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New Programs, Building Enhancements at Weehawken Library Thanks to Successful 'Taste' Fundraising



As a result of its phenomenal success, the funds raised at the 2017 Taste of Weehawken will allow the Library to not only support and expand children's and adult programming, but enable the Library to undertake enhancements to the facility, it was announced by Leona Nersesian, president, Weehawken Library Board of Trustees.

"We are especially grateful that as a result of the amazing support we received for this year's event, we will be able to tackle a number of upgrades to our well enjoyed and well-used Library," Nersesian said. Plans include improvement to flooring in the community room, as well as the installation of new carpeting in the children's department, teen room, technology lab, and foreign language room. All part of an ongoing focus on elevating the comfort and library experience for our many visitors.

Over the years, funds raised at the Taste have helped the Library acquire new technologies for patrons. They have also helped create an outdoor reading area, purchase a new book return unit that also accommodates DVDs and CDs and make heavily discounted American Museum of Natural History tickets available to the public.

Nersesian also noted the Library will continue to expanded children's and adult programming. Throughout the years, sponsored events have included authors' readings, art exhibits, guest lectures, and other special events, as well as children's' programming featuring visits from the Center for Aquatic Science, Flat Rock Brook Nature Center, songs and stories with the Hudson River Ramblers and more.

Fall Movies @ The Library

Stop into the Library and enjoy a free Thursday Afternoon Movie! Film buffs 18 and older are invited. The schedule includes: *Going in Style*, October 26th, 1:30 p.m.; *The Zookeepers Wife*, Thursday, November 2nd, 1:30 p.m.; and *Table 19*, Thursday, December 28th, 1:30 p.m.

Zen Coloring Gathering for Adults

Zen out and relax in an immersive coloring experience! Coloring books with intricate designs and colored pencils are provided. Visit the Library on Wednesday, September 13th at 7 p.m.; Monday, October 16th at 7 p.m.; Monday, November 6th at 7 p.m.; and Monday, December 11th at 7 p.m. to participate in this free program!

Adult Board Games Meet Up

Devotees of classic board games like Chess, Checkers and Scrabble, should be sure to save the dates! Gather at the Library to face off against other board game fans on at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays, September 27th, October 4th, November 15th (8 p.m.) and December 6th. Just bring your gaming skills!



Holiday Event: The Night Before Christmas

The Weehawken Public Library will once again present a special reading of the timeless holiday poem, *The Night Before Christmas* by Clement Clarke Moore on Sunday, December 10 at 1:30 p.m. The program, which will last approximately 45 minutes, will also feature holiday music and refreshments to complement the spirit of the event.

FREE MATH TUTORING FOR WEEHAWKEN STUDENTS

A free math-tutoring program for students in Grades 3 to 12 returns this November. Sessions are offered in elementary math through pre-calculus. Students must be Weehawken residents and bring their own textbooks, notebooks and test materials. All sessions are at held the Library and available by appointment only; call 201-863-7823 for additional information.

Viva Italiano!

Library Hosts Evening of Italian Music; Join Violinist David Podles for 'Stroll in the Piazza'

The Weehawken Library will host a unique musical experience, a "Stroll in the Piazza" concert, on Thursday, October 12th at 7 p.m. at the Senior Nutrition Center, 201 Highwood Ave.

Acclaimed violinist Dr. David Podles will be on hand to perform famous, poignant and exciting pieces of Italian music. The evening will feature selections from time-honored and endearing folk tunes to enchanting and recognizable operatic arias and common pieces created by immigrants who settled here in the NY/NJ metropolitan area. Dr. Podles will also perform some contemporary pop hits from Italy.

Dr. Podles is a laureate of three prestigious international competitions and received his PhD in music from a conservatory in Riga. He has performed as a soloist and as a member of symphony, chamber, opera and ballet orchestras. He has toured extensively throughout Europe, Russia and the United States.



Fright Night!

