

Franklin Township Library Monthly Newsletter

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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.

Why I Love My Library

From April 13th to May 8th, children in Kindergarten through Grade 6 are encouraged to participate in our “Why I Love My Library” promotion. Entries must be submitted by May 8th and will be displayed in the library during Children’s Book Week, May 11 to May 18. Random drawings will be held May 18th with a chance to win a variety of prizes. Entry requirements: on your 8 1/2 x 11 sheet of construction paper draw a picture and write one sentence about why you love your library. On the back of the entry be sure to include your name, phone number, school, grade, and age.



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Opening Day Celebration Story time

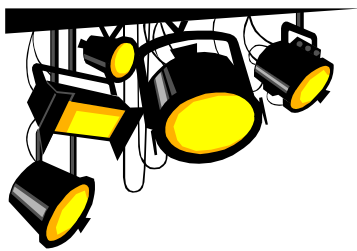


A storytime will be held on Monday, April 6th at 4:30 pm to celebrate the opening of the Phillies baseball season. Children ages 6—12 are invited to join us for stories, games and a craft. This program is sponsored by the Franklin Township Library and will be held in the Children’s Library. Please register by April 2nd at 694-2833 or by stopping at the circulation desk in the library.

Fairy Tales & Craft for a Magical Evening



On Thursday, April 23rd from 6:30 to 7:30 pm, children ages 6 and up are invited to a magical evening of fairy tales and crafts. Children will make a Flower Fairy craft or a Petal Pixie while listening to fairy tales told by storyteller Laura Kaighn. This program is sponsored by the Franklin Township Library and will be held in the Franklin Township Community Center. Please register by April 20th at 694-2833 or by stopping at the circulation desk in the library.



Spotlight on National Library Week April 12 to April 18

In celebration of National Library Week, here are some interesting facts about the Franklin Township Library and staff of the library.

For your information ...

National Library Week, sponsored by the American Library Association, began in 1958 to celebrate the contributions of libraries, librarians, and library staff.

National Library Workers' Day is April 14.

You can read all about the history of the Franklin Township Library by checking out the [History of the Franklin Township Library](#) by Martha Ochs (974.9 HIS, New Jersey section).

The Franklin Township Library is a member of LOGIN (Libraries of Gloucester/Salem Information Network) that includes the Gloucester County Library System, Salem Community College Library, Gloucester County College Library, Gloucester County Institute of Technology, Deptford Library, Newfield Library, Wenonah Library, West Deptford Library, Westville Library, Woodbury Library, Margaret Heggan Library (Washington Township), the Pitman Library, and the Monroe Twp. Library. Coming on board in the near future will be the Paulsboro Library.

The Franklin Township Library employs fourteen staff members (five full time, nine part time).

Staff is responsible for the circulation desk, cataloging and processing all library materials , bookkeeping, book repairs, interlibrary loans, requests from all the LOGIN libraries, craft programs, the library's web pages and in-house newsletter.

The director and two other staff members coordinate and host all programs including adult, juvenile, young adult, and preschool and toddler storytimes.

The Friends of the Franklin Township Library sponsor book and bake sales, bus trips, and the library's annual Summer Reading Program.

A professional librarian is required to have a Master's Degree in Library Science.

New DVD Titles @your library (or coming soon)

Children

Beverly Hills Chihuahua
Gym Teacher
Madagascar2: Escape 2 Africa
City of Ember



Popular Box Office

Changeling
Nights in Rodanthe
Milk
Secret Life of Bees

Dateline April

Apr. 2, 2009	International Children's Book Day
Apr. 3, 1860	Pony Express established
Apr. 5, 2009	National Read a Road Map Day
Apr. 6, 1917	U.S. entered World War I
Apr. 7, 2009	No Housework Day
Apr. 9, 1865	Robert E. Lee surrendered to Ulysses S. Grant
Apr. 10, 1790	U.S. Patent System established
Apr. 18, 1934	1st Laundromat Opens in Ft. Worth, TX
Apr. 19, 1775	Revolutionary War began
Apr. 21, 1837	First Kindergarten was founded by Friedrich Froebel in Germany
Apr. 23, 1954	Hank Aaron hits his first home run
Apr. 25, 1990	Hubble Telescope launched
Apr. 27, 1899	Walter Lantz, the creator of Woody Woodpecker born
Apr. 30, 1789	George Washington inaugurated as



