



Ocean County Library

Programs and Events Guide

April 2024



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609-698-3331

A – 1 pm, All Mondays Monday Movie

4/1: *Priscilla* (R) 113 min.
4/8: *Space Cowboys* (PG-13) 130 min.
4/15: *Wonka* (PG) 116 min.
4/22: *The Hunger Games: The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes* (PG-13) 157 min.
4/29: *The Color Purple* (PG-13) 141 min.

**A – 4/4, 6 pm, Thursday
Southern Ocean Birding Group**
Each month, the Southern Ocean Birding Group brings in a speaker on birds in New Jersey.

A – 4/8, 10 am, Monday Eclipse Over America Documentary

Join us and learn about how scientists and space enthusiasts tracked and watched the solar eclipse in 2017 just in time to observe today's solar eclipse. Solar eclipse glasses will be available while supplies last. A waiver must be signed by an adult before receiving solar eclipse glasses.

**CH – 4/9, 10 am, Tuesday
Preschool Storytime**
Come for stories, songs, and a craft. Ages 3 – 5. **REG**

**A – 4/10, 10 am, Wednesday
Kandinsky Flowers for
Adults with Special
Challenges**
Create paper flowers inspired by the art of Wassily Kandinsky. Supplies are limited. **REG**

**T – 4/10, 6 pm, Wednesday
Wood Painting for Teens**
Debby Pease will teach participants to paint their own wooden sign to express their creativity. Sponsored by Friends of the Barnegat Library. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

**A – 4/11, 4/25, 1 pm,
Thursdays & 4/13, 4/27, 10
am, Saturdays
EWE Knit and Crochet**
Drop in with your own supplies.

**TW – 4/11, 6 pm, Thursday
Terrariums**
Celebrate Earth Day at the Library. Join Ocean County 4-H Program Associate, Amelia Valente as she demonstrates how to make your own terrarium and learn about the latest technologies for the future of feeding humans. Sponsored by Friends of the Barnegat Library. Ages 8 – 11. **REG**

**FR – 4/13, 9:30 am, Saturday
Friends of the Barnegat
Library Book Sale**
Visit the Friends of the Barnegat Library book sale and find great books at great prices while supporting the Friends.

**A – 4/16, 1 pm, Tuesday
Art Chat**
Meet and talk with local artists. Bring your own work for feedback.

**CH – 4/16, 4 pm, Tuesday
Sensory Storytime with Toni
Marie the OT**
In recognition of Autism Acceptance Month, join us for a special toddler sensory storytime and sensory development play using toddler safe objects and music/movement. Toni Marie is a certified Occupational Therapist and owner of Next Level Kidz NJ. Sponsored by Friends of the Barnegat Library. Ages 1 – 3. **REG**

**FR – 4/18, 10 am, Thursday
Friends of the Barnegat
Library Meeting**
The Friends design and manage fundraising activities to support the Library. New members are welcome.

**A – 4/19, 10 am, Friday
Impressionists: Degas and
Gauguin**
(NR) 46 min. **REG**

**CH – 4/23, 11 am, Tuesday
Baby & Me**
Come for rhymes, songs, and stories. Ages up to 18 months with a caregiver. **REG**

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**A/T – 4/23, 7 pm, Tuesday
Community College for
Students with Disabilities**
The Office of Disability Services at Ocean County College will share information about eligibility determination and requesting accommodations during your teen's transition to OCC. This presentation is geared toward high school students and their families. Please contact the Barnegat Branch to request reasonable accommodations at least 10 days prior to the event. **REG**

**T – 4/24, 6 pm – 8 pm,
Wednesday
Teen Volunteer Night**
Earn community service hours. Learn about the Library. Registration and a current Teen Volunteer Application is required. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

**T – 4/27, 2 pm – 4 pm,
Saturday
Crochet 101 for Teens**
In this 2-hour class, participants will learn all the basic stitches and how to read a pattern. Supplies will be provided, but feel free to bring your own if you prefer. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

PROGRAM KEY

A	Adult Program
BD	Book Discussion
C	Computer
CH	Children's Program
DIV	Diversity Program
FR	Friends Meeting
G	General Audience
MKR	Maker Program
PA	Potential Allergens
REG	Please Register
S	Sensory Program
T	Teen Program
TW	Tween Program

The Ocean County Library is a truly multicultural institution. We respect, honor, and celebrate individual and cultural differences. Our collections, programming, outreach, policies, and personnel practices reflect this commitment. We are inclusive and understanding of our co-workers and of the communities we serve, and we seek out others to join on this journey.

ABOUT OUR PROGRAMS

All Library programs are free and open to the public, but registration may be limited. To avoid disappointment, please call the branch where the program is offered to register.

Program dates and times are subject to change.

All activities pose a degree of risk. We urge you to talk to your physician before beginning any exercise program and to be especially careful if you have any health issues. If you experience any pain or discomfort associated with any activity, you should stop immediately to prevent injury.

Visit our *Calendar of Events* for more information on our in-person and virtual programs: bit.ly/OCLevents



The Ocean County Library system makes every effort to provide access to our programs for people with disabilities. Please call your local branch prior to attending the program for special arrangements.

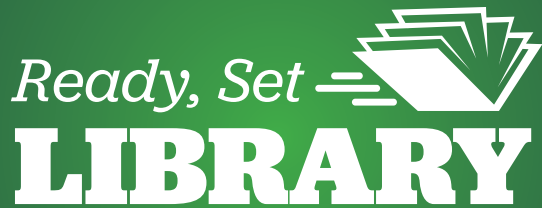


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Celebrate National Library Week April 7-13



Ocean County Library National Library Week 2024

National Library Week is a time to celebrate our nation's libraries, library workers' contributions and promote library use and support.

Neighbors Connecting

sponsored by a grant from the
OceanFirst Foundation and the
Ocean County Library Foundation

4/6, 10:30 am - Toms River
Stories and Tunes to Move and Groove with
Michelle Washington Wilson. REG

4/20, 2 pm - Long Beach Island
Tunes & Tales with Valerie Vaughn. REG

4/23, 2 pm - Manchester
Kozak Ukrainian Dancers. REG

4/23, 6 pm - Little Egg Harbor
Stories and Tunes to Move and Groove with
Michelle Washington Wilson. REG

4/24, 6:30 pm - Toms River
David Cedeño & His Orchestra. REG



BEACHWOOD
732-244-4573

**CH – 4/11, 10:30 am,
Thursday
Toddler Art**

Join us for an art project in celebration of Autism Acceptance Month. Ages 2 – 5. **REG**

**CH/PA – 4/15, 4:30 pm,
Monday
Paws for Reading**

Practice your reading skills in the company of a gentle therapy dog. Ages 3+. **REG**

**CH – 4/16, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Incredible Infants**

Join us for songs, rhymes and playtime. For infants up to 18 months. **REG**

**CH – 4/18, 10:30 am,
Thursday
Preschool Storytime**

Join us for storytime. Ages 3+. **REG**

**TW – 4/22, 6 pm, Monday
Tween Art Workshop**

Join us in creating an art project. Registration is limited. Ages 8 – 12. **REG**

**A – 4/24, 11 am, Wednesday
Knit Wits**

Stop by the Library with your knitting and crocheting projects and meet new friends.

**A – 4/25, 3 pm, Thursday
English Conversation Group**

New to speaking English? Join us and talk about current events and more. New members welcome.

**T – 4/27, 11 am, Saturday
Teen Scene**

Teens can stop by the library and hang out. Board games will be available to play. Ages 13 – 17. **REG**



BERKELEY
732-269-2144

**A – 10:30 am – 2 pm,
All Mondays
Movies for Adults with
Special Challenges**

Individuals and day programs for adults with special challenges are welcome to enjoy a movie in our meeting room. The audience will select their film on the day of the showing. Room opens at 10:30 am, movie starts at 11:30 am. **REG**

**A – 10:30 am – 2 pm,
All Tuesdays
Movies for Adults with
Special Challenges**

Individuals and day programs for adults with special challenges are welcome to enjoy a movie in our meeting room. The audience will select their film on the day of the showing. Room opens at 10:30 am, movie starts at 11:30 am. **REG**

**A/T – 4/2, 6 pm, Tuesday
Community College for
Students with Disabilities**

The Office of Disability Services at Ocean County College will share information about eligibility determination and requesting accommodations during your teen's transition to OCC. This presentation is geared toward high school students and their families. Please contact the Berkeley Branch to request reasonable accommodations at least 10 days prior to the event. **REG**

**A – 10 am, All Wednesdays
Book Café for Adults with
Special Challenges**

Select your favorite books and relax and share with friends. Drop in.

**A – 4/3, 4/17, 1 pm,
Wednesdays
Intro to Mah Jongg**

Register online or call the branch at 732-269-2144 to register once for all sessions. **REG**



BERKELEY
732-269-2144

CH – 4/4, 4/18, 10:30 am, Thursdays
Toddler Time

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

A – 1 pm – 4 pm, All Thursdays
Mah Jongg

Join a weekly session for experienced players of Mah Jongg. Players must bring their own set and current card. Drop in.

G/PA – 4/8, 2 pm – 4:30 pm, Monday
Solar Eclipse Viewing Party

Watch the solar eclipse at the library with space-themed snacks and activities. Solar eclipse viewing glasses will be available while supplies last. A waiver must be signed by an adult before receiving solar eclipse glasses. **REG**

T – 4/9, 3:30 pm, Tuesday
Magic: The Gathering™ Club for Teens

Become a Planeswalker at the Library's *Magic: The Gathering™* Club. The Library provides cards and instruction. No prior experience is necessary, just show up and compete in this strategy card game. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

A/T – 4/9, 6:30 pm, Tuesday
Acoustic Jam Session

Bring an instrument and play with other musicians. All styles and skill levels are welcome. **REG**

CH – 4/10, 4/24, 10:30 am, Wednesdays
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**

A – 4/11, 4 pm – 8 pm, Thursday
Friends of the Berkeley Library Psychic Night Fundraiser

Visit or call the Branch at 732-269-2144 to schedule a donation-based, 15-minute session with a psychic. Proceeds will benefit the Friends of the Berkeley Library. This program is for entertainment purposes only. **REG**

A – 4/13, 3 pm, Saturday
Scottish Thistle Brooch

Learn how to create a whimsical felt thistle brooch. **REG**

CH/PA – 4/16, 4 pm, Tuesday
Paws for Reading

Practice your reading skills in the company of gentle therapy dogs. **REG**

MKR/TW – 4/17, 3:30 pm, Wednesday
Tween Builders' Club

Discover the fun of STEAM and explore creative constructions with our building kit. Ages 9 – 12. **REG**

A – 4/17, 6 pm, Wednesday
Intro to Computers

Stop by the Library with your own device for this introductory course. **REG**

T – 4/18, 7 pm, Thursday
Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

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

CH – 4/20, 10 am, Saturday
Sensory Playtime Fun

Celebrate Autism Acceptance Month and drop in to play with our toys and socialize with other kids in a sensory friendly environment.

A – 4/22, 3 pm, Monday
Earth Day Craft

Learn how to create a spring craft out of recycled objects. **REG**

A – 4/24, 7 pm, Wednesday
Dale & Amy Acoustic Duo Concert

Dale and Amy have been performing throughout New Jersey since 1995. They perform many styles of music from the 1950s to the current day and cover numerous popular songs. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Berkeley Library. **REG**

T – 4/25, 6:30 pm, Thursday
Dungeons & Dragons® for Teens

Join fellow teen adventurers at the Library's *Dungeons & Dragons®* program. Open to new and experienced players. Space is limited. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

T/PA – 4/27, 3 pm, Saturday
Anime & Manga Afternoon

Unwind with friends while watching anime, enjoying Japanese snacks, and reading the latest manga. **REG**



BRICK
732-477-4513

A – 4/1, 2 pm, Monday
Advanced French Club

Join us at the Brick Branch and speak French with other French speakers in the community. Intermediate and Advanced speakers welcome. **REG**

FR – 4/3, 10 am, Wednesday
Friends of the Brick Library Meeting

The Friends design and manage fundraising activities to support the library. New members are welcome.

DIV/A – 4/3, 10:30 am, Wednesday
The Asian Tea Experience

The Far East has had a long history of drinking tea. People enjoy this beverage from a simple bowl of tea to the beautiful and intricate tea ceremonies. Learn about the Japanese tea ceremony, China's Gong Fu Cha, and the customs of Korea and Vietnam. Presented by Judith Krall-Russo. Sponsored by the Friends of the Brick Library. **REG**

A – 4/3, 2 pm, Wednesday
The Titanic: A Special Anniversary Presentation

Join historian Greg Caggiano for an overview of the voyage and sinking of the Titanic on its 112th anniversary. Included will be an examination of the ship's construction, daily life for passengers, and what went wrong that led to its sinking. **REG**

A – 4/3, 6 pm, Wednesday
Twisted Stitchers of Ocean County

Join our group to learn to knit or bring your own knitting project. Drop in.

