

Franklin Township Library Monthly Newsletter

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Patron Appreciation Day

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.

On Tuesday, June 17th, Franklin Township Library celebrated their annual Patron Appreciation Day. A free drawing was held to win a gift and handouts were available to all who visited the library on that day. The gift bags were won by Tina Armstrong, Colleen Blithe, and Walt Jordan. Our younger readers also participated in a free drawing. Emma Peacock shows off her Fancy Nancy bag and Joseph Kelton shows off his new book about tractors.



Monet Exhibit



Check out the art work of French artist, Claude Monet in the Franklin Township Library from July 7th through July 18th. The display has been acquired from the Teacher's Discovery Traveling Exhibit and will consist of three items depicting the work of the French impressionistic artist.

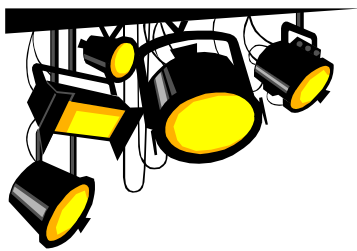
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Friends Helping Families

Franklin Township Friends of the Library will be accepting gift cards for community residents in need of assistance. The focus of the program is to distribute the cards to families in need for the purchasing of back to school needs. You can support the program by dropping gift cards or monetary donations to the Franklin Township Library before July 31, 2008. Kindly make checks payable to the Friends of the Library. These items can be placed in an envelope di-





Collection Spotlight: Magazines for the Young Set

Don't forget to browse our magazines for the young set including our young adult, juvenile, and children's magazines.

Located near the young adult fiction and graphic novels, you will find our young adult magazines including Anime, Seventeen, Just for Teens, Skateboarding, Teen Vogue, and PIQ.

Our juvenile magazines are located near the library catalog stations and feature a variety of titles including American Girl, Dirt Rider, Girls' Life, Sports Illustrated for Kids, Cobblestone, and Nick.

In the Children's Library we also feature magazines including Disney's Princess, Kids Discover, Ranger Rick, Thomas and Friends, Disney Adventures, and Babybug Magazine—just right for toddlers.

Looking for books on your summer reading list? Check the cart located by the young adult section—we have most of the local schools' summer reading books shelved there.

New DVD Titles @your library (or coming soon)

Popular Box Office

For One More Day
Cranford
Music Within
Cutting Edge
Jumper



Children's

Felicity: An American Girl Adventure
Golden Compass
Leap Frog: Talking Words Factory
Leap Frog: Code Word Caper

How-to

Encyclopedia Garden Plants
Retire Smart Retire Happy
Garden Design and Renovation

Tenth Anniversary Celebration.

The Friends of the Franklin Township Library celebrated their 10th Anniversary in June. Since 1998, this group has promoted and supported the library with many fundraising events. Board President, Joyce Francis presented Pat Conti, President of the Friends of the Library, with a plaque which commemorates their years of hard work and support.



Catch the Reading Bug

A Visit from D.W.



D.W., sister of the popular storybook character Arthur, will be visiting the Franklin Township Library on Monday, July 7th from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm. In a presentation designed to inspire children to read, write and draw, D. W. will be reading the book D. W. the Picky Eater. D. W.'s visit is a part of the Summer Reading Program sponsored by the Franklin Township Friends of the Library. Children ages six and up are invited to register to attend by either stopping at the circulation desk or calling the library at 694-2833. The program will be held in the Community Center.

“A Walk on the Wild Side: A Bug Safari!”

On Tuesday, July 8 children in grade 1—3 are invited to a “Bug Safari” from 3pm to 4 pm. Laura Kaighn of Lady Hawke Storytelling will present an adventure on the wild side of your backyard. She will share heroic tales of antennae-toting ants and the conquest of winged butterflies. Hear how Grandmother Spider brought the sun, and how Anansi captured common sense and sing along to “There Was an Old Woman Who Swallowed a Fly”, “The Itsy Bitsy Spider” and more buggy ballads. The program will be held in the Community Center.



Bernardo Beekeeper and the Literacy Alive - Hive!



Preschoolers through grades 6 are invited to “Catch the Reading Bug with Bernardo Beekeeper and the Literacy Alive—Hive” on Monday, July 14th from 3 pm to 4 pm. This program teaches youngsters about the work of a beekeeper and the importance of keeping the Queen Bee well fed so her hive can produce the sweetest honey. The program is hosted by Kathryn Ross and will be held in the Community Center.

“Hungry Caterpillar” Special Preschool Storytime

A special preschool storytime will be held on Thursday, July 17th at 10:30 am for children ages 3—5. Using the popular story The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle, the children will learn about the relationship between insects and produce as they follow the caterpillar puppet on its ‘hungry’ journey to become a butterfly. The program is hosted by Rutgers Cooperation Extension and will be held in the Children’s Library.



Spiderrific



On Tuesday, July 22nd from 3 pm to 4 pm, children in grades 4 –5 are invited to observe and study those terrific creatures, the spiders. They will learn the basic characteristics of spiders, why they should not be afraid of them, and how spiders keep from sticking to their own web. The program is hosted by Rutgers Cooperation Extension and will be held in the Community Center.

The Summer Reading Programs are all sponsored by the Franklin Township Friends of the Library.

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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.



The American Library Association and the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum have teamed up to promote Season Three of Step Up to the Plate @ your library. This year's theme is commemorating the 100th anniversary of the song "Take Me Out to the Ball Game". Playbooks are available at the display in the Junior Fiction Section for each age level (Ages 10 and younger, 11-13, 14-17, and 18 and older). Participants have a chance to win a trip to the National Baseball Gall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York. This is a great way to use the summer to build your information literacy skills. Deadline is September 1st.

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We the People Bookshelf



The Franklin Township Library recently received the We the People Bookshelf award sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities. The library has received a set of classic books for young readers featuring this year's theme, "created equal" as well as books and materials focusing on the life and writings of Abraham Lincoln. These items are displayed in the library near the large print book collection along with bookmarks which list the titles available.

Catch the Reading Bug Caterpillar Craft



For library members ages 3 - 6.

Help us make a very long caterpillar by decorating a paper plate with the child's first name printed in the center of the plate in a dark color. The child can color it with crayons and return it to the library as soon as possible.