourself Drop-In Craft
Use our supplies to create a portrait of yourself as a superhero with masks, capes and your favorite superpower. Ages 3+. **REG**

**CH/PA – 12/7, 10:15 am, Saturday**
Knit Chat Chain Volunteers
Items are donated to hospitals. **REG**

**CH – 12/17, 10:30 am, Thursday**
Homeschool Makers – Session 1
Children can construct and decorate a gingerbread house for the holidays with our Teen Advisory Board (TAB). **REG**

**A – 12/2, 6:30 pm, Monday**
Get What You Long For in Life
In this 90 minute interactive workshop, Core Energy Coach Jill Bosman will guide you through a 3 step process that helps you get what you long for and what you know deep inside that you are meant to have in life. **REG**

**TW/T – 12/3, 3:30 pm, Tuesday**
Let’s Make Ornaments
Make ornaments to celebrate the season. Ages 9 – 18. **REG**

**CH – 12/5, 10:30 am, Thursday**
Homeschool Art
Stop by the Library for an hour to make relaxing art and meet other homeschoolers. Please dress to make a mess. Ages 5+. **REG**

**CH/PA – 12/7, 10:15 am, Saturday**
Gingerbread House Making – Session 1
Children can construct and decorate a gingerbread house for the holidays with our Teen Advisory Board (TAB). **REG**

**A/DIV – 12/9, 4:30 pm, Monday**
Healthy Holidays: The Art of Ukrainian Egg Decorating
Adults will learn how to decorate eggs in the traditional Ukrainian style from teacher Jennifer Santa Maria. Please bring an egg carton or container for your egg and a smock or worn shirt. All other supplies will be provided. Class will last approximately 2.5 hours. **REG**

**CH – 12/10, 10 am, Tuesday**
Winter Storytime
A storytime for toddlers ages 18 – 36 months and their caregivers. **REG**

**CH – 12/10, 11:30 am, Tuesday**
Winter Storytime
A storytime for children ages 3 – 5 and their caregivers. **REG**

**A/PA – 12/12, 11:30 am, Thursday**
Healthy Holidays
Join Devon Smith, from Devon’s Kitchen, for homemade chai latte and a demo-style class about “healthing up” your holidays. Learn how to make pomegranate bark and a gorgeous harvest salad with cilantro ginger dressing that will be the stars at your next holiday gathering. Please call the Branch with any food allergies. **REG**

**CH – 12/19, 10:30 am, Thursday**
Baby Art
Children ages 0 – 18 months and their caregivers. **REG**

**T – 12/20, 12 pm, Friday**
A Harry Potter Holiday
Come hang out and make a Harry Potter-themed ornament while we watch one of our favorite Harry Potter movies. Ages 12 – 17.

**CH – 12/21, 10 am, Tuesday**
Drop-In New Year’s Eve Craft
Children ages 2 and up and their caregivers can stop by for a craft.
**Intermediate French Club: La Fête**

**Div/Pa – 12/10, 2 pm – 3:30 pm, Tuesday**

*Intermediate French Club: La Fête*

Celebrate the last Intermediate French Club with an end of the year “fête”. Learn celebration vocabulary, play French games, and enjoy some French snacks. **REG**

**A – 12/11, 6 pm, Wednesday**

**Feature Film – The Lion King**

(PG) 118 min.

**A – 12/12, 10 am – 11 am, Thursday**

**Learn to Dance like a Rockette**

Learn some of the Rockettes’ signature choreography to celebrate the holiday season. No dance experience necessary. **REG**

**A – 12/12, 12/26, 2 pm – 4 pm, Thursdays**

**Chicks with Sticks – Knitting and Crocheting Group**

Bring your yarn, needles, and current projects. **REG**

**T/Pa – 12/12, 7 pm – 8 pm, Thursday**

**Reindeer Hot Chocolate Workshop**

Come to the Teen Zone to design a delicious and dashing reindeer-themed hot chocolate mix. **REG**

**A – 12/13, 12/27, 1 pm – 3 pm, Fridays**

**Quilting Bee**

Quilters work on individual and group projects.

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**A – 12/14, 2 pm, Saturday**

**Vel Johnson Jazz Trio**

Enjoy an afternoon of classic jazz and holiday tunes with the Vel Johnson Trio.

**A – 12/16, 10 am – 1 pm, Monday**

**Fun and Easy Winter Ornaments**

We will be making miniature yarn hats, origami wreaths, and other decorations for the winter season. **REG**

**A – 12/17, 10 am – 11:30 am, Tuesday**

**Napkin Folding Workshop**

Learn how to create elegant and classic napkin folds to make your holiday table stand out at your next dinner party. Napkins will be provided. **REG**

**A – 12/17, 7 pm, Tuesday**

**Battle of the Bulge: America’s Greatest Battle**

Join Paul Zigo, Director of the World War II Era Studies Institute, for a riveting discussion of the battle that Winston Churchill called “the greatest American battle of the war”. **REG**

**A – 12/18, 6 pm, Wednesday**

**Feature Film – Once Upon a Time in Hollywood**

(R) 162 min.

**A – 12/19, 2 pm – 4 pm, Thursday**

**Book Chat**

Share books you’ve recently read with others.

**A – 12/20, 2 pm – 4 pm, Friday**

**Calming Coloring**

Be creative, relieve stress and have fun. Supplies provided. **REG**

**A – 12/28, 10 am – 3 pm, Saturday**

**American Red Cross Blood Drive**

Make a difference and donate blood. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are preferred. To make an appointment, call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit www.redcrossblood.org.

**A – 12/19, 11 am, Thursday**

**Winter Teddy Bear Building for Adults with Special Challenges**

**CH – 12/17, 10:30 am, Tuesday**

**Itty Bitty Yoga and Toddler Play**

It is not real yoga, but it is real fun. Wear comfortable clothes and join us for some group movement followed by open play. Mats or towels recommended. Ages 1 – 3. **REG**

**T – 12/17, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm, Tuesday**

**VolunTeen Night**

Earn two hours of volunteer credit by taking part in an activity led by the Teen Advisory Board. All participants must bring a signed volunteer application or have one on file. Grades 7 – 12. **REG**

**CH – 12/18, 10:30 am, Wednesday**

**Let It Snow Storytime**

Celebrate the first week of winter with stories, songs and a snow-themed craft. Ages 3 – 6. **REG**

**CH/Pa – 12/18, 2:30 pm, Wednesday**

**Healthy Winter Treats**

Jenn Klein, Registered Dietician of ShopRite, is celebrating the first week of winter by teaching us how to make healthy snacks. Ages 3 – 8. **REG**

**F/Pa – 12/31, 11:30 am, Tuesday**

**Ball Drop Party – Countdown to Noon**

Ring in 2020 at an appropriate time for little ones. Join us for snacks, music, and a ball drop. **REG**
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**CH** – 12/12, 11 am, Thursday
**Explore, Create, & Play**
This STEAM based program gives families an opportunity to learn together through play. Dress for a mess. Ages 2 – 6. **REG**

A – 12/13, 1:30 pm, Friday **Friday Afternoon Movie: Red Joan** (R) 101 min. Please note time change for this week only.

