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# JUNE 2021 NEWSLETTER

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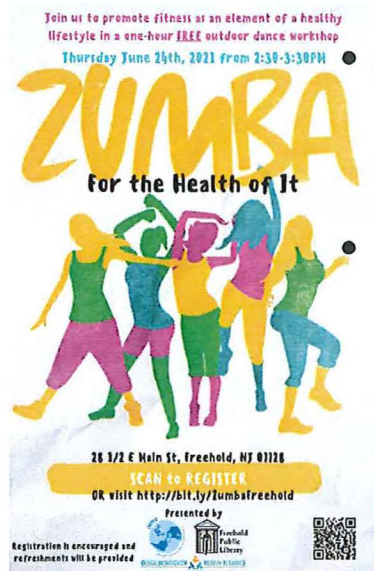
## NEWS & UPDATES

-  **NEW MASK UPDATE: AS OF THIS WRITING** the Borough Administration and Library Trustees have not yet lifted the mask mandate for inside the library. Until further notice, masks inside the library are required for all visitors.
-   **Coming in July: on-site/outdoor summer programs for all ages.** Youth 4th grade and up may volunteer for our "Big Kid" program. Information and registration: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1id6sH-2jHJ5mvkmRMctYHgs6bTD1EnWH/view?usp=sharing>
-  **Renovation Update.** Planning and coordinating "behind the scenes" is ongoing between the different construction/design disciplines. Two visible signs are a surveyor's stake in the garden to rear and for a couple of days we had a ladder into our attic (did you know we have an attic? It's super dark—no windows.) From the looks of our preliminary drawings, we know you'll love the project. Changes for safety, accessibility and more public space, but still that great old "Carnegie Library" look and feel.
- Join us in wishing **Debbie Pizzuti-Still** a fond farewell as she leaves her job at the library to pursue new opportunities. She has been a valuable team member here and will be deeply missed.
-  **COVID-19 Vaccine Registration at the Library.** Come to the library any time during operating hours to register to get a Covid-19 vaccine right here in Freehold Borough! Currently the available vaccine is Moderna, administered in two doses, and which is for age 18 and over. Bring your cellphone, ID and insurance card (if you have those things) and library staff will be happy to sign you up! Borough residency is not required. We can also help you with learning more about local opportunities for the J&J (single dose) and Pfizer (two doses, for ages 12+).

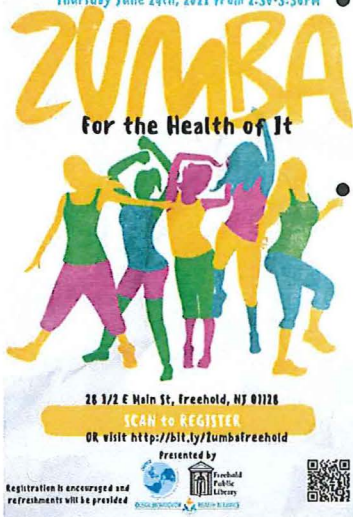
## June Library Events and Meetings [\[Link to Online Calendar\]](#)

-  **Toddler Time** with Ms.Kathy (outdoor library program) **Every Tuesday in June, 3:00 PM** (Occurs every Tuesday, weather permitting.) Info: [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rwpqHdt3\\_QcTLtFq5M78qNS9sbstjI\\_Y/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rwpqHdt3_QcTLtFq5M78qNS9sbstjI_Y/view?usp=sharing)

- 📖 **Book Chat. Wednesday, June 2, 7:30 PM** (via Zoom). Free-flowing discussion about books, literature, libraries, or whatever, facilitated by Erika Cox. **Click on this link to join:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85912479651?pwd=eDd3OUZlZUZlTjZQMkxkaVVDQTNobUJOT09>
- ☁️ or 📖 **Children's Book Club. Monday, June 7 and June 21, 1:00 PM** (choose via Zoom or outdoors at library). Book group for elementary students led by Miss Jyolsna. Email [help@freeholdpubliclibrary.org](mailto:help@freeholdpubliclibrary.org) for details or to sign up your child(ren).
- 📖 **Trustees Meeting. Tuesday, June 8, 7:00 PM** Dial-in: 646 876 9923. Meeting ID: 867 4699 8258 Passcode: 481458
- 📖 **NEW Don't Get Scammed!** Protect yourself and your loved-ones from consumer fraud. **Thursday, June 17, 7:00 PM** (via Zoom) From IRS phone scam to the so-called *grandparent scam*, criminal scammers are more active and trickier than ever. Join this free program presented by NJ Division of Consumer Affairs' Melanie Hazim. **Click on this link to join:** <https://njocag-gov.zoom.us/j/99537112355?pwd=M1gxSVZCTk1BQVICbkITbWdiSS93UT09>







