MATAWAN ABERDEEN PUBLIC LIBRARY

Matawan Aberdeen Public Library e-Newsletter

December 2018

Library Hours

Monday & Thursday: 9:00 am - 9:00 pm
Tues, Wed, and Fri: 9:00 am - 6:00 pm*
Saturday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday: 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

*Starting January 2, the library will ALSO be open Wednesday evenings until 9:00 pm

Closings

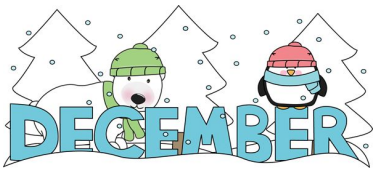
Sunday, December 23, Monday, December 24 and Tuesday, December 25 (Christmas)
Monday, December 31 (New Year's Eve)
Tuesday, January 1 (New Year's)
Monday, January 21 (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)

Celebrate December!!!

Welcome to our December 2018 e-newsletter --
MAPL's annual Festival of Giving returns
along with a wide variety of programs for patrons of all ages!

For more information about any of our programs or resources, click on the following link to access our website:

MAPL Home Page



Are you looking for a special holiday gift?
Be a lasting part of the MAPL legacy
by purchasing a paver for our new garden!

Would you like to memorialize a loved one, see your own name in print,
or share a favorite quote to help the Library fund our outdoor beautification project?
Put your message on a paving stone!
Engraved stones are now being sold for $100 each.
Each stone can hold your message of choice,
up to three lines of text, maximum 15 characters and spaces per line.
Stones will be placed in our Marla Sieman Memorial Garden to be installed in Spring 2019.
Stop by the Library or email kpaone@lmxac.org for more details.

Coming in January:

Join us Wednesday, January 2, from 5-8pm for an open house
to celebrate the return of Wednesday night hours at MAPL.

December Programs for Adults

Our events are free to our patrons, but we ask you to register for them
by stopping by the Information Desk, calling the library,
or emailing Jill at mapladults@lmxac.org.
Some events are not listed because they are already fully registered.
Check the library's calendar (see below) to look for new events as they are posted.

Calendar of Events at MAPL

Our Annual FESTIVAL OF GIVING Returns

**Throughout December, help celebrate the holiday season
with MAPL's Festival of Giving.
Three of our favorite programs return:
Food for Fines, Mitten Tree, and The Giving Tree.**

**In addition, a number of special programs for adults, teens, and kids
will be held in December. For more information about the Festival of Giving,
click on the following link.**

2018 Festival of Giving

After Hours Music: Holiday Concert
New Jersey Symphony Orchestra Chamber Players
Friday, December 7 @ 7:00 pm

Join us at the library to celebrate the holidays with this extraordinary performance by a pair of musicians from the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra.
Listen to classic holiday favorites while enjoying some light refreshments.
It's the perfect way to welcome in the season!

Also in December

Using Ancestry.com:
Overview of Tips, Tricks, and Best Practices
with Local Genealogy Specialist Chris Taylor
Thursday, December 6 @ 7:00 pm

This presentation will help those who are just getting started with Ancestry.com as well as the seasoned user to maximize your family research experience. Included will be a review of Ancestry's current subscription plans and options, searching for family records, online family trees, and DNA analysis.

Additional Adult Programs for December:

Online Businesses and New Jersey Tax
Thursday, December 6 @ 1:00 pm
This program will take place at the Old Bridge Public Library.

Holiday Movie: Lovely, Still
Sunday, December 9 @ 1:00 pm

Pottery Painting for the Holidays
Saturday, December 15 @ 2:00 pm

2019 Calendar Exchange
throughout December
Do you have more calendars than you need?
Are you still looking for just the right calendar?
Join our calendar exchange. Bring your extra calendars or look for a new one.

Health and Exercise for Adults:

Learn Tai Chi
Thursday, December 6 @ 11:00 am

Chair Yoga
Thursday, December 13 @ 1:30 pm

Yoga Basics
Monday, December 17 @ 7:00 pm

Movies at MAPL:
(Mondays at 2:00 pm)

Juliet, Naked
December 3 -- R, 98 minutes

Crazy Rich Asians
December 10 -- PG-13, 120 minutes

Christopher Robin
December 17 -- PG, 104 minutes

For more information about the December movies,
click on this link:
December Movies

Clubs and Groups at MAPL:

Friends of MAPL: Monday, December 3 @ 7:00 pm
Genealogy Club: First Thursday @ 7:00 pm
Book Club: Second Thursday @ 7:30 pm
Mahjong Club: Fridays @ 10:00 am

MAPL Kids Are the Best!!!

