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Director's Column by Chad Leinaweaver

As you might suspect, quite a few people talk to me outside of the Library about what I do as a profession (*that standard cocktail party talk!*). When they find out that I am a librarian, they often comment how much they would have liked my job since I must read books all day long. I wish it were true! Although I certainly do some reading it tends to fall into the following categories: (1) a building appraisal report, which we had done recently for our insurance company; (2) the newsletter from a state or federal agency outlining stipulations

for applying for grant funding, or (3) the website of the State of New Jersey providing for costs associated with employee health care in use for our budgeting for 2019. Although all necessary, none of these are probably the 'reading' that my cocktail party friends had in mind. In fact, here at the Library we do a lot of things you probably would not expect and if I wrote this column 12 different times over the next 12 months, I would probably have 12 different 'to-do' lists.

Did you know that I helped to set up a miniature gift idea for this holiday season of the Library building? Do the Cat's Meow wooden 'shelf sitters' ring a bell? The members of the Morristown Cultural District developed a neat gift idea this fall



— a shelf sitter of each our buildings. Architectural renderings of the Mayo Performing Arts Center, St. Peter's Church, the Presbyterian Church in Morristown and the Library are available in time for the 2018 holiday season! Each shelf sitter building costs \$20, payable by cash or check. Cat's Meow has been crafting little wooden buildings of local, national and international landmarks for 36 years from their shop in Wooster, Ohio. They have issued shelf sitters of everything from the Lincoln Memorial and Cape May Lighthouse to, now, our buildings in Morristown!

Another job the staff and I took on recently was to have lighting and HVAC units replaced as part of a statewide energy savings program called NJ Direct Install. This program receives money from utility companies to provide for upgrades to various lighting, air conditioning



and heating units in New Jersey in order to reduce stress on the statewide power grid. We applied, and this summer converted much of the lighting our patrons see in the building to LED lighting. This fall, we swapped out three air conditioning units and a boiler from the 1980s through the program. The highlight might have been having an enormous crane perched over the Library that lifted new units into place!

Another task that did not involve reading books involves planning to update our Library website. Our reference staff, who helped to build our current website about ten years ago began looking into ways to update and improve our current website. They soon realized that a new calendar program would help to interact

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President's Message

by Susan Kleemeyer

Soon it will be time once again for Happy Holidays—Thanksgiving and then Christmas and Chanukah. Summer and fall have been wonderful, but oh so quickly gone. We had a most successful Staff and Volunteer Luncheon in October. Board members made salads and desserts and ordered sandwiches which were enjoyed by one and all!

Now we are facing a long, cold winter; perfect for curling up into a chair in front of a fire to read a book! It always amazes me that it seems winter lasts so much longer than spring and summer combined. At least we will be able to find a parking space at the Library now that the construction has been completed.

Our book sales have been doing so well lately, enabling us to supplement the Library with funds to sponsor films and events, lessons in sewing, yoga and Tai Chi to name a few. All this and more comes to you without cost through hard-working, behind the scenes volunteers. These people give of their time most graciously, preparing and selling books which have been donated. It is a labor of love and we thank you all most heartily!

Happy Holidays!

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The Children's Room

snowy and icy and leaving



you covered. The Library subscribes to a service called TumbleBooks, a collection of eBooks, eAudiobooks, eReadAlongs, graphic novels, interactive games, National Geographic videos, and more, just for kids. You can find TumbleBooks on the kids page of our website. Click on the TumbleBook link and explore electronic books designed for children. You will need your Library card number and an internet connection to access the site. This is a streaming service and no downloads are necessary. TumbleBooks are created from existing picture books, adding sound, animation, music and narration to create an electronic picture book. The online ebooks have adjustable text sizes and a read-along function which highlights text as it is read, or can be switched to manual so users can read at their own pace. Other tabs will open videos from National Geographic, graphic novels and games and puzzles to make reading and learning interactive. There is even an option for ebooks in Spanish.

