

THE READER

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE CRANFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY AND THE FRIENDS OF THE CRANFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

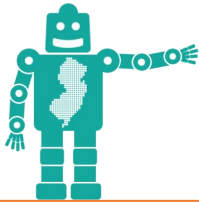
MARCH—APRIL 2018

EXPANDED LIBRARY HOURS

Beginning in April 2018, the Cranford Public Library will have restored and expanded hours for the public! On Thursday evenings, the library will be open 9:00 pm throughout the year. On Saturdays, the library will be open from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm in spring, fall and winter. In addition, this summer we will be open on Saturdays, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm from June 23 through August 25. Stay tuned for more news about library programs, events and services during these expanded hours.



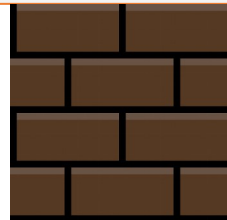
CHILDREN'S ROOM—NJ MAKERS DAY AND MORE



We're proud to be a site for **NJ Makers Day**, a celebration of hands-on creation! Join us for a day of activities centered on fiber arts on **Saturday, March 10 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm**. Children with sensory processing issues who would prefer to avoid crowds are invited to join us on **Friday, March 9 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm** as we create "I Spy" bottles. Visit our website to view our events—including a cooking class, author visit, and coding workshops—or to sign up for our Children's Room newsletter.

TEEN ZONE

Game On! Wednesday, March 14, Friday, March 23, and Wednesday, April 4 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Play video games, board games, card games, and more! Feeling creative? Try **DIY Thursdays, March 7 and 22 at 4:00 pm.** If you're looking for something more competitive, sign up for our **Minute-to-Win-It Challenge on Friday, April 20 at 6:00 pm.** Registration required for all events; visit the Teen Page of the library website. Questions? Email Maddy at cranfordlibrary@gmail.com or stop by the Reference Desk.



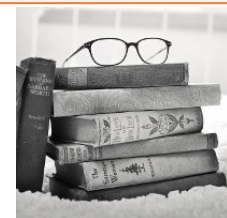
HISTORY OF