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A Message From Our Acting Library Director:
Doreen Shoba

New Year’s Greetings all around. Hope this year will be safe and sound for all of us. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the library staff, the library volunteers, our partners, the Friends of the Wayne Public Library, the Library Foundation, the Board of Trustees, and last but not least, our library patrons, for the great contributions made last year. Here are some of the 2019 highlights:

- Preakness Branch patrons were welcomed at the Main Library after the abrupt closing of the branch in June 2019. The Township bus service for senior citizens added more routes to and from the library for library users.
- A new carpet was installed in the greater part of the library, and more comfortable chairs were made available along the stacks for quick and relaxed reading.
- The Reference Department repurposed the reference shelf area for housing Romance books, audio materials and creating more sitting and study areas.
- An annual fundraiser, Mini-Golf at the library, was enjoyed by both young and old.
- Closing the year 2019, WPL (Wayne Public Library) hosted a blood drive for our partner, the American Red Cross. The goal was to collect 34 pints of blood, however, by 5:00 PM (30 minutes before closing), 36 pints were collected, thus more lives can be saved.

We have many more projects lined up this year and I am sure with dedication and determination we will be able to complete those also in time. For example, the upgrading of the Children’s Room to make it more youth-focused—this project is spearheaded by the president of the Board, Roberta Loniewski, and fully supported by the children’s librarians and the Library Foundation members. Next are the 2020 Census training, the Strategic plan—to bring in changes that you wish to see, and the Staff development day among other 2020 projects. Let’s continue to see success as we did last year. Wishing all of you a very happy and prosperous new year.

For your safety:
In the case of inclement weather, please phone ahead or check our website before attempting to visit the library.
Mission Statement

The Wayne Public Library is committed to providing outstanding materials, access and services that assist the individuals’ quest for knowledge and provides for an informed citizenry in a democratic society. It serves the life-long informational, educational, cultural and recreational needs of the community.

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Where can you find the Library’s program information?

- The Events Calendar on the Library website: waynepubliclibrary.org
- Wayne Public Library Facebook Page
  - Cablevision Channel 77
  - FIOS Channel 44
  - Wayne Patch (online)
- HomeTown News Wayne (online)
- Check It Out! Bimonthly Newsletter & Monthly Adult Calendar (PDF via email; linked on our website, or in print)

Do you want to develop your cooking and baking skills in the New Year?

Cooks Among the Books:
The 95th Anniversary Cookbook
$15.00 per book (limited edition)

This cookbook contains over 240 recipes from staff, patrons, and library supporters, along with helpful cooking hints and tips.

Available at the Reference Desk via cash or check.

To pay by credit card using PayPal, please visit: waynepubliclibrary.org and scroll down to the link.

Sign up to receive this bimonthly newsletter and monthly calendar straight to your inbox as a PDF file!

Go to waynepubliclibrary.org; scroll down to the bottom of the page to ‘Library eNewsletters’ and click on ‘Read More’; enter your email address and be sure to click on ‘SUBSCRIBE’. A confirmation email will be sent to your inbox. Your subscription will be activated when you click on the link provided in the email.

Author Presentation & Book Signing with Jeffery J. Antonucci

Sunday, February 9, 2020 1:00 – 4:30 PM

Mr. Antonucci, a resident of Wayne, will autograph purchased copies of his book, Deep Within a Blueberry Sky, and donate $5.00 per book to the Library Foundation.

For those who cannot attend, but would still like to benefit the Library Foundation, books can be purchased at: https://inspiredworks.net using the promo code”WLF”

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UPCOMING HOLIDAY HOURS & CLOSING INFORMATION

Visit waynepubliclibrary.org and click on ‘About Us’

Wednesday, January 1
(New Year’s Day): CLOSED

Monday, January 20
(Martin Luther King Day): CLOSE @ 5:00 PM

Wednesday, February 12
(Lincoln’s Birthday): CLOSE @ 5:00 PM

Monday, February 17
(President’s Day): CLOSE @ 5:00 PM

Board Meeting

Tuesdays; Public portion begins @ 7:00 PM
January 14
Location: Board Room
(Upper Level)
February 11
Location: Meeting Room A
(Lower Level)
All meetings are open

Check It Out! Wayne Public Library

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**Free Foreign Films**
First Tuesday of the month @ 2:00 PM (except in November due to Election Day)
First Thursday of the month @ 7:00 PM
**Subtitles will be used when necessary.**

**Documentary Film Series**

Upcoming dates:

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**LIBRARY PROGRAMS**

**Movie Discussion Group**
Come join in the fun of discussing the latest releases and some of your favorite movies.

This group meets the 4th Monday of each month @ 2:00 PM (Except in May due to Memorial Day)

**Friday afternoons beginning January 17, 2020**
2:00 PM
**Meeting Room A**

Alyssa Hansson, from *Brookdale Independent Living* in Wayne, will present a program on the difference between Home Care and Skilled Nursing Care. This will be the first program in a monthly series on Friday afternoons. Professionals from different fields will be here to talk on various topics of interest to older adults.

