August 2020 NEWSLETTER

Freehold Public Library

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Library phone number: 732-462-5135
24-Hour Voice Mail Number: 848-863-5075
Email: help@freeholdpubliclibrary.org

What's New!

- **WE'RE OPEN!** Monday through Friday, 9am - 5pm.

- **"Hands-Off Holds" Still Available**. *Service available Monday through Friday, 9am - 5pm only.*

  Search our card catalog by visiting our webpage or via this link. Then, call or email us at the library with your titles/authors, and we'll gather the books you want.

  Pick-up your bag of books in the vestibule at the front entrance of the library

- **COVID-19 Safety.** All returned material is quarantined for 3 days, so items will still be shown as "on loan" to patrons during that time. This protects staff as well as the next borrower.

- **"Imagine Your Story" Summer Program**. Information about our summer programs is kept on a separate page for your convenience. We'll share announcements on social media as well. Programs are evolving as we go, so watch for updates!

- **Meet (via Zoom) @ the Library**. When the building was open, many groups and clubs, along with tutors and playgroups, met at the library. During our closure, we may be able to host your meeting "virtually." Contact us at help@freeholdpubliclibrary.org for more information.

- **Outdoor Library Spaces** are available for your use whenever the library is not occupying the spaces for programming. WiFi reaches areas close to the building. Please remember to keep at least six feet between people, and dispose of any garbage properly.

August Library Events and Meetings [Link to Online Calendar]

Garden Variety
Music & Move

Music, fingerplays and fun for younger children and families

OUTDOORS in the
Appleyard Family Reading Garden
(behind the library)

Most Tuesdays
10 am

- Schedule: visit https://tinyurl.com/fpl-calendar
- Cancellation notices: subscribe to https://www.remind.com/join/fplpr
- Bring a blanket to sit on

Physical distancing of at least six feet between families required

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Shout Out Storytime!

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Most Thursdays
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- **Garden Variety Music and Move! Tuesdays 10:00 AM (outdoors, behind library).** Bring your own blanket/camp chair! For babies/children/families (formerly Toddler Time). Music and music with Ms. Kathy. Physical Distancing guidelines (at least 6 feet between non-cohabitants) required.

- **Book Chat. Wednesday, August 5, 3:30 PM (via Zoom)** Free-flowing discussion about books, literature, libraries, or whatever, facilitated by Book Group leader Erika Cox! *She's back!*
  Click on this link to join:
  https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85912479651?pwd=eDd3OUZDZlZTT2ZQMXdya0VDQTNoUT09
  Meeting ID: 859 1247 9651
  Password: 132239

- **Shout Out Storytime! Thursdays 10:30 AM (outdoors, behind library).** Bring your own blanket/camp chair and snacks! For children/families. Physical Distancing guidelines (at least 6 feet between non-cohabitants) required.

- **Trustees Meeting. Tuesday, August 11. 7:00 PM (via Zoom)** The Trustees are tasked with the operation of the library. Public participation is welcome.
  Dial In: 929-205-6099; Meeting ID: 867 4699 8258; Password: 481458

- **Teen Library Committee Meeting. Wednesday, August 19, 7:30 PM (via Zoom)**
  Click on this link to join:
  https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87386614101?pwd=WnpCUjlYV1NGb0Q4VVdyYTZHcXc3UT09
  Meeting ID: 873 8661 4101
  Password: 866827

- **Come Write In! Meeting. Wednesday, August 26, 7:30 PM (via Zoom)**
  Click on this link to join:
  https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84640525319?pwd=SldxQ0tVZndBbEhJa3lXbW1oMmtCZz09
  Meeting ID: 846 4052 5319
  Password: 685700

- **Crochet Club Meeting. Monday, August 31, 7:30 PM (via Zoom)** Join your friends in Crochet Club as we chat, share progress (or lack of progress!) on projects, learn a few tips, and catch-up with each other.
  Click on this link to join:
  https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89119994188?pwd=c0drejNRK3dsazR5dk15dUhnWkpnUT09
  Meeting ID: 890 1132 3198
  Password: 944014

- **Check-in with your Librarians!** Make an appointment. (flexible schedule): Individuals or groups. Via Zoom, Facebook Video Call/Messenger, or telephone (848-863-5075). Email Kathy at kmulholland@freeholdpubliclibrary.org, or find her on Facebook to set-up a day/time. To speak with someone in Spanish, email Evelyn at esoto@freeholdpubliclibrary.org for an appointment.

Dear Library Patron:

We are delighted to welcome you back into the library building!

I'm mindful of a line from Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*: "Life is so unnerving for a servant who's not serving," according to Lumière (https://youtu.be/Iwtwb4g1qsk). Yes, we worked hard to switch our availability over to *digital* and reinvented ways to provide services. But, let's admit it. It's not the same. It was indeed *unnerving* to say the least.

Even as there are some changes to the library's operation compared to B.C. ("before corona"), having the building open is an enormous relief and step forward. The staff and Trustees of the library appreciate all the cooperation and support we've observed as you've arrived masked-up and eager to help us and our community invent together the "new normal."

I encourage you to share with us any suggestions you have for navigating these new waters, and let us know if we can be of assistance.

We are, after all, at your service.