A/PA – 12/14, 2 pm, Saturday **DIY Scented Bath Bombs**
Adults can create scented fizzing bath bombs to keep or give as gifts. **REG**

CH – 12/17, 10 am, Tuesday **Adult Writers Group**
Join other writers to explore your skills in this informal session. Meet new people as you get and give feedback and share ideas with others. New members of all skill levels are welcome.

CH – 12/18, 10:30 am, Wednesday **Happy Teeth**
Ocean Pediatric Dental Associates of Toms River will share stories and a craft about the importance of good dental hygiene. Ages 2 – 5. **REG**

CH/TW – 12/18, 3:30 pm, Wednesday **Winter Flower Arranging**
Learn to make a festive flower arrangement with the Garden Club of Long Beach Island and celebrate the arrival of winter with a frosty arrangement made by you. Grades 3 – 6. **REG**

T – 12/18, 6 pm, Wednesday **Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting**
Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18.

TW/T – 12/18, 7 pm, Wednesday **Teen Paint Party**
Join us for a winter-themed instructional paint party. No prior experience required. Dress to paint. **REG**

A – 12/21, 2 pm, Saturday **Emergency First Aid for Everyone**
Michael Cafiero, Barnegat Light First Aid Squad Emergency Medical Technician, will show how to help in an emergency situation prior to the arrival of first responders. Eight minutes can be the difference between life and loss. Followed by a hands-on demonstration of techniques you can use in various situations. **REG**

DIV/F – 12/23, 3 pm, Monday **Multicultural Winter Holiday Storytime and Craft**
Learn about different holidays that take place in December. Enjoy stories and crafts celebrating Hanukkah, Christmas, and Kwanzaa. **REG**

F – 12/28, 10 am, Saturday **Holidays at Hogwarts**
Celebrate the holidays with crafts from the Wizarding World. Drop in.

CH – 12/31, 11 am, Tuesday **Noon Year’s Eve Party**
Get ready to ring in the New Year with crafts, noisemakers, and music. **REG**

A – 12/3, 11 am and 12 pm, Tuesday **Holidays Craft with Linda Higley**
A holiday art program for adults with special challenges and their caregivers. There are 2 sessions – please register for one session only. This program made possible by a grant from the KearnyBank Foundation. **REG**

ED – December **Meeting Room Art**
Jill DeFelice presents *Legacy of Loss: Endangered Species* art exhibit.

CH – December **Children’s Activities**
For a complete list of children’s programs, visit our website or visit the Branch for our monthly calendar.

A/PA – 12/2/23, 10:30 am, Monday **Blending with Amy: Soup Edition**
A program for adults with special challenges and their caregivers. Learn how to easily create healthy and tasty soups with Amy Paradise. Soup samples will be offered to attendees. Program made possible by the KearnyBank Grant Foundation. **REG**

A – 12/2/6, 11 am, Friday **Shore to Age Well: Medication Management and Alternatives**
In this seminar, learn about proper medication storage, medication drop box locations, and alternative options for pain management. Learn how medications not taken properly can become misused and abused by individuals. Presented by the Ocean County Health Department. **REG**

A – 12/6, 12/11, 12/18, 1 pm, Wednesdays **English Conversation Group**
Practice English in an informal setting.

DIV/A/PA – 12/6, 2 pm, Wednesday **Hanukkah Treats**
Join ShopRite Registered Dietician Jennifer Klein as she demonstrates tasty Hanukkah treats. Samples will be offered to attendees. **REG**

A – 12 pm, All Thursdays **Mah Jongg Mavens & Masters**
Have you always wanted to learn how to play Mah Jongg? You can learn by watching seasoned players. Do you already know? Either way, join us.

T/TW/PA – 12/5, 7 pm, Thursday **Gingerbread Decorating**
We’re decorating gingerbread cupcakes with teeny gingerbread men. Ages 11 – 18. **REG**

A – 12/6, 11 am, Friday **Vetworks**
In honor of Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, join us as Vetworks discusses how they assist the immediate and long-term needs of lower-income veterans living in Ocean County. Additional topics include employment, affordable housing, and access to medical care. **REG**
A – 12/7, 9:30 am, Saturday
Knitting & Crocheting
All skill levels welcome.

A – 12/17, 2 pm, Tuesday
Christmas Ornaments
Join us for Christmas music and ornament making. Drop in.

DIV/A – 12/18, 2 pm, Wednesday
Kwanzaa Celebration and Craft
Join us as we celebrate and learn about the history of Kwanzaa. Following the presentation, a Kwanzaa-themed craft will also be demonstrated. REG

A – 12/18, 6 pm, Wednesday
Evening Film: Roman Holiday
(NR) 119 min. Drop in.

DIV/T/TW – 12/19, 4 pm, Thursday
Dreidels, Deer, and Zawadi
Celebrate the season by creating a silhouette representing your special holiday. Ages 11 – 18. REG

A – 12/9, 12 pm and 1 pm, Monday
Music and Movement with Friends
A musical program for adults with special challenges and their caregivers presented by Joan Seele-Goold. Please register for one session only. This program made possible by a grant from the KearnyBank Foundation. REG

F – 12/9, 6:30 pm, Monday
Flipside Concert
Join us for a fun holiday celebration concert. This program sponsored by the Friends of the Lacey Library. REG

F – 12/10, 5:30 pm, Tuesday
Meet the Mayor
Stop in and meet the mayor in an informal setting. No appointment necessary.

T – 12/12, 7 pm, Thursday
Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting
Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18.

A – 12/13, 1:30 pm, Friday
Lunchtime Film: Elf
(PG) 97 min. Drop in.

