

# Freehold Public Library

## APRIL 2022 NEWSLETTER

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☎ Library phone number: 732-462-5135

✉ Email: [help@freeholdpubliclibrary.org](mailto:help@freeholdpubliclibrary.org)

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

## NEWS & UPDATES

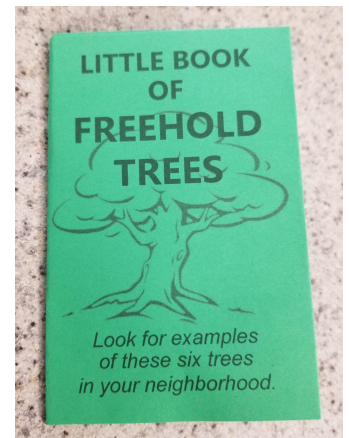
- 🏛️ **Masks optional inside the library.**
- 🐰 **Easter Bunny visits!** Bring your youngsters to the library on Saturday, April 9 between 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM for a visit with the Easter Bunny in the Library Plaza (front).
- 📅 **National Library Week is April 3 - 9.** Celebrate the work your libraries do to enhance lives by providing access to quality information, entertainment and opportunities; defending your right to access content of your own choosing; protecting your privacy; and advocating for free services and resources for everyone.
- 🏛️ **Library is closed Friday, April 15** (open Saturday, April 16).
- 🏛️ **Freehold Public Library reusable shopping bags, \$3.00 each.** Show your library pride and be ready for the "plastic bag ban" coming in May.
- 🏛️ **NJHealthConnect@Your Library.** In partnership with the East Brunswick Public Library, and funded in part by the ARPA, your library is pleased to support our community's health by acquiring two iPad devices pre-loaded with various telemedicine platforms, plus quick access to a variety of health information sources ranging from COVID-19 to mental health. Ask at the library about using one of these iPads for your health information and "telehealth" needs.



- 📚 **Books added** to the library's collection will be listed in the following month's newsletter. Look for March's new books list in this issue!
- 📖 **Featured "Little Book"** of the month: We'll highlight a different little book each month, starting with "Little Book of Freehold Trees" in honor of Arbor Day, which is the last Friday of April.

Collaborating with the Freehold Borough Shade Tree Commission's Christine Gregory, we designed a brochure featuring six trees found in the Borough:


ginkgo, linden, maple, red oak (New Jersey's state tree), sweetgum, and sycamore (one of which was immortalized in Bruce Springsteen's Born to Run album).



Pick up your copy at the Circulation

Desk, or contact the library if you'd like more than a few copies to share with friends.



- 🏛️ **Renovation Update.** It looks like efforts to get our HVAC/mechanical systems updates funded by a "green energy" initiative are unsuccessful; however, knowing this means "full speed ahead" with the request-for-proposal process. We hope to have a better timeline regarding our renovation to share with you soon.

-  **Book Group For Adults.** Here's the list of titles for the rest of the year:
  - April: ***The Alchemist*** by Paulo Coelho
  - May: ***A Gentleman in Moscow*** by Amor Towles
  - June: ***The Vanishing Half*** by Brit Bennett
  - July: ***American Dirt*** by Jeanine Cummins
  - August: ***The Language of Flowers*** by Vanessa Diffenbaugh

- September: ***The Underground Railroad*** by Colson Whitehead
- October: ***The Book Thief*** by Markus Zusak
- November: ***The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell*** by Robert Dugone
- December: ***One Day in December*** by Josie Silver
- No meeting in January (2023)







## CHILDREN's Programs - Subscribe to Cancellation Notices at

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 <b>Easter Bunny Visits!</b>	<b>Saturday, 4/9, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM.</b> In front of the library, presented by the Freehold Borough Recreation Commission.
 <b>Children's Book Club</b>	<b>Canceled until further notice</b>

## ADULT Programs - Subscribe to Cancellation Notices at

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 <b>Book Group</b>	<b>Wednesday 4/6, 7:00 PM.</b> April's book is <b><i>The Alchemist</i></b> by Paulo Coelho. The book for May is <b><i>A Gentleman in Moscow</i></b> by Amor Towles. <i>Book group participants acquire subject books on their own, but the library can help in the case of older titles.</i> For information, contact Erika Cox: <a href="mailto:ecox@freeholdpubliclibrary.org">ecox@freeholdpubliclibrary.org</a> .
 <b>ESL Level 1 Presented by CARC</b>	<b>Monday &amp; Wednesdays, 9:30 - 11:30 AM</b> <b>Prior registration required</b> Beginner English as a Second Language class (free, gratis) Contact Aina at 732-774-3282 or email <a href="mailto:aholmscheller@carcnj.org">aholmscheller@carcnj.org</a>
 <b>Trustees Meeting</b>	<b>Tuesday, 4/12, 7:00 PM via Zoom</b> (Contact library for details)
 <b>Participatory Budgeting Information Meeting</b>	<b>Wednesday, 4/20 [note date change], 7:00 PM.</b> Learn all about the Participatory Budgeting program in Freehold Borough including how to submit a proposal. Presented by Freehold Borough Participatory Budgeting Committee.
 <b>Come Write In!</b>	<b>Wednesday 4/27, 7:30 PM.</b> Join other people interested in writing (any form/genre). Bring your own coffee. Facilitated by Kathy Mulholland.
 <b>Craft Club</b>	<b>Canceled Monday 4/25, 7:30 PM</b> in the Children's Room Try your hand at a variety of craft projects, or bring your own.