Ongoing and Special Programs for Kids, Tweens, and Teens

This December, MAPL offers a variety of programs for children six months and up - all the way through teens. Check the library calendar of events for more details and for information about how to register, as needed. (Events marked below with ** require registration.) To register for these events, call the library or send an email to maplkids@lmxac.org.

MAPL Calendar for December

Festival of Giving
Our annual festival of giving isn't just for adults, but also for kids, tweens, and teens. Click below for more information!
2018 Festival of Giving

Featured Events for Teens (grades 6-12):

*Teen Life Skills: Gift Giving***
Thursday, December 13 @ 5:00 pm

Come to the library to practice all things gift giving!
We will learn how to wrap presents, how to write thank-you notes, and how to pick out the perfect gift.
We will also create a DIY gift to take home!
Teens in grades 6-12 welcome. Registration is required.

*Teen Movie Night***

Thursday, December 27 @ 6:00 pm

Join us in the meeting room to see the movie *Every Day*, based on the book by David Levithan. The movie is PG-13.
While watching, we will make popcorn mixes from the popcorn bar.
Teens in grades 6-12 welcome. Registration is required.

Teen Volunteer Day

Monday, December 10 @ 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Teen Craft on the Go

Monday, December 17 @ 4:00 - 9:00 pm

And More Programs for Our MAPL Kids!

Gingerbread House Making**
Saturday, December 8 @ 10:30 am

Polar Express Party**
Saturday, December 15 @ 10:00 am

Reading to a Therapy Dog (grades K-5)**
Therapy Dog Kassidy: Tuesday, December 18 @ 4:30 pm

Letters to Santa: Cursive Writing (grades 3 and up)**
Thursday, December 6 @ 4:20 pm

Family Story Time (all ages)
Sunday, December 16 @ 2:00 pm
Thursday, December 27 @ 10:00 am

Drop-in Activity
Saturdays @ 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
December 1: Ornament Craft
December 8: Ugly Sweater Craft
December 15: Holiday Wreath Craft
December 22: Snowman Scavenger Hunt and Craft
December 29: New Year Count Down

Additional Activities for December:

This month, we also have ongoing activities, such as
Baby Story Time, Toddler Time, Tuesday Morning Playgroup,
Crafty Kids, Book Bunch, Page Turners,
Music Making Marble Track, Lego Club, Magnets in the Morning,
Puzzle Time, Reading Buddies, and Craft on the Go.
For information about these activities, check the MAPL calendar at the following link:

MAPL Calendar of Events

Additional Resources at the Library:

Tech and Electronic Resources for You!

Introduction to Crowdfunding
Monday, December 3@ 7:00 pm

Hot Tech Gadgets of 2018
Monday, December 10 @ 7:00 pm

Electronic Database of the Month:

ancestry Library Edition

MAPL offers you access to many, many databases through its website.
This month's featured database is
Ancestry: Library Edition.
For more information about this database and how to access it,
click on the following link:
Ancestry.com Library Edition

One-on-One Computer Sessions
MAPL offers free one-on-one computer sessions with knowledgeable computer techs.
Each session will be an hour long and can cover a range of topics
such as online forms, email, the Internet, downloading e-materials,
and any other general computer questions you may have.
Call the information desk for available dates *to sign up for a one-hour session.*
Check at the Computer Assistance desk for available dates and times.

New Arrivals at MAPL
Every week, new books and DVDs arrive at the library for your enjoyment.
Click on the following link for just a small sampling
of some of the many brand new adult fiction, adult non-fiction,
children's, and DVD resources that are available to you!
December New Arrivals

Books for Sale!

Did you miss our October book sale? You can still buy books at a great price!
The small hallway between the circulation desk and the reference room has shelves full of books, audiobooks, and DVDs available for purchase.
All proceeds go to the Friends of MAPL, for the special programs they fund for our library.
See the library staff at the circulation desk for more information!

Museum Pass Program

One of the many programs sponsored by MAPL's Friends of the Library
is the Museum Pass Program, which provides patrons
with access to several area museums.
This month we feature **The Frick Collection**.

The Frick Collection

For more information about the program, click on the following link.
Museum Pass Program and The Frick Collection

Amazon Smile Program

When you shop at smile.amazon.com, Amazon will donate 0.5% of your purchase price
to the Friends of the Matawan Aberdeen Public Library.
To learn more, go to the following link.
This opportunity is good not only for holiday shopping, but also throughout the entire year.

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