

Franklin Township Library Monthly Newsletter

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February is “Love Your Library” Month

The New Jersey State Library is partnering with Barnes and Noble and the New Jersey Library Association (NJLA) to sponsor “Love Your Library” month in February to once again help fund the Statewide Summer Reading Program at all public libraries in New Jersey. Barnes and Noble will donate a percentage of each sale from every customer who presents a book fair voucher at any Barnes and Noble store in New Jersey during the month of February. The funds raised from this month-long event will benefit the children and young adults who participate in the 2008 Summer Reading Program. The theme of this year’s program is “Catch the Reading Bug” for children and “Metamorphosis” for teens.

To participate in this program, a customer must use a voucher at the time of purchase which will also automatically enter each customer into a raffle. The vouchers will be available at the library’s circulation desk and downloadable from the library’s website beginning February 1st .

-excerpted from <http://www.njla.org/programs/B&Nfactsheetforlibraries.pdf>, January 2008.

Library Hours:

Monday—Thursday

9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Friday

9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.



Catch the Reading Bug!

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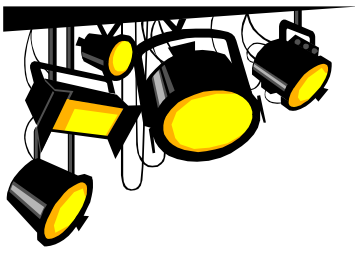
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“Attracting Birds to Your Garden” Program

Join Lorraine Kiefer, owner of Triple Oaks Nursery, and Sharon Oakes, owner of Wild Birds Unlimited, for this special program in honor of National Bird Feeding month. The program will be held on Tuesday, February 19th, from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Community Center. It will include a discussion of different kinds of seeds, feeders, and ways to attract birds to your garden. Gardening naturally will also be discussed. Handouts and door prizes will round out the evening.

Registration is required by February 18th.





Collection Spotlight: Planning a Children's Party

Need some suggestions on how to plan that special birthday for your child? Want ideas on fun games to play, party themes, and delicious recipes? Check out the great collection we have to offer—then sit back and enjoy the fun!

Child Magazine's Book of Children's Parties by Angela Wilkes

Hit of the Party: The Complete Planner for Children's Theme Birthday Parties by Amy Vangsgard

Sleepover Party: Games and Giggles for a Fun Night by Jamie Kyle McGillian

The Party Book by Jane Bull

Come to Tea Fun. Tea Party Themes, Recipes, Crafts, Games

Pin the Tail on the Donkey and Other Party Games by Joanna Cole

My Very Own Birthday: A Book of Cooking and Crafts by Robin West

Betty Crocker Decorating Cakes and Cupcakes

Cupcakes by Susanna Tee

The Cupcake Cookbook by Catherine Herman

Birthday Party Songs (kit—located in the Children's Library)



New DVD Titles @your library (or coming soon)

Popular Box Office

Across the Universe

The Assassination of Jesse James by the
Coward Robert Ford

Becoming Jane

Blonde Ambition

The Brave One

The Comebacks

Feast of Love

Gone Baby Gone

Into the Wild

The Invasion

The Jane Austen Book Club

Martian Child

No Reservations

Resident Evil-Extinction

Resurrecting the Champ

Saw IV

Sydney White

Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married?

We Own the Night

When a Man Falls



Children's

101 Dalmations (Two-Disc
Platinum Edition)

Backyardigans: Tale of the
Mighty Knights

Barbie Mariposa

Little Einsteins: Race for Space

Nancy Drew

Snow Buddies

Documentary

In the Shadow of the Moon

The Real Dirt on Farmer John

Foreign

Elizabeth—The Golden Age

Eye of the Dolphin

Silk

Independent

Adrift in Manhattan

Bordertown

Good Luck Chuck

Ira & Abby

Rendition

Saving Sarah Cain

Suburban Girl

Surveillance

Instructional

The 12 Second Sequence Special
Edition DVD Kit: Volumes 1 & 2

Television

American Experience—

Transcontinental Railroad

Celine Dion: Live in Las Vegas

Hannah Montana—One in a

Million

Looking for a good film? Check out "Franklin Flicks" on the library's website (www.ftlnj.org) for some ideas. Reviews by Michelle Marsh.