BD – 12/16, 1 pm, Monday
Ordinary Grace by William Kent Krueger
Copies of the book are available at the Lacey Circulation Desk.

A – 12/21, 10:30 am, Saturday
Enhancing Your Life Experience Through Meditation
Have you been seeking peace, compassion, and connection in your life? Learn the basics, benefits, and common misconceptions of meditation. Presented by Susie of Peaceful Warriors. REG

ED – December
Art and Photography Exhibit – Robert Coon

A/PA – 12/2, 12/16, 1 pm, Monday
Brain Games
Adults are invited to join in a variety of entertaining activities that are fun and stimulate your brain. Refreshments provided. Sponsored by the Friends of the Island Library. REG

A – 12/3, 11 am – 12 pm, Tuesday
Blood Pressure Screening
Free blood pressure screening by the Long Beach Island Health Department.

A – 12/5, 1 pm, Thursday
Adult Writers Group
Join other writers to explore your skills in this informal session. Meet new people as you get and give feedback and share ideas with others. New members of all skill levels are welcome.

CH – 12/4, 4 pm, Wednesday
Afterschool STEAM
Join us for creative crafts and engaging activities chosen to strengthen social, mental, and fine motor development. Dress for a mess. Ages 7 – 12. REG

A – 12/5, 1 pm, Thursday
Poets Studio
Whether you are an accomplished or new poet wishing to write or hone a poem, our monthly workshop will inspire you.

CH – 12/6, 10 am, Friday
Wiggles & Walkers
Foster little one’s motor, sensory, and social skills. Join us for books, rhymes, songs, and movement, followed by playtime. Ages 0 – 2. REG

A – 12/6, 12/20, 12/27, 1 pm, Fridays
Friday Afternoon Movie
12/6 – Bottom of the 9th (R) 111 min.
12/20 – Once Upon a Time in Hollywood (R) 161 min.
12/27 – The Lion King (2019) (PG) 118 min.

CH – 12/7, 10:30 am, Saturday
You Can Build It LEGO®/DUPLO® with Movie: Detective Pikachu
The world of Pokémon comes to life in this first-ever live-action Pokémon adventure. The film also showcases a wide array of beloved Pokémon characters, each with its own unique abilities and personality. (PG) 104 min. Ages 3+. REG

T/PA – 12/7, 2 pm, Saturday
Perfume 2 Go
Participants will design their own personalized fragrance and blend it with an oil/beeswax base to make a solid perfume balm that they can take home. Not recommended for those with allergies, sensitivities, or asthma. REG

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DIV/A – 12/18, 2 pm, Wednesday
Kwanzaa Celebration and Craft
Join us as we celebrate and learn about the history of Kwanzaa. Following the presentation, a Kwanzaa-themed craft will also be demonstrated. REG

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Evening Film: Roman Holiday
(NR) 119 min. Drop in.

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Dreidels, Deer, and Zawadi
Celebrate the season by creating a silhouette representing your special holiday. Ages 11 – 18. REG

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Art and Photography Exhibit – Robert Coon

A – 12/17, 2 pm, Tuesday
Enhancing Your Life Experience Through Meditation
Have you been seeking peace, compassion, and connection in your life? Learn the basics, benefits, and common misconceptions of meditation. Presented by Susie of Peaceful Warriors. REG

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Blood Pressure Screening
Free blood pressure screening by the Long Beach Island Health Department.

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The Lion King
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You Can Build It LEGO®/DUPLO® with Movie: Detective Pikachu
The world of Pokémon comes to life in this first-ever live-action Pokémon adventure. The film also showcases a wide array of beloved Pokémon characters, each with its own unique abilities and personality. (PG) 104 min. Ages 3+. REG

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Ordinary Grace by William Kent Krueger
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(R) 101 min. Please note time change
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Join other writers to explore your skills in
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CH – 12/18, 10:30 am, Wednesday
Happy Teeth
Ocean Pediatric Dental Associates of
Toms River will share stories and a craft
about the importance of good dental
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Noon Year’s Eve Party
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Teen Paint Party
Join us for a winter-themed instructional
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A – 12/21, 2 pm, Saturday
Emergency First Aid for Everyone
Michael Cafiero, Barnegat Light
First Aid Squad Emergency Medical
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DIY Scented Bath Bombs
Adults can create scented fizzing bath
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Blending with Amy: Soup Edition
A program for adults with special
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Mah Jongg Mavens & Masters
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for pain management. Learn how
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A – 12/6, 2 pm, Friday
Vetworks
In honor of Pearl Harbor Remembrance
Day, join us as Vetworks discusses how
they assist the immediate and long-term
needs of lower-income veterans living in
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employment, affordable housing, and
access to medical care. REG

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Jill DeFelice presents Legacy of Loss:
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Bring your yarn, needles, and current projects. **REG**

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**Quilting Bee**
Quilters work on individual and group projects.

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Enjoy an afternoon of classic jazz and holiday tunes with the Vel Johnson Trio.

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**Itty Bitty Yoga and Toddler Play**
It is not real yoga, but it is real fun. Wear comfortable clothes and join us for some group movement followed by open play. Mats or towels recommended. Ages 1 – 3. **REG**

T – 12/17, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm, Tuesday
**VolunTeen Night**
Earn two hours of volunteer credit by taking part in an activity led by the Teen Advisory Board. All participants must bring a signed volunteer application or have one on file. Grades 7 – 12. **REG**

CH – 12/18, 10:30 am, Wednesday
**Let It Snow Storytime**
Celebrate the first week of winter with stories, songs and a snow-themed craft. Ages 3 – 6. **REG**

**T/PA – 12/23, 10 am – 2 pm, Monday**
**Shelf Reading Session**
Earn some volunteer time during Winter Break. As a group, you will help ensure our materials are in order on the shelf. All participants must bring a signed volunteer application or have one on file. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

**T/PA – 12/26, 1 pm – 5 pm, Thursday**
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F – 12/23, 10:30 am, Monday
**Goodnight Storytime**
Observe the dark winter solstice with some gentle stories, songs, and a moon-themed craft. **REG**

A – 12/23, 6 pm, Monday
**Evening Film:**
**The Man Who Invented Christmas**
In 1843 London, author Charles Dickens, desperate for a hit, relies on real-life inspiration and his vivid imagination to bring Ebenezer Scrooge and other classic characters to life in A Christmas Carol. Starring Christopher Plummer. (PG) 104 min. **REG**