Even if the weather keeps you inside, you can still enjoy new books. If you are looking for something for children to watch, try Kanopy. Films can be streamed from any computer, television, mobile device or platform by downloading the Kanopy app for iOS, Android, AppleTV, Chromecast or Roku. There is a kids link that will take you to a variety of children's movies and television shows. If homework help is needed, click on the Research from Home link on our main webpage. Here you can access a variety of research sources in your own home. Click on Facts on File to find a group of reference materials that are excellent for school assignments. Subject areas covered are history, science, literature, geography, health, and more. Or try World Almanac for Kids, to access information for reports and projects in a fun format. The Ebsco link will take you to hundreds of magazine and newspaper articles to help write any research paper.

So when the weather turns ugly, remember you can visit the Library from your warm, cozy house.

Just for Teens by Abigail Hsu

Escape the winter blues with our up-coming Teen Events! Registration is required for all programs. Call us or sign up on-line at www.jfpl.org/teens. To receive program



announcements, updates, and more, follow our Snapchat account @mmtlibrary!

Paint & Sip with Bob Ross - Friday, January 18: Join us for a relaxing afternoon of no-stress painting! Follow along to an episode of "The Joy of Painting" as Bob Ross demonstrates how to create an imaginary landscape. Acrylic paint, brushes, canvas, and sparkling cider will be provided. No art experience necessary!

Worth It! Instant Ramen Edition - Tuesday, February 19: This program is inspired by Buzzfeed's flagship food show "Worth It," in which the show's hosts sample foods at three different price points. We will be trying different varieties of instant ramen, rating them according to taste, value, and overall eating experience. May the best noodle win!

March Movie Matinee — Wednesday, March 13: Parent/teacher conferences mean a half-day at school . . . why not treat yourself to a movie and some popcorn? Snacks and drinks will be provided. Film to be decided.

Youth Advisory Council (YAC)" The YAC Council is open to teens ages 12-18 who are interested in getting involved at the Library. Activities include brainstorming teen programs and creating decorations for the Teen Space and the Children's Room. Winter 2019 YAC dates and times are December 11, January 8, February 5, and March 5, from 4:00-4:30 PM in the F.M. Kirby Gallery.

Lost and Found in the Delivery!

Our Circulation Desk Staff are very busy folks. One of their most important job duties is to pack and unpack the many books, CDs and DVDs which are coming from and going to other libraries. Hundreds of items are handled daily. One busy October day, Library Assistant Doli Rana was packing books to be returned to the Morris County Library. She was so intent on completing her tasks that she did not realize that the ring she was wearing, a treasured gift from her daughter, had slipped off into a bag with several books. The next day when she realized the ring was



missing, she was frantic, having no idea when or where it slipped off. She was thrilled to receive a phone call later that morning from staff at the Morris County Library to say that they had found her ring in a bag and traced it back to our Library! Many thanks to our colleagues at MCL for returning the ring. Doli celebrates her 19 year anniversary as an employee with the Morristown & Township Library this year!

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with Library apps and websites our patrons use, that building a 'responsive website' would enable our website to automatically re-size to any screen when viewed (whether it be a computer or a mobile phone) and having a search function on our site would be tremendously helpful for patrons. We examined sites of some of our sister libraries in Morris County and have started the work on a re-design. Changes won't occur immediately, as the amount of information we provide (including the Friends of the Library) will take time to code and covert into a new design. But keep an eye out in 2019!

Whether it is replacing a piece of equipment, ordering collection materials, calling presenters to speak at the Library or even writing reports, we probably do a lot at the Library that isn't the 'reading' some of my cocktail party friends might think. However, even if we are not reading J. K. Rowling or David McCullough in the Library, many of our staff certainly love reading those authors and others in our leisure time. Thus, ask our staff about what books they have read for some new suggestions!

ON THE SHELF

FICTION by Gracey Osmun Palmer

Marilla of Green Gables by Sarah McCoy A bold, heartfelt tale of life at Green Gables before Anne. Plucky and ambitious, Marilla Cuthbert is 13 years old when her world is turned upside down. Her beloved mother dies in childbirth, and Marilla suddenly must bear the responsibilities of a farm wife: cooking, sewing, keeping house, and overseeing the day-to-day life of Green Gables with her brother, Matthew and father, Hugh.