- lifestyle in a one-hour FREE outdoor dance workshop  
Thursday June 24th, 2021 from 2:30-3:30PM



**ZUMBA**  
for the Health of It

28 1/2 E Main St, Freehold, NJ 07728  
SCAN to REGISTER  
OR visit <http://bit.ly/ZumbaFreehold>



Presented by  
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NJ State Library

Registration is encouraged and refreshments will be provided
-  **NEW ZUMBA “For the Health of It”!** With CARC and VNACH.  
**Thursday, June 24, 2:30 PM.** Register at  
<https://bit.ly/ZumbaFreehold>
-  **Craft Club Meeting. Monday, June 28, 7:30 PM** (via Zoom).  
Join your friends to share ideas about any type of craft. We’ll have guided projects at times, and “freestyle” for some meetings. Have a craft idea you want to present or lead? Contact Kathy at the library!  
**Click on this link to join:**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89011323198?pwd=OHh1KzQ0U3Z2V1ZZald3RE5BSFpjQT09>
-  or  **Come Write In! Meeting. Wednesday, June 30, 7:30 PM** (choose via Zoom or outdoors at the library). Anyone who enjoys writing, editing, or talking about writing is invited. Bring your own coffee/beverage if coming to the library (meeting in the rear garden).  
**Click on this link to join:**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84640525319?pwd=SlIxQ0tVZndBbEhJa3lXbW1oMmtCZz09>
- Webinars/Online Events Presented by the New Jersey State Library:**  
<https://www.njstatelib.org/events/2021-06/>



# Summer Library Programs!

Summer Programs return to your library with a variety of  outdoor and  remote (Zoom) programs! Look for these opportunities:



  **Summer Reading Program!** Read books and fill out our easy form:  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YQSFM37> For all ages.

 **Toddler Time** Information:  
[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rwpqHdt3\\_QcTLtFq5M78qNS9sbstjI\\_Y/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rwpqHdt3_QcTLtFq5M78qNS9sbstjI_Y/view?usp=sharing)

  **“Big Kid Volunteers”** Information and Registration:  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1id6sH-2jHJ5mvkmRMctYHgs6bTD1EnWH/view?usp=sharing>


  **“Little Kid Storytime”** Information:  
[https://drive.google.com/file/d/13SbJUWlclLaA\\_QDwCrycDYFJ\\_hvTjYJy\\_/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/13SbJUWlclLaA_QDwCrycDYFJ_hvTjYJy_/view?usp=sharing)

  **Hablo Ingles for Children** Information and Registration [Spanish]:  
[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1E8wnWKlruGxQXVjTh\\_n3jjZ0Bjtgy2Hu/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1E8wnWKlruGxQXVjTh_n3jjZ0Bjtgy2Hu/view?usp=sharing) ; [English]:  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1AYb8MVygFVG8A3qCULlZLdishUNCzUFi/view?usp=sharing>

 or  **Children’s Book Club.** Book group for elementary students led by Ms. Debbie. Email [dstill@freeholdpubliclibrary.org](mailto:dstill@freeholdpubliclibrary.org) for details or to sign-up your child(ren).

 **Teen Library Committee** Information:  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1KDcEy-uRnrAOXo6axLrywAuRRKa3uj8X/view?usp=sharing>

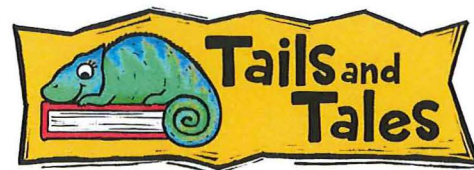
 **Freehold TLC 4-H Club** (on hiatus until fall)

 **Book Chat** for Adults (ongoing)

 or  **Come Write In!** (ongoing)

 **Craft Club** (ongoing)

...and more!



## **Dear Library Patron**

June has traditionally been “the calm before the storm” of a busy summer season at your library. This year, thanks to the *you-know-what*, the summer schedule will be “less storm” than usual.

