

The Franklin File

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Franklin Township Library



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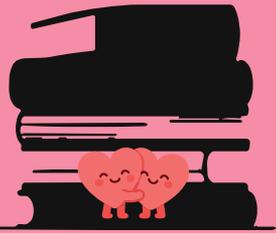
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Library Hours:
Mon - Thurs: 10am - 8pm
Fri: 10am - 5pm
Sat: 10am - 4:30pm
Closed Sundays



Have a Blind Date with a Book!
Grab a bag appropriate for the reader (adult, teen, children) and take it on a quiet date. When you return the book, complete the attached review card to be entered into a raffle. Will you love it or be left heartbroken?



Ask about borrowing a museum pass to the Museum of American Revolution, Battleship New Jersey, or one of 10 other available passes!
Museum passes are funded by the Friends of Franklin Township Library.

Don't let the February frost keep you indoors. It's Love Your Library Month. We add new material to our shelves weekly, and our calendar is packed with programs to spark your interest! If you simply can't stand the cold, you can still access over 500 digital magazines & thousands of ebooks from the comfort of your home using the Libby app. Stay warm, stay curious, and visit the library!

Winter Activities for Adults

Spin Me a Yarn

Wednesdays, February 4, 11, 18, 25
2:00 - 3:00pm

If you want to socialize while working on your yarn project, this is the space. Want to learn how to start loom knitting or basic crochet stitches? Our staff member will gladly help teach you! *Meeting Room.*

Mah Jongg - Fridays 1:00 - 4:00pm

Tile-based game similar to the card game, Rummy. No experience needed. Drop in to learn. New players always welcome.
Meeting Room.

Woolly Weekends

TWO-PART WORKSHOP!
Saturdays, February 7 & 21
10:30am-12:30pm



Session 1: Create a wool canvas background for a picture. (up to 9"x12")

Session 2: "Paint" or sculpt a picture on your wool canvas from session 1.

Spaces are limited. Registration required. (must attend both sessions)

Meeting Room.

Taste of the Collection

Tuesday, February 10
During library hours, while samples last.



You're invited to sample homemade coffee cake, along with a cup of coffee or tea, this month. The coffee cake will be made by a staff member ahead of time using a recipe from Stephen Colbert's cookbook *Does This Taste Funny?* (There will also be a vegan adaptation to sample.)

Mobile Notary

Free notarization by Monique Moore, Inkspot Mobile Notary. Please contact the library.

Library Board of Trustees Meeting

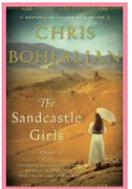
Wednesday, February 18 at 7:00pm
All are welcome. *Meeting Room.*

SNAP Benefits Information Table

Thursday, February 19
10:00am - 12:00pm

Page Turners

Thursday, February 19 at 4:00pm
This month's title is *The Sandcastle Girls* by Chris Bohjalian. *Meeting Room.*



Friends of the Library Meeting

Saturday, February 28 at 9:30am
All are welcome. *Meeting Room.*

No Bunny Does it Better! - Crafternoon*

Thursday, February 26 at 3:00pm.
Join our DIY bunny decorating and be ready to hop into March. *Community Center.*



We Have a Library of Things!

Library cardholders in good standing can borrow items such as a stud finder, record player, portable DVD player with screen, binoculars and more! Even an Ice Cream Maker is coming soon! Tell us what you're interested in being able to borrow with your library card. Items are funded by The Friends of Franklin Township Library.

DID YOU KNOW?

Ages 0-5

Early Literacy Take and Make

Kits change monthly and are designed to highlight early literacy skills and develop fine motor skills. Pick them up in the Youth Section while they last. *Pre-K - Kindergarten.*

Explore on the Floor

Fridays, February 6, 13 from 10:30am - 12:30pm
Open play. Practice social skills like turn-taking. Bring a friend or meet one!
Ages 0 - 5. Activity Room.



