Happenings

Director’s Message

Most people think of books when they envision a library. The official mission of Library of The Chathams goes beyond that. It is to offer free access to ideas and services through a diverse and abundant selection of resources that will promote a broader understanding of the world and enrich lives by serving as the community’s learning and entertainment destination.

In support of that mission, and in answer to community input, the library provided a wealth of enrichment, educational and entertainment programs and resources in 2015, detailed in our annual report, available on the library website at www.chathamlibrary.org.

We don’t rest on past successes though. This month we introduce a new continuing education program for adults, **CALL: Chatham Adult Lifeworks Learning**, which offers courses in art, music, history and current events. This Friends of the Library initiative is partly funded by the Friends. Our 2016 Summer Reading Program themes are **Get In The Game** and **On Your Mark, Get Set…..Read**. Along with reading, these themes are geared toward multiple aspects of personal growth for all ages. Details are inside.

On behalf of everyone at the library, we look forward to the entire community enjoying these programs which were inspired by your input.

*Karen Brodsky*
Blood Pressure Screenings
First Thursday of the Month
May 5 and June 2
10 am to 12 pm

CALL: Chatham Adult Lifeworks Learning
French Impressionism: Techniques
and Influence
Tuesdays, May 10, 17, 24, and 31 -
11:15 am to 12:15 pm
Michael Norris, Ph.D., has been an
art educator at the Metropolitan
Museum of Art for over 20 years.
He will present a four-part series on
French Impressionism. A $40 fee
for this four-part series is required
payable to Friends of the Library by
May 6.

Nature Photography Show
Sunday, May 15 - 2:15 to 4 pm
Michael Stillwell of Brooklyn, NY, will display his
nature photography from the Adirondack Park in
upstate New York during the month of May. The
public is invited to attend his opening reception.
Sponsored by Friends of the Library

Learn a Language with Mango
Tuesday, May 17 - 7 pm
Amy Janczarek of Mango Languages
will demonstrate how easy it is to learn a new
language using the library Mango App.
Seventy languages are available on the app!

Creative Writing Workshop with
Tom Cantillon
Thursdays, May 19, May 26, and June 2 -
7 to 9 pm
Tom Cantillon, creative writing teacher at Union
County College, will hold a three-session course
combining information about writing structure,
e-publishing and finding an agent. Come prepared
to share your work. This course is limited to 12
students. Sign up online or call 973-635-0603.
## May 2016 Programs

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**ON YOUR MARK, GET SET.... READ!**

**SUMMER READING PROGRAMS BEGIN JUNE 27!**

**GET IN THE GAME!**
Get In The Game: A SUMMER READING PROGRAM FOR ADULTS

Sign-ups for this program will be held at the library’s table on June 11 at the Fishawack Festival.

Starting June 27, write a brief review about each book you read and turn it in at the Information Desk. Participants will earn an entry for a chance to win prizes awarded at the end of July and August.

An Introduction to Tabletop Gaming
Wednesday, June 8 - 7 pm
Meet Jennifer Graham-Macht, owner of Satellite Comics and Games in Chatham, as she guides you through the world of tabletop gaming. Learn more about games such as Catan, Pandemic and the party game Codenames.

The History of Farming in Chatham and Madison
Saturday, June 11 - 2 pm
Jim DelGiudice, adjunct professor at County College of Morris, will discuss the historical aspects of farming in Chatham and Madison. Come to the library during the Fishawack Festival to take a fascinating look at local agriculture and its early influences on our community.

Get In The Game: Jumpstart Your Fitness Program
Wednesday, June 15 - 7 pm
Local personal and group trainers will share their fitness program philosophies and expertise on how you can Get In The Game. Dr. Matthew Riordan of Professional Physical Therapy & Training is a Board Certified Clinical Specialist in orthopedic physical therapy and a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist. Camellia Redmerski and Nekki Robinson are co-owners of Momentum Cycling & Fitness in Summit.

RJ Cobbs: Overcoming Adversity to Reach Your Life Goals
Monday, June 20 - 7 pm
Former NFL player for the Minnesota Vikings and the New York Giants, RJ Cobbs will discuss overcoming personal adversity, strength training and injury prevention. Born and raised in Parsippany, NJ, Cobbs was injured twice during his professional football career. Currently, he is a strength and conditioning coach and football specialist at Inception Athletic Excellence Center in Madison.
Saturday Afternoon Tabletop Gaming  
Saturday, June 25 - 11:30 am to 4:30 pm  
Bring your family and friends for an afternoon of tabletop gaming. Jennifer Graham-Macht, owner of Satellite Comics and Games in Chatham, will lead this fun tabletop gaming event at the library. All supplies will be provided.

Library Book Group: My Brilliant Friend  
Wednesday, June 29 - 1 pm  
The Library Book Group will discuss My Brilliant Friend by Elena Ferrante. Everyone is welcome to attend. You may reserve a copy of the book at the Information Desk.