The Rain Watcher by Tatiana De Rosnay
The first new novel in four years from the
beloved superstar author of Sarah's Key, a
heartbreaking and uplifting story of family
secrets and devastating disaster, set against
a Paris backdrop, fraught with revelations
and resolutions.

A Shot in the Dark by Lynne Truss

A wryly entertaining new crime novel from Lynne Truss, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Eats*, *Shoots and Leaves*. In 1957 Brighton, with a new murder case on his hands and a lazy captain at the helm of the police department, the keen and clever Constable Twitten and his colleague Sargent Jim Brunswick set out to solve the decade-old mystery of the Aldersgate Stick-Up. As the partners venture deep into the criminal underworld that lies beneath Brighton's holiday-happy veneer, they begin to discover a criminal conspiracy that dates back decades.

Family Trust by Kathy Wang

A family saga based in Silicon Valley that follows the Huang family as they come to terms with their patriarch's terminal cancer diagnosis and anticipate the distribution of his highly valuable estate.

How To Fracture a Fairy Tale

by Jane Yolen

Fantasy legend Jane Yolen (*The Emerald Circus*, *The Devil's Arithmetic*) delights with these effortlessly wide-ranging fairy tales, myths, and legends. She fractures the classics to reveal their crystalline secrets, holding them to the light and presenting them transformed: a spinner of straw as a falsely-accused moneylender, a philosophical bridge who longs for its troll, and the villainous wolf retiring to a nursing home.

LARGE-PRINT by Louis Muñoz Jr.

The Boy at the Keyhole by Stephen Giles
An electrifying debut in the vein of
Shirley Jackson and Daphne Du Maurier's
Rebecca. A British boy, after his mother is
abruptly called away to America, begins
to suspect that perhaps she did not leave,
but was murdered — by the housekeeper
who cares for him in the family's isolated
country estate.

Becoming by Michelle Obama

An intimate, powerful, and inspiring memoir by the former First Lady of the United States, and a deeply personal reckoning of a woman of soul and substance who has steadily defied expectations — and whose story inspires us to do the same.

The Clockmaker's Daughter by Kate Morton A rich, spellbinding new novel from the author of The Lake House — the story of a love affair and a mysterious murder that cast their shadow across generations, set in England from the 1860s until the present day.

Washington Black by Esi Edugyan

Finalist for the Man Booker Prize. A dazzling adventure story about an 11-year-old boy who rises from the ashes of slavery, Washington Black tells a story of self-invention and betrayal, of love and redemption, and asks the question, "What is true freedom?"

The Labyrinth of the Spirits

by Carlos Ruiz Zafón

In this unforgettable final volume of *New York Times* bestselling author Ruiz Zafón's "Cemetery of Forgotten Books" cycle, the beautiful and enigmatic Alicia Gris, with the help of the Sempere family, uncovers one of the most shocking conspiracies in Spanish history.

NONFICTION by Stephen Brunskill

Fly girls: how five daring women defied all odds and made aviation history

by Keith O'Brien

Journalist Keith O'Brien's (Catching the Sky) offers engaging details on the exciting open cockpit airplane races of women "Fly Girls" in the 1920s and 1930s. Through an eclectic mix of five individuals (including Amelia Earhart) he shares the struggles and victories they faced in the field of aviation in this pageturning history.

Heavy-duty Sewing: making backpacks and other stuff by Anton Sandqvist.

This amazing craft book teaches how you can use needle and thread or a sewing machine in order to make your own practical, hardwearing functional objects — from vanity bags to knife holders, aprons to rucksacks. For the experienced home sewer and also those who have never even used a sewing machine before, this book explains the basics about materials, equipment and work techniques. No difficult stitching is necessary here; simply just some patience and attention to create fun and rewarding projects!

Single malt: a guide to the whiskies of Scotland by Clay Risen.

In addition to providing histories of leading distilleries, this *New York Times* reporter includes profiles (age, proof, and cost) and ratings of renowned whiskeys along with tasting notes. He'll also hold your interest as he tracks the mysterious provenance of common single malts available in grocery stores.