Story Time*

Wednesdays, February 11, 18, 25
10:30 - 11:00am
Reading, movement, and music.
Best for ages 3 - 5. Activity Room.

Rhyme Time*

Thursdays, February 12, 19, 26
10:30 - 11:00am
Develop baby's motor, sensory, and social skills through exploration of short books, rhymes, songs, and more!
Ages 0 - 2. Siblings are welcome. Activity Room.

Night Owls* Pajama Story Time (Now two nights!)

Tuesdays, February 3, 17
6:00 - 6:30pm
Pajamas are encouraged for all, and don't forget to bring your favorite stuffed animal. *Best for ages 3 - 5. Activity Room.*



Grades K - 5

Kid Take and Make

Monthly crafts designed especially for those in 1st - 5th grade. Pick up in the Youth Section while supplies last.

STEM Activity: Magna Tiles

Self-guided activity. *Activity Room.*

Blocks & Building

Saturday, February 7 from 11:00am - 12:00pm
Calling all builders! Construction challenges for various building materials, including LEGO, Magna Tiles, and Mega Blocks. *For children ages 11 and under. Activity Room.*

Barking Book Buddies*

Monday, February 16 from 6:30 - 7:30pm
Read to a dog! Each participant will get 15 minutes so have a book ready. We're here if you need help choosing. *In partnership with Tri-State K9 Response Team. For kindergarteners & up. Activity Room.*

KITCHEN EXPLORERS*

(Afternoon session added!)
Monday, February 2 at 6:00pm. or
Tuesday, February 24 at 2:00pm
What's tickling your taste buds this month? Ham & Cheese Sliders from *The Complete Cookbook for Young Chefs!*
Contact Candace at cworrell@ftlnj.org for allergens information. **Grades 2 - 5. Activity Room.**



LEGO®Challenge* (Afternoon session added!)

Tuesday, February 10 from 1:00 - 2:00pm &
Tuesday, February 24 from 6:00 - 7:00pm
Are you a Lego Master? Each month you will be presented with a new challenge. Are your building skills up to the task? *Grades K - 5 and their families. Community Center, Room 1.*

Big Kids' Story Time*

Saturday, February 28 at 10:30am
For kids ages 6 and up! Enjoy a story time just for you! Each month we will read books, sing silly songs, and create crafts. *Activity Room.*

Grades 6 - 12

** Monthly Take & Make kits include all materials. While supplies last! *Teen Space.*



Anime Club*

Wednesday, February 4 from 6:30 - 7:30pm
Dive into the world of anime at our teen club! It's the perfect place to meet your "nakama" (close friends/comrades). This month we're also trying some origami. *Activity Room.*

Dungeons & Dragons*

Monday, February 9 from 6:00 - 7:30pm
Experienced and new players welcome to join the campaign with Dungeon Master Lee Bryan. *Meeting Room.*

What's Cooking*

Monday, February 23 at 6:00pm
Learn basic cooking skills with easy recipes. This month you can learn how to make Chocolate Mug Cake from *The Complete Cookbook for Young Chefs!*
Contact Candace at cworrell@ftlnj.org for allergens information. *Activity Room.*



Teen Game Night*

Wednesday, February 25 from 6:00 - 7:00pm
Mid-week pizza and board games! *Pizza donated by Nick's Pizzeria and Steakhouse, Franklinville. Meeting Room.*

Volunteer Power Hours*

Saturday, February 28 from 2:00 - 4:00pm
Need volunteer hours? We need you!
Craft prep and other tasks. *Activity Room.*



SPECIAL

Yoga for Kids*

Friday, February 13 from 3 - 4 pm
School's out for a long weekend! Get started off right with a yoga session from Enchanting Entertainment.
Bring a yoga mat or towel.
Grades K - 5. Activity Room.

Celebrating the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence: February's activities for school-aged children include a timeline of Ben Franklin's Life, Writing a letter to George Washington and an America 250 Crossword Puzzle.

*Requires registration, which begins the 15th of the previous month.