2008 One Book New Jersey Selections Announced

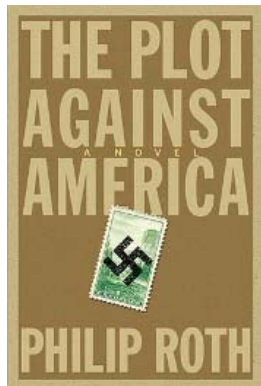
Sponsored by the New Jersey Library Association, One Book New Jersey (OBNJ) is an exciting program that libraries and their partners will promote across the state. The goal is to bring people together through literature by encouraging them to read the same book and participate in discussions and other events centered on that book. OBNJ celebrates reading, literacy and all that New Jersey's libraries do.

OBNJ is presented by the New Jersey Library Association's Public Relations Committee and Children's Services and Young Adult Sections, in collaboration with the New Jersey State Library and the Secretary of State.

Local and statewide events will occur between January and April, with major events planned for National Library Week during the month of April.

The selections for 2008 follow:

Adult Selection



The Plot Against America
By Philip Roth (**F Roth**)

Philip Roth, considered by many to be one of America's greatest contemporary novelists, creates this disturbing tale of "what if?" What if Charles Lindbergh, national hero, described as a "rabid isolationist, Nazi sympathizer and crypto-fascist" was elected president in the 1940 election instead of FDR?

This alternative history novel is told from the semi-autobiographical perspective of seven-year-old Philip, growing up with his family in the predominantly Jewish Weequahic section of Newark.

Young Adult/Teen Selection



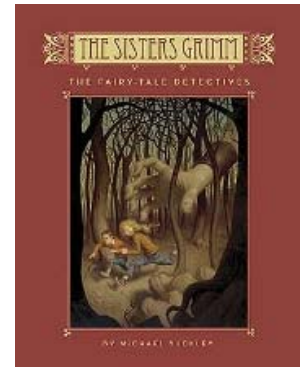
Dr. Franklin's Island
By Ann Halam (**YA F Halam**)

Teen conservationists Semi, Miranda, and Arnie board a plane bound for the Ecuadorian rainforest. As part of a prize-winning team gathered by the TV show Planet Savers, they begin an amazing hands-on ecology experience. But their trip-of-a-lifetime quickly becomes a fight for survival as they find themselves on a remote island, the only survivors of a devastating plane crash. And this is no ordinary island - it is the home of a mad scientist, anxious for subjects for his ghastly experiments. Unfortunately for Semi, Miranda, and Arnie, the three teens are the perfect candidates for his interspecies tests.



February selection
for the library's
Teen Book
Discussion Group.

Middle Grade

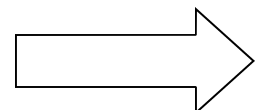


*The Sisters Grimm: Fairy Tale
Detectives*

By Michael Buckley
(**JFS Sisters Grimm #1**)

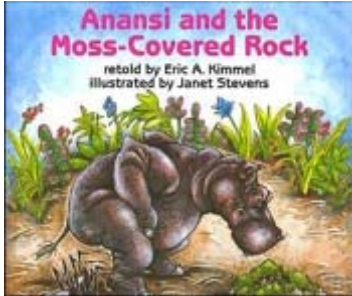
Orphans Sabrina and Daphne Grimm have gone from one bad foster home to another, and have become adept at running away. Now they have arrived at Ferryport Landing to live with Granny Relda. Sabrina is suspicious; she never knew she had a grandmother. But Sabrina and Daphne are soon caught up in the legacy of the Grimm family. As descendants of Wilhelm, they must keep the fairy tale characters, the "Everafters," contained. When Relda goes missing, it is up to the girls to solve the mystery - which involves giants, pixies, fairies and witches. This is a mystery-adventure with lots of fantasy and just as much humor. Prince Charming is the town mayor, Snow White is a school teacher, and the Big Bad Wolf is a friend, trying hard to reform. Once you get started, it's hard to put down.