GRAPHIC NOVELS by Gracey Osmun Palm

Little Moments of Love by Catana Chetwynd Chetwynd's comics are fueled by love, silliness, ponytail bears, finger guns, and good ol' snuggling — and you just might find yourself (and your significant other) in the pages of this book.

Bingo Love by Tee Franklin

When Hazel Johnson and Mari McCray met at church bingo in 1963, it was love at first sight. Forced apart by their families and society, Hazel and Mari both married young men and had families. Decades later, now in their mid-60s, Hazel and Mari reunite again at a church bingo hall.

Sleepless by Sarah Vaughan and Leila del Duca Lady "Poppy" Pyppenia is guarded by the Sleepless Knight Cyrenic but becomes endangered when an assassin threatens her life in the new king's reign. As Poppy and Cyrenic try to discover who wants her dead, they must navigate the dangerous waters of life at court and of their growing feelings for one another.

Super Chill: A Year of Living Anxiously by Adam Ellis

From former Buzzfeed illustrator Adam Ellis comes a collection of autobiographical comics that follows a year in the artist's life.

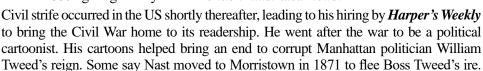
Upcoming Events at your Library!

Unless otherwise noted, these programs are supported through funding from the FRIENDS of the Library!

There is no charge for these programs and no registration is necessary, unless otherwise stated.

Journal of the Thomas Nast Society Digitized & Online! by James Lewis

Our Library was the home of *The Thomas Nast Society* for many years. Nast, who was born in Landau, Bavaria, before the unification of the German states, moved at age nine to NYC. He began work as an illustrator as a teenager. By age 20 he had illustrated the Italian revolutionary Garibaldi's activities and the 1860 fighting in Italy for the *London Illustrated News*.



In 1872, he bought Villa Fontana at the corner of MacCulloch Avenue and Miller Road and lived there with his family until six months prior to his death. He used Villa Fontana and his own children as inspiration for several of his famous drawings of Santa Claus and drew images for other children's stories as well. His art is studied by students of children's literature, political scientists, historians, and art aficionados alike. His work depicts an interesting time in our country's history with parallels to today's political climate, so there may be images he created that will offend some today with a more modern sensibility.



In 1987, The Thomas Nast Society, under the leadership of the late Alice Caulkins, along with the then Library archivist Lois Densky-Wolff, Library Assistant Director Diane Solomon (now former Library Director), the late Marian Gerhart, and local Nast enthusiast Jeffrey Eger, as well as others, published the first issue of the *Journal of the Thomas Nast Society*. The Board of the Society changed over the years, but Alice Caulkins and Jeffrey Eger were officers from 1987 through the journal's last publication in 2002. Thanks to funds from The Thomas Nast Society, the Morristown & Morris Township Library has now digitized 14 issues of *The Journal of the Thomas Nast Society* and made those issues available to the world via the Library's website.

The digital copies are under the "Digital Collections" tab on the Library's website. The journal's first issue features an article by political cartoonist and Nast researcher Draper Hill that introduces the reader to the famous German born illustrator who lived for 30 years just two blocks away from our Library. You will find various lists and annotated bibliographies of Nast's work as well as academic interpretations of his art. Longtime Friends of the Library newsletter readers may recall a "Tribute to Nast" newsletter issue. As that 2002 issue includes work from living artists, it has not been posted online. The Library has a paper copy if you would like to view it. Enjoy the Thomas Nast Collection on our website. Then stop by the North Jersey History and Genealogy Center to see more examples of Nast's work!

Foreign Cinema Series

Join us for the spring half of our Third Annual Foreign Cinema Series, featuring eight entertaining and thought-provoking films from Europe, Latin America, Africa, Asia, and the Middle East. Many are not widely available to the general public via streaming or rental services. The movies screen at 7:00 PM on the second Wednesday of each month, four in the spring and four in the fall. This spring's movies will be shown on February 13; March 13; April 10; and May 8. All movies are subtitled in English. Light refreshments will be served. (Films to be announced.)

Winter Film Series — Screwball!

We will revisit the classic zany romantic comedies of old Hollywood. For film buffs, these "screwball" comedies are the epitome of what Hollywood movie studios did best in the 1930s and early 40s. The viewings will begin at 7:00 PM. Refreshments will be served.