Nevertheless, we’ve prepared a slate of activities for all ages. Please take a minute to look at the summer library program offerings listed above.

We’re optimistic that the fall will give us more flexibility in what we can offer on-site, and, of course, bring with it exciting news about the library’s renovation.

We look forward to seeing you at your library!

Be well; be well informed.

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## The Genuine Article

by Debbie Pizzuti-Still, Freehold Public Library Staff

### AMAZING LIBRARY FACTS










There may be no greater repository of analog information than the library, a glorious assembly of printed pages that can take us on adventures, educate us, and fill our days and nights with details of worlds beyond our own—all free of charge. Today, there are roughly 116,867 public and academic libraries dotting the country. Enjoy these facts about some interesting libraries around the world.

- **BENJAMIN FRANKLIN STARTED A LENDING LIBRARY IN 1731.** One of the oldest public libraries in the country opened in 1790 in Franklin, Massachusetts, where residents circulated books donated by Benjamin Franklin. The Founding Father once started his own lending library in 1731 in Philadelphia called the Library Company, but it required a subscription fee of 40 shillings.
- **PHILANTHROPIST ANDREW CARNEGIE WAS A ONE-MAN LIBRARY-FUNDING MACHINE.** The wealthy industrialist donated \$55 million—or \$1.6 billion in today's dollars—between 1886 and 1919 to open an astonishing 2509 libraries worldwide, including 1679 in the United States. The Freehold Public Library is one of forty-two Carnegie libraries in New Jersey, and the only one with the benefactor's name etched into the building (over the front door).
- **VERMONT IS HOME TO A LIBRARY THAT STRETCHES ACROSS THE U.S BORDER INTO CANADA.** The Haskell Free Library and Opera House sits directly on the border between the United States and Canada. You can walk in from Stanstead, Quebec, and exit into Derby Line, Vermont. You don't need a passport to cross the (literal) line running through the building, but you do have to return to your country of origin or risk fines.
- **BATS CAN BE A LIBRARY'S BEST FRIEND.** The Joanina Library at the University of Coimbra in Portugal has a number of bats in residency, but no one is calling for an exterminator as the bats prey on insects that could damage book pages. Staff drape tables with coverings overnight and clean up the guano in the morning. (Side note: a few years ago a bat made its way into our library, but obligingly flew out the front door when staff arrived to open the building for the day!)
- **IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO RETURN A BOOK.** If you stumble across a forgotten library book that's been hiding on your shelf for weeks, months, or even years, don't be afraid to return it. In 2015, Eleanor Reed, a former student at Wakefield High School Library in Wakefield, Virginia, sent back a copy of *The Underside of the Leaf*. It was borrowed in 1981 and accidentally mixed in with the student's family collection. In 2016, the granddaughter of a man who had taken out *The Microscope and Its Revelations* from Hereford Cathedral School in the UK returned the title 120 years after it had been "borrowed." Even if the library has "written off" the loan, expecting it won't be returned, it is always good to see a long-lost asset make its way back "home."



- **SOME LIBRARIES WENT TO EXTRAORDINARY LENGTHS TO MAKE SURE THEIR TITLES REMAINED ON THE SHELF.** At Marsh's Library in Dublin, Ireland, visitors hoping to peruse rare books in the 1800s were locked in cages until they were finished reading the material.

## Library Information

-  **COVID-19 Countermeasures in place:**
  -  All visits, regardless of reason, are limited to one hour, with one hour minimum between visits.
  -  **Masks covering both mouth and nose** required at all times inside library *regardless of vaccination status.*
  -  Patrons appearing ill will not be admitted.
  -  No meetings/groups/tutoring permitted. Library programs will remain via  Zoom/remote host or held  outdoors.
-  **The library is open to the public at our regular schedule:**
  - Monday & Wednesday, 9am - 9pm
  - Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday, 9am - 5pm
-  **Digital Resources.** Ebooks, audiobooks and videos are available via [Libby/eLibrary NJ/OverDrive](#), [Axis360](#). And [Kanopy](#). Databases include [JerseyClicks](#) and [NJ Historic Newspaper Collection](#). Sign on with your library card number and (in some cases) PIN. If you don't yet have a PIN, contact the library.
- **Information that doesn't change often:**  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1g8sa1tvLCYlcbj7C1RAY4tWxbTvnIQceq5lYmINbxjs/edit?usp=sharing>



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