F/PA – 12/31, 11:30 am, Tuesday
**Ball Drop Party – Countdown to Noon**
Ring in 2020 at an appropriate time for little ones. Join us for snacks, music, and a ball drop. **REG**
**Items are donated to hospitals.**

**Knit Chat Chain Volunteers** – 12/9, 12/23, 6:30 pm, Mondays

**Study Break: Switch & Green Screen Shenanigans**

Play games on our Switch and take selfies at exotic locales with our green screen. Grades 9 – 12. REG

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CH – 12/2, 12/9, 12/16, 12/23, 6:30 pm, Mondays
Prose & Ink Writers’ Group
All genres welcome. Bring 3 to 5 pages of a work in progress for discussion and critique. REG

CH – 12/3, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Baby and Me
A lapsit program for our youngest patrons and their caregivers. Ages 0 – 18 months. REG

MKR/A – 12/3, 2 pm, Tuesday
Design Your Own Tote Bag
Supplies will be provided. REG

MKR/T – 12/3, 6 pm – 8 pm, Tuesday
Polymer Clay Charms
Make charms of your favorite characters using Sculpey polymer clay. Grades 6 – 8. REG

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CH – 12/2, 6:30 pm, Monday
Doggie Drop-In Craft
Come celebrate National Mutt Day with some dog-themed crafts. Ages 3+. REG

A – 12/4, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
How to Launch a Successful Small Business
Discuss critical skills needed prior to launching your business, including financial, marketing and business plans. Presented in partnership with SCORE of Ocean County. REG

DIV/F – 12/4, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
December Holiday Gift Making
Make Hanukkah, Christmas and Kwanzaa gifts. REG

T/PA – 12/4, 6:30 pm – 8 pm, Wednesday
NaNoWriMo Story Share
Now that you’ve written your short story for NaNoWriMo, come to the Jackson Branch to share snacks, your process, and your story with other teen writers. Ages 12 – 18. REG

CH/PA – 12/5, 10:30 am, Thursday
Sensory Play
Squish, squelch, and make a mess in a sensory play experience for all. Suggested ages 2 – 5. REG

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*Windows 10 Basics*
Introduction to Windows 10 Basics, keyboard skills are required. Organize and calculate data. Mouse and keyboard skills are required. Learn how to use a spreadsheet to keep their minds sharp.

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*Wiggles & Walkers*
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*String of Purls – Knit/Crochet*
Want to learn to knit and crochet? Join our group to learn, or bring your project with you. For beginners, bring size 9 knitting needles and light-colored 4-ply cotton or acrylic yarn. To crochet, bring the same yarn and size “I” crochet hook. Drop in.

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**A** – 12/14, 10:30 am – 3:30 pm, Saturday
*Red Cross Blood Drive*
Make a difference and donate blood. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are preferred. To make an appointment, call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit www.redcrossblood.org.

**TW** – 12/16, 6:30 pm, Monday
*Escape Room: Star Wars Escape from the Locks*
Work together to get the clues and see if you can escape the locks. Ages 7 – 12. [REG]

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*Preschool Storytime & Craft: Welcome a New Decade*
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**A** – 12/28, 11 am, Saturday
*Saturday Morning Movie: Fast Color* (PG-13) 140 min.

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*Winter Break Art*
Looking for something to do? Stop in for an art break. Ages 6 – 12. [REG]

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*Happy Noon Year Party*
Join the Staff and the Friends of the Pt. Pleasant Borough Branch as we ring in the New Year around the world at 12 pm. Sponsored by the Friends of the Pt. Pleasant Borough Branch.

**F** – 12/19, 10 am – 4 pm, Thursday
*Watercolor Dreidels*
Drop in to create your own watercolor dreidel to display at the Branch or take home.

**F** – 12/21, 10 am – 4 pm, Saturday
*Winter Solstice Drop-in Craft*
Come by to make your own Kwanzaa drum.

**DIV/F** – 12/26, 10 am – 4 pm, Thursday
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Learn basic word processing skills to create and format a document. REG

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Happy Teeth
Ocean Pediatric Dental Associates of Toms River will share stories and a craft about the importance of good dental hygiene. Ages 2 – 5. REG

C – 12/17, 2:30 pm, Tuesday
Android Help
Bring your Android device and your questions. REG

C – 12/18, 10 am, Wednesday
RBdigital
Download popular magazines or listen to audiobooks. REG

F/PA – 12/18, 10:30 am, Wednesday
Decorate Holiday Cookies
Decorate some festive holiday cookies. Be advised that some ingredients may contain allergens. REG

A/T/CH – 12/18, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
Write-In
Write on your own or work on a collaborative project. This group is for adults, teens, and children ages 7 and up. REG

A – 12/19, 2:30 pm, Thursday
Poets Corner
Come to a lively discussion of poetry and share your own work. New members and beginners are always welcome. REG

A – 12/19, 6:30 pm, Thursday
Night Crafting for Adults
The craft is a toilet paper roll wreath. REG

F – 12/20, 10 am, Friday
Holiday Green Screen Drop-In
Drop by between 10 am – 11 am and have your picture taken against the green screen with a holiday-themed background.

A – 12/21, 1:30 pm, Saturday
Feature Film: Long Shot
Starring Charlize Theron and Seth Rogen. A journalist is hired as a speechwriter by his former babysitter, who is now running for president. (R) 120 min. REG

CH – 12/27, 10:30 am, Friday
Hot Cocoa Hangout
Keep warm with some stories and a hot cocoa craft. Ages 3 – 5. REG

C – 12/30, 10:30 pm, Monday
Access Video on Demand
Learn how to use this database. REG

CH – 12/31, 10:30 am, Tuesday
New Year’s Eve Storytime
Make wishes and crafts for the New Year. Ages 3 – 5. REG

DIV/CH – 12/10, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Holidays Rock Storytime
Join us for stories, music, and movement to celebrate Christmas, Hanukkah, and Kwanzaa, followed by a wreath craft. Ages 1½ – 5. REG

BD – 12/10, 1 pm, Tuesday
An American Marriage by Tayari Jones

C – 12/11, 2:30 pm, Wednesday
Online Shopping
How to shop online smartly and safely, all while landing some great deals. REG

CH/TW – 12/11, 4:30 pm, Wednesday
Glass Jar Luminaries
Create a lovely luminary jar with Mod Podge® and tissue paper. Ages 3 – 12. REG

T – 12/12, 7 pm, Thursday
DIY Teen: Audio Ear Muffs
Make your own wired ear muff headphones. Ages 12 – 18. REG

CH/PA – 12/14, 10:30 am, Saturday
Polar Express
Join us for a live experience of The Polar Express. Hear stories from the conductor, enjoy cookies and cocoa, and sing Christmas carols. Don’t forget to wear your favorite Christmas pajamas. Presented by A Land and Sea Mermaid. Sponsored by the Friends of the Stafford Library. Please alert us of any food allergies upon registration. For children up to age 12. REG

T – 12/16, 6 pm, Wednesday
Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting
Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18.