CH – 4/5, 10:30 am, Friday
Excellent Elephant Storytime

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

CH – 4/8, 10:30 am, Monday
Space Storytime

Celebrate the Solar Eclipse with some space stories and a craft. Ages 2 – 5. **REG**

T – 4/9, 3:45 pm, Tuesday
Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

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

CH – 4/9, 6 pm, Tuesday
Poetry Workshop

Join us for some poetry prompts to get the creativity going for National Poetry Month. Ages 7 – 10. **REG**

A – 4/10, 10 am or 11 am, Wednesday
Craft for Adults with Special Challenges

Join us for a fun craft. **REG**

A – 4/10, 2:30 pm, Wednesday
Senior Employment Assistance Presentation

Join us for a discussion on effective strategies for Ocean County seniors (55+) re-entering the workforce through the Senior Employment Assistance program. Topics covered include tailored career counseling, resume building, interview techniques, technology training, and more. Presented by the St. Francis Community Center. **REG**

TAX DAY





BRICK 732-477-4513

A – 4/11, 6:30 pm, Thursday **SCORE Workshop: Digital Marketing, A Strategic Approach**

In this workshop, you will learn about competitive research and well-defined customer personas to compose a marketing plan that makes sense for your business. You will also take away best practices on digital advertising, SEO, social media, analytics, and lead nurturing that you can implement right away. **REG**

A/PA – 4/15, 12 pm, Monday **Lunchtime Movie for Adults with Special Challenges**

Bring your own lunch and watch a movie in our meeting room. The audience will select their film on the day of the showing. **REG**

A – 4/16, 10 am, Tuesday **Live Healthy Ocean County!**

Drop in for a free health screening administered by staff from the Ocean County Health Department. Blood pressure, cholesterol, glucose, and stroke assessment will be checked as well as nutrition education provided.

A – 4/16, 1 pm, Tuesday **Knitters of Brick**

Are you a knitter? Do you want to learn to knit? Join our group to learn or bring your own project. Drop in.

T – 4/16, 3:30 pm, Tuesday **DIY Canvas Bags**

Design a sustainable tote bag with style. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

A – 4/16, 6:30 pm, Tuesday **Writers Group**

Looking for a friendly community of writers? Spark your writing creativity and participate in friendly, peer critiques on novels, short stories, memoirs, or any writing project you are working on.

T – 4/17, 3:45 pm, Wednesday **Teen Advisory Board (TAB)**

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

A – 4/18, 6:30 pm, Thursday **Night Crafting for Adults**

This month we will be creating a ribbon jump ring necklace. **REG**

CH – 4/22, 10 am, Monday **Earth Day Drop-In Craft**

Drop in to celebrate Earth Day with a fun craft. Ages 2+.

T – 4/22, 3:45 pm, Monday **Clay Planter Painting**

Celebrate Earth Day by customizing your own clay planter and planting your own flower to take home. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

CH – 4/23, 10:30 am, Tuesday **Beautiful Bear Storytime**

We'll be enjoying some bear stories and making a craft. Ages 2 – 5. **REG**

T – 4/23, 3:45 pm, Tuesday **Teen Advisory Board (TAB)**

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

A/PA – 4/23, 6 pm, Tuesday **Cookbook Club**

Bring in a dish from the selected cookbook of the month to share and discuss with fellow culinary enthusiasts. **REG**

A – 4/24, 2:30 pm, Wednesday **Heads Up! Seniors: A Fall Prevention and Pedestrian Safety Program for Older Adults**

Designed for older adults, this workshop focuses on strategies to best prevent falls. It also includes pedestrian safety and safe driving strategies. Presented by the Brain Injury Alliance of New Jersey. **REG**

A/T – 4/24, 6 pm, Wednesday **Community College for Students with Disabilities**

The Office of Disability Services at Ocean County College will share information about eligibility determination and requesting accommodations during your teen's transition to OCC. This presentation is geared toward high school students and their families. Please contact the Brick Branch to request reasonable accommodations at least 10 days prior to the event. **REG**

A/PA – 4/25, 3 pm, Thursday **Coffee and Coloring**

Spend an afternoon coloring, listening to soothing music, drinking coffee, and relaxing with like-minded adults at the library. Light refreshments will be served. **REG**

T – 4/25, 6:30 pm, Thursday **Dungeons & Dragons® for Beginners**

Become a part of the Library's adventuring party of heroes as we delve into the world of *Forgotten Realms*. This program is designed for teens looking to try their hand at a tabletop role-playing game. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

CH – 4/26, 10:30 am, Friday **Fun Frogs Storytime**

Celebrate National Frog Month with stories and a craft. Ages 2 – 5. **REG**

CH – 4/29, 10:30 am, Monday **Beautiful Bats Storytime**

Enjoy some stories and a craft to celebrate Bat Appreciation Day. Ages 2 – 5. **REG**

DIV/A – 4/29, 2:30 pm, Monday **Remembering the Holocaust: A Conversation with Maud Dahme**

Join us as Holocaust survivor Maud Dahme shares her story as a hidden child of the Holocaust. **REG**

CH – 4/30, 10:30 am, Tuesday **Sensory Storytime**

Celebrate Autism Acceptance Month with stories and a sensory craft. Ages 2 – 5. **REG**

A – 4/30, 6:30 pm, Tuesday **Estate Planning Workshop**

Learn about the need for and value of a will and other documents that protect you and your loved ones. Topics include power of attorney, living will, trust, asset protection, Medicaid, and special needs trust. Presented by Paul R. Daniele, Esq. **REG**



ISLAND HEIGHTS 732-270-6266

G – 4/3, 10:30 am, Wednesday **Storytime Around Town: Cottage Museum**

Come visit the Cottage Museum at 105 Simpson Ave, Island Heights and learn about the building then join the staff for storytime and fingerplays.

G – 4/4, 2:30 pm, Thursday **Super Mario™ Party**

Join us for a Super Mario™ themed party with games and snacks organized by the Teen Advisory Board. **REG**

G – 4/8, 3 pm, Monday **Solar Eclipse Viewing Party**

Join us at the Island Heights Waterfront Pavillion on River Ave in Island Heights for interstellar games. Solar eclipse viewing glasses will be available while supplies last. A waiver must be signed by an adult before receiving solar eclipse glasses.

T – 4/8, 7 pm, Monday **Teen Advisory Board (TAB)**

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





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ISLAND HEIGHTS
732-270-6266

CH – 4/12, 3:30 pm, Friday
Beaded Friendship Bracelets
Make beaded friendship bracelets to keep or share. Ages 7 – 12. **REG**

T – 4/19, 3 pm, Friday
Teen Afternoon
Come hang out in the Teen Zone for gaming and a craft. Ages 12 – 18.

TW – 4/23, 3:30 pm, Tuesday
Tween Tuesday
Join us to hang out with friends for games and crafts. Ages 10 – 12. **REG**

CH – 4/24, 10:30 am, Wednesday
Sensory Storytime
In honor of Autism Acceptance Month, explore interactive books, music, movement and play in a sensory friendly setting.

FR – 4/29, 7 pm, Monday
The Trustees of the Library Meeting
The Friends design and manage fundraising activities to support the Library. New members are welcome.

A – 4/30, 2 pm, Tuesday
Spring Flower Workshop
Join Amy Colarocco from Whiting Flower Shoppe as she teaches you some basic techniques of flower arranging. She will help you build your very own spring floral arrangement to take home. Please bring your own clippers to this program. Space is limited. **REG**



JACKSON
732-928-4400

CH – 4/1, 10:30 am, Monday
Storytime
Join us for stories, songs, and a craft perfect for children ages 18 months – 3 years. **REG**

A – 4/1, 4/15, 4/29, 6:30 pm, Mondays
Knit Chat Chain
Join our knitting and crocheting group. Bring your own project or make items to donate to those in need.

CH – 4/2, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Sensory Time
Explore your senses with fun station-based play. Ages 2 – 5. **REG**

BD – 4/2, 1 pm, Tuesday
The Life We Bury by Allen Eskens

TW – 4/2, 2 pm, Tuesday
All About Mushrooms
Learn about mushrooms and then create some art inspired by them. Ages 8 – 12. **REG**

A – 4/2, 4/16, 6:30 pm, Tuesdays
Jackson Writers Group
Bring your work in progress, any genre.

T – 4/2, 6:30 pm, Tuesday
Teen Advisory Board (TAB)
Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18.

A – 4/2, 7 pm, Tuesday
National Autism Acceptance Month Film & Discussion: Autism Goes to College (NR) 62 min. Discussion 15 min. **REG**

CH – 4/3, 10:30 am, Wednesday
Storytime
Join us for stories, songs, and a craft. Ages 3 – 5. **REG**

CH – 4/3, 2 pm, Wednesday
Family Movie
Wonka (PG) 112 min.

ECLIPSE

GLASSES

A solar eclipse is coming to North America on April 8th, 2024!

Enjoy the Eclipse with **free** special edition viewing glasses, check with your local Branch for availability.

Eclipse glasses are available at select locations while supplies last.

A waiver must be signed by an adult before receiving solar eclipse glasses.



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T – 3:30 pm, All Wednesdays Teen Volunteer Hour

Earn a community service hour. Learn about the Library. Effect positive change. Ages 12 – 18.

T/TW – 4/3 – 5/8, 6:30 pm, Wednesdays Think Chess: Beginner and Intermediate

Master new skills, learn everything needed to start playing chess and take part in supervised play in our special 6-week chess class. Sponsored by the Jackson Friends of the Library. Ages 8 – 14. **REG**

CH – 4/4, 2 pm, Thursday Egg Carton Animals

Create animal portraits using recycled materials. Ages 5 – 12. **REG**

MKR/T – 4/4, 3:30 pm, Thursday Teen Makerspace: Oil Pastel Techniques

Learn several oil pastel techniques and create faux-stained-glass style artwork with the results. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

A – 4/8, 4/22, 10 am, Mondays Knit Chat Chain

Join our knitting and crocheting group. Bring your own project or make items to donate to those in need.

CH – 4/8, 10:30 am, Monday Babytime

Join us for songs and activities followed by an hour of socialization. Ages up 18 months. **REG**

G – 4/8, 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm, Monday Solar Eclipse Viewing

View the solar eclipse in our parking lot with NASA Solar System Ambassador Tom Timko. Totality in Jackson will be close to 89% at about 3:25 pm. Eclipse glasses are available while supplies last. A waiver must be signed by an adult before receiving solar eclipse glasses.

CH – 4/9, 10:30 am, Tuesday Messy Art

Station based art play. Dress for a mess. Ages 2 – 5. **REG**

BD – 4/9, 1 pm, Tuesday Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance

CH – 4/10, 10:30 am, Wednesday Multisensory Time

Celebrate Autism Acceptance Month with this station-based program. **REG**

A – 4/10, 2:30 pm, Wednesday Estate Planning, Wills, and Probate

Daniel D'Alessandro of the New Jersey State Bar Foundation will discuss an overview of probate, wills, and estate planning. **REG**

MKR/T – 4/11, 3:30 pm, Thursday

Teen Makerspace: Sensory Finger Painting in Honor of Autism Acceptance Month

Learn about the importance of sensory activities while finger painting with us. Dress for a mess. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

S/G – 4/11, 6 pm – 8 pm, Thursday

Sensory Friendly Movie: *The Secret Life of Pets*

(PG) 90 min. Join us for a sensory friendly viewing of *The Secret Life of Pets*, where lights will be turned up, volume turned down, and singing, walking, rolling, and dancing are welcome. **REG**

A – 4/13, 10:30 am, Saturday Mindfulness Meditation: The Three Poisons

Open to new and skilled practitioners. Presented by Shazia Zaman, a certified mindfulness meditation teacher. Sponsored by Jackson Friends of the Library. **REG**

CH – 4/15, 10:30 am, Monday Storytime

Join us for stories, songs, and a craft. ages 3 – 5. **REG**

CH – 4/15, 2 pm, Monday Drop-in Crafts

Celebrate World Art Day with a fun craft.

S/CH – 4/16, 10:30 am, Tuesday Mindful Movers

Get moving and explore your senses in our Sensory Space. Ages 3 – 5. **REG**

CH – 4/17, 10:30 am, Wednesday Storytime

Join us for stories, songs, and a craft. Ages 18 months – 3 years. **REG**

MKR/A – 4/17, 2:30 pm, Wednesday Decoupage Flowers on Canvas

Use various papers to decoupage on canvas and make a beautiful piece of artwork just in time for spring. **REG**

S/G – 4/17, 6 pm – 8 pm, Wednesday

Sensory Friendly Movie: *Finding Dory*

(PG) 103 min. Join us for a sensory friendly viewing of *Finding Dory*, where lights will be turned up, volume turned down, and singing, walking, rolling, and dancing are welcome. **REG**

A – 4/17, 6:30 pm, Wednesday Rain Barrels

Join us as we learn about using water barrels at home and watch a demonstration on how to make your own. **REG**

MKR/CH – 4/18, 10:30 am, Thursday

Homeschool Art Club

Stretch your imagination and learn something new. Ages 6 – 10. **REG**

MKR/T – 4/18, 3:30 pm, Thursday

Teen Makerspace: Seed Balls in Honor of Earth Day

Seed balls are made of seeds and clay. They are fun to create and easy to plant in your garden. Learn about the history of Earth Day as you work. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

FR – 4/18, 4 pm, Thursday Jackson Friends of the Library Meeting

The Friends design and manage fundraising activities to support the Library. New members are welcome.

CH – 4/22, 10:30 am, Monday Baby & Me Social Hour

Make new friends in our relaxed open-play setting. Ages up to 24 months. **REG**

A – 4/22, 2:30 pm, Monday Rain Barrels

Join us as we learn about using water barrels at home and watch a demonstration on how to make your own. **REG**

S/G – 4/22, 6 pm – 8 pm, Monday

Sensory Friendly Movie: *FernGully: The Last Rainforest*

(G) 75 min. Join us for a sensory friendly viewing of *FernGully: The Last Rainforest*, where lights will be turned up, volume turned down, and singing, walking, rolling, and dancing are welcome. **REG**

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S/A – 4/23, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Adults with Special Challenges: Decorate Your Own Kite

Join us to decorate a Japanese Carp windsock for National Autism Acceptance Month. In this program, we will be using special paper, markers, glue, and other decorations. **REG**

CH – 4/23, 4 pm, Tuesday
Lava Lamp Experiment

Explore liquid density through this cool hands-on science experiment. Ages 6 – 12. **REG**

TW – 4/25, 10:30 am, Thursday
Tween Homeschool Makers
Come learn something new. Ages 8 – 12. **REG**

MKR/T/PA – 4/25, 3:30 pm, Thursday
Teen Makerspace: Pretzels for National Pretzel Day
In preparation for National Pretzel Day on April 26th make some pretzels with us. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**



LACEY
609-693-8566

CH – 4/1, 6 pm, Monday
Pajama Tales Family Storytime
Stories, songs and rhymes followed by a simple craft. Ages 3+. **REG**

A – 4/2, 10 am, Tuesday
Book Club for Adults with Special Challenges: Celebrate the Solar Eclipse
Learn about the upcoming solar eclipse and receive a pair of solar eclipse viewing glasses while supplies last. Solar eclipse viewing glasses provided for this program fully comply with NASA safety criteria. A waiver must be signed by an adult before receiving solar eclipse glasses. **REG**

T/PA – 4/2, 6 pm, Tuesday
Anime & Manga Café
Relax and hang out with friends while watching anime, enjoying Japanese snacks, and reading the latest manga. Sponsored by the Friends of the Lacey Library.

CH – 4/3, 10:30 am, Wednesday
Kids Maker Club: Bird Collages
Ages 6 – 12. **REG**

A – 4/3, 6 pm, Wednesday
Estate Planning Workshop
Join us for a workshop on Estate Planning with Attorney Paul R. Daniele. Paul will provide answers to questions about power of attorney, living wills, asset protection and other subjects. **REG**

CH – 4/4, 10:30 am, Thursday
Sensory-Friendly Family Movie & Craft
Drop in.

T – 4/4, 3:30 pm, Thursday
Teen Advisory Board (TAB)
Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

T/A – 4/4, 6:30 pm, Thursday
Solar Science: Eclipse Over America
In celebration of the upcoming Solar Eclipse, enjoy the PBS documentary *Eclipse Over America*. Solar Eclipse viewing glasses provided at this program comply with NASA safety criteria. A waiver must be signed by an adult before receiving solar eclipse glasses. (NR) 53 min. **REG**

CH/PA – 4/5, 10:30 am, Friday
Spring Fling Family Dance Party
Put on your dancing shoes and join us as we welcome spring with a family-friendly party featuring music, crafts, and snacks. Ages 3+. **REG**

A/T – 4/5, 3:30 pm, Friday
Adopt A 3D Printed Sensory Pet
In honor of Autism Acceptance Month, decorate a 3D printed sensory pet to take home. **REG**

A – 4/8, 9:30 am, Monday
Stitch It Club
Knit, crochet, sew, or embroider with fellow Stitch It members. Share leisurely conversation & tips. All skill levels are welcome.

CH – 4/8, 2:30 pm, Monday
Homeschool STEM: Solar Eclipse
Learn about the science behind eclipses. Weather permitting, we'll attempt to view the eclipse together. Solar Eclipse viewing glasses will be provided for this program and comply with NASA safety criteria. A waiver must be signed by an adult before receiving solar eclipse glasses. **REG**

CH – 4/9, 4/16, 4/23, 9:30 or 10:30 am, Tuesdays
Toddler Time
Stories, rhymes, music and movement for ages 19 – 36 months with a caregiver. **REG**

T – 4/9, 6 pm, Tuesday
Tabletop Players
Learn how to play a new tabletop role playing game. Play as a teen superhero on your first day at Phoenix Academy, a high school for superheroes. **REG**

A – 4/9, 6 pm, Tuesday
Meet the Mayor
Join us as the Lacey Branch hosts Meet the Mayor with Lacey Mayor Peggy Sue Juliano. During this event, you can ask questions directly to the Mayor in an informal setting.

CH – 4/10, 4/17, 4/24 10 am, Wednesdays
Mother Goose Time
Rhythm, rhyme, music and movement for babies up to 18 months with a caregiver. **REG**

CH – 4/11, 4/18, 4/25, 10 am, Thursdays
Preschool Storytime
Stories, songs and rhymes followed by a simple craft. **REG**

A – 4/15, 10:30 am, Monday
Craft for Adults with Special Challenges: Paper Plate Birds
Join us as art instructor Linda Higley leads a craft creating two dimensional birds using paper plates, paint, and oil pastels. Program made possible by a grant from the Kearny Bank Foundation. **REG**

BD/A – 4/15, 1 pm, Monday
Lacey Book Discussion
Lincoln Highway by Amor Towles. Contact Lacey Circulation for more information.

A – 4/16, 2 pm, Tuesday
Craft Club for Adults
Create a poetry-inspired craft. **REG**

A – 4/16, 4 pm & 7 pm, Tuesday
Identity Theft Protection Seminar
Michael R. Healy 1st VP/Security Officer of the Kearny Bank will teach you how to prevent identity theft and what to do if your identity is stolen. **REG**

A – 4/17, 5/15, 2:30 pm, Wednesdays
Chair Yoga with Linda Higley: Afternoon Series
Join us for a relaxing afternoon session of chair yoga led by certified yoga instructor, Linda Higley. A waiver form must be signed before the start of the program to participate. Sponsored by the Friends of the Lacey Library. **REG**

T – 4/18, 3:30 pm, Thursday
Teen Advisory Board (TAB)
Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**



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LACEY
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**T/PA – 4/18, 6 pm, Thursday
Teen Coffeehouse**

Join us for an open mic night including karaoke, poetry readings, and many more cozy activities. Sponsored by the Friends of the Lacey Library. **REG**

**T/PA – 4/20, 11 am, Saturday
Breakfast and a Movie**

Learn how to make different breakfast recipes while watching a film. **REG**

**TW/PA – 4/22, 2 pm, Monday
Tween Homeschool Eats**

Cooking chemistry activities. Ages 11 – 15. **REG**

**T – 4/23, 6:30 pm, Tuesday
Spring Into Tarot**

Join us to learn about the basics of reading tarot to get you started in your own practice. This will be led by instructor, Belle Burns, a local yoga teacher and practitioner of tarot and oracle. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

**A – 4/24, 6:30 pm Wednesday
Learn to Embroider:
Felt Bookmarks**

Elevate your reading experience and add a personal touch to your favorite books with an easy-to-make embroidered felt bookmark. **REG**

**A – 4/25, 6:30 pm, Thursday
Stitch It Club**

Knit, crochet, sew, or embroider with fellow Stitch It members. Share leisurely conversation & tips. All skill levels are welcome.

**CH – 4/26, 10:30 am, Friday
Toddler Dance**

Music and Movement activities for ages 19 – 36 months with a caregiver. **REG**

**FR – 4/27, 9 am – 3 pm,
Saturday**

**Friends of the Lacey Library
Annual Bling Sale**

Looking for great gifts? Then come out and do your spring shopping with us. Donations accepted between April 12 through April 26.

**CH – 4/30, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Story Explorer: *With Lots of Love* by Jenny Torres Sanchez**

We'll share the story and work on a variety of crafts and activities to extend our reading experience. Ages 3 – 5 with a caregiver. **REG**



LAKESIDE
732-363-1435

**C/A – Computer Classes by
Appointment**

Contact us at 732-363-1435 ext. 2100 to book a one-on-one computer class. Topics include Microsoft® Word, Excel, PowerPoint, computer and eReader basics, Facebook®, Universal Class®, and more.

**CH – 3 pm – 6 pm,
Mondays – Thursdays &
3 pm – 4:45 pm, Fridays
Homework Help**

Free afterschool homework help. Not tutoring or reading help. Ages 5 – 12.

**CH – 4/1, 6 pm, Monday
Cherry Blossom Art**

Create cherry blossom tree art. Ages 5 – 12.

**T – 4/2, 6 pm, Tuesday
Teen Movie Night**

Come watch a (PG-13) movie. Ages 12 – 18.

**CH – 4/3, 6 pm, Wednesday
Bubble Flowers**

Paint flowers by using bubbles. Ages 5 – 12.

**CH – 4/4, 6 pm, Thursday
Video Games**

Ages 5 – 12.

**CH – 1:30 pm, All Fridays
Friday Fun**

Preschool craft. Ages up to 5.

**T – 4/5, 3 pm, Friday
Solar Eclipse Necklace**

Make an out of this world necklace to commemorate the solar eclipse. Ages 12 – 18.

**T/PA – 4/8, 2 pm, Monday
Watch *Eclipse* for the Eclipse**

Watch the Twilight Movie, *Eclipse*, to celebrate the solar eclipse, and make cookie moon phases. Ages 12 – 18.

**CH – 4/8, 4 pm, Monday
Eclipse Chalk Art**

Celebrate the eclipse with a craft using chalk. Ages 5 – 12.

**G – 4/8, 6 pm, Monday
Explore Your Library**

During National Library Week, join us for an informative class on the benefits of your library card. **REG**

**T – 4/10, 6 pm, Wednesday
Book Spine Poetry**

Celebrate National Poetry Month by creating book spine poetry to display for the month.

**CH – 4/11, 6 pm, Thursday
Yay for Unicorns**

Celebrate National Unicorn Day. Ages 5 – 12.

**T – 4/11, 6 pm, Thursday
Library Hacks for Teens**

Celebrate National Library Week by learning what the Library can do for you. Ages 12 – 18.

**DIV/T – 4/12, 3 pm, Friday
Spotlight on Sign Language**

Watch the documentaries *Signing Black in America* (NR) 27 min., which focuses on the emergence of Black American Sign Language, and *The National Theater of the Deaf: Performance and Commentary* (NR) 29 min., showcasing the talents of deaf people in the performing arts. Ages 12 – 18.

**T – 4/15, 3 pm, Monday
Guitar Club**

Bring in your guitar and practice with fellow players. Ages 12 – 18.

**CH – 4/15, 6 pm, Monday
Blow Paint Art**

Create abstract art with watercolor and a straw. Ages 5 – 12.

**C – 4/16, 10 am, Tuesday
Microsoft® Excel Basics**

Learn basic Excel skills to create and format a spreadsheet. Mouse skills required. **REG**

**T – 4/16, 6 pm, Tuesday
Legends and Lore for Teens**

Discuss the legends and lore of the Pine Barrens. Presented by Michelle Washington Wilson. Ages 12 – 18.

**A – 4/17, 10 am, Wednesday
Adult Craft: Paper Flower
Bookmark**

Make a paper flower bookmark. **REG**

**G – 4/17, 6 pm, Wednesday
Family Movie Night**

Watch a (G) or (PG) movie with us.

**A – 4/18, 10:30 am, Thursday
Coloring for Adults**

Relax and color while listening to soothing music. **REG**

**CH – 4/18, 6 pm, Thursday
Bat Bonanza**

Celebrate Bat Appreciation Day. Ages 5 – 12.

**T – 4/18, 6 pm, Thursday
Tarot for Teens**

Learn about the basics of reading tarot, do a magical craft, and maybe get your cards read. Ages 12 – 18.

**T – 4/19, 2 pm, Friday
Earth Day Movie**

Disney Nature: Oceans (PG) 84 min. Ages 12 – 18.

**A – 4/19, 2:30 pm, Friday
Book Rec Corner**

Discover new titles, including read-alikes for popular authors like Colleen Hoover and James Patterson.





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LAKEWOOD
732-363-1435

DIV/A – 4/20, 2:30 pm, Saturday
Arab American Heritage Month Documentary
How Islam Built the Modern World (NR) 45 min.

CH/PA – 4/22, 4 pm, Monday
Earth Day Shaving Cream Painting
Create a painting using shaving cream. Ages 5 – 12.

C – 4/22, 6 pm, Monday
Google Chrome
Learn about this popular browser. **REG**

C – 4/23, 10 am, Tuesday
Microsoft® Office Workshop
Explore a basic introduction to Microsoft® Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Publisher programs and see what they can do for you. **REG**

T – 4/23, 6 pm, Tuesday
Card and Letter Writing
Celebrate National Card and Letter Writing Month by making cards and writing letters for friends and loved ones. Ages 12 – 18.

A – 4/23, 6 pm, Tuesday
Autism Acceptance Month Documentary
Join us for a documentary in observance of Autism Acceptance Month.

A – 4/24, 10:30 am, Wednesday
Make a Greeting Card
In honor of National Card and Letter Writing Month, make greeting cards to give to friends or family. This program is for adults with special challenges and their caregivers. **REG**

T – 4/24, 2 pm & 6 pm, Wednesday
Volunteer Appreciation Party
Have you volunteered for the library before? Then come join us for a party in the meeting room to show how much we appreciate you. Ages 12 – 18.

A – 4/24, 6 pm, Wednesday
Cross Stitch Club
Bring your own project or check out the patterns the library has to offer. **REG**

CH – 4/25, 6 pm, Thursday
KEVA® Planks Drop-In
Build with KEVA® planks. Ages 5 – 12.

T – 4/25, 6 pm, Thursday
Teen Craft Club
Join your fellow teens to work on some crochet, knitting, drawing, painting, collage, and/or anything else you can imagine. Ages 12 – 18.


A – 4/26, 2 pm, Friday
Documentary Screening
The Babushkas of Chernobyl (NR) 70 min.

CH – 4/29, 6 pm, Monday
Superhero Puppet
Celebrate National Superhero Day and create a superhero puppet. Ages 5 – 12.


A/PA – 4/30, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Movie Time for Adults with Special Challenges
The audience will choose a (G) or (PG) film of their choosing at time of showing. Water bottles and light snacks will be provided. **REG**

CH – 4/30, 5 pm, Tuesday
Springtime Haikus
Write a Haiku to celebrate National Poetry Month. Ages 5 – 12.

T – 4/30, 6 pm, Tuesday
Stress Balls
Celebrate National Autism Acceptance Month with a sensory activity and make your own stress ball. Ages 12 – 18.



Beanstack
Beanstack is your one stop shop for tracking your reading progress and activities at the Ocean County Library.




LITTLE EGG HARBOR
609-294-1197

CH – 4/1, 10 am, Monday
Sing and Play with Ms. Kat
Children of all abilities are welcome to come play adapted percussion instruments and sing with Speech and Language Pathologist, Ms. Kat. Music from modern pop to some originals performed in a sing-a-long style. **REG**

CH/TW – 4/2, 1:30 pm, Tuesday
Pokémon™ Club
Whether you're new to Pokémon™ or an experienced trainer, come join us for an hour of Pokémon™ fun, friendship, and adventure. Grades 2 – 6. **REG**

A – 7 pm, All Tuesdays
English Conversation Group
Practice English in an informal, friendly setting.

TW – 4/3, 10 am, Wednesday
LEGO® Club
Get ready to build. LEGO® bricks will be provided during the program, please do not bring your own bricks. Ages 5 – 12. **REG**

A – 12:30 pm, All Wednesdays
Mah Jongg at the Library
Please bring your current year gaming cards and game sets.

A – 4/3, 4/10, 4/17, 5/8, 5/15, 5/22, 6 pm, Wednesdays
Grief Support Group by Angelic Health

Whether it has been months or years since your loss, this group can provide a supportive environment to learn about and explore your grief process, connect with others, and try new strategies. Pre-registration is required, and sign-up indicates attendance for all 6 sessions. Space is limited. To register please email nkinnevy@angelichospice.net or call 267-663-3757.


T/PA – 4/4, 4 pm, Thursday
TAB Takeover: Afternoon Movie
The Teen Advisory Board (TAB) invites teens to join them for an afternoon movie double feature. Enjoy snacks and hang out with friends. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

TW – 4/5, 3 pm, Friday
Tween Art Club
Ages 9 – 12. **REG**

A – 4/8, 4/22, 12:30 pm, Mondays
Knitting at the Library
Relax and chat with other yarn enthusiasts, work on your knit or crochet projects.



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G/PA – 4/8, 2 pm, Monday **Solar Eclipse Party and Concert**

Join us on April 8 for a Solar Eclipse Party with snacks, fun activities, and music provided by The Strictly 60s band. Solar eclipse viewing glasses will be provided for this program and comply with NASA safety criteria. A waiver must be signed by an adult before receiving solar eclipse glasses. Sponsored in part by the Friends of the Little Egg Harbor Branch. **REG**

T/A – 4/9, 3:30 pm, Tuesday **Community College for Students with Disabilities**

The Office of Disability Services at Ocean County College will share information about eligibility determination and requesting accommodations during your teen's transition to OCC. This presentation is geared toward high school students and their families. Please contact the Little Egg Harbor Branch to request reasonable accommodations at least 10 days prior to the event. **REG**

CH – 4/10, 10 am, Wednesday **Wednesday Morning Storytime**

Following the story participate in age-appropriate crafts and/or activities related to the story. Ages 2 – 5. **REG**

A – 4/11, 2 pm, Thursday **Understanding the NJ** **Psychiatric Advance Directives (PADs)**

A basic overview of how this self-advocacy tool and legal document is utilized by individuals that may experience a mental health crisis. PAD Documents will be provided to attendees. **REG**

T – 4/11, 6 pm, Thursday **Teen Advisory Board (TAB)**

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

A – 4/12, 2 pm, Friday **Adult Gaming – Canasta**

Join in some friendly competition playing the classic card game Canasta. **REG**

A – 4/15, 2 pm, Monday **Birds of the Pinelands**

The forests and swamps of the Pine Barrens are home to over a hundred different species of birds. Join the Pinelands Preservation Alliance Director of Education, Allison Hartman, to learn about the variety of waterfowl, raptors, and songbirds that rely on this important ecosystem. **REG**

BD – 4/16, 12:30 pm, Tuesday **Little Egg Harbor Book Discussion**

Join us for a lively book discussion. Please call the Branch at 609-294-1197 for this month's title. New members welcome.

CH/TW – 4/16, 5:30 pm, Tuesday **Nature Club**

Explore nature with hands-on activities, games, and guided walks around the branch, cultivating curiosity, respect, and eco-friendly habits. Grades Pre-K – 6. **REG**

BD – 4/16, 7 pm, Tuesday **Marvelous Sleuths Book Discussion**

Join us for a lively mystery book discussion. Please call the branch at 609-294-1197 for this month's title. New members welcome.

CH – 4/17, 10 am, Wednesday **Baby Messy Time**

Explore safe textures, colors & sensory play. Enhance motor skills & bonding through creative mess and learning through joyful chaos. **REG**

TW/T – 4/18, 6 pm, Thursday **Teen Game Night**

Play familiar and new games, just for teens. **REG**

T – 4/20, 9 am, Saturday **Teen Volunteer Hours**

Earn community service hours. Learn about the Library. Registration and a current Teen Volunteer Application required. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

T – 4/23, 5 pm, Tuesday **Teen Volunteer Hours**

Earn community service hours. Learn about the Library. Registration and a current Teen Volunteer Application required. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

CH – 4/23, 6 pm, Tuesday **Stories and Tunes to Move and Groove with Michelle Washington Wilson**

From Jazz Lullabies to a song to introduce us to another language, children can move and groove with stories and tunes from writer, performer, and storyteller Michelle Washington Wilson. This performance is part of the Ocean County Library's Neighbors Connecting Series of programs and is sponsored by a grant from the OceanFirst Foundation and the Ocean County Library Foundation. Ages up to 12. **REG**

FR – 4/24, 6 pm, Wednesday **Friends of the Little Egg Harbor Branch Meeting**

The Friends design and manage fundraising activities to support the Library. New members are welcome.

A – 4/27, 2 pm, Saturday **Saturday Movie Documentary** *Far from the Tree* (NR) 93 min.

LONG BEACH ISLAND 609-494-2480

A – 4/1, 10 am, Monday **Chair Ballet**

Experience the joy of chair-based dancing in a class that combines both ballet and exercise specifically for adults. A waiver must be signed before participating. **REG**

A/PA – 1:30 pm, Mondays **Monday Movie Matinee**

Bring your own refreshments. **REG**
4/1: *Pretty Woman* (R) 119 min.
4/22: *Ferris Bueller's Day Off* (PG-13) 103 min.
4/29: *Elvis* (PG-13) 159 min.

CH – 4/2, 9:30 am, Tuesday **Toddler Time**

Come in to read stories and sing some songs together. Ages 1 – 3 with caregiver. **REG**

A – 4/2, 11 am, Tuesday **Blood Pressure Clinic**

Free blood pressure screening by the LBI Health Department. Walk-ins welcome.

A – 4/2, 2 pm – 7 pm, Tuesday **American Red Cross Blood Drive**

Make a difference and donate blood. To make an appointment, call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit www.redcrossblood.org. **REG**

G/PA – 4/3, 4 pm, Wednesday **Paws for Reading**

Practice your reading skills in the company of a gentle therapy dog. **REG**

CH – 10 am, All Thursdays **Songs with Miss Summer**

Little ones and their grown-ups will sit together as we will all sing some of our favorite songs. **REG**

A – 4/4, 1 pm, Thursday **LBI Poets Studio**

To attend this virtual event please contact Sue Cummings via email scummings817@comcast.net. This group meets the first Thursday of every month from 1 pm – 3 pm. You may also join the program in-person at the LBI Library in the meeting room each month.

A – 4/10, 2 pm, Wednesday **Italian Cultural Society of LBI** Sponsored by the Italian Cultural Society of LBI. **REG**





LONG BEACH ISLAND
609-494-2480

TW/T – 4/10, 3 pm, Wednesday
Teens Craft it Out: Fidget Toys
Fidget toys are a great way to self-regulate in times of stress or overstimulation. While supplies last.

A – 4/11, 1 pm, Thursday
Heart Health Bingo
In partnership with the LBI Health Department, join us for a fun game of Bingo while learning about important heart health topics. **REG**

A – 4/12, 4/19, 2 pm, Fridays
LBI Canasta
Play Canasta with other teams and players.

CH – 4/15, 10 am, Monday
Fun with Finger Painting
Finger painting encourages creativity and cognitive development through expressions of color, texture, and patterns and helps develop fine motor skills through finger tracing. Dress for a mess. Ages 6 months+. **REG**

DIV/A/PA – 4/15, 1:30 pm, Monday
Monday Movie Matinee: I am Sam
(PG-13) 132 min.

CH – 4/16, 4/23, 4/30, 10 am, Tuesdays
Toddler Time
Come in to read stories and sing some songs together. Ages 1 – 3 with caregiver. **REG**

G – 4/16, 2 pm, Tuesday
Friends of the Island Library Monthly Book Sale
Get four books for \$1 and help the Friends of the Island Library continue to provide great programs and support.

G/PA – 4/16, 6 pm, Tuesday
Family Movie Night: Captain Underpants: The First Epic Movie
(PG) 103 min. Bring your own refreshments. **REG**

A – 4/17, 2 pm, Wednesday
Birds of the Pine Barrens
The forests and swamps of the Pine Barrens are home to over a hundred different species of birds. Join the Pinelands Preservation Alliance Director of Education, Allison Hartman, to learn about the variety of waterfowl, raptors, and songbirds that rely on this important ecosystem. **REG**

A – 4/20, 2 pm, Saturday
Tunes & Tales with Valerie Vaughn
Award-winning storytelling musician and New Jersey's Troubadour will share songs covering the rich folklore and history of the people and places of New Jersey's Pine Barrens. This performance is part of the Ocean County Library's Neighbors Connecting Series of Programs and is sponsored by a grant from the OceanFirst Foundation and the Ocean County Library Foundation. **REG**

G – 4/22, 10 am, Monday
Playdate at the Library
A variety of toys will be set out in our meeting room, where our young friends can freely play and socialize with each other. **REG**

CH/TW – 4/24, 2:30 pm, Wednesday
Kids Write Poetry!
We will explore different types of poetry, read some of our favorite poems, and explore writing prompts together. Ages 7+. **REG**

CH – 4/29, 10 am, Monday
Craft it Out: Clowning Around
We have all the ingredients you need to make a fun craft. While supplies last.



MANCHESTER
732-657-7600

BD/A – 4/2, 10:15 am, Tuesday
The Maid by Nina Prose

A – 4/4, 10 am, Thursday
Manchester Shore Memory Café
Early-Stage Memory Cafés provide opportunities for concerned persons experiencing early cognitive decline, and for those diagnosed with early-stage memory loss, and their care partner(s) to meet. Join a café to engage with peers in a relaxed, unstructured environment that promotes social engagement and support, through interactions with others experiencing similar changes. Presented by the Alzheimer's Association of Greater New Jersey in partnership with the Ocean County Library. Walk-ins welcome, registration preferred, to register call the Alzheimer's Association at (800) 272-3900.

TW – 4/4, 6 pm, Thursday
Tween Takeover: Super Smash Bros™ & Mario Kart™
Enjoy a fun-filled night playing Nintendo® games such as *Super Smash Bros: Ultimate™* and *Mario Kart 8™*. Ages 8 – 12. **REG**

TW – 4/4, 7 pm, Thursday
Tween Takeover: Paper Airplane
Join us to make your very own paper airplane and see how far it can fly. Ages 8 – 12. **REG**

G – 4/6, 2 pm, Saturday
Art Reception – Aniko Nemeth
Meet local artist, Aniko Nemeth. Watercolor paintings and color pencil drawings will be on exhibit.

A – 4/9, 10 am, Tuesday
2D Spring Paper Basket Craft for Adults with Special Challenges
Join us to create a 2D Spring basket using construction paper weaving strips and paper flowers. **REG**



A – 4/9, 2 pm – 4 pm, Tuesday
Writers Group
Bring your poetry, essays, and short stories. The group critiques each other's works and provides feedback.

CH – 4/10, 10 am, Wednesday
This Just In Storytime
Join us for a story time with books hot off the shelves. Ages 2 – 6. **REG**

A – 4/11, 4/25, 2 pm – 4 pm, Thursdays
Chicks with Sticks – Knitting and Crocheting Group
Bring your yarn, needles, and current projects, all skill levels welcome.

CH – 4/11, 6 pm, Thursday
Sensory Painting
Have fun and get messy in honor of National Autism Acceptance Month as we use our five senses to paint masterpieces. Ages 2 – 6. **REG**

T/TW – 4/11, 6 pm, Thursday
Teen & Tween Codebreakers
Try your hand at cracking a secret code hidden throughout the entire library. Ages 10 – 16. **REG**

A – 4/15, 2 pm, Monday
Achieving Financial Fitness
This presentation will offer helpful tools in determining when to get rid of obsolete documents, and how to keep documents organized and maintained. Presented by Laura Reeves CFP, CRPC and owner of LJR Financial. **REG**





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MANCHESTER
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A – 4/15, 6:30 pm, Monday
I Literally Can Knot:
Beginner Embroidery

Whether you're a beginner or looking to refresh your skills, this course provides a solid foundation for mastering this timeless craft. Attendees will leave with the supplies needed to work on a piece of their own after the class. **REG**

A – 4/16, 2 pm, Tuesday
You Can't Take It with You:
Downsizing and Decluttering
by AARP

This fun, interactive presentation by AARP New Jersey will provide easy-to-follow tips on downsizing and decluttering. **REG**

CH – 4/17, 9:30 am, Wednesday
Paint & Play

Join us for messy play and leave the clean up to us. Playtime with toys, painting, and coloring. Dressing for a mess is encouraged. Ages 6 months – 3 years. **REG**

CH – 4/17, 10:30 am, Wednesday
Paint & Play

Join us for messy play and leave the clean up to us. Playtime with toys, painting, and coloring. Dressing for a mess is encouraged. Ages 2 – 6. **REG**

A – 4/18, 11 am, Thursday

Movement Music & Memories
Movement Music & Memories is a unique multi-sensory movement to music enrichment program designed for people living with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. The goal is to bring joy while sharing the benefits of multi-sensory stimulation, to improve overall physical cognitive fitness, and to increase opportunities for success and connection to sense of self. This program is presented by Francine Pannella, LPN, CDP, ASFA-CPT. This program takes place every third Thursday of the month. Care partners must be present. Pre-registration is required by calling Francine at 732-801-8191 or by emailing Francine at fran@dementialsivingsolutions.com

T/TW – 4/18, 6 pm, Thursday
Teen & Tween Chess Club

Join us in the Teen Zone at the Manchester Library and learn how to play chess. Ages 10 – 16. **REG**

CH – 4/18, 6:30 pm, Thursday
LEGO® Club

Join us for open LEGO® play. Ages 6 – 2. **REG**

A – 4/22, 2 pm, Monday
Poetry in Music

Listen to some well-known songs and learn about the lyricists who made them poetry. **REG**

A – 4/23, 2 pm, Tuesday
Kozak Ukrainian Dancers

Members of this renowned dance ensemble will perform traditional and contemporary Ukrainian dances. This performance is part of the Ocean County Library's Neighbors Connecting Series of Programs and is sponsored by a grant from the OceanFirst Foundation and the Ocean County Library Foundation. **REG**

CH – 4/25, 9:30 am, Thursday
Playdate

Come out for some fun playing with friends and our toys in the meeting room. Ages 6 months – 3 years, with a caregiver. **REG**

CH – 4/25, 10:30 am, Thursday
Playdate

Come out for some fun playing with friends and our toys in the meeting room. Ages 2 – 6, with a caregiver. **REG**

C/A – 4/25, 2 pm – 4 pm, Thursday
Drop-In Library Technology Talk

We can help you learn to download free, digital library materials including eBooks, audiobooks, movies, magazines, and more. Please bring your library card, usernames and passwords, and a charged device. Drop in.

T – 4/25, 6 pm, Thursday
Teen Trivia

Play a Jeopardy-style trivia game together. Ages 13 – 18. **REG**

T – 4/25, 7 pm, Thursday
Teen Takeover: Super Smash Bros™ & Mario Kart™

Enjoy a fun-filled night playing Nintendo® games such as *Super Smash Bros: Ultimate™* and *Mario Kart 8™*. Ages 13 – 18. **REG**

CH – 4/30, 9:30 am, Tuesday
Build & Play

Join us for playtime with modeling compound and building toys. Ages 6 months – 3 years. **REG**

CH – 4/30, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Build & Play

Join us for playtime with modeling compound and building toys. Ages 2 – 6. **REG**



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A – 4/2, 1 pm, Tuesday
Classic Movie:

North by Northwest
(NR) 136 min.

CH – 4/3, 10:30 am, Wednesday
Balloon Powered Cars with WildNJ

Homeschool kids – join us to assemble and decorate a miniature car powered by air. Then pump up your air tank and race your car against a friend's. Ages 8 – 12. **REG**

A – 4/12, 2 pm, Friday
25th Anniversary Celebration of Plumsted

Celebrate the 25th anniversary of the opening of the current Plumsted Branch with a food demonstration from Devon's Kitchen, music courtesy of the Acoustic Musician's Guild and a photographic journey of the branch from years past. **REG**

BD – 4/15, 6 pm, Monday
Plumsted Evening Book Discussion

The Silent Patient by Alex Michaelides.

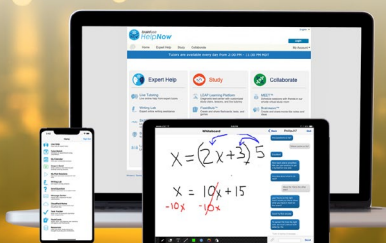
A – 4/16, 2:30 pm, Tuesday
Adult Craft and Relax: Mandala Quote Collages
Seating limited. **REG**

A – 4/22, 6:30 pm, Monday
English/Spanish Conversation Group

Join us in this low-key conversation group where participants can help one another learn. **REG**

T – 4/23, 3:30 pm, Tuesday
Teen Volunteer Hour

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





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A – 4/24, 2 pm, Wednesday
**Ultimate Johnny Cash:
Late & Alone**

Join performer Scott Moreau as he brings the late Johnny Cash to life with his one man show that features all his hits and some deeper dives into the man's music, as well as in-depth stories spanning nearly 50 years of his musical life. **REG**

A – 4/25, 2 pm, Thursday
Spring Flower Workshop

Join Amy Colarocco from Whiting Flower Shoppe as she teaches you some basic techniques of flower arranging. She will help you build your very own spring floral arrangement to take home. Please bring your own clippers to this program. **REG**

CH/T – 4/26, 10:30 am, Friday
**Drop-In Crafts for Kids and
Teens**

CH – 4/30, 10:30 am, Tuesday
**Storytime: *The Girl Who
Thought in Pictures***

In honor of Autism Acceptance Month learn all about author and speaker Temple Grandin and how she helped animals through her work and enjoy a sensory related craft. Ages 3+. **REG**



PT. PLEASANT BEACH
732-892-4575

DIV/A – 4/1, 7 pm, Monday
**Documentary Film
Screening: *Swim Team:
Competitive Young
Swimmers on the Autism
Spectrum***

(NR) 100 min. **REG**

A – 7:30 pm, All Mondays
English Conversation Group
New members welcome. **REG**

CH – 4/2, 10:30 am, Tuesday
**Toddler Fun: Stories &
Scarves**

Join us for songs, stories and fun for toddlers. Ages 18 months to 3 years. **REG**

**CH – 4/3, 10:30 am,
Wednesday**
**Preschool Storytime
Celebrates Ramadan**

Join us for songs, stories and fun as we learn about Ramadan. Ages 3 – 6. **REG**

**CH – 4/4, 4/18, 10:30 am,
Thursdays**

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

A – 4/8, 4/22, 1 pm, Mondays
**Knitting and Crocheting at
the Beach**

Knitters and crocheters of all skill levels welcome.

CH – 4/9, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Baby & Me

Please join us for songs, music, rhymes, and stories. Up to 18 months with caregiver. **REG**

**CH/PA – 4/9, 3:30 pm,
Tuesday**
Paws for Reading

Practice your reading skills in the company of gentle therapy dogs.

**CH – 4/10, 10:30 am,
Wednesday**
**Preschool Storytime:
Libraries Rock!**

Please join us for songs, stories and fun in honor of National Library Week. Ages 3 – 6. **REG**

**TW/T – 4/12, 4/26, 3 pm,
Fridays**

Nintendo® Gaming Club
Play *Super Smash Bros.™*, *Mario Kart 8™* and other Nintendo® games. **REG**

A – 4/15, 5 pm, Monday
Pickin' at Point

Bring your acoustic instrument and a song to share at this drop-in acoustic jam session.



APRIL 2 2:00 PM

The Foods, People, and Innovations That Feed Us—A Sweeping History of Food and Culture with Smithsonian Curator Paula J. Johnson
A Library Speakers Consortium and Smithsonian Institution Collaboration

APRIL 9 2:00 PM

From Murder to Atonement—Confronting My Son's Killer with Diane Foley & Colum McCann
Author of the award-winning and bestselling books *Apeirogon*, *Let the Great World Spin* and *Transatlantic*

APRIL 17 8:00 PM

A Literary Examination of Power, Love, and Art with Xochitl Gonzalez
New York Times bestselling author of *Olga Dies Dreaming* and *Anita de Monte Laughs Last*



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CH – 4/16, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Toddler Read Along
Storytime with Miss Liz

Each child will have a read along copy of *Little Quack's Hide and Seek* to help strengthen early literacy skills. Ages 2 – 3. **REG**

CH – 4/17, 10:30 am,
Wednesday
Preschool Storytime Fun
with Rhymes

Please join us for songs, stories and rhyming fun to celebrate National Poetry Month. Ages 3 – 6. **REG**

A – 4/29, 6:30 pm, Monday
Ultimate Johnny Cash:
Late & Alone

Join performer Scott Moreau as he brings the music of Johnny Cash to life with his one man show that features all of his hits and some deeper dives into the man's music, as well as in-depth stories spanning nearly 50 years of his musical life. **REG**



PT. PLEASANT BORO
732-295-1555

CH – 4/2, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Little Yogi + Me

Participants will enjoy gentle movement, simple songs, and an opportunity to explore with yoga related props. Class will end with guided breathing and relaxation. Please bring a yoga mat if you have one, a limited number will be available. Sponsored by Friends of the Pt. Pleasant Borough Branch. Ages 2 – 4 with a caregiver. **REG**



CH – 4/3, 11:30 am, Wednesday
Spring into Kids Yoga

This children's Yoga class incorporates movement and imagination to welcome the spring season. Participants will practice yoga poses and breathing exercises. Please bring a yoga mat if you have one, a limited number will be available. Sponsored by Friends of the Pt. Pleasant Borough Branch. Ages 5 – 12. **REG**

CH/PA – 4/3, 4 pm, Wednesday
Paws for Reading

Practice your reading skills in the company of gentle therapy dogs.

A – 4/4, 6:30 pm, Thursday
Open Mic Night

Join Dennis "The Heavy Metal Poet" Townsend for a night of local talent. Sign-ups begin at 6 pm; performances start at 6:30 pm.

A – 4/4, 4/18, 7:30 pm,
Thursdays
Adult Writers Group

Explore your writing skills in a fun, friendly, informal setting.

CH – 4/5, 2 pm, Friday
Yosi's Wee Rock Concert

Join Yosi as he delivers a rockin' good time with some of his best songs for children. Sponsored by Friends of the Pt. Pleasant Borough Branch. Ages up to 6. **REG**

A – 4/6, 11 am, Saturday
Chair Yoga

Led by certified yoga instructor, Linda Higley, chair yoga is a gentle yoga practice while remaining seated. **REG**

A – 4/10, 4/24, 2 pm – 4 pm,
Wednesdays
Ask a Master Gardener

Drop in and talk to a Master Gardener from the Rutgers Master Gardeners of Ocean County. They will be able to answer any questions you may have about horticulture, Integrated Pest Management, wildlife control, or other environmental concerns. You may bring a sample of any problem you may be having in the garden for diagnosis.

FR – 4/12, 4/13, 9 am – 4 pm,
Friday & Saturday
Friends of the Pt Pleasant
Borough Library Book Sale

The Friends of the Pt. Pleasant Borough Branch will host a Book Sale. All proceeds from the sale go toward supporting library activities and programs.

BD – 4/15, 10:30 am, Monday
Friends Book Club

Vanderbilt: The Rise and Fall of an American Dynasty by Anderson Cooper and Katherine Howe.

CH – 4/16, 10 am, Tuesday
Toddler Art

Come create some awesome art for the fridge door. Dress for mess. Ages 2 – 3. **REG**

FR – 4/16, 1:30 pm, Tuesday
Friends of the Pt Pleasant
Borough Library Meeting

The Friends design and manage fundraising activities to support the library. New members are welcome.

A – 4/16, 6:30 pm, Tuesday
Booth, Lincoln, and the Shot
that Changed America

Join historian Greg Caggiano for a look at Lincoln's life and political career, as well as his assassin, John Wilkes Booth, and the chain of events and politics that led to Lincoln's untimely demise at Ford's Theater. **REG**

A – 4/17, 6 pm, Wednesday
Twisted Stitches of Ocean
County

Join our group to learn or bring your project with you. If you are a beginner, knitting needles and yarn will be available for you. If you are already a knitter, please join.

BD – 4/17, 6 pm, Wednesday
Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles.

CH – 4/18, 10 am, Thursday
Baby & Me

Please join us for songs, music, rhymes, and stories. Ages up to 18 months with caregiver. **REG**

T – 4/18, 3 pm, Thursday
Earth Day Wind Chimes

Create a wind chime with pressed flowers for Earth Day. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

BD – 4/24, 7:30 pm,
Wednesday
Good Readers Book Club
Counterfeit by Kirstin Chen.

CH – 4/25, 10 am, Thursday
Preschool Sensory Friendly
Storytime

In honor of Autism Acceptance Month, explore interactive books, music, movement and play in a sensory friendly setting. Ages 3 – 6. **REG**

T – 4/26, 2:30 pm, Friday
Dungeons & Dragons®

Join players on an adventure in the world of *Dungeons & Dragons®*. Open to new and experienced players. Space is limited. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

MKR/CH – 4/29, 10 am,
Monday
Homeschool Hangout:
STEAM Time

Come explore, create and learn using STEAM kits and materials. Ages 6 – 12. **REG**



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CH/TW/T – 4/1, 10 am,
Monday
Homeschooler's Workshop:
Cereal Box Solar Eclipse
Viewer

Make your own eclipse viewer so you can view the upcoming Solar Eclipse. Solar eclipse glasses will be available to participants and available to others while supplies last. A waiver must be signed by an adult before receiving solar eclipse glasses. Ages 8 – 13. **REG**

BD – 4/1, 12 pm, Monday
AAUW Monday Book
Discussion

Mystery of Mrs. Christie by Marie Benedict.



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A – 4/1, 12 pm, Monday
Alzheimer’s Caregiver Support Group

Caring for an Alzheimer’s patient can be overwhelming. Join us monthly to learn how you can balance it all. Presented in partnership with Hackensack Meridian Health. **REG**

CH – 4/2, 2:30 pm, Tuesday
LEGO® Building

Join in the fun and build with LEGOS®. Ages 6+. **REG**

BD – 4/3, 10 am, Wednesday
First Wednesday Book Club
Hamnet by Maggie O’Farrell.

A – 4/3, 2 pm, Wednesday
New Release Movie Matinee

Check with the Branch for the upcoming film title. **REG**

G/PA – 4/4, 10 am, Thursday
All About Sled Dogs

Join Jan, co-owner and operator from Sunriser Kennels in Jackson, NJ, as she talks about the various types of dog-powered sports and what makes these dogs so acclimated to doing the job they were bred to do. She’ll show a sled, the equipment used, and you’ll meet a few dogs. Sponsored by the Friends of the Stafford Library. **REG**

A – 4/4, 4/18, 1 pm – 3 pm, Thursdays
& 4/6, 4/20, 10 am – 12 pm, Saturdays
String of Purls - Knit/Crochet

Join to learn or bring your project with you. 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.

A – 12:30 pm – 4 pm, All Fridays
Mah Jongg

Bring your current year gaming cards and game sets. Drop in.

CH – 4/5, 10 am, Friday
Yosi’s Wee Rock Concert

Join Yosi as he delivers a rockin’ good time with some of his best songs for children. Ages up to 6. **REG**

TW/T – 4/6, Saturday
Teen Blackout Poetry

Spark your imagination and get your creativity flowing with blackout poetry. Ages 9 – 17. Drop in.

G – 4/8, 4/22, 10 am – 12 pm, Mondays

Ask a Master Gardener – Diagnostic Clinics

The Rutgers Master Gardeners of Ocean County will answer any gardening questions you may have. Photos/specimens of insects and/or plants, shrubs, and trees are encouraged for ID, diagnosis, and recommendation. Drop in.

A – 4/8, 10:30 am, Monday
Solar Eclipse Day – Shade Gardens: Plants for Sun Starved Gardens

This presentation will offer many suggestions and ideas for annuals and perennials that prefer and thrive in shade. Presented by Rutgers Master Gardeners of Ocean County, Dr. S. Ann Earon, Master Gardener. Solar eclipse glasses will be available to participants. A waiver must be signed by an adult before receiving solar eclipse glasses. **REG**

CH – 4/8, 1 pm, Monday
Total Solar Eclipse Storytime

Celebrate the Total Solar Eclipse with stories and participate in a STEAM activity to reproduce the solar eclipse. Solar eclipse glasses will be available to participants. A waiver must be signed by an adult before receiving solar eclipse glasses. Ages 4+. **REG**

A – 4/9, 2 pm, Tuesday
Birds of the Pine Barrens

Come join the Pinelands Preservation Alliance Director of Education, Allison Hartman, to learn about the variety of waterfowl, raptors, and songbirds that rely on this important ecosystem. **REG**

A – 4/10, 10 am, Wednesday
Coloring for Adults with Special Challenges

Spend the morning listening to music and coloring. Materials are provided but you may bring your own coloring projects and coloring tools. Meets on the second Wednesday of the month. **REG**

T – 4/10, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

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

A – 4/11, 10 am, Thursday
Friends Adventure: Alice Roosevelt Presented by Kim Hanley

The American Historical Theater presents a program on the oldest daughter of President Theodore Roosevelt, the famous and the infamous, “Princess Alice” herself. Sponsored by the Friends of the Stafford Library. **REG**

CH – 4/12, 10 am, Friday
Let’s Make Music Storytime

Join in the storytime fun with musical instruments for children. Ages up to 6. **REG**

A – 4/14, 4/28, 2 pm, Sundays
English Conversation Group

Practice English conversation and talk about current events and more in a friendly, informal setting. **REG**

A – 4/15, 12 pm, Monday
Support Group for Caregivers

Being a caregiver can be overwhelming. Learn how you can balance it all. Presented in partnership with Hackensack Meridian Health. **REG**

A – 4/16, 11 am, Tuesday
Memory Loss vs. Alzheimer’s

Discover the difference between normal and abnormal memory loss as you age and ways to keep your mind sharp. Memory screenings will be provided. Presented in partnership with Hackensack Meridian Health. **REG**

A – 4/16, 1:30 pm, Tuesday
Adult Crafting Club

Come to the adult crafting club. All materials are provided. Adult crafting club meets once per month on the 3rd Tuesday. **REG**

April
Art Displays and Exhibits

Lacey
George Rhan Photography
Long Beach Island
Ethel Jacobsen School Student Artwork
Manchester
4/1 – 4/27 Art Exhibit:
Aniko Nemeth, Watercolor Paintings & Color Pencil Drawings



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A – 4/17, 10 am, Wednesday
Tony Bennett: The Music Never Ends: Documentary
(NR) 87 min. **REG**

A – 4/17, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
Huntington's Disease Support Group

This volunteer-led group is open to anyone with Huntington's Disease, as well as caregivers, family, or friends of someone with the disease or simply anyone interested in learning more. Third Wednesday of every month.

FR – 4/18, 9:30 am, Thursday
Friends of the Stafford Library Meeting

The Friends design and manage fundraising activities to support the Library. New members are welcome.

TW – 4/18, 4 pm, Thursday
Tween Crafternoon: April Showers Bring Flowers

Join us for Tween Crafternoon and paint a mini ceramic watering can to fill with spring flowers. Ages 9 – 13. **REG**

CH – 4/19, 10 am, Friday
Tactile Storytime and Game

In celebration of Autism Acceptance Month, join us for stories and games. Ages up to 6. **REG**

A – 4/22, 10 am, Monday
Writers Gathering for Adults

Talk about writing, work on writing prompts and read a sample of your work. **REG**

TW/T – 4/23, 4 pm, Tuesday
Teen Tuesday: Earth Day Seed Bombs

Join us in the Teen Lab and celebrate Earth Day by creating Earth Day seed bombs. Ages 9 – 17. **REG**

A – 4/23, 6 pm, Tuesday
Adult Anime Club

Anime fans can come together, meet fellow adults, watch anime, share artwork, talk about manga and other related topics. This program meets once per month on the 4th Tuesday. **REG**

A – 4/25, 11:30 am, Thursday
Dr. Daisy Century's Quilt Stories

Dr. Daisy Century will share her memories of watching her mother quilt at their kitchen table; her presentation will be enhanced with four of her mother's quilt on display. Dr. Century will help you to create your own small sample quilt to take home. **REG**

A – 4/25, 2:30 pm, Thursday
Coloring Club for Adults

Coloring is a way to relax and express your creativity. Materials are provided or bring your own coloring projects and coloring tools. **REG**

CH – 4/25, 6 pm, Thursday
Pete the Cat Storytime

Listen to stories about Pete the Cat and make a craft. **REG**

A – 4/29, 2:30 pm, Monday
Beginner Astronomy – The Moon: Our Nearest Neighbor

Join Jim Webster from the Astronomical Society of the Toms River Area, Dark Sky Advocate and SciStarter Ambassador to take a closer look at our nearest neighbor, the Moon, and explore some citizen science projects we can all do as well. **REG**

A – 4/30, 11 am, Tuesday
All About Your Heart

Learn how to keep your heart healthy, risk factors for heart disease, warning signs and more. Presented in partnership with Hackensack Meridian Health. **REG**

A/PA – 4/30, 2 pm, Tuesday
Hot Cocoa Around the World

Come learn about its history and how it's enjoyed around the world. We'll be making hot cocoa from three different countries for you to sample. **REG**



TOMS RIVER
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CH – 4/1, 10:30 am, Monday
April Fools' Day Storytime

Celebrate April Fools' Day with silly stories and a funny craft. Ages 3 – 5. **REG**

CH – 4/2, 10 am, Tuesday
Drop-In Open Play

Stop by for toys and activities that encourage skill building and creativity. Siblings are welcome. Ages up to 5. Drop in.

A – 4/2, 6:30 pm, Tuesday
Game Club for Adults

Come play video and board games at the library and make new friends.

CH/TW – 4/2, 6:30 pm, Tuesday
Tween Art Lab

Join us for a spring themed art lab. This program will use paint. Ages 8 – 12. **REG**

A – 4/2, 6:30 pm, Tuesday
Where did That Phrase Come From?

Did you ever wonder how certain expressions came about? We will discover phrases or expressions that we use every day, sometimes without realizing what we're saying doesn't make sense without the accepted meaning behind it. **REG**

A – 10 am, All Wednesdays
English Conversation Group

New to speaking English? Join us and talk about current events and more. New members welcome.

CH – 4/3, 10 am, Wednesday
It's Fun to Be One Storytime

Grow little one's love for the library with stories, songs, playtime, and more. Ages 12 – 23 months with a caregiver. **REG**

CH – 4/3, 2 pm, Wednesday
Play Ball: Drop-In Baseball Craft

Hit a Library home run by dropping in for a craft celebrating America's Pastime. Ages 3 – 8. Drop in.

CH – 4/5, 10 am, Friday
Baby & Me

Visit the library for an interactive program for you and your baby. Ages up to 12 months old. **REG**

CH – 4/6, 10:30 am, Saturday
Stories and Tunes to Move and Groove with Michelle Washington Wilson

From Jazz Lullabies to a song to introduce us to another language, children can move and groove with stories and tunes from writer, performer, and storyteller, Michelle Washington Wilson. This performance is part of the Ocean County Library's Neighbors Connecting Series of Programs and is sponsored by a grant from the OceanFirst Foundation and the Ocean County Library Foundation. Ages up to 12. **REG**

CH – 4/8, 3 pm, Monday
Solar Eclipse

Learn about the total solar eclipse and do a cool craft. Solar eclipse viewing glasses will be available while supplies last. A waiver must be signed by an adult before receiving solar eclipse glasses. Ages 6 – 12. **REG**

MKR/TW/T/A – 4/8, 6 pm, Monday

Happy Accident Crafting

Use 3D printed pieces along with 3D printing pens and paint markers to make new, unique pieces of art. Ages 10+. **REG**

CH – 4/9, 10 am, Tuesday
Little Learners Storytime

Join us for interactive stories, songs, and more for you and your little one. Ages 2 – 3 with a caregiver. **REG**

BD – 4/9, 7 pm, Tuesday
Evening Book Discussion

Last Days of Night by Graham Moore. **REG**

T – 4/10, 2 pm, Wednesday
Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

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

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A – 4/10, 7 pm, Wednesday
WREP: When Radio
Entertained People

Veteran actors from WREP will perform skits from radio's "Golden Age" of the 1940s and 1950s. This "broadcast" will feature episodes *Sorry, Wrong Number* and *The Day the Earth Stood Still*. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ocean County Library - Toms River. **REG**

T/PA – 4/11, 2 pm, Thursday
De-Stress with Dogs for
Teens

Drop in and de-stress with therapy dogs. This recurring program meets the second Thursday of the month during the school year.

BD/A – 4/11, 6 pm, Thursday
Read with Pride Adult Book
Club

The Late Americans by Brandon Taylor. This book discussion is for those who identify as LGBTQ+, or who simply want to learn more about LGBTQ+ stories, narratives, and experiences. **REG**

G – 4/13, 10 am – 3 pm,
Saturday
7th Annual Autism Resources
Fair

Speak to representatives of state, county, and local organizations. Medical professionals, educators, therapists, attorneys, and other professionals will be available to describe their services and to answer your questions. Special workshops will be offered. Registration will be required to attend the workshops.



A – 4/13, 11 am, Saturday
IEP Meetings: What to
Expect and How to Prepare
Presented by Peg Kinsell, Director of Public Policy at SPAN Parent Advocacy Network, this interactive workshop will give participants a description of the essential components of an Individualized Education Plan. Participants will be given tools to help them effectively participate in developing an Individualized Education Plan. **REG**

MKR/T/TW – 4/13, Saturday
DIY Rain Sticks

Drop in to the Maker Space to create your very own unique rain stick. Ages 10+ with caregiver. While supplies last.

A – 4/13, 1 pm, Saturday
Special Education Law in
New Jersey: An Overview

Learn how federal and state laws protect your disabled student's right to receive a free and appropriate public education. During this workshop, special education attorney Andrew Meltzer of Sussan Greenwald & Wesler will provide an overview of your child's legal protections. **REG**

CH – 4/13, 1 pm, Saturday
A Music, Bubble, and Dance
Party

This sensory-friendly show, led by Turtle Dance Music, will include bubbles, laughter, dancing, games, incredible visuals, and a story written and illustrated by Mr. Matt's brother Tim who is on the autism spectrum. **REG**

A – 4/13, 2 pm, Saturday
Out-of-District Placement:
How to Know When It's Right
for Your Child

This workshop, led by John J. Mulholland, Jr., Executive Director of ASAH, will give insight into the options that you have as a parent/caregiver. The discussion will explore topics such as how to determine whether the public school is meeting your child's educational, behavioral, and social needs, steps that you can take if you determine that it is not, conversations with the child study team, researching schools, and how to decide which school is the best fit for your child. **REG**

CH – 4/15, 10 am, Monday
Shake, Rattle, & Read
Storytime

Learn and grow pre-literacy skills together with interactive stories, songs, and activities. Ages 1 – 3. **REG**

A – 4/15, 2 pm, Monday
The Titanic: A Special
Anniversary Presentation

Join historian Greg Caggiano for an overview of the voyage and sinking of the Titanic on its 112th anniversary. Included will be an examination of the ship's construction, daily life for passengers, and what went wrong that led to its sinking. **REG**

CH/TW – 4/15, 6:30 pm,
Monday
Sand Art

Relax and make a beautiful sand art picture. Ages 7 – 12. **REG**

T/TW/PA – 4/15, 6:30 pm,
Monday
Zen Zone Mondays: Clay
Essential Oil Diffuser

Relax and unwind as you meet with friends, do hands-on activities, and learn about and practice self-care. In this session, we'll create a handmade essential oil diffuser to refresh your room or locker. **REG**

A – 4/16, 10 am, Tuesday
MS Word Beginners

Attendees will learn the basics of Microsoft® Word to create a document. Keyboard and mouse skills required. **REG**

BD – 4/16, 6:30 pm, Tuesday
Trevor's Banned Book Club

Gather to read books that have been subject to bans across the country. Title TBD.

A – 4/16, 6:30 pm, Tuesday
Gratitude Journaling

Come create a gratitude journal in a relaxing environment of the Sensory Space. **REG**

T – 4/17, 3 pm, Wednesday
LGBTeens

Join us for LGBTeens, a club for LGBTQ and allied teens to participate in fun activities, support one another, explore our collection of LGBTQ books, and help create library programs. **REG**

CH/TW/PA – 4/17, 4:30 pm,
Wednesday
Paws for Reading

Practice your reading skills in the company of gentle therapy dogs. Ages 5 – 12. **REG**



APRIL IS NATIONAL VOLUNTEER MONTH

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CH – 4/18, 10:30 am, Thursday

Preschool Storytime: Outer Space

Calling all astronauts in training. Join us for space stories, activities, and a craft. Ages 3 – 5 with a caregiver. **REG**

A – 4/18, 6:30 pm, Thursday
Ultimate Johnny Cash: Late & Alone

Join performer Scott Moreau as he brings the music of Johnny Cash to life with his one man show that features all of his hits and some deeper dives into the Man's music, as well as in depth stories spanning nearly 50 years of his musical life. **REG**

A – 4/19, 2 pm, Friday
Roaming Readers Walking Book Club

Join us for a new walking book club where we will discuss a book while walking around Downtown Toms River (weather permitting) or inside the Branch. Participants can pick up a copy of *The Husband's Secret* by Liane Moriarty beginning March 15th at the Circulation Desk. A waiver form must be signed before the start of the program to participate. **REG**

CH – 4/22, 10:30 am, Monday
Earth Day Storytime & Craft
Celebrate Earth Day with stories and a craft. Ages 3 – 5. **REG**

MKR/A – 4/22, 6 pm, Monday
Crafter Dark Meetup for Adults

Join us for an informal crafting meetup in our Maker Space. Adults can get together for craft time at the Library, whether you make the provided craft or bring your own project to work on. **REG**

T – 4/22, 6:30 pm, Monday
Trash Art for Teens

Learn from NJ artist Lisa Bagwell how to turn upcycled materials into fun and functional trash art in honor of Earth Day. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ocean County Library – Toms River. **REG**

CH – 4/23, 10:30 am, Tuesday
Homeschool Storytime

Join us for a homeschool program with songs, stories, and a fun craft. Ages 4 – 8 with a caregiver. **REG**

CH – 4/23, 6 pm, Tuesday
Rockabye Baby Storytime

Wear your pajamas and join us for stories, songs, and movement. Ages up to 23 months. **REG**

S/G – 4/23, 6 pm, Tuesday
Sensory Friendly Movie: Dr. Seuss' The Lorax

(PG) 94 mins. Join us in the Sensory Space for a sensory friendly movie where lights will be turned up, volume turned down and dancing, walking, rolling, singing and shouting are welcome. All ages with caregiver. **REG**

A – 4/23, 7 pm, Tuesday
Vinyl Record Nights

Come unwind and listen to curated vinyl records under the stars of the atrium.

A – 4/24, 10:30 am, Wednesday
Craft for Adults with Special Challenges

Through this program, adults with special challenges can be creative and enjoy making crafts. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ocean County Library—Toms River. **REG**

G – 4/24, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
David Cedeño & His Orchestra

David and company will play traditional salsa music and golden oldies – sung in English – with a salsa beat. This performance is part of the Ocean County Library's Neighbors Connecting Series of Programs and is sponsored by a grant from the OceanFirst Foundation and the Ocean County Library Foundation. **REG**

T – 4/24, 6:30 pm, Wednesday
Dungeons & Dragons® for Teens

Join players on an adventure in the world of *Dungeons & Dragons®*. Open to new and experienced players. Space is limited. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ocean County Library – Toms River. **REG**

BD – 4/25, 2 pm, Thursday
Afternoon Book Discussion

My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's Sorry by Fredrik Backman. **REG**

T/PA – 4/25, 6 pm, Thursday
DIY Mosaic Coasters & Arabic Snacks for Teens

Expand your horizons and celebrate Arab-American Heritage Month by making your own mosaic coaster and trying some snacks from the Middle East. Ages 13 – 18. **REG**

CH/TW – 4/25, 6:30 pm, Thursday

DIY Sensory Water Bottles

April is Autism Acceptance Month. Join us to create your own sensory water bottle. Ages 6 – 12. **REG**

CH – 4/26, 10:30, Friday
I Love Pets Storytime

Listen to some stories and do a fun craft. Ages 3 – 5. **REG**

A – 4/27, 10 am, Saturday
Gentle Yoga with Belle

Join us for a yoga session led by certified yoga instructor, Belle Burns. Please bring your own mat or towel. **REG**

CH – 4/27, 10:30 am, Saturday
Drop-In Spring Craft

Drop in and welcome Spring with a beautiful, blossoming craft. Ages 3 – 10.

CH/TW – 4/27, 2:30 pm, Saturday
Drop-In Video Games for Kids

Ages 4 – 12. Drop in.

CH – 4/29, 10:30 am, Monday
I Love Giraffes Storytime

Listen to stories and make a fun giraffe themed craft. Ages 3 – 5. **REG**

MKR/G – 4/29, 6 pm, Monday
Cricut® Class

Learn the basics of using the Cricut® Maker™ machine and Cricut® Design Space Software. **REG**

A/PA – 4/29, 6:30 pm, Monday
Scent Your Sign

Create a custom solid perfume balm inspired by your zodiac sign with fragrance enthusiast Meg Ruisch. This program is not recommended for those with allergies, sensitivities, or asthma. A waiver must be signed at the program to participate. **REG**

DIV/CH – 4/30, 10 am, Tuesday
De Colores Storytime

Celebrate El Día de los Niños/ El Día de los Libros by learning some simple Spanish words and phrases followed by a themed craft. Ages 3 – 5. **REG**

A/PA – 4/30, 2 pm, Tuesday
Afternoon Tea Blending with Mathis House

Come and learn about tea blending. Vicki from the Mathis House Tea Room will present how to blend their custom Blue Tea. **REG**

T/PA – 4/30, 3:30 pm, Tuesday
Cooking Matters for Teens

Join a Nutrition Educator from the Community Food Bank of NJ to learn how to make healthy, budget-friendly food choices and lead a more active life. In this session, teens will get creative with food makeovers. Take traditional meals and make them your own. **REG**





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TOMS RIVER 732-349-6200

A/T – 4/30, 6:30 pm, Tuesday Community College for Students with Disabilities

The Office of Disability Services at Ocean County College will share information about eligibility determination and requesting accommodations during your teen's transition to OCC. This presentation is geared toward high school students and their families. Please contact the Toms River Branch to request reasonable accommodations at least 10 days prior to the event. **REG**



TUCKERTON 609-296-1470

**A – 4/1, 6 pm, Monday
Monday Movie Night**
You've Got Mail (PG) 116 min.

**CH – 4/2, 11 am – 1 pm,
Tuesday
Drop-in Play Time**
Enjoy our LEGOS®, checkers, coloring or a simple craft – you decide.

**A – 4/4, 10 am, Thursday
Art Chat**
Meet and talk with local artists. Bring your own work for feedback.

**A – 4/8, 7 pm, Monday
Adult Crafting Night**
Make a colorful mosaic votive jar. **REG**

**CH/PA – 4/9, 11 am, Tuesday
Toddler Time: Birds**
Celebrate the return of many of our feathered friends with songs, stories and a craft. **REG**

**A/PA – 4/10, 7 pm, Wednesday
Tuckerton Library Association
Annual Open House**
Dan Lieb details the well-known vessels that have wrecked off the New Jersey Coast, including investigations the NJ Shipwreck Museum has conducted over the years to identify those whose names are long forgotten as well as the stories they tell. Refreshments will be served courtesy of the Tuckerton Library Association. **REG**

**A – 4/13, 11 am, Saturday
Spring Has Sprung Garden
Talk**
Get your garden going with advice from a Rutgers Master Gardener. **REG**

**A – 4/15, 6 pm, Monday
Monday Movie Night**
A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood (PG) 108 min.

**CH – 4/16, 11 am, Tuesday
Toddler Time: Windy Days**
Enjoy windy stories, fingerplays and a craft. **REG**

**T/PA – 4/18, 3:30 pm,
Thursday
Teen Advisory Board (TAB)**
Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Enjoy a snack while creating something with soda can tabs. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

**BD/A – 4/22, 6:30 pm,
Monday
Tuckerton Adult Book
Discussion**
The Kitchen House by Kathleen Grissom.

**CH – 4/23, 11 am, Tuesday
Toddler Time: Full Moon**
Enjoy a storytime about the "pink moon" with stories, songs and a craft. **REG**

**G – 4/27, 11 am, Saturday
Stay 'n Play**
Enjoy a fun afternoon playing with our LEGOS® or checkers. **REG**

**A – 4/29, 6 pm, Monday
O'Kelley Legends: 2e Behind
the Scenes**
(NR) 67 min.

**CH – 4/30, 11 am, Tuesday
Toddler Time:
Rabbits & Bunnies**
Hop along to a fun a storytime about these cute, fuzzy friends with stories, songs and a craft. **REG**



**A – 12 pm, All Mondays
Mah Jongg Mondays**

**A – 9 am, All Tuesdays
Hand and Foot Card Games**
Come play this variant card game of Canasta at the library.

**CH – 4/3, 4/17, 10:30 am,
Wednesdays
Baby & Me**
Join us for a free play session with various toys and music. Recommended for babies up to 18 months with a caregiver. **REG**

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

**FR – 6:30 pm, All Wednesdays
Friends of the Upper Shores
Meeting**
The Friends design and manage fundraising activities to support the Library. New members are welcome.

**A – 4/3, 7 pm, Wednesday
Boardwalks of New Jersey**
Authors Dick Handschuch and Sal Marino will stoke old memories and tell funny boardwalk stories as you learn about the miles of Jersey Shore boardwalks. Sponsored by the Friends of the Upper Shores Branch. **REG**

**CH – 4/4, 10:30 am, Thursday
Toddler Time**
Join us for songs, stories, and hands-on activities. Recommended for ages 18 – 36 months with a caregiver. **REG**

**A – 4/4, 4/25, 12 pm, Thursdays
Bridge for All**
Play bridge at the Library. All skill levels welcome.

**G – 4/4, 2 pm, Thursday
Great American Standards**
The talented Gary Evans entertains us at the piano with his delightful music on the first Thursday of each month. Requests are welcome. Sponsored by the Friends of the Upper Shores Branch.

**BD – 4/4, 3 pm, Thursday
Thursday Book Discussion**
Magpie Murders by Anthony Horowitz.

**BD – 4/5, 10 am, Friday
Morning Book Discussion**
Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance.

**BD – 4/5, 3 pm, Friday
Afternoon Book Discussion**
The Orphan's Tale by Christina Baker Kline.

**A – 4/6, 2 pm, Saturday
Movies at the Library:
Tommy's Honour**
(PG) 117 min. **REG**



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UPPER SHORES
732-793-3996

A – 4/9, 2 pm, Tuesday Balance Lecture

Learn about the causes of balance problems, how to prevent falls, and tips to stay safe in your home. Presented by Hackensack Meridian Health. **REG**

TW/T – 4/10, 3:30 pm, Wednesday
Pipe Cleaner Butterfly Rings
Ages 10 – 18. **REG**

A/PA – 4/10, 6:30 pm, Wednesday Cookbook Club

Bring in a dish from the selected cookbook of the month to share and discuss with fellow culinary enthusiasts. **REG**

CH – 4/11, 10:30 am, Thursday Preschool Storytime

Join us for storytime and an activity. Recommended for ages 3 – 5. **REG**

A – 4/11, 2 pm, Thursday DASH and the Mediterranean Diet

Join a Registered Dietitian, as she shares advice on foods that can help your heart health and a long-term healthy lifestyle. Presented by Hackensack Meridian Health. **REG**

A – 4/12, 4/26, 1 pm, Fridays
OC Purls Knitting Group
Enjoy conversation and exchange patterns while you work on your knitting projects.

A – 4/16, 2 pm, Tuesday Birds and Bird Feeding

Join us for a discussion on the basics of bird feeding, attracting birds and bird identification - after all, we want to know what feathered visitors we are feeding. Presented by Jakes Branch County Park naturalists. **REG**

A – 4/17, 2 pm, Wednesday
Gardening Down the Shore
Learn the best ways to garden at the shore with a Master Gardener from Rutgers. **REG**

A – 4/17, 6 pm, Wednesday
Movies at the Library: Priscilla
(R) 113 min. **REG**

CH – 4/18, 10:30 am, Thursday
Sensory Play for Toddlers
Sensory based activities for toddlers with a caregiver. Dress for a mess. Ages 18 – 36 months. **REG**

CH – 4/18, 3:30 pm, Thursday
Fork Painting
Paint a spring scene with a fork. Ages 5 – 12. **REG**

CH – 4/24, 3:30 pm, Wednesday
Puzzles Play
Puzzle play for Autism Acceptance Month. Ages 5 – 12. **REG**

A – 4/24, 6 pm, Wednesday
The Hindenburg Experience
Learn about the history of the Hindenburg and its last flight from Frankfurt, Germany to Lakehurst, NJ in 1937. **REG**

CH – 4/25, 10:30 am, Thursday
Sensory Play for Preschoolers
Sensory based activities for preschoolers with a caregiver. Dress for a mess. Ages 3 – 5. **REG**

CH – 4/30, 3:30 pm, Tuesday
Día Day
Celebrate El día de los niños/ El día de los libros (Children's Day/Book Day) with fun activities. Ages 5 – 12. **REG**



WARETOWN
609-693-5133

A – 12 pm – 4 pm, All Wednesdays
Mah Jongg
Beginners welcome.

TW/T/A – 4/6, 11 am, Saturday
Saturday Documentary: Let Me Be Me
(NR) 75 min.

A – 4/9, 4/23, 11 am, Tuesdays
Waretown Writers Group
Join other writers to explore your skills in an informal and fun discussion.

CH – 4/11, 11 am, Thursday
Storytime and Craft
Ages 3 – 5. **REG**

T – 4/15, 6 pm, Monday
Teen Advisory Board (TAB)
Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. New members welcome. Ages 12 – 18.

T – 4/15, 6:30 pm, Monday
Tarot for Teens
Join us to learn about the basics of reading tarot and get started in your own practice. **REG**

A – 4/18, 2 pm, Tuesday
Spring Flower Workshop
Join Amy Colarocco from Whiting Flower Shoppe as she teaches you some basic techniques of flower arranging. She will help you build your very own spring floral arrangement to take home. Please bring your own clippers to this program. Space is limited. **REG**

A – 4/19, 2 pm – 4 pm, Friday
Writing from Your Roots: Family Stories Memoir Workshop
During this 2-hour writing workshop, participants will immerse themselves in their own family histories by uncovering moments from the past to have a better understanding of their future. **REG**

A – 4/22, 6 pm, Monday
Broadway at the Shore
Join singer Cosette Lynchski for a night at the theatre. Cosette will share musical theater songs, both old and new, from the Golden Age of Broadway. Sponsored by the Friends of the Waretown Library. **REG**

G – 4/26, 12:30 pm – 3 pm, Friday & 4/27, 10 am – 12:30 pm, Saturday
Friends of the Waretown Library Book Sale
Support the Friends and the Branch at the book sale for all ages.



VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

A – 4/3, 3 pm, Wednesday
The Great Storage Cleanout
Join author and organizer Jamie Novak online and learn simple steps for clearing out the storage space. Those registered will receive a link to the Zoom meeting. Sponsored by Jackson Friends of the Library. **REG**

T – April
Young Adult Climate Fiction
These YA climate fiction books use bits of fantasy or sci fi to demonstrate the effects of climate change on our society and world.

A/T – April
Crafting With Miss Chris: Kentucky Derby Hats
Big hats and excellent snacks. Get ready to watch the Kentucky Derby in style by making an over-the-top sunhat, and then visit Cooking with Miss Joanne's playlist for some tasty treats.

CH – April
Cooking with Miss Joanne: Kentucky Derby Treat
Follow along with Miss Joanne as she makes a treat to celebrate the Kentucky Derby then check out Crafting with Miss Chris' Kentucky Derby Hats video so you can watch the race in style.

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e-books for **EARTH DAY**

Adult Titles

The Heat Will Kill You First: Life and Death on a Scorched Planet by Jeff Goodell

Regenesis: Feeding the World Without Devouring the Planet by George Monbiot

The Climate Book: The Facts and the Solutions by Greta Thunberg

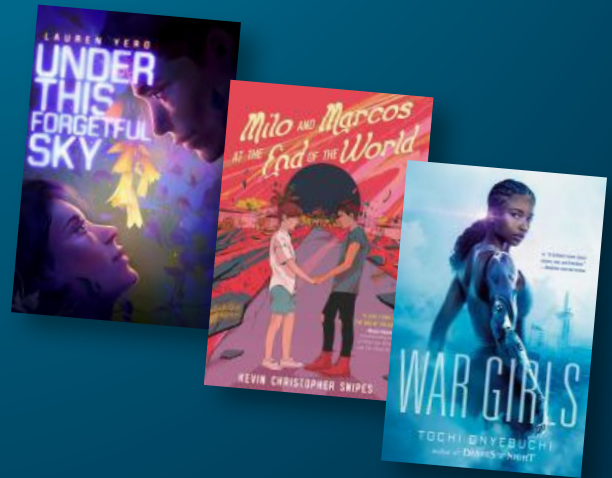


Teen Titles

Under This Forgetful Sky
by Lauren Yero

Milo and Marcos at the End of the World
by Kevin Christopher Snipes

War Girls
by Tochi Onyebuchi



Children's Titles

Climate: Our Changing World
by Andy Sima

The First Rule of Climate Club
by Carrie Firestone

Greenwild
by Pari Thomson





April 13, 2024 • 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
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7TH ANNUAL AUTISM RESOURCES FAIR

Speak to representatives of state, county, and local organizations. Medical professionals, educators, therapists, attorneys, and other professionals will be available to describe their services and to answer your questions. Special workshops will be offered. Registration will be required to attend the workshops.

IEP Meetings: What to Expect and How to Prepare

Presented by Peg Kinsell, Director of Public Policy at SPAN Parent Advocacy Network, this interactive workshop will give participants a description of the essential components of an Individualized Education Plan. Participants will be given tools to help them effectively participate in developing an Individualized Education Plan. Please Register.

DIY Rain Sticks

Drop in to the Maker Space to create your very own unique rain stick. Ages 10+ with caregiver. While supplies last.

Special Education Law in New Jersey: An Overview

Learn how federal and state laws protect your disabled student's right to receive a free and appropriate public education. During this workshop, special education attorney Andrew Meltzer of Sussan Greenwald & Wesler will provide an overview of your child's legal protections. Please Register.

A Music, Bubble, and Dance Party

This sensory-friendly show, led by Turtle Dance Music, will include bubbles, laughter, dancing, games, incredible visuals, and a story written and illustrated by Mr. Matt's brother Tim who is on the autism spectrum. Please Register.

Out-of-District Placement: How to Know When It's Right for Your Child

This workshop, led by John J. Mulholland, Jr., Executive Director of ASAH, will give insight into the options that you have as a parent/caregiver. The discussion will explore topics such as how to determine whether the public school is meeting your child's educational, behavioral, and social needs, steps that you can take if you determine that it is not, conversations with the child study team, researching schools, and how to decide which school is the best fit for your child. Please Register.



The 2024 Autism Resources Fair is sponsored in part by the Ocean County Library Foundation.
For a complete list of programming, visit: www.theoceancountylibrary.org/autism

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