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Read to Me



Anansi and the Moss-Covered Rock
By Eric A. Kimmel (**E Kimmel**)

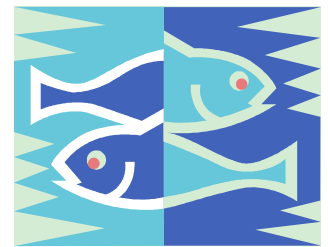
When Anansi discovers a magical rock that puts animals to sleep, he decides to use the stone's magic to trick the other animals out of their food supplies. Each animal - the hippo, the lion, the zebra, and more - are taken one at a time to the magic rock. Each is tricked into saying the magic words, and each animal sleeps while Anansi the trickster takes their food. But the shy little Bush Deer is watching, and she comes up with a plan to trick the trickster. Anansi is a well-known West African and Caribbean folk character, who sometimes appears as a man, sometimes as a spider. Janet Stevens' illustrations have depicted Anansi as a spider, which fits right in with this animal story. The repetition of the magic words and the sound effects as the animals fall into their magical sleep make this story a delight to read aloud.

**Reviews courtesy of
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CHILDREN'S CORNER

Dr. Seuss Storytime

Come one, come all to a special storytime for preschoolers on Thursday, March 6th, from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. in the Children's Library. We will be celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday. There will be special activities related to some Dr. Seuss books such as *The Foot Book*; *One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish*; and *The Cat in the Hat*. To register, call the library at (856) 694-2833 or stop by the circulation desk. The deadline to register is Tuesday, March 4th. We look forward to seeing you at this "fun"tastical event.



TEEN CORNER

Tune In @your library® and Celebrate Teen Tech Week

You're Invited. . .

To Tune In @your library®

During Teen Tech Week

March 2nd—8th

Check out the library's display case and play the library's "Name That Tune" contest! You could win an iTunes gift card! One entry per person. Contest runs March 2nd through March 8th and is open to all teens, grades 7—12. Winner will be notified by phone on Monday, March 10th.

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We're on the Web!

www.ftlnj.org

The mission of the Franklin Township Library is to provide print and nonprint (including the Internet) sources for the informational, educational, and recreational needs of its patrons.

Friends of the Library Flower Show Bus Trip

Join the Friends of the Library on Tuesday, March 4th, for their annual bus trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show. This year's theme is "Jazz It Up" - a tribute to the famed New Orleans French Quarter.

The bus will leave the Community Center parking lot at 3 p.m. and return at approximately 9 p.m. Tickets are \$40 per person which includes transportation and admission, and are payable in advance. Checks may be made payable to the Franklin Township Friends of the Library. Seating is limited so reserve yours now! Deadline to purchase tickets is March 1st.

The next Friends' meeting is scheduled for March 19th at 7 p.m. in the Community Center. The meeting is open to the public and new members are always welcome.

Library Awarded Literacy Grant

The library was recently awarded Adult Basic Literacy and English as a Second Language materials.

The award was made possible from the New Jersey State Library with donated funds from the Verizon Walk for Literacy.

The New Jersey State Library partnered with New Jersey Verizon, Verizon Telecom Pioneers and the Verizon Foundation in supplying the print and nonprint materials to New Jersey public libraries.

Stop by the library and check out the display featuring both educational and recreational adult, juvenile, and young adult titles.

Notary Public Service Available at the Library

The Franklin Township Library offers Notary Public services to the community. Kindly call ahead to make arrangements to meet with our Notary who is only available on a part time basis.

There is no fee for the service but we do ask that you follow our guidelines:

- Notary service is not available in the 30 minutes prior to closing.
- A valid photo identification is required.
- Our Notary will only attest to documents signed in her presence.
- The library does not provide witnesses.
- Documents in any language other than English will not be notarized.
- Notary Service is not available for deeds, divorces, wills, living wills, and living trust documents.
- Certain public documents cannot be copied and notarized (birth, death, marriage certificates).

Remember, you need to call in advance (694-2833) to make arrangements for the library's Notary Service.