Sincerely,

Kathy Mulholland

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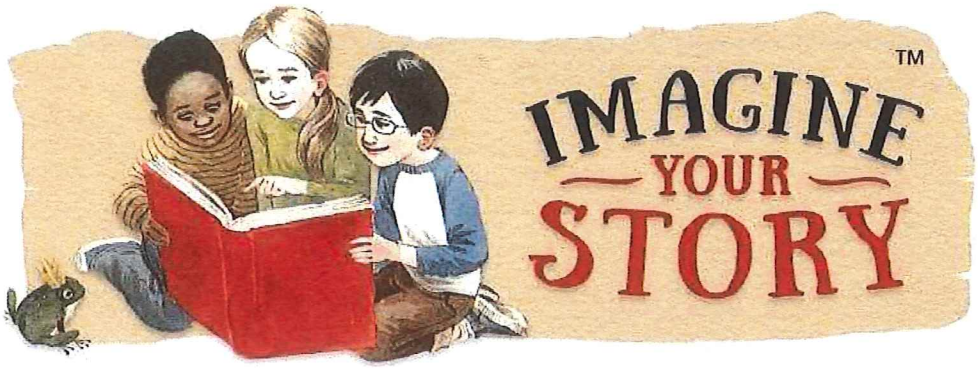
Library Director

Library Information Page

To keep this newsletter from becoming too much of the "same old same old," we're relocating information that doesn't change much from month to month. Access all that information by visiting this page:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1g8sa1tvLCYIcbj7C1RAY4tWxbTvnlQceq5IYmlNbxjs/edit?usp=sharing



Summer 2020 Program Bulletin

Reading tracking program:

READsquared!

Sign-up here: http://freeholdpl.readsquared.com/

Reading adventures for all ages

💻Virtual (online) Programs!

(These programs are not listed separately on our program calendar)

💻Hablo Inglés!

For children looking to improve their English skills.
Brought to you by the same team that conducted summertime Hablo Inglés programs at the library the last several years. Free, no registration required!
https://sites.google.com/view/habloinglesfreehold/summer-of-2020-virtual-lessons?authuser=0

💻 Citizen Science Meets Summer Reading!

Information:
https://blog.scistarter.org/2020/07/summer-reading-meets-citizen-science/
See list, register for real-time virtual programs, or watch recordings:
https://scistarter.org/nlm#nlm-summer-reading-register

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💻 We Are the Alexandria Library Sit-In

August 8, 2pm: *Presented by Excellence in Library Programming Award*
https://programminglibrarian.org/learn/excellence-library-programming-award-presents-we-are-alexandria-library-sit ("Register" button on left side of page; don't be confused by the time, 1pm Central = 2pm Eastern)

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En español

Inside the Library

Because of the COVID-19 emergency, all in-building programming for the summer of 2020 is cancelled.
No gatherings of 3rd-party groups (tutors, clubs, etc.) are allowed until further notice.

Give-Aways!

The library is discontinuing prizes for reading, so we have some great loot to give-away!
Ask for a prize grab-bag when you're at the library.

Video Challenge for Teens!

The CSLP Teen Video Challenge is back for 2020!
Go to https://www.cslpreads.org/programs/teen-program/2020-teen-video-challenge/
for all the details, including the submission form and contest rules.

The Teen Video Challenge, sponsored by the
Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP),
is an annual national video contest open to all teens.

The challenge is for teens to create a public service announcement-type video that shows their unique interpretation of the 2020 CSLP slogan "Imagine Your Story."
Videos are to be no longer than 60 seconds and should promote libraries and reading.

Videos will be accepted June 1 through August 7, 2020.

There will be 5 national winners.
All teens have to do is submit a link to their video and complete a simple online form.

2019's 5 winning videos: https://www.cslpreads.org/2019-teen-video-challenge-tvc/

Free Comics & Graphic Novel E-Books for Children and Teens in New Jersey & Virtual Library Comic Convention
July 30th from 1 – 6 pm (Registration Open)

The New Jersey State Library is participating in an online Virtual Library Comic Convention hosted by BiblioLabs on July 30th from 1 – 6 pm ET, featuring interactive sessions with leading talent. We encourage you to attend this free event. During the convention, San Jose (CA) librarians will be talking about grassroots graphic novel creation and comics creators will discuss comic book art and the creative process.
Register for the VLCC here: https://createsharediscover.com/vlcc-events/

Here's a recent article about the VLCC from Library Journal.

BiblioLabs has also provided the NJ State Library with access to a free e-book library of selected graphic novels and comics available that children and teens can freely access in New Jersey during the summer months. As of right now, there are 3,767 titles available, with additional content being added. You don't need a library card to access them, and there are no holds required. The collection uses geolocation to provide access if you're located within the state. The collection includes simultaneous use e-books from leading children's comics and graphic novel publishers and the San Jose Public Library Graphic Novel Archive from their Graphic Novel Writing Contests.

Visit https://njsl-vlcc.biblioboard.com/ to start reading! Once you click on the link, you can access the entire collection by clicking on the Menu button on the top left-hand side of the page. You don't have to create an account or log in to read what's available – just click on Categories or Curation under Explore. To see the entire list of what's available, click on Read under Explore.

Freehold TLC 4-H Club/Teen Library Committee

We know students are "Zoomed out" right now. Plans are in the work for in-person OUTDOOR programs at the library through the end of 2020. Ideas so far are Outdoor Movie Nights and Teen Book Sale. Anything that we can safely do (social distancing/masks) is on the (outdoor) table, so feel free to suggest!