February 7: **The 20th Century** (1934) with Carole Lombard & John Barrymore
February 14: **Bringing Up Baby** (1937) with Katherine Hepburn and Cary Grant
February 21: **Midnight** (1939) with Claudette Colbert and Don Ameche
February 28: **Ball of Fire** (1941) with Barbara Stanwyck & Gary Cooper
March 7: **Some Like It Hot** (1959) with Marilyn Monroe, Tony Curtis & Jack Lemmon

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Metropolitan Saxophone Quartet Holiday Concert

December 7 — A FREE Special Friday Night Event!

Refreshments will be served. Doors open at 6:45 PM in the Circulation Room

From Mozart to Glenn Miller to the Beatles, the family-friendly Metropolitan Saxophone Quartet and their energetic mix of music arrangements has been entertaining audiences in northern NJ since 2004. Tenor, alto, soprano & baritone saxophones accompanied by drums create a unique sound which will keep you humming long after the music ends! Join us for an evening of holiday classics, American songbook standards & pop hits to celebrate the season. For more info about MSQ, visit www.msqnj.com .

Our performers: The four saxes — *Erik Donough, Deanna Loertscher, John DiEgidio, James Aslanian* and drummer *Matt Olsson* — are setting new standards for eclectic saxophone performance. New Jersey is in their blood as the MSQ members are all teachers

in NJ. Based in Morristown, the MSQ can be seen regularly performing for audiences throughout New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. Their light humor, precise musicianship, and passion for performing leaves their listeners yelling, "Encore!"



Children & Teen Events: WINTER 2018-2019

Children's Craft Programs — All supplies provided

After-School Craft Table - All ages. Drop in to make a fun craft!
For more information about Children's and Teen's programs, visit
www.jfpl.org or call 973-538-6161 and ask for the Children's Desk

December

10 Mitten Scavenger Hunt, All Ages Children's Room, All Day

> Mitten Wreath Craft, All Ages Children's Room, All Day

11 Mitten Scavenger Hunt, All Ages Children's Room, All Day

> Mitten Wreath Craft, All Ages Children's Room, All Day

Youth Advisory Council, Grades 7-12 F.M. Kirby Gallery, 4:00-4:30 PM

12 Mitten Scavenger Hunt , All Ages Children's Room, All Day

> Mitten Wreath Craft, All Ages Children's Room, All Day

18 Christmas Craft, All Ages Children's Room, 3:00-5:30 PM

24-25 Library Closed for Christmas

- 28 Movie: Incredibles 2, All Ages Meeting Room, 1:00 PM
- 31 Happy Noon Year, Ages 4-7 Children's Room, 11:00 AM–12 NOON

New Year's Eve Library closing at 3:00 PM

January

- 1 New Year's Day Library Closed
- 8 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM

Youth Advisory Council, Grades 7-12 F.M. Kirby Gallery, 4:00-4:30 PM

- 9 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM
- 12 Craft Story Time, Ages 3-8 Children's Room, 11:00 AM
- 15 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM
- **16** Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM

Appreciate a Dragon Craft Table Children's Room, 3:00-5:30 PM

- **18 Paint & Sip** with Bob Ross, Grades 7-12 F.M. Kirby Gallery, 4:00-5:00 PM
- 19 Craft Story Time, Ages 3-8 Children's Room, 11:00 AM
- 21 Snowflake Scavenger Hunt, All Ages Children's Room, All Day
- 22 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM

- 23 Craft Story Time, Ages, 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM
- 26 Craft Story Time, Ages 3-8 Children's Room, 11:00 AM
- 29 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM National Puzzle Day Craft Children's Room, 3:00-5:30 PM
- 30 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM

February

- 2 Craft Story Time, Ages 3-8 Children's Room, 11:00 AM
- 5 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM

Happy Chinese New Year Craft Table Children's Room, 3:00-5:30 PM

Youth Advisory Council, Grades 7-12 F.M. Kirby Gallery, 4:00–4:30 PM

- 6 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM
- 7 Heart Scavenger Hunt, All Ages Children's Room, All day
- 8 Heart Scavenger Hunt, All Ages Children's Room, All day
- 9 Craft Story Time, Ages 3-8 Children's Room, 11:00 AM