## Dear Library Patron

Spring is finally here (though as I write this, the National Weather Service has posted a snow squall warning!)! And with spring, we are welcoming back more people—especially children and teens—to the library. We're not quite at the higher traffic we saw "before Covid" but it is a pleasure to see (and hear!) more folks inside again.

We don't yet know the construction schedule for our renovation. We are planning our summer program in the expectation that if/when our building is closed, we will hold programs at other locations. Our most popular summer events involve volunteer students who have finished third grade through high school. That program will run every Wednesday and Thursday afternoon in July. For all students with pent-up need for volunteer service hours or who just want to have fun, now's the time to mark your calendars. We don't typically set a maximum, but we might have to this summer due to potential demand. We'll have more details as soon as possible.

Be well; be well informed.



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## NEW BOOKS in March

Category	Title/Author
Adult	<p>The Hiding Place by Corrie Ten Boom Dessert can Save the World by Christina Tosi Boy Underground by Catherine Ryan Hyde The Final Case by David Guterson The Temps by Andrew Deyoung Burning Questions by Margaret Atwood Voileta by Isabel Allende The Cristie Affair by Nina de Gramont Black Cake by Charmaine Wilkerson The Darkest Place by Phillip Margolin Off the Edge by Kelly Weill The Listening Path by Julia Cameron It Didn't Start with You by Mark Wolynn Thriving life by Laura Berg Financial Adulting by Ashley Gerstley Feinstein Uncontrolled Spread by Scott Gottlieb On Juneteenth by Annette Gordon-Reed Einstein's Fridge by Paul Sen The Oracle of Night by Sidarta Ribeiro Own Your Morning by Liz Baker Plosser Graceland at Last by Margaret Renkl Enough Already by Valerie Bertinelli Fearlessly different by Mickey Rowe The Trials of Harry S. Truman by Jeffrey Frank Funny Farm by Laurie Zaleski Mickey 7 by Edward Ashton Her Hidden Genius by Marie Benedict Shadows Reel by C. J. Box Beautiful Little Fools by Jillian Cantor</p>

	<p> The Match by Harlan Coben  The Parish Apartment by Lucy Foley  Nothing to Lose by Judith A. Jance  Gwendy's Final Task by Stephen King  Give Unto Others by Donna Leon  The Lightning Rod by Brad Meltzer  Chouette by Claire Oshetsky  Run, Rose, Run by Dolly Parton  The Maid by Nita Prose  Citizen K-9 by David Rosenfelt  One Italian Summer by Rebecca Serle  High Stakes by Danielle Steel  Black Cloud Rising by David Wright Falade  An Anatomy of Anxiety by Ellen Vora  The Bone Deep Untangling by Charles J. Bosworth  Booth by Karen Joy Fowler  End of Days by Brad Taylor  Golden Couple by Greer Hendricks  Good Son by Jacqueline Mitchard  Greenwich Park by Katherine Faulkner  In Five Years by Rebecca Serle  In Love by Amy Bloom  Love of My Life by Rosie Walsh  Mercy Street by Jennifer Haigh  The Other Dr. Gilmer by Benjamin Gilmer  Race to the Bottom by Luke Rosiak  Recitatif by Toni Morrison  Reckless Girls by Rachael Hawkins  Summer Getaway by Susan Mallery  Targeted by Stephen Hunter  Wild Irish Rose by Rhys Bowen  French Braid by Anne Tyler  Recovery Agent by Janet Evanovich  Safe House by Stuart Woods  School for Good Mothers by Jessamine Chan  Sunlit Weapon by Jacqueline Winspear </p>
YA	<p> She Came to Slay by Erica Armstrong Dunbar  Off the Record by Camryn Garrett  Anatomy by Dana Schwartz  Instructions for Dancing by Nicola Yoon  In the Wild Light by Jeff Zentner </p>
Children's	<p> Katt Loves Dogg by James Patterson  My Grandma's Photos by Ozge Bahar Sunar  Doggo and Pupper by Katherine Applegate  A Royal Ride by Kristen Fulten  Brave as a Mouse by Nicolo Carozzi  My First Day by Nguyen Quang Phung  Carpenter's Helper by Sybil Rosen  Mermaid Kenzie by Charlotte Watson Sherman  Dream Street by Tricia Elam Walker  Black Boy Joy by Kwame Mbalia  Born Hungry by Alex Prud'homme  The Thirteenth Fairy by Melissa De la Cruz  The Stolen Slippers by Melissa De la Cruz </p>

Take Back the Block by Chrystal D. Giles  
Marcus Makes a Movie by Kevin Hart  
The Lion of Mars by Jennifer L. Holm  
Harry Versus the First 100 Days of School by Emily Jenkins  
This is Our Rainbow by Katherine Locke  
Pony by R. J. Palacio  
Loteria by Karla Valenti  
Monster Friends by Kaeti Vandorn  
New From Here by Kelly Yang  
Death is Stupid by Anastasia Higginbotham  
Who was Catherine the Great? By Pam Pollack  
This is Not Enough by Anna Kang  
Why Not You? Ciara

## Library Information

-  **COVID-19 Countermeasures in place:**
  -  Masks optional inside the library building.
  - *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/1g8sa1tvLCYlcbj7C1RAY4tWxbTvnIQceq5lYmINbxjs/edit?usp=sharing>



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