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Newsletter of
Library of The Chathams



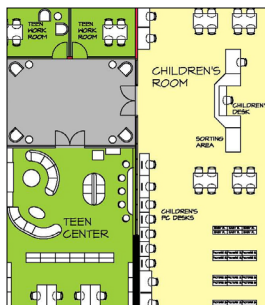
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Happenings Director's Message

As the heart of a community that includes both Chatham Borough and Chatham Township, Library of The Chathams serves as an incredible resource and vibrant community center for all ages.

We are always on the look-out for ways to better serve the community, which is why we are excited to announce that the library Board of Trustees is developing a plan to reorganize spaces within the building and add features our residents have requested, including:

- Enclosed Collaborative Teen Room
- Enhanced Local History Room
- Business Center
- Additional Private Study Rooms
- STEM/Meeting Room
- Improved Walkways
- Enlarged Community Room
- Energy Saving Upgrades



Please take a look at the plans on the library website and submit your comments by email (feedback@chathamlibrary.org) or in-person at the library.

We hope you enjoy the inaugural issue of our enhanced bi-monthly newsletter, created and funded by Friends of the Library of The Chathams, and that you continue to take full advantage of the services, resources, and events that have been specially crafted for you.

- Karen Brodsky

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Friends of the Library of
The Chathams remind you:

Book donations for our
Annual Book Sale begin January 4.
The Book Sale begins March 12.

Please join us for our Annual Meeting
on January 13 at 9:30 am.

Become a Friend of the Library
to help support great
programming and events.
If you haven't already, you're overdue!

Browse new book gifts at
chathamlibrary.org or
pick up a list at the library.

Connect with us!



Programs and Events

Adult

JANUARY

The Organized Mind: How Organization Can Improve Your Life

Wednesday, January 6 at 7 pm

Join us as we explore the benefits of organization, creating habits that make organization easier, and the psychology behind becoming an organized person.

Refreshments provided by Friends of the Library

Arcade: Old and New Video Games

Friday, January 8 - 3 to 5:30 pm

Saturday, January 9 - 9:30 to 4:30 pm

Sunday, January 10 - 2 to 4:30 pm

Want to show your kids what video games were like back in the day? Bring them to our arcade, where we will have various systems set up for you to play, from the original Nintendo to Sega Genesis, plus newer systems and much more.

*In Memory of
Alexander Butta*



Rocking out on John Lennon's 75th!

Super Smash Bros Tournament!

Saturday, January 9 - starting at 10 am

All Ages Limit: 32 people

Registration opens on Monday, December 28

Compete in this tournament for Wii U! First place will receive a \$15 gift card to iTunes.

Sponsored by Friends of the Library

Get Organized: Save Time, Save Money

Wednesday, January 13 at 7 pm

Whether you're dealing with personal or business finances and budgets, being more efficient and effective through organization can save you loads of time and money.

Refreshments provided by Friends of the Library

Organization Takes Practice (And Can Be Fun!)

Saturday, January 16 at 2 pm

Bring the whole family for this program, at which professional organizers will discuss how families can work together to keep their homes, schedules, and lives organized. All ages are welcome, and children will play some organization-based games (maybe we can even convince them cleaning up toys is FUN!)

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TRY **LYNDA.COM** ONLINE COURSES FOR:

[Organizing Your Office for Maximum Efficiency](#)

Professional organizer Suzanna Kaye shows how to set up any office for maximum productivity.

[Job Hunting Online](#)

Discover how to find your next job online using popular sites LinkedIn, Monster, CareerBuilder, and even Twitter.

Historic Gardens with Marta McDowell

Wednesday, January 20 at 1 pm

Chatham's own Marta McDowell uses a 1928 list of New Jersey gardens as a window into the history of local properties.

Time to Downsize:

What About All This Stuff?

Saturday, January 23 at 2 pm

Are you planning to move or do you simply want to clear out decades worth of accumulated things? Learn effective methods to overcome obstacles and get you in the right mindset before clearing out your home or settling into a new one.