'History of Horror Film' Special Event

Get into the Halloween spirit with a special presentation of "The History of Horror Film" at the Library on Thursday, October 26th at 7 p.m. Elliot Passantino, filmmaker and life-long fan of the genre, will discuss the roots and evolution of the horror film in this engaging multi-media presentation.

From its theatrical roots in the Grand Guignol to Thomas Edison to pioneers like F.W. Murnau and Lon Chaney all the way through to the advent of the modern slasher film, this lecture will take the audience on an entertaining, fact filled tour of horror film history. Included in Passantino's presentation will be the rise of Vincent Price to B movie legend, the making of Roman Polanski's *Rosemary's Baby* and the cursed production of *The Exorcist*. Suitable for high school students and older.

Senior Programs at the Library

Bingo 4 Books

Seniors (ages 62 and older) are invited to stop by the Library for an afternoon of Bingo fun, lively conversation and light refreshments, plus a chance to take home some wonderful reading material! The Bingo 4 Books program will take place on Thursdays, September 21st, October 19th, November 16th and December 14th from 1 to 3 p.m. Bingo cards will be distributed free of charge to players (limit of two cards per person) and players will vie for a chance to select some favorite book as prizes. For free transportation to the Library call the Senior Activity Center at 201-319- 6059.

Senior Arts and Crafts

Enjoy an afternoon of crafting fun. The Senior Arts & Crafts program will take place on Thursday, December 7 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. For free transportation to the Library call the Senior Activity Center at 201-319-6059. Seating is limited to 25.

Happenings for Kids & Teens @ the Library



HARRY POTTER CLUB!

Monday, September 18th, and Wednesdays, October 4th, November 8th and December 6th, 5 to 6 p.m. Ages 7 to 14. Seating limited to 25 and on

a first-come, first-serve basis.

Hogwarts letters are in! Come join the newest club at the Library where Potterheads can discuss, craft and play all things "HARRY POTTER".

SLEEPYTIME STORIES AND LULLABIES

Mondays, September 18th, October 2nd, November 13th and December 4th, 6:45 to 7:15 p.m. Ages up to 5.

Join Ms. Donna and Ms. Kelly for soothing bedtime stories and lullabies

TEEN MANGA/GRAPHIC NOVEL CLUB

Wednesdays, September 20th, October 25th, November 15th and December 13th, 5 to 6 p.m.

Teen fans of comics and manga are invited to stop by and discuss the genre with others.

AFTERNOON BOARD GAMES

Fridays, September 22nd, October 6th and Thursday, December 7th, 3 to 4:30 p.m. Ages 4 to 12.

Come to the Library to play board games and puzzles like Clue, Chess, Checkers and Operation! Bring a friend... or come make some new ones.

COMIC CLUB

Mondays, September 18th, October 2nd, November 13th and December 4th 4 to 5 p.m. Ages 8 to 12.

Comic book fans are invited to learn about popular comics and/or discuss titles they're currently reading. Come make some new comic friends.

BOTTLES, BINKIES AND BOOKS

Fridays, September 22nd, October 6th, November 3rd and December 8th, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Ages up to 3.

Join Ms. Donna for some stories and fingerplay.

FRIDAY NIGHT TINKER LAB

Fridays, September 22nd, October 20th, November 17th and December 15th, 7 to 8 p.m. Ages 8 to 16. Seating is limited to 25; registration begins one week prior to each lab.

Stop by the Library to hack, build, create and play with the Library staff.

HALLOWEEN CRAFT

Friday, October 27th, 4 to 4:30

p.m. Ages 2 to 6. Seating on a first-come, first-serve basis; limited to 20 participants.

Get into the sp-o-o-o-ky spirit and Join Ms. Kelly and Ms. Donna to make a Halloween craft



INTERNATIONAL GAMES WEEK

GAME DAYS!

Wednesday, November 1st and Friday, November 3rd, 3 to 4:30 p.m. Ages 4 to 14. Come play board games and puzzles at the Library.

