

Freehold Public Library

OCTOBER 2021 NEWSLETTER

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📞 Library phone number: 732-462-5135

✉ Email: help@freeholdpubliclibrary.org






📧 Subscribe to cancellation notices: <https://www.remind.com/join/fplpr>

NEWS & UPDATES






- 🏛 Library closed October 11.
- 🏛 Masks required inside the library. One-hour time limit.
- 👶 **Toddler Time** meets Tuesdays at 10:00 am and 4:00 pm. We will continue to meet outdoors as weather permits, and will re-evaluate the situation as time goes by. To learn of cancellations, subscribe to <https://www.remind.com/join/fplpr>
- 🏛 **English as a Second Language (ESL) Level 1 (beginner)** class meets on Mondays & Wednesdays, 9:30 am - 11:30 am (Except October 11) at the library. Presented by our partners, Community Affairs and Resource Center (CARC). Ongoing registration accepted. For information/registration, contact Aina at 732-774-3282 or email aholmscheller@carcnj.org. Info in Spanish: https://freeholdboroughnj-my.sharepoint.com/:b/g/personal/kmulholl_and_freeholdpubliclibrary_org/EdU-Rlpr1tFOue9xdyx88fsBw3a2MiHML3lt7nn1Mwb_Sw?e=jzOkEQ
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- 🆕 **NEW!** 🏛 **The Seeing Eye presents seeing-eye service dogs in training.** Wednesday, October 13 at 7:00 pm in the Children's Room.
- 🆕 **NEW!** 📖 **FPL Goes Fine-Free!** Our patrons have a great record of returning items on-time. Therefore, with a few exceptions (rental items such as HotSpots, "non-traditional items" and Interlibrary Loans) borrowed material including books, audio CDs, magazines and DVDs will incur no late fees. Patrons are encouraged to return material by the due date, especially newer items which are more likely to have others waiting in line. Borrowers who are "long overdue" will be sent a bill for the replacement cost of the item. Of course, money donations are always welcome!
- 🏠 **Little Self-Help Food Pantry.** Teen leaders from Monmouth 4-H maintain a food pantry at the library for sharing with community members. If you need any items from this "pantry," just help yourself. "Grown in Monmouth" reusable bags available while supply lasts. NO DONATIONS to the pantry are accepted at the library.
- 👶 **Read to the Dog!** Join Molly McMuffin in the Appleyard Family Reading Garden on Monday, October 25 at 4:00 pm (Children's Room in inclement weather). Molly enjoys hearing from readers of all ages! Info: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1lxZYwMR6OFkWU-ZOVGalmYV8FhaDyyvn/view?usp=sharing>

-  The **Craft Club** (adults) will meet at the library on Monday, October 25 at 7:30 pm (the last Monday of each month). Info: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1y3F0l-RKb_gXbcxL9Muq_ulVOgXiSpFI/view?usp=sharing
-  **Homework help** and all kinds of learning help for children, English language learners, and even adults is available via **Brainfuse HelpNow**. Thanks to the New Jersey State Library, this resource will be available through next summer. Have your library card number handy and visit <https://landing.brainfuse.com/index.asp?u=main.freeholdboro.hn.nj.brainfuse.com>.



-   The **Freehold Public Library Book Group** meets at the library on October 6 at 7:30 pm. Meetings will occur the first Wednesday of each month (with no meeting in January). Contact Erika Cox at the library for more information: ecox@freeholdpubliclibrary.org.
-   **Freehold TLC 4-H Club/Teen Library Committee's Halloween Party:** Wednesday, October 20, 7:30 - 8:30pm. The theme is "Movies." Costumes encouraged but not required.
-  **Renovation Update.** The project will go out to bid very soon. We hope to have a construction schedule in the near future.