TW – 12/17, 10 am, Tuesday
Tween Homeschool Hangout
Complete a craft or project and explore some of the Library’s resources. Ages 9 – 13. REG

A/PA – 12/17, 2 pm, Tuesday
Cook the Book: Pies
Prepare a recipe for this potluck book club and bring it to share. A copy of the recipe is required to participate. REG

DIV/A – 12/18, 2:30 pm, Wednesday
Make It: Dia Holiday Ornaments
Decorate a white porcelain ornament and learn about traditions in Mexico. All supplies will be provided. REG

CH – 12/27, 10:30 am, Friday
All Together Storytime
Stories, songs, and a craft for the whole family; geared toward children ages 1 – 6. REG

CH/PA – 12/31, 2:30 pm, Tuesday
New Year’s Afternoon
Join us for crafts, games, snacks and more to celebrate New Year’s Eve a little early; we’ll even count down at a reasonable hour. Ages 0 – 12. REG
Monday Night Craft for Adults
Join us for a festive winter craft. REG

Homeschool Happenings – Grandparents are the Best
Make something fun to show appreciation for your grandparents. Bring a 5" x 7" picture of yourself with grandparent(s). Ages 5 – 11. REG

Genealogy Club
Please join us to do some searching and share your successes. REG

Paws for Reading
Practice your reading skills in the company of gentle therapy dogs. Ages 6 and up. REG

Try It Tuesday
Have fun exploring science and crafts. Ages 6 and up. REG

Knit Wits
Bring your crochet, knitting or crafting needles and your craft. REG

Craft for Adults with Special Challenges
Join us for a fun craft. REG

Internet Basics
Learn Internet basics. REG

Poets Group
Share your poems in a positive environment. Write poems, read poems, or work on writing prompts for poetic inspiration. New members and beginner poets are always welcome. REG

Kanopy
Access this free streaming film service. REG

Battle of the Bulge: America’s Greatest Battle
Seventy-five years ago, Hitler launched his final counter-offensive in Europe. Join Paul Zigo, the Director of the World War II Era Studies Institute, for a riveting discussion of the battle that Winston Churchill called the “greatest American Battle of the War.” Sponsored by the Friends of the Brick Library. REG

Winter Reads
Learn about the Library’s Adult Winter Reading Program and resources for finding your next fireside book. REG
**Friends of the Brick Library Annual Meeting & Luncheon**

**Meeting & Luncheon**

Please note later start time of meeting. The cost of the Friends luncheon is $10. Reservations must be made in advance and are required to attend. Please call 732-920-1624.

**T/PA – 12/2, 5 pm, Monday**

**Geek Treats**

Recreate food from your favorite fandoms. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

**MKR/A – 12/2, 5:30 pm or 7 pm, Monday**

**Holiday Mugs with Cricut®**

Use vinyl to decorate mugs for the holidays. Register for one session. Registration is required as supplies are limited. **REG**

**CH – 12/2, 6:30 pm, Monday**

**Girls Club**

Ages 8 – 12.

**A – 12/3, 6:30 pm, Tuesday**

**An Evening with Pete Wagula**

Come enjoy a performance by bottleneck guitarist Pete Wagula featuring his "live loops." **REG**

**CH – 12/4, 10:30 am, Wednesday**

**English Conversation Group**

New members welcome. **REG**

**C – 12/4, 3:30 pm, Thursday**

**Lifelong Learning Using the Library Website**

An overview of Library databases you can use to keep learning. **REG**

**A – 12/6, 12/10, 12/17, 10 am, Tuesdays**

**English Conversation Group**

New members welcome. **REG**

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**CH – 12/2, 6:30 pm, Monday**

**Girls Club**

Ages 8 – 12.

**A – 12/3, 6:30 pm, Tuesday**

**An Evening with Pete Wagula**

Come enjoy a performance by bottleneck guitarist Pete Wagula featuring his “live loops.” **REG**

**CH – 12/4, 10:30 am, Wednesday**

**English Conversation Group**

New members welcome. **REG**

**C – 12/4, 3:30 pm, Thursday**

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An overview of Library databases you can use to keep learning. **REG**

**A – 12/6, 12/10, 12/17, 10 am, Tuesdays**

**English Conversation Group**

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**DIV/CH/PA – 12/3, 11 am, Tuesday**

**Homeschool Kids Club: Holiday Hoopla**

Listen to stories about Christmas, Hanukkah, and Kwanzaa. Then enjoy treats and create crafts for each celebration. Ages 6 – 12. **REG**

**MKR/F – 12/3, 3 pm – 5 pm, Tuesday**

**Drop-In Building**

Drop in and create original works of art or design contraptions with our specialty building toys. **REG**

**T – 12/3, 6 pm, Tuesday**

**Creature Feature Escape Room**

Try out this escape room challenge featuring a voted on creature. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

**TOMS RIVER**

**732-349-6200**

**F – 12/2, 10 am, Monday**

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Drop by between 10 am – 11 am to create and decorate a wishlist letter to Santa.

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**CH – 12/6, 10:30 am, Friday**

**Pajama Storytime by the Fire**

Join us for some cozy stories and a craft. Ages 2 – 5. **REG**

**BD – 12/6, 2 pm, Friday**

**First Friday Book Discussion**

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**Baby & Me**

Ages 0 – 12 months. **REG**

**FR – 12/4, 11 am, Wednesday**

**Friends of the Brick Library Annual Meeting & Luncheon**

Please note later start time of meeting. The cost of the Friends luncheon is $10. Reservations must be made in advance and are required to attend. Please call 732-920-1624.

**ED – December**

Our meeting room will exhibit various types of sewing and needlework created by the Brick knitting group, Stitch in Time.

