

**Freehold
Public
Library**

October 2016

Visit our online calendar for hours
and event schedule:

www.tinyurl.com/fpl-calendar

**Closed 10/10
for Columbus Day**

28-1/2 East Main St
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www.freeholdpubliclibrary.org



Banned Books Week (September 25 - October 1)

By the time you read this, the official "Banned Books Week," designated by the American Library Association (ALA), will be over. What's the point, anyway? you're thinking; "I can read any book I want."

Yes. That's true. But this freedom didn't come about automatically, and, like all liberties, requires vigilance to maintain.

There are always people and groups who would like to make it *their* business to determine what is fit for *you* and your family to read. The historic and prevailing attitude of library people is that it is the *individual* (or child's *parent*) who chooses what material is in his or her best interest to read. Also, it's a library's business to provide access to a wide-range of material, information and ideas.

The ALA keeps track of titles that some folks would like kept out of the hands (and minds) of others by encouraging schools and libraries to report "challenges." Maybe you'll agree that some of these titles aren't for you. But, isn't it nice that you can choose for yourself?

Top ten most frequently challenged books of 2015:

1. Looking for Alaska, by John Green.
2. Fifty Shades of Grey, by E. L. James.
3. I Am Jazz, by Jessica Herthel and Jazz Jennings.
4. Beyond Magenta: Transgender Teens Speak Out, by Susan Kuklin.
5. The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time, by Mark Haddon.
6. The Holy Bible.
7. Fun Home, by Alison Bechdel.
8. Habibi, by Craig Thompson.
9. Nasreen's Secret School: A True Story from Afghanistan, by Jeanette Winter.
10. Two Boys Kissing, by David Levithan.

For details and more information, visit:
<http://www.ala.org/bbooks/frequentlychallengedbooks/top10#toptenlists>



Wednesday, 10/5, 7:15 pm.

ADULTS: Book Group. October's meeting will feature guest speaker Michelle Sassa, author of *Copygirl*. November: *Secrets of Harmony Grove* by Mindy Starns Clark. See Teri Stich for information.



Thursday, 10/27, 6:30 pm.

ADULTS: Join the Friends! Group of volunteers that supports the library with programming and fund-raisers. See Barbara Greenberg, Library Director, or call 732-462-5135.

Homework Help



Monday, 10/3, 10/17 & 10/24; 4 - 4:45 pm.

GRADES K - 7. Free help provided by high school volunteers.



Wednesday, 10/5, 10/12 & 10/26; 3:30 - 4:15 pm.

GRADES K - 3: Snacks, activities and fun.



There is NO "Make It" Happens event in October.

**Read to
the Dog!**



Wednesday, 10/19, 3:30 - 4:15 pm.

CHILDREN/ALL AGES: Read to Lily, MCSPCA Therapy Dog.



Wednesday, 10/26, 7:30 - 8:30 pm.

GRADE 6 & UP: Teen Library Committee's HALLOWEEN PARTY!
See event flyer for party theme.

**Toddler
Time!**



Tuesday, 10/4, 10/11 & 10/18; 10 - 10:30 am.

BABIES - PRESCHOOLERS (with adults): Music, movement & fun.

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Walkabout

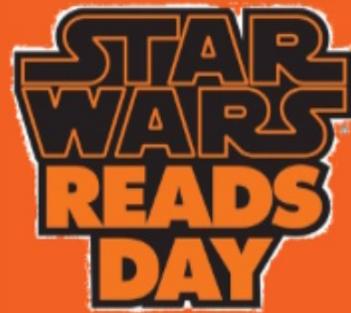
Wednesday Evening
October 12

Meet inside the library
at 7 pm

Group will step-off at 7:15,
returning to the library by 9 pm.

Bring some money to buy a treat while we're out.
Make sure your battery is charged!
Rain or shine.

Children under 10, please bring a grown-up.



Snacks and Star Wars-themed fun
for the whole family*

*droids welcome

Family event: small children, please bring a grown-up

Thursday
October 27
3:30 - 4:30 pm



The Teen Library Committee Presents

Cosplay Halloween Party

Party for 6th - 12th graders

Wednesday

October 26

7:30 - 8:30 pm

Snacks, friends,
fun stuff, and
(of course) candy

Wear your
COSPLAY outfit
(or any costume)



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