

SEPTEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER

Freehold Public Library

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Library phone number: 732-462-5135

■ Email: help@freeholdpubliclibrary.org

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NEWS & UPDATES

- <u>m</u> Library is closed Saturday 9/3 and Monday 9/5 (Labor Day Weekend).
- Best wishes to all our scholars as they head back to school!
- It's Library Card Sign-Up Month!
 Freehold Borough residents, people employed or attending school within the Borough qualify for a free membership. High school students may sign for their own card; students through eighth grade, please bring a parent/guardian to apply. Contact the library for more information.
- m Legislative District 11 Assembly Mobile Office Hours at the library, Friday, September 16, 11am - 3pm. Get help with: Department of Labor; scheduling in-person Unemployment office appointments; Department of Labor ID.me verification process; disability & unemployment claims; Motor Vehicle Commission - appointments or obtaining an ID; property tax relief programs; senior freeze property tax reimbursement program; homestead benefit program; connecting constituents with resource agency to assist with food insecurity, rental assistance, utility assistance, temporary housing, etc.; request a Ceremonial Resolution honoring an individual or organization (the office is happy to arrange for resolutions recognizing those that have contributed significantly to their community).

- Half Mile of Horses. View "Better Odds"
 (Number 26) and the other magnificent horse statues distributed through town. Vote for your favorite!
 (https://tinyurl.com/halfmilehorses) Other designs submitted for the project will grace the library's lower hallway as long as our renovation schedule allows.
- mRenovation Update. We anticipate the construction bid will be awarded this month. Shovels should hit dirt soon after. Remember, our digital collections are always available!
- m CARC's ESL (English as a second language) Level 1 (beginner) classes start September 19 and are held Monday and Wednesday mornings. Call CARC at 732-774-3282 to register (required).
- mcCome Write In! At the August 31 meeting, group members shared something they've written that mentions or addresses "banned books" (1,500 word max) to mark the approach of Banned Books Week in September. Next meeting is September 28. The "homework": write about five actual people from the past (no longer living) who you'd like to have dinner with. Contact Kathy at the library for more information.
- mr Featured "Little
 Book" of the month:
 Little Book of How to
 Spot Fake News. The
 disinformation epidemic
 continues. Let your



library help you be a part of the cure.

- Check out our 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.
- Welcome Evelyn Soto to her new role as Senior Library Assistant. Evelyn has demonstrated outstanding administrative support and customer service skills since starting with the Freehold Public Library almost six years ago. Congratulations, Evelyn!

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m Book Group	Wednesday 9/7, 7:00 PM. September's book is <i>The Underground Railroad</i> by Colson Whitehead. <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: ecox@freeholdpubliclibrary.org.
m Trustees Meeting	Thursday 9/8, 8:00 AM (Contact library for details)
m Legislative District 11 Assembly Mobile Office Hours	Friday 9/16, 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM
mCARC ESL	Mondays & Wednesdays, 9:30 - 11:00 AM. Level 1 classes. Registration required. Call 732-431-6977
m Craft Club	Monday 9/26, 7:30 PM
mCome Write In!	Wednesday 9/28, 7:30 PM Discussion group for adults who enjoy the art and craft of writing. Bring your own beverage.

Dear Library Patron

Every now and then, someone will wander in the front door and exclaim, "I've lived here for 30 years and never knew this library was here!" Most of these folks actually reside in Freehold *Township* (which, unlike the Borough, doesn't have its own library). Of course, everyone is welcome (non-Borough residents are invited to

use our facilities and we advise them which library offers them free borrowing privileges). A fair number of "non-residents" buy a library card here and become part of the "FPL family."

Sometimes a Borough resident will approach the circulation desk and, in a confessional tone, whisper, "I haven't been inside the library since I was a little kid." They may have their own small child in tow. I've been at the library long enough (over 16 years) to remember some of these "children" now grown (and, yes, each time I feel a little shock!).

We occasionally see a tourist from outside of New Jersey (or the United States) on pilgrimage to visit the hometown of a *certain musician*. We're happy to give a copy of our "Little Book of Bruce" featuring a walking tour of Freehold sites that had meaning in Springsteen's early life.

This library has been the backdrop of engagement photo shoots, the setting for thesis research, the hang-out spot for teenagers, the meeting place for out-of-school instruction, the refuge for the weary parent, the treasure trove for new neighbors, and more. What has this library been for you?

And, perhaps the better question: what *can* this library be for you?

Be well; be well informed.

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NEW BOOKS in August

Category	Title/Author
Adult	Loving what is/Katie Saving normal/Frances Split decision/lce-T We were dreamers/Liu The flower boat girl/Feign The 6:20 man/Baldacci Acts of Violet/Montimore Oona out of order/Montimore The daughter of Doctor Moreau/Moreno-Garcia The self-made widow/Nicieza Shattered/Patterson Cold, cold bones/Reichs Holy chow/Rosenfelt The house across the lake/Sager Portrait of an unknown woman/Silva This time tomorrow/Straub Rising tiger/Thor The Pallbearers Club/Tremblay The it girl/Ware The phlebotomist's wife/Woodruff Tomorrow, and tomorrow, and tomorrow/Zevin

YA	Our crooked hearts/Albert MutedCharles Mirror girls/McWilliams
Children's	I love you more than that!/Lopez Firsts & lasts/Schubert I am a baby/Shea Perfectly Pegasus/Sima Hardly haunted/Sima Turtles are found on every continent/Sturgell How to be cooler than cool/Taylor Even robots aren't perfect!/Thomas The memory thief/Anderson

Library Information

- mcOVID-19 Countermeasures in place:
 - masks optional inside the library building.
 - o All plans related to COVID-19 are subject to change.
- mLibrary Hours:

Monday & Wednesday, 9am - 9pm Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday, 9am - 5pm

- **Digital Resources.** Ebooks, audiobooks and videos are available via <u>Libby/eLibrary NJ/OverDrive</u>, <u>Axis360</u>. And <u>Kanopy</u>. Databases include <u>JerseyClicks</u> and <u>NJ Historic Newspaper Collection</u>. 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/1g8sa1tvLCYIcbj7C1RAY4tWxbTvnlQceq5|YmlNbxjs/edit?usp=sharing



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