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**Computer Basics**

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CH – 12/9, 10:30 am, Monday
Arty Party
Ages 3½ – 5. REG

T – 12/9, 5:30 pm, Monday
Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting
Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18. REG

MKR/T/A – 12/9, 6 pm – 8 pm, Monday
Drop-In Craft: Mini Paper Wreath
Create a beautiful winter wreath with layers of cut paper. Ages 13+.

F – 12/9, 6:30 pm, Monday
Light the Candle: Create Birthday Cards for Foster Children
Help create a birthday card for a child. Join Jordan Lacey, founder of Light the Candle, a non-profit movement that provides free and homemade birthday cards to foster children. REG

A/PA – 12/9, 7 pm, Monday
Cookbook Club
REG

MKR/A – 12/10, 2:30 pm, Tuesday
DIY Holiday Ornaments
Create ornaments that celebrate the holidays. REG

T – 12/10, 4:30 pm, Tuesday
Teen Anime
Join friends, new and old, for manga discussions, anime viewings, and learning about all things Japanese. New members are always welcome. REG

CH – 12/10, 6:30 pm, Tuesday
Young Artist’s Studio
Ages 6 – 12. REG

BD – 12/10, 7 pm, Tuesday
Big Little Lies by Liane Moriarty

CH – 12/11, 10:30 am, Wednesday
Let’s Play LEGOS®
Ages 3½ – 5. REG

TW – 12/9, 6:30 pm, Monday
Twen Art
Make an old fashioned winter decoration. Sponsored by the Friends of the Berkeley Library. Ages 10 – 12. REG

A – 12/10, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Craft for Adults with Special Challenges
Materials will be supplied. REG

A – 12/10, 11:30 am, Tuesday
Movie for Adults with Special Challenges
The movie will be chosen on day of showing. REG

CH – 12/11, 10:30 am, Wednesday
Happy Teeth
Ocean Pediatric Dental Associates of Toms River will share stories and a craft about the importance of good dental hygiene. Ages 2 – 5. REG

T – 12/11, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
Anime
Read and watch anime with your friends. Grades 7 – 12.

BD – 12/13, 1 pm, Friday
Book Discussion
The Rosie Project by Graeme Simsion.

T – 12/14, 2 pm, Saturday
Saturday Afternoon Craft Challenge
Transform a thrift store find into a work of art to be displayed in the Library. No experience necessary. Grades 7 – 12. REG

CH – 12/16, 6:30 pm, Monday
Kids Cook
Make something tasty and learn cooking skills. Space is limited so please register. Contact the Branch for any allergy concerns. Ages 8 – 12. REG

A – 12/17, 2 pm, Tuesday
Adult Craft: Winter Wreaths
Materials will be supplied. Sponsored by the Friends of the Berkeley Library. REG

DIV/T – 12/18, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
Star of David Wall Art
Learn how to create this festive work of art using recycled materials. Grades 7 – 12. REG

CH/PA – 12/19, 4 pm – 5 pm, Thursday
Paws for Reading
Practice your reading skills in the company of gentle therapy dogs. REG

CH – 12/20, 10:30 am, Friday
Baby and Me
Rhythm, rhyme, music, and movement for babies up to 12 months with caregiver. This is designed for babies not yet walking. REG

T – 12/20, 3:30 pm, Friday
Mixed Media Art Club
Join us for a chance to let your creativity grow. Beginners welcome. Bring your sketchbook or the work of art. Come to create and share.

CH – 12/27, 10 am – 11:30 am, Friday
Playtime Fun!
Drop in anytime between 10 am – 11:30 am to play with our toys and socialize with other kids. Ages 1 – 4.

CH – 12/31, Tuesday
Drop-In Craft
Drop in anytime to make a party hat for New Year’s Eve.
A/A – December

C – December
Computer and eBook Help
Please call for an appointment.

A – December
Pop-In Puzzle
Stop in and help us complete a puzzle.

A/PA – 1:30 pm, All Mondays
Monday Movies
Bring lunch or a snack to enjoy while watching the movie. Register for each movie separately. REG
12/2: Fast Color (PG-13) 100 min.
12/9: The Lion King (PG) 118 min.
12/16: White Christmas (NR) 120 min.
12/23: Almost Christmas (PG-13) 112 min.
12/30: Spiderman: Far From Home (PG-13) 130 min.

A/PA – 12/2, 11 am, Monday
Holiday Recipe Exchange
Meet new people and swap recipes for the holiday season. Bring a homemade treat and copies of your recipe to share. REG

A – 12/2, 2 pm – 7 pm, Monday
American Red Cross Blood Drive
Make a difference and donate blood. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are preferred. To make an appointment, call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit www.redcrossblood.org.

A/PA – 12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 12/31, 10 am – 11:30 am, Tuesdays
Tea Tuesdays
Warm up with a cup of tea and a good book, and delight in life’s simple pleasures.

CH – 12/3, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Baby and Me
Rhythm, rhyme, music and movement for babies up to 12 months with caregiver. This is designed for babies not yet walking. REG

T – 12/4, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting
Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18. REG

A – 1 pm, All Thursdays
An Afternoon of Mah Jong
If you have your own set, please bring it.

F – 12/5, 7 pm, Thursday
Nutcracker in a Nutshell: A Ballet Performance
Join us for this holiday-themed ballet performance. Presented by Basically Ballet Studio. REG

CH – 12/6, 10:30 am, Friday
Toddler Time
Play with your little one as we share stories, rhymes, songs, and dance. Ages 1 – 2. REG

F – 12/7, 10 am – 1 pm, Saturday
Holiday Card Photo Shoot
Stop in to have your picture taken in front of our green screen, select a background, and leave with an electronic file you can use to order photo cards from your favorite online shop. Please have an email address to which the file can be sent. REG

A – 12/11, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
Mantra Meditation with Sound Techniques
This call and response chanting is accompanied by traditional folk instruments, and quiets the mind by invoking a higher state of consciousness. REG

MKR/T – 12/12, 5:30 pm, Thursday
Spark’s Lab Junior Maker Club
Get creative. Artwork will be displayed each month in the Teen Zone. Ages 8 – 12. REG

F – 12/12, 6:30 pm, Thursday
Broadway Bound Dance Centre Presents: The Nutcracker
The Broadway Bound Dance Centre proudly presents The Nutcracker. REG

A – 12/14, 2 pm, Saturday
How to Be Safe in Cyberspace
There is an invisible threat in your home and this cyber threat is coming from inside the house from all of your internet-connected devices. An IT professional from AT&T will be here to discuss, guide, and provide resources on how to be safe in cyberspace. There will be a question and answer segment after the presentation. REG