Heart Scavenger Hunt, All Ages Children's Room, All Day

12 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM

> Valentine's Day Craft Table Children's Room, 3:00-5:30 PM

- 13 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM
- **16** Craft Story Time, Ages 3-8 Children's Room, 11:00 AM
- 19 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM

Worth It! Instant Ramen Edition Grades 7-12 Meeting Room, 3:00-4:00 PM

- 20 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM
- 23 Craft Story Time, Ages 3-8 Children's Room, 11:00 AM
- **26** Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM

Tell a Fairy Tale Day Craft Table Children's Room, 3:00-5:30 PM

27 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM

March

- 2 Craft Story Time, Ages 3-8 Children's Room, 11:00 AM
- 5 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM

Youth Advisory Council, Grades 7-12 F.M. Kirby Gallery, 4:00 PM

- 6 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM
- 7 Shamrock Scavenger Hunt, All Ages Children's Room, All Day
- 8 Shamrock Scavenger Hunt, All Ages Children's Room, All Day
- 9 Craft Story Time, Ages 3-8 Children's Room, 11:00 AM

Shamrock Scavenger Hunt, All Ages Children's Room, All Day

- **10 Shamrock Scavenger Hunt**, All Ages Children's Room, All Day
- 12 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM

Leprechaun Scavenger Hunt, All Ages Children's Room, All Day

13 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room 10:00 AM

> Movie, Grades 7-12 Meeting Room, 3:00 PM

- **14 Butterfly Day Craft Table**Children's Room, 3:00-5:30 PM
- 16 Craft Story Time, Ages 3-8 Children's Room, 11:00 AM
- 17 Leprechaun Scavenger Hunt, All Ages Children's Room, All Day
- 19 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM
- 20 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM

Happy Spring Craft Table Children's Room, 3:00-5:30 PM

- 23 Craft Story Time, Ages 3-8 Children's Room, 11:00 AM
- 26 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM
- 27 Craft Story Time, Ages 2-5 Children's Room, 10:00 AM
- 28 Something on a Stick Day Craft Table Children's Room, 3:00-5:30 PM
- **30** Craft Story Time, Ages 3-8 Children's Room, 11:00 AM

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR ADULTS WINTER 2018-2019

No registration required unless noted.

December

- Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
- **Beatles & George Martin Expert Event** Meeting Room, 2:00 PM
- 3 Evening Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 6:00 PM Coloring Book Club Meeting Room, 7:00-9:00 PM
- Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
- Mindful Meditation F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM Spirituality Book Club Film Screening What the Bleep Do We Know? Meeting Room, 7:00 PM
- Book Lovers' Circle F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM
- Morning Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 9:30 AM

Metropolitan Saxophone Quartet Circulation Room, 7:00 PM FREE Special Friday Night Event! (See page 4 for details)

An Afternoon with Nast (RSVP Required- njhgc@jfpl.org) Meeting Room, 1:30 PM

- 10 Evening Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 6:00 PM
- Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
- Foreign Cinema Series Our Little Sister (Japan) Meeting Room, 7:00-9:00 PM

Mindful Meditation F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM

- By the Book: A Morning Book Club Manhattan Beach by Jennifer Egan F.M.Kirby Gallery, 10:00 AM
- 14 Morning Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 9:30 AM
- Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
- Evening Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 6:00 PM 17
- Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Let's Spend the Night Together: An Evening Book Club Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM

Just Out of the Box...Office (film TBA) Meeting Room, 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM

Mindful Meditation F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM

- Chess Club, F. M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM
- Morning Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 9:30 AM