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FEBRUARY

Yoga for Stress Reduction

Mondays, February 1 and 8 - 10 to 10:30 am

Take a quick break from your day with this yoga class taught by Sharon Carroll Morton. Open to all skill levels. Please bring either a yoga mat or a towel. Limit: 25 people per session. Sign up online or call 973-635-0603.

Sponsored by Friends of the Library

Dance Your Heart Out

Saturday, February 13 - 2 to 3:30 pm

Join us for some Valentine's dance instruction from Fred Astaire Dance Studio. Learn the Rumba and Tango!

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Arcade: Old and New Video Games

Friday, February 19 - 3 to 5:30 pm

Saturday, February 20 - 9:30 to 4:30 pm

Sunday, February 21 - 2 to 4:30 pm

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Wedding Bliss: Stress Free Planning

Saturday, February 20 - 2 to 3 pm

Limit: 40 participants

Wedding planner Nina Hoffer will present information about how to keep your wedding planning both simple and elegant, all while sticking to a budget. A question and answer session will follow the presentation. Sign up online or call 973-635-0603. Refreshments provided by Friends of the Library



Local Broken Markets author Joe Saluzzi discusses high frequency trading

Introduction to Tai Chi

Saturday, February 27 - 2 to 2:45 pm

Gary Carbone of Studio Yoga will teach this introductory course on Tai Chi. Open to all levels, from beginners to experts.

JOIN OUR NEW PREPUB CLUB!

You've just heard that a new Nora Roberts book will be published soon but don't have time to get to the library and place it on hold.

Join our **PrePub Club** and you'll never have to worry about missing the newest books by your favorite authors. As a member of the PrePub Club, we will reserve forthcoming copies of up to 10 of your favorite authors and notify you upon their arrival. To sign up, fill out a form at the circulation or information desks.

Programs and Events Teen

*All Teen Programs and Events sponsored by
Friends of the Library*

JANUARY**Super Smash Bros Tournament for Teens!**

Saturday, January 9 - starting at 2 pm

Grades 6 to 12 Limit: 32 people

Registration opens on Monday, December 28

Compete in this tournament for Wii U! First place will receive a \$15 gift card to iTunes.

Video Game Club

Fridays, January 15, 22, and 29 - 3 to 4:30 pm

Grades 6 to 12

Stop by to play Mario Kart, Super Smash Bros, and more!

Teen Advisory Group

Thursday, January 21 - 7 to 8 pm

Grades 6 to 12

Earn a volunteer hour while discussing the library's plans for a new teen room, teen programs, and your favorite books and movies! Snacks will be served.



Jamming at Open Mic Night

FEBRUARY

Video Game Club

Fridays, February 5, 12, and 26 - 3 to 4:30 pm
Grades 6 to 12

Stop by to play Mario Kart, Super Smash Bros, and more!

College Essay Writing Practice

Saturdays, February 6 and 13 - 2 to 4 pm
Grades 9 to 12 Limit: 12 students
Registration opens on Monday, January 11

Get ahead of the college admissions process by practicing your essay skills now! Union County College writing instructor Tom Cantillon will lead this two week workshop for high schoolers.

Teen Advisory Group

Thursday, February 18
- 7 to 8 pm
Grades 6 to 12

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Programs and Events Children

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JANUARY

Stories With the Librarian

Mondays, January 4 and 11 - 10 to 10:30 am
All Ages

Children and caregivers can enjoy a few stories, a few songs, and a simple craft.

Penguins With Miss Polly!

Thursdays, January 7, 14, 21, and 28 - 4 pm
Ages 6 + Limit: 8 children

Registration opens Monday, December 14

Stitch your very own penguin scarf to keep you warm this winter in this four week class.



Kid's Crafts

Tuesday, January 12 -
10 am to 12 pm
For Preschool Aged
Children

Make a fun winter-themed craft and bring it home!