CH – 12/14, 2:30 pm, Saturday
Crafty Kids Drop-In: Paper Bag Puppets

CH – 12/16, 10 am, Monday
Waddler Time: Holiday Party
Join us for a fun holiday party. Dress to impress. Ages 12 – 23 months. REG

MKR/T – 12/16, 1 pm, Monday
Homeschool STEM Academy for Teens
Visit our Sparks’s Lab and learn all about robotics, 3D printing, DIY projects, and more. Ages 12 – 18. REG

A – 12/16, 6:30 pm, Monday
Adult Writers Group
All levels of writing experience and genres are welcome. REG

CH – 12/17, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Preschool Storytime

CH – 12/18, 4:30 pm, Wednesday
First Art
Ages 2 – 3. REG

CH – 12/18, 10:30 am, Wednesday
Teddy Bear Storytime
Ages 3½ – 5. REG

C – 12/18, 3 pm, Wednesday
The Right Career for You
REG

CH – 12/18, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
Paws for Reading
Practice your reading skills in the company of gentle therapy dogs. Ages 6 – 12. REG

T/PA – 12/18, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
Perfume 2 Go
Participants will design their own personalized fragrance and blend it with an oil/beeswax base to make a solid perfume balm that they can take home. Not recommended for those with allergies, sensitivities, or asthma.
**F – 12/18, 7 pm, Wednesday**

*Nutcracker in a Nutshell*

See dancers from Basically Ballet perform highlights from the classic ballet *The Nutcracker* condensed into 30 minutes. **REG**

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**F – 12/19, 3:30 pm, Thursday**

*Holiday Cards: Drop-In Craft for Children*

Whatever holiday you celebrate this season, make a card with us at the Library. **REG**

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**TW – 12/19, 6 pm, Thursday**

*Tween Travel*

Explore new cultures. This month travel to Germany. Ages 10 – 12. **REG**

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**MKR/A/T – 12/19, 6:30 pm, Thursday**

*Holiday Wrapping Party*

Bring your presents to the Library where we have brown kraft paper, DIY gift tags, and plenty of space to wrap gifts. **REG**

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**CH/PA – 12/19, 6:30 pm, Thursday**

*Kids in the Kitchen*

Put on your junior chef hat and join us for a beginner cooking class. Ages 6 – 12. **REG**

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**F/PA – 12/20, 10:30 am, Friday**

*Breakfast with Santa*

Enjoy a pancake breakfast, crafts, and a special visit from Santa. **REG**

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**A – 12/20, 11:30 am, Friday**

*Meditation for Adults with Special Challenges and Their Caregivers*

Learn the basics of meditation, a practice to bring calmness and focus. Please arrive and settle in by 11:15 am. **REG**

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**T – 12/20, 12 pm, Friday**

*Homeschool Art*

Come to create, learn, and have fun with all different mediums and styles. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

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**MKR/A/T – 12/20, 6 pm, Thursday**

*Teen Maker Night*

This month visit the Sparks’s Lab and learn the basics of paper quilling. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

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**A – 12/30, 6:30 pm, Monday**

*Oracle & Tarot Card Club*

Are you ready to sharpen your oracle skills? Learn, practice, and meet like-minded friends from beginners through experts. For entertainment purposes only. **REG**

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**The Polar Express**


**Tuesday, December 10th at 10:30 am**  
Beachwood Branch · 732-244-4573

**Saturday, December 14th at 10:30 am**  
Stafford Branch · 609-597-3381

**Thursday, December 19th at 6:30 pm**  
Barnegat Branch · 609-698-3331

Please alert us of any food allergies upon registration.
**One-on-One Computer Instruction**
Call the Branch to schedule a private computer class with our Librarian.

**English Conversation Group**
Talk about current events and other subjects in an informal setting.

**Friends of the Beachwood Branch Meeting**
New members are always welcome. Join us and support your local Branch.

**The Polar Express**

**Baby Art Club: Handprint Ornaments**
Dec. 12, 10:30 am
Design an ornament using your little one’s handprint. Be sure to dress for a mess. For babies up to 18 months with caregiver. REG

**Knit Wits**
Enjoy knitting or crocheting? Join us.

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**The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper by Phaedra Patrick**
New members are welcome to this monthly book discussion group. Pick up your copy at the Circulation Desk. REG

**Unfinished Craft Night**
Bring your project to the Library to finish it up before December gets busy. Refreshments provided courtesy of the Tuckerton Library Association. REG

**It’s a Wonderful Life**
In this holiday classic, a man is shown the value that his life has had to others. (PG) 130 min. REG

**Rocketman**
This biopic focuses on Elton John’s early years and his meteoric rise to fame in the 1970s. (R) 121 min. REG

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**Aladdin**
A kind-hearted street urchin and a power-hungry Grand Vizier vie for a magic lamp that has the power to make their deepest wishes come true. Bring the whole family. Pajamas optional. (PG) 128 min. REG
DIV/CH – 12/2, 10:30 am and 1:30 pm, Monday
Holiday Crafts
Stop by and learn about different winter holidays like Hanukkah, Christmas and Kwanzaa and make holiday crafts. REG

CH/PA – 12/3, 4 pm, Tuesday
Paws for Reading
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A – 12/4, 6:30 pm, Wednesday and 12/7, 11 am, Saturday
Film Screening: Yesterday
After a freak accident during a worldwide blackout, struggling musician Jack Malik wakes to discover that he is the only person in the world to remember The Beatles. (PG-13) 116 min.

FR – 12/5, 1 pm – 4 pm, Thursday
Friends of the Upper Shores Branch Open House
Luncheon begins at 1 pm with entertainment to follow. Please join your Friends.

A – 12/5, 2 pm, Thursday
Fred Miller’s Lectures in Song: A Sentimental Journey
This lecture in song features music from WWII and the Big Band Era in the years 1938 – 1945. Sponsored by the Friends of the Upper Shores Branch. REG

A – 12/6, 11 am and 2 pm, Friday
Adult Craft: Holiday Cards
Learn to make an origami cards for Christmas, Kwanzaa, and Hanukkah. Limit 15 attendees. REG

A – 12/6, 7 pm, Tuesday
Gingerbread House Workshop
A fun STEAM activity with gingerbread. Please notify us of any food allergies prior to registering for the program. Ages 8+. REG

CH/PA – 12/10, 7 pm, Tuesday
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A – 12/11, 7 pm, Wednesday
A Christmas Carol Live Performance
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BD/A – 12/13, 3 pm, Friday
America’s Daughter by Maria Nhambu

A – 12/13, 1:30 pm, Friday
OC Purls
Knitting group, please bring your own materials.