CHILDREN's Programs - Subscribe to Cancellation Notices at <https://www.remind.com/join/fplpr>

 Toddler Time	Every Tuesday in October, 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM in the Appleyard Family Reading Garden (behind the library), weather permitting; canceled in event of inclement weather. Infants through younger elementary
  Read to the Dog	Monday October 25, 4:00 PM in the Appleyard Family Reading Garden (behind the library), weather permitting (Children's Room if inclement weather) Read to Molly McMuffin, a MCSPCA-Certified Therapy Dog who just loves being read to!
  Children's Book Club	Monday October 25, 6:30 PM via Zoom. (No meeting October 11) Elementary grades Contact the library for information about registering your child for this group facilitated by Ms. Becca






TEEN Programs - Subscribe to Cancellation Notices at <https://www.remind.com/join/fplpr>

 Teen Library Committee	Wednesday October 20 at 7:30 PM (shares activities with Freehold TLC 4-H Club) Halloween Party! Grades 6 through high school Information: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1UJlackY9lISWalGp3qBz-vb2cu2UNT9Wv/view?usp=sharing
  Freehold TLC 4-H Club	Wednesday October 20 at 7:30 PM (shares activities with Teen Library Committee) Halloween Party! Grades 5 through high school

ALL AGES Programs - Subscribe to Cancellation Notices at <https://www.remind.com/join/fplpr>

 The Seeing Eye	Wednesday October 13, 7:00 PM in the Children's Room Learn about what it takes to raise a seeing-eye dog and meet dogs-in-training and their handlers. Young children must be accompanied by an adult.
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ADULT Programs - Subscribe to Cancellation Notices at <https://www.remind.com/join/fplpr>

 Book Group	Wednesday October 6 at 7:30 PM in the Children's Room Relaunch of the famous Freehold Public Library Book Group facilitated by Erika Cox
 Trustees Meeting	Tuesday October 12, 7:00 PM via Zoom (Contact library for details)
 ESL Level 1 Presented by CARC	Monday & Wednesdays, 9:30 - 11:30 AM (except for October 11). Registration required. Beginner English as a Second Language class (free, gratis) Contact Aina at 732-774-3282 or email aholmscheller@carcnj.org
 Craft Club	Monday October 25, 7:30 PM in the Children's Room Try your hand at a variety of craft projects, or bring your own
 Come Write In!	Wednesday October 27, 7:30 PM in the Children's Room Anyone who enjoys writing, editing, or talking about writing is invited. Bring your own coffee/beverage

Dear Library Patron

What do *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* by Sherman Alexie, *The Bluest Eye* by Toni Morrison, and *Of Mice and Men* by John Steinbeck have in common?

They're on the 2021 list of banned/challenged books.

Now, *banned* is a pretty strong word. In truth, most books that appear on "banned books lists" are titles that somebody objected to in a specific setting (such as on a school reading list). Reasons may include content and "appropriateness" for a given audience, descriptions of violence or sex, objectors making assumptions about the material based on criticism by public figures, or even cover art. Some titles, including many older works, are considered offensive because of disfavored stereotypes or obsolete racial terminology.

In the public library setting, the idea behind "intellectual freedom" (which is library-speak for the liberty of users to acquire content or information they want or need without censorship, judgement or restriction), means a variety of viewpoints, genres, and themes. While no library goes out of its way to be offensive or upsetting, as librarian Mary Jo Godwin says, "A truly great library contains something in it to offend everyone."

You may not appreciate the language, format, subject or style of every item in your library; however, I hope you will appreciate that libraries work every day to protect your access to information, entertainment and knowledge that is at the heart of *your* intellectual freedom.







Be well; be well informed.

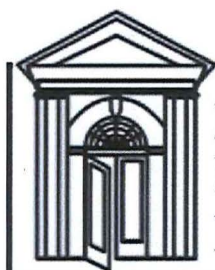
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Library Information

-  **COVID-19 Countermeasures in place:**
 -  Masks required inside the library building.
 -  Patrons appearing ill will not be admitted.
 -  One-hour time limit in building.
 - 3rd Party groups of larger than 4 people not permitted to meet indoors.
 - *All plans related to COVID-19 are subject to change.*
-  **Library Hours:**
 - 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](#). Homework/Learning help is available via [Brainfuse HelpNow](#). 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/1g8sa1tvLCYlcbj7C1RAY4tWxbTvnIQceg5IYmINbxjs/edit?usp=sharing>



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