LIKE, OH MY GOSH...MURDER: A 80S MURDER MYSTERY

Saturday November 4th, 6 to 8:30 p.m. Ages 13 to 18. Registration required; begins on Saturday, October 28th. Seating limited to 20. Teen sleuths are invited to solve a "murder" at the Library!

DAY OF GIVING

Thursday, November 9th, 11 to 1 p.m. Families can stop by and color a picture for the "Color a Smile" organization which sends the pictures to senior citizens, troops, and others throughout the world that need a smile.

NIGHT AT THE LIBRARY

Friday, December 1st, 6 to 8:30 p.m. Ages 6 to 12. Registration is required; begins Saturday, November 25th; seating limited to 30.

Spend a sweet time at the Library and be part of the 6th annual live-action Candyland game, followed by a showing of the newly released movie on DVD.



Fall Hours:

Monday	9am - 9pm
Tuesday	9am - 6pm
Wednesday	9am - 9pm
Thursday	9am - 6pm
Friday	9am - 6pm
Saturday	9am - 5pm
Sunday	11am - 7pm

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Kids and Teen Book Clubs at the Library

It's a great way to break kids away from the computers and video games! The Weehawken Library invites kids of all ages to join one of their popular book clubs for young readers.

Teens interested in participating in Teen Scene can pick-up their first book on Wednesday, September 20th from 7 to 8 p.m. in the 2nd floor Reading Room.

Children interested in participating can pick their first book on Thursday, September 21st from 4 to 5 p.m. in the Library's Community Room.

The Bookwormers:

Ages 5 to 6, 4:30 to 5 p.m., Fridays, October 20th, November 17th and December 15th. Young readers will be encouraged to share their thoughts on a new easy reader book at each session.

The Book Enders:

Ages 7 to 8, 4 to 5 p.m., Mondays, October 23rd, November 20th and December 11th. A new chapter book or junior fiction book will be read by members at each session followed by a lively discussion period led by a Library staffer.

The Novelists:

Ages 9 to 12, 4 to 5 p.m., Mondays, October 30th, November 27th and December 18th.

Junior fiction book readers will gather to discuss their shared experiences and opinions.

Teen Scene:

Ages 13 to 18, 7 to 8 p.m., Mondays, October 30th, November 20th and December 11th. Teens will read and discuss their opinions of a teen fiction book.

Baby and Me/Story Time Classes

The Weehawken Free Public Library will begin registration for the popular Baby and Me and Story Time classes on Monday, October 2nd at 9:30 a.m.

Baby and Me Junior (ages 6 to 18 months) Wednesdays, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. (Limit of 15 per session)

Baby and Me Senior (ages 19 to 24 months) Wednesdays, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. (Limit of 15 per session)

Story Time Tuesday (ages 2 to 3) Tuesdays, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. or 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. (Limit of 15 per session)

Story Time Saturday (ages 3 to 4) Saturdays, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. (Limit of 20)

These programs are for Weehawken Residents only proof of residency as well as child's birth certificate or passport is required. Registration may be done in person or by calling 201-863-7823.

Library Offers Free Conversational ESL Program

This autumn, the Library will be offering a Conversational ESL program for those adults for whom English is not their primary language. This beginner's level program will be held for six weeks beginning on Wednesday, October 18th from 6 to 7:30 p.m. The class will be limited to 15 participants and open to Weehawken residents only. Registration is required and it begins on Wednesday, September 20th.

Knitting & Crocheting Hour



Knit and crochet with others! Get inspired, get tips, or finish up a forgotten project at sessions held on Mondays, September 11th, October 16th, November 20th and December 18th at 7 p.m. All skill levels are welcome. Open to participants ages 18 and up.

Cultural Book Club

The Cultural Book Club meets throughout the fall/winter season. Contact the Library's second-floor circulation desk at 201-863-7823 for meeting dates.