**AARP INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE**
The AARP is holding income tax preparation assistance for seniors and those with low and moderate income.

**AARP volunteers will begin making in-person appointments** at the Wayne Public Library between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM on Mondays and Fridays.


Please bring important financial documents and last year’s tax forms.

**Watercolor Painting Class**
Basic watercolor styles & techniques, color study and composition.

Classes meet each Thursday afternoon from 2:00—4:00 PM in Meeting Room B.

Merrill Crowell, instructor, designer & painter, conducts the classes. All levels (including beginner) of adult painters are welcome!

For more information, please contact the Reference Dept. at 973-694-4272 x5401

**Current Events Discussion Group**
Meets Tuesday-Thursday-Friday mornings
Time: 10:00 AM
Location: Meeting Room B
Contact the Reference Desk for more information: 973-694-4272 x5401
LIBRARY PROGRAMS

LUNCHBOX LEARNING series
The 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month in the Meeting Room.
12:00 PM Lunch; Program begins @ 12:30 PM. All are welcome.
Coffee, tea and cookies provided by the Friends of WPL, bring your own lunch.
Limited seating: first-come, first-serve basis. Groups call in advance for reservations.
(Reservations not made for individuals). For detailed information, see the monthly calendar online,
the printed flyers, or contact Deborah Rosenblatt at 973-694-4272 x5408.

January 8: “Elder Financial Abuse” – Robert J. Bloodgood, Esq, AnnaMarie Mock & Ed Leach

January 22: “Stages of Senior Care” – panel discussion

February 12: “Rock n’ Roll with Soul” – The Kootz

February 26: Chamber Music Concert – Hyungyung Kim (piano) and Ruth Rivioli (violin)

High Mountain Meadow Poetry Series
Sunday, January 12th at 2:00 PM
Location: Meeting Room

Featured Poet: Tom Plante

Presentation is followed by an Open Mic

Hosted by Paul Nash & Denise La Neve, representing the North Jersey Literary Community and the Poets of the Palisades
The program is sponsored by the Wayne Public Library and all are welcome.

Next program scheduled for March 8, 2020.

LinkedIn Local
Passaic County job support & networking group
First Wednesday of each month @ 7:00 pm
January 8th & February 5th
Location: Meeting Room B

Group members will be sharing their needs and expertise with others. Open to anyone who’d like to network, build their online professional community while sharing best practices on job search strategies. One of our group’s goals is to help those attending build their professional community on LinkedIn.

Volunteer ESL Tutors Wanted.
Make a Difference, it is rewarding in more ways than one!

Commit at least 2 hours per week in teaching Reading, Writing and Conversation to adult immigrants with limited English language skills.

Qualifications are:
- 18 years or older, with a high school diploma, associate degree, or degree, with a good command of an English language.
- You set the schedule (between 9:00 AM—8:30 PM on Mondays to Thursdays: 9:00 AM—5:00 PM on Fridays: 10:00 AM—4:30 PM on Saturdays).
- Training and teaching materials provided by the library.

If interested please contact Doreen Shoba at (973)694-4272 ext. 5102 or email at shobad@waynepubliclibrary.org
Every Wednesday at 5:00 PM, the Wayne Public Library continues to host and facilitate the Next Chapter Book program, which serves young adults with developmental disabilities. Every student participates in reading a chapter in a chosen book followed by a movie after a book has been completed. I, together with other students, are thrilled to welcome Sedra Almidani back to the group, after her high school graduation last year.

The title of the book being currently read is: *A Dog’s Life: the Autobiography of a Stray* by Ann M. Martin. Without revealing too much of the story, I will say that this is a survival story of a stray dog named Squirrel. It is a sad, but heart-warming story that everyone should read.

For more info, contact Doreen Shoba at (973) 694-4272 ext. 5102 or by email: shobad@waynepubliclibrary.org
Yes! I would like to become a Friend of the Wayne Public Library!

(please print)

Name: __________________________________________

Address: ________________________________________

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Phone: ___________________________________________

Email: __________________________________________

Date: ___________________________________________

Check the type of membership you are interested in:

☐ Individual.................................$10.00

☐ Family........................................$15.00

☐ Corporate.................................$50.00

☐ Lifetime Membership............$100.00

Please make checks payable to:
Friends of the Wayne Public Library

We are a nonprofit organization; donations are tax deductible.

Drop off this form at the library, or mail to:
Friends of the Wayne Public Library
461 Valley Road, Wayne, NJ 07470

Matching grants from your employer greatly benefit the library.
Annual memberships expire Dec. 31st of each year.
See the Children’s Monthly Calendar for more detailed information about upcoming programs.
A fun time team building cool skeletons!

We enjoyed exploring the incredible power and beauty of the universe beyond.

CommuniTeen’s held an Oreo tasting and picked their favorite flavors.

Teens challenged themselves to learn grid drawing.

Teen creates: fun designing alcohol ink tile coasters.

See the Young Adult Monthly Calendar for more detailed information about upcoming programs.

Info about all-things-Teen, contact Lisa Jorgensen • Phone: 973-694-4272 x5305; Email: jorgenseln@waynepubliclibrary.org