24-25 Library Closed for Christmas

New Year's Eve Library closing at 3:00 PM

January

New Year's Day **Library Closed**



2 Spirituality Book Club Angels in my Hair by Lorna Byrne Meeting Room, 7:00 PM

> Mindful Meditation F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM

- 3 Book Lover's Circle F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM
- 4 Morning Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 9:30 AM
- 5 Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
- 7 Evening Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 6:00 PM
- 8 Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
- 9 Mindful Meditation F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM
- By the Book: A Morning Book Club Lillian Boxfish Takes a Walk by Kathleen Rooney Meeting Room, 10:00 AM
- Morning Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 9:30 AM
- Evening Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 6:00 PM 14
- Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM 15 Let's Spend the Night Together: An Evening Book Club: The Secrets Between Us by Thrity Umrigar F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM
- Mindful Meditation F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM
- Chess Club, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM
- 18 Morning Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 9:30 AM
- Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM 19
- 21 Evening Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 6:00 PM
- 22 Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
- 23 Just Out of the Box...Office (film TBA), Meeting Room, 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM Mindful Meditation F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM
- Morning Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 9:30 AM 25
- 28 Evening Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 6:00 PM
- Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM 29
- 30 Mindful Meditation F.M. Kirby Gallery 7:00 PM

February

- Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
- Evening Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 6:00 PM Coloring Book Club Meeting Room, 7:00-9:00 PM
- 5 Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
- 6 Spirituality Book Club: Becoming Supernatural by Dr. Joe Dispenza Meeting Room, 7:00 PM

Mindful Meditation F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM

Book Lover's Circle F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM Screwball Film Series The Twentieth Century Meeting Room, 7:00 PM

- Morning Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 9:30 AM 8
- 11 Evening Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 6:00 PM
- Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM 12
- 13 Mindful Meditation F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM
- By the Book: A Morning Book Club Saints for All Occasions by J. Courtney Sullivan Meeting Room, 10:00 AM Chess Club, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM

Screwball Film Series: Bringing Up Baby Meeting Room, 7:00 PM

- Morning Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 9:30 AM
- Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM 16
- 18 Evening Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 6:00 PM
- Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM Let's Spend the Night Together: An **Evening Book Club**

Behold the Dreamers by Imbolo Mbue F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM

- Mindful Meditation F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM
- Screwball Film Series: Midnight 21 Meeting Room, 7:00 PM
- Morning Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 9:30 AM
- 24 **Academy Awards Party** Meeting Room, 7:00 PM
- 25 Evening Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 6:00 PM
- 26 Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
- Just Out of the Box...Office (film TBA), Meeting Room, 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM Mindful Meditation F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM
- Screwball Film Series: Ball of Fire Meeting Room, 7:00 PM

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- Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
- 4 Evening Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 6:00 PM Coloring Book Club Meeting Room, 7:00 PM
- 5 Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
- 6 Spirituality Book Club **Animals as Teachers and Healers** by Susan Chernak McElroy Meeting Room, 7:00 РМ

Mindful Meditation F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM

7 Book Lover's Circle F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM

> Screwball Film Series: Some Like it Hot Meeting Room, 7:00 PM

Morning Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 9:30 AM

- 11 Evening Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 6:00 PM
- 12 Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
- 13 Mindful Meditation F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM
- 14 By the Book: A Morning Book Club Elinor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman Meeting Room, 10:00 AM

Chess Club, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM

- 15 Morning Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 9:30 AM
- 16 Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
- 18 Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
 Evening Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 6:00 PM
- 19 Let's Spend the Night Together: An Evening Book Club The Last Castle by Denise Kiernan F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM
- 20 Mindful Meditation F.M. Kirby Gallery, 7:00 PM
- 22 Morning Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 9:30 AM
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- 26 Friends Book Sale: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
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- 29 Morning Yoga, F.M. Kirby Gallery, 9:30 AM

Save the Dates!

April 5 Light Opera of NJ:
The Pirates of Penzance,
A special Friday night performance
Circulation Room 7:00 PM

May 10 Harmonium Chorus Concert A special Friday night event Circulation Room 7:30 PM

Mindful Meditatiation Sessions

To reduce your daily stress and anxiety and improve your mental clarity and emotional well-being, join us for weekly *Mindful Meditation* led by Morristown High teacher John Madden. John teaches high school students meditation techniques to improve their educational experiences and leads Library patrons with the same techniques to enrich daily life. Held each Wednesday evening at 7:00 PM in the F.M. Kirby Gallery, all are welcome to these meditation sessions. No previous experience is required.

Save Future Dates for History!

The North Jersey History and Genealogy Center will present the following classes this spring after we all thaw out from winter!