A – 12/14, 2 pm, Saturday
History of Lavallette
Join local historian and photographer Denise Wirth for a fun and informative presentation about our very own Lavallette, “City by the Sea”. REG

A – 12/18, 6 pm, Wednesday and 12/21, 2 pm, Saturday
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A – 12/12, 12/26 1 pm, Thursdays, and 12/14, 12/28, 1 pm, Saturdays
EWE Knit and Crochet
Drop in with your own supplies.

DIV/CH – 12/16, 1:30 pm, Monday
Drop-In Hanukkah Craft
Stop by the Kid’s Zone for a craft. Ages 6+.

BD – 12/17, 2 pm, Tuesday
Homegoing by Yaa Gyasi
New members welcome. Copies available for pickup at the Branch.

A – 12/17, 7 pm, Tuesday
DVD Discussion Group: A Man Called Ove
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F/PA – 12/19, 6:30 pm, Thursday
The Polar Express

CH – 12/23, 1:30 pm, Monday
Drop-In Christmas Craft
Stop by the Kid’s Zone for a craft. Ages 6+.

CH/PA – 12/27, 3:30 pm, Friday
Paws for Reading
Practice your reading skills in the company of gentle therapy dogs.

A – 12/28, 11 am, Saturday
Saturday Documentary: Sammy Davis Jr. I’ve Gotta Be Me
The first major film documentary to examine the performer’s vast career and his journey for identity through the shifting tides of civil rights and racial progress during 20th century America. (NR) 101 min.

DIV/CH – 12/30, 1:30 pm, Monday
Drop-In Kwanzaa Craft
Stop by the Kid’s Zone for a craft. Ages 6+.
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**A – 1 pm, All Mondays**

**Monday Movies**

12/2: *Pokémon Detective Pikachu* (PG) 104 min.
12/16: *47 Meters Down* (PG-13) 90 min.
12/23: *The Holiday* (PG) 138 min.

**F – 12/7, 2 pm, Saturday**

**Happy Days String Band**

Come strut your stuff or sing along as the Happy Days String Band performs. Sponsored by the Friends of the Barnegat Library. **REG**

**CH – 12/5, 11 am, Thursday**

**Toddler Art**

Join us as we explore fun ways of making art. Dress for a mess. Ages 1 – 3. **REG**

**T – 12/9, 6 pm, Monday**

**Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting**

Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

**A – 12/10, 12/17, 11 am, Tuesdays**

**Waretown Writers Group**

Hone your craft with like-minded adult writers. **REG**

**F – 12/30, 6:30 pm, Monday**

**Owls of New Jersey**

“Whooo” knew owls could be so cool? Join the staff of Cloverdale Farm County Park as they give a presentation on the eight species of owls common to New Jersey, discuss unique adaptations, and conduct a group owl pellet dissection. **REG**

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**DROP-IN COOKIE CRAFT**

**CH/PA – 12/2, 1:30 pm, Monday**

**Drop-In Cookie Craft**

Stop by the Kid’s Zone for a craft to celebrate National Cookie Day. Ages 6+.

**CH – 12/4, 10:30 am, Wednesday**

**Storytime with Santa and Mrs. Claus**

Listen to a story and have your picture taken with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Ages 2 – 5. **REG**

**T – 12/9, 6 pm, Monday**

**Holiday Tree Lighting**

Celebrate the holidays at our annual holiday tree lighting, featuring songs by the Waretown School Choir. Hosted by the Friends of the Waretown Library. **REG**

**CH – 12/9, 1:30 pm, Monday**

**Drop-In Craft**

Stop by the Kid’s Zone for a craft. Ages 6+. **REG**

**FR – 12/10, 12:30 pm, Tuesday**

**Friends of the Barnegat Library Meeting**

Come join an active group looking for new ideas to support the Library. **REG**

**T – 12/9/6 pm, Monday**

**Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting**

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**WARETOWN**

**609-693-5133**

**ED – December**

**Art Exhibit by Bud Sylvester**

A – 12/4, 12/11, 12/18, 1 pm, Wednesdays

**Mah Jongg Club**

Beginners welcome. **REG**

**F – 12/2, 6 pm, Monday**

**Holiday Tree Lighting**

Celebrate the holidays at our annual holiday tree lighting, featuring songs by the Waretown School Choir. Hosted by the Friends of the Waretown Library. **REG**

**CH – 12/2, 1:30 pm, Monday**

**Drop-In Cookie Craft**

Stop by the Kid’s Zone for a craft to celebrate National Cookie Day. Ages 6+.

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**FR – 12/10, 12:30 pm, Tuesday**

**Waretown Writers Group**

Hone your craft with like-minded adult writers. **REG**

**A – 12/10, 12/17, 11 am, Tuesdays**

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**CH/PA – 12/12, 11 am, Thursday**

**Preschool Fun: Gingerbread Men**

Enjoy stories, crafts, and activities all about gingerbread. Ages 3 – 5. **REG**

**F/PA – 12/14, 10:30 am, Saturday**

**Family Movie: Frozen: Sing-Along Edition**

When the newly-crowned Queen Elsa accidentally uses her power to turn things into ice to curse her home in infinite winter, her sister Anna teams up with a mountain man, his playful reindeer, and a snowman to change the weather condition. (PG) 102 min. **REG**

**CH – 12/16, 6:30 pm, Monday**

**Holiday Craft Night for Kids**

Celebrate the holidays with fun and festive crafts. Ages 5 – 12. **REG**

**A – 12/17, 10 am, Tuesday**

**Coffee with a Cop**

Enjoy a hot cup of coffee and conversation with officers from the Ocean Township Police Department. Coffee provided by Wawa©. **REG**

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**F/PA – 12/19, 2 pm, Thursday**

**Afternoon Movie: The Man Who Invented Christmas**

The journey that led to Charles Dickens’ creation of *A Christmas Carol*, a timeless tale that would redefine Christmas. (PG) 104 min. **REG**

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- DIV Diversity
- C Computer Class
- MKR Maker Program
- F Family Program
- REG Please Register
- PA Potential Allergens*

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