Meet the Authors

Meet the Authors is an event sponsored by the members of LOGICAL (Libraries of Gloucester Interested in Continuing Autonomous Libraries). This 2nd annual event is scheduled during National Library Week, Thurs., April 16th from 6:30 to 9:30 pm. at the Washington Township Senior Citizen's Center, 315 Greentree Rd., Turnersville (Washington Township). Presentations include a Children's program featuring Car Wash authors Susan and Sandra Steen at 7:00 pm and a program on Natural Gardening featuring Lorraine Kiefer of Triple Oaks Nursery. This free event will also feature a used book sale, author booths and refreshments.

Family Fun Night



Mark your calendars for the 4th Annual Family Fun Night on Thursday, May 14th from 6:30 – 7:30 pm. Children ages 3 – 8 are invited to attend. The Children's Library will be transformed into the Franklin Township Art Museum. Participants are asked to bring any kind of artwork (coloring sheet, drawing, etc.) as their ticket into the Museum. All artwork will be on display during the program. Guest readers for the event will be Carolyn Toy, Township Clerk and Bill Nese, Township Road Department. The program will include face painting, tattoos, crafts and a free drawing. Space is limited so please register by May 11th by calling 694-2833 or stopping at the circulation desk.



Teen Volunteer Fair

The Third Annual Teen Volunteer Fair will be held on Thursday, April 29th from 6:30 to 8:30 in the Community Center. This library-sponsored event offers teens a chance to find avenues to become active in the community or accumulate community service hours for graduation or church. Teens will have an opportunity to meet representatives from local non-profit organizations in need of volunteers. Remember – volunteerism looks great on college applications! Watch for more information, including registration deadline.

Peter Rabbit Tea



On Thursday, May 7th, children ages 3 and up are invited to attend Peter Rabbit's Tea from 4 – 5 pm. This program will be held in the Children's Library and Garden(weather permitting). The tea will be hosted by Lorraine Kiefer, Triple Oaks Nursery, and the Country Garden Club and will include stories, planting vegetables and refreshments. Registration deadline is May 5th. Reserve your spot by calling 694-2833 or by stopping at the circulation desk in the library.



Fancy Storytime

A "Fancy" storytime will be held in the Children's Library on Thursday, April 30th at 10:30 am. Children, ages 3 – 6, are invited to come to listen to stories, play some games and work on a craft. Space is limited so please register by April 27th at 694-2833 or by stopping at the circulation desk in the library.

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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.

Surfin' Safari



As spring has arrived, many are anxious to go outdoors to plant and cultivate their gardens. Some may even be adventurous enough to start something new. April is National Garden Month and the web offers a great source of gardening guidance. Enjoy!!

Lewisgardens.com

<http://www.lewisgardens.com>

Includes gardening tips and perennial advice for beginners.

Backyardgardener.com

<http://www.backyardgardener.com/>

Provides gardening information to support backyard garden themes, including season gardening information.

The Garden Helper

<http://www.thegardenhelper.com/vegetables.html>

Guide to creating your own *vegetable garden*, including *garden planning*, *soil preparation* and *planting vegetables*.

Herb Garden Design

<http://www.herbgardendesign.net>

Provides herb gardening tips on design, planting and maintenance

*Some of the images contained in this newsletter are courtesy of www.amazon.com or www.barnesandnoble.com

Mark Your Calendar for Upcoming Events



May 7	Peter Rabbit's Tea
May 14	Family Fun Night
May 15	Book and Bake Sale
May 16	Book and Bake Sale

Reminder

Book and Bake Sale

May 15th and 16th

Sponsored by

The Franklin Township

Friends of the Library

In the Community Center (Great Room)

10 am to 2 pm

The Library and Friends appreciate your support

Behind the Scenes At Your Library



Many do not realize the hours required to ensure that books and materials are shelved in the correct location. This includes reading shelves (checking that materials are in proper sequence). If you pass one of our 'shelve elves' at work give them a smile and feel free to ask them for help.