Class size is limited to 12. Call 973-538-3473 or e-mail **njhgc@jfpl.org** to register.

Facing the Chaos: Organizing your Family Photos will be presented by the Library's Digital Librarian, Carolyn Dorsey. She will teach you how to organize your family photographs in three sessions. The classes will be held in the Library Meeting Room on Wednesday, April 3, 17 and 24 from 7:00–8:30 pm.

Introduction to Genealogy: The NJHCG is once again offering their popular series of classes on genealogy. The first three classes will be in May in the Technology Training Lab on Tuesday nights from 7:00–8:30 pm. The first class, Introduction to Genealogy will be offered on Tuesday, May 7. Introduction to Ancestry Library Edition and MyHeritage will be on May 14 and Introduction to FindMyPast will be on May 21. On June 4, join us in the Meeting Room for an Introduction to DNA for Genealogists.

Looking Forward: Spring Computer Lessons in the Library 2019

The Library will offer a series of free computer classes this spring, from April through June. We will offer a variety of classes for many skill levels. For those new to computers, we will have a *Beginner's Series* that introduces participants to the basics of their computer and the Internet. For those comfortable with a computer but desiring to learn more, we will have courses on how to use programs such as Excel, Word, and Powerpoint, as well as a class to introduce you to using e-mail. Our full schedule and variety of classes will be available mid-to-late March so keep an eye out for news on our website or flyers around the Library.

New Faces at the Library by Mary Lynn Becza

When employees leave the Library, it is a bittersweet time. We are happy for our retirees and those who have moved on to new opportunities, but we are sad because we miss them! One thing that helps us feel better is getting to know the new staff members who replace them. This year we have been privileged to welcome (and welcome back!) some great new employees. Say hello to these new staff members next time you are here!

Sarah Bumiller, a Library Assistant at our Circulation Desk, is an avid reader. She is studying history at Kean University. After graduation, she plans on pursuing a master's degree and a career in Library Science.



Ignacio Drayer, a shelver in our Circulation Department, is a retired dentist who moved to Morristown a few years ago from Venezuela to be closer to his family. He loves books and working at the Library.



Sheila Jain, a Circulation Desk Library Assistant, grew up in Morristown. She spent a lot of time in the Library, her home away from home. She began working here as a senior in high school. During her tenure at that time she worked in the Bookmobile, the Media Department and at the Circulation Desk. She left the Library 19 years ago to pursue other career opportunities, but she missed us so much she came back! She's happy to be working with a great bunch of new and old friends, both staff and patrons.



Amanda Murphy, a Library Assistant at our Circulation Desk, likes horses and reading books. She loves working in the Circulation Department because it is always so busy and she enjoys learning new things!



Rachel Shraer, both a Library Assistant in the Children's Department and a shelver in the Circulation Department, has always loved reading and libraries and is very excited to be working in a library now. She went to high school in Morristown, and graduated from The College of New Jersey last year with a degree in English.



Friends of the Library

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See the calendars on pages 5-7 for the exciting programs being held at your Library this winter.

We are always adding more programs. To get updated information about programs and events, be sure and check out the Library website at

www.jfpl.org

Make a New Year's Resolution! Support the Friends who are working hard to make your Library even better! Fill in the form below and become a FRIEND today!

Want to help more? Join the Friends as a volunteer! Check off "Volunteer with the Friends" on the 'BE A FRIEND' form below on the right.

Calendar of Events!

The Calendar of Events for Children is located on page 5. The Calendar of Events for Adults is located on pages 6-7. Be sure and check out the many wonderful events held at your Library!

The Morristown & Morris Township Library is located at One Miller Road in Morristown, on the corner of South Street and Miller Road directly across from the Community Theatre.

Normal Library hours are:

Monday thru Thursday: 9:00 AM-9:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM—6:00 PM Saturday: 9:30 AM—5:00 PM

Saturday, July & August: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Sunday: 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

How to reach us:

General: 973–538–6161 Reference: 973–538–2592 Local History: 973–538–3473 Library email: info@jfpl.org

For more information on Library activities, check out your Library's Web Site at www.JFPL.org

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