Magic Conductor's Reading Adventure

Wednesday, January 13 - 4 to 4:45 pm
All Ages

Join magician Steve Woyce as he entertains with trains, magic, and stories!

Drop In for Crafts

Monday, January 18 MLK Day - 10 am to 12 pm
Drop in to make an original craft to take home.

Library Cinema: (*Inside Out*, PG, 102 mins)

Monday, January 18 - 2 to 4 pm
Come watch this Disney hit! We'll provide popcorn.

WINTER STORYTIME

Storytime is an 8 week, progressive program for preschool aged children and their caregivers.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED
Registration opens Monday, January 18.

Mondays, January 25 through March 14
9:45 - 10:15 am 24 mos & younger
10:15 - 11 am 4 - 6 years
11 - 11:30 am 2 - 4 years

Tuesdays, January 26 through March 15
10 - 10:30 am 24 mos & younger
10:30 - 11 am 2 - 4 years

Saturdays, January 30 through March 19
11 - 11:30 am All ages (Families)

Read Aloud to Therapy Dogs

Wednesday, January 20 -
4 to 5 pm

Grades K & Up

Sit down and read your favorite book to a gentle and loving dog from St. Hubert's.



ShopRite Nutrition

Monday, January 25 - 4 pm

Ages 5 to 8 Limit: 15 Children

Registration opens Monday, January 11

Come try spaghetti made from zucchini and spaghetti squash, and learn about some winter vegetables and why they are so nutritious! Taught by ShopRite dietitian Monica Hansen.



LEGOPALOOZA!

Sunday, January 31 -
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.

FEBRUARY

Make a Felt Valentine Finger Puppet with Miss Polly!

Thursdays, February 4 and 11 - 4 pm

Ages 6+ Limit: 8 children

Registration opens Monday, January 18

Sew a cute owl finger puppet to give to someone special for Valentine's Day in this two week class.

Fit4Kids Magic Show

Wednesday, February 10 - 4 to 4:45 pm

All Ages

A fun magic show with Muscle Man Mike!

Read Aloud to Therapy Dogs

Wednesday, February 17 - 4 pm

Grades K & Up

Sit down and read your favorite book to a gentle and loving dog from St. Hubert's.

For preschool aged children and their caregivers...

EVERY THURSDAY IS LIBRARY DAY!

Choose either 10 - 10:30 am
or 10:45 - 11:15 am

No registration required.

Yoga Storytime

January 7, February 4, March 3*

Music with Carolyn Dempsey

January 14, February 11, March 10*

Miss Carol Dance

January 21, February 18, March 17*

Bob Conrad Magic and Puppets

January 28, February 25, March 24*

** March "Library Day" programs held next door at St. Paul's Church*

ShopRite Nutrition

Monday, February 22 - 4 pm

Ages 5 to 8 Limit: 15 Children

Registration opens Monday, February 1

In honor of Heart

Health Month,

ShopRite dietitian

Monica Hansen will talk

about what a whole

grain is, why it is

important for health,

then will present a

recipe made with whole

grains.



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Featured Program Andrea Walker helps us *Get Organized!*

January's theme at Library of The Chathams is *Get Organized!* and features a four-session series of programs designed to help individuals, families and business owners start the new year with their best foot forward. Presented by Andrea Walker, owner of Chatham-based Smartly Organized, LLC, and fellow professional organizers, topics include:

- The Organized Mind: How Organization Can Improve Your Life
- Get Organized: Save Time, Save Money
- Organization Takes Practice (And Can Be Fun!)
- Time To Downsize: What About All This Stuff?

Dates and details can be found inside this newsletter. Sign-up online or call 973-635-0603.

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Andrea Walker is a Certified Professional Organizer, owner of Chatham-based Smartly Organized, LLC, and president of the Northern New Jersey Chapter of the National Association of Professional Organizers