**Calling Teen Volunteers for Summer Reading Club**

Who: Teens between grades 6 to 12  
What: Discuss books with younger children and give out prizes to participants  
Attend one of our volunteer orientations:  
Wednesday, June 15 at 4 pm  
Saturday, June 18 at 11 am  
Call 973-635-0603 for more information.

**Programs and Events**

**Teen**

All Teen Programs and Events sponsored by Friends of the Library

**MAY**

**Video Game Club**  
Fridays, May 6, 13, 20 & 27 - 3 to 4:45 pm  
Grades 6 to 12  
Stop by to play Mario Kart, Super Smash Bros and more!

**Teen Advisory Group**  
Thursday, May 19 - 7 to 8 pm  
Grades 6 to 12  
Earn a volunteer hour while discussing teen programs and your favorite books and movies! Snacks will be served.

**JUNE**

**Video Game Club**  
Fridays, June 3, 10, 17 & 24 - 3 to 4:45 pm  
Grades 6 to 12  
Stop by to play Mario Kart, Super Smash Bros and more!

**Teen Advisory Group**  
Thursday, June 16 - 7 to 8 pm  
Grades 6 to 12  
Earn a volunteer hour while discussing teen programs and your favorite books and movies! Snacks will be served.

**Programs and Events**

**Children**

All Children's Programs and Events made possible by Friends of the Library

**MAY**

**ShopRite Nutrition: Mango Madness**  
Monday, May 2 - 4 to 5 pm  
Ages 5 to 8  
Limit: 15 children  
Registration opens Monday, April 18  
Mangoes are a delicious sweet treat. Join ShopRite dietitian Jenn Luster to learn how they can be a great addition to many recipes!

**Make a Mini Alien with Miss Polly**  
Thursdays, May 5, 12, 19, 26 - 4 to 5 pm  
Ages 6 +  
Limit: 8 children  
Registration opens Monday, April 25  
Design a mini alien as a team and then sew your own in this 4 week class.

**Duct Tape Clutch with Miss Polly**  
Tuesdays, May 10, 17 - 4 to 5 pm  
Ages 9 +  
Limit: 8 children  
Registration opens Monday, April 25  
Make your own fancy clutch handbag using duct tape and a box in this 2 week class.
Spanish Storytime  
Wednesday, May 11 - 10 to 10:45 am  
All Ages  
Introduce your child to basic Spanish vocabulary with fun stories, songs, and music!

Read Aloud to Therapy Dogs  
Wednesday, May 18 - 4 to 5 pm  
Grades K & Up  
Sit down and read your favorite book to a gentle and loving therapy dog certified by St. Hubert’s.

Music with Lou Gallo  
Wednesday, May 18 - 4 to 5 pm  
All Ages  
Lou Gallo returns for a fun spring-themed music program!

LEGOPALOOZA!  
Sunday, May 22 - 2:30 to 4 pm  
All Ages  
Build your own LEGO creation from our enormous collection of Legos. All creations will be put on display in the Children’s Room.

JUNE  
ShopRite Nutrition: Summer Smoothies  
Monday, June 6 - 4 to 5 pm  
Ages 5 to 8  Limit: 15 children  
Registration opens Monday, May 23  
Join ShopRite dietitian Jenn Luster to try some awesome smoothie recipes that are not only healthy but taste good too!

Candy Wrapper Wallet with Miss Polly  
Tuesday, June 7 - 4 to 5 pm  
Ages 9 +  Limit: 8 children  
Registration opens Monday, May 23  
Make a fun, colorful wallet using candy wrappers.

Felt Summer Crown with Miss Polly  
Thursdays, June 9, 16, 23 - 4 to 5 pm  
Ages 6 +  Limit: 8 children  
Registration opens Monday, May 23  
Make a regal or whimsical crown of stitched felt in this 3 week class.

Read Aloud to Therapy Dogs  
Wednesday, June 15 - 4 to 5 pm  
Grades K & Up  
Sit down and read your favorite book to a gentle and loving therapy dog certified by St. Hubert’s.

Jester Jim  
Monday, June 27 - 7 to 7:45 pm  
All Ages  
Kick off the Summer Reading Club with a hilarious jester show featuring juggling, comedy, music, and more.

LEGOPALOOZA!  
Wednesday, June 29 - 2:30 to 4 pm  
All Ages  
Build your own LEGO creation from our enormous collection of Legos. All creations will be put on display in the Children’s Room.
Chatham Adult Lifeworks Learning (CALL) program will offer courses in art, music, history, and current events. This Friends of the Library initiative is partly funded by the Friends. Because all courses will be taught by subject area specialists and local college faculty, registrants are asked to pay $40 toward tuition for each four-week session.

Space is limited.

CALL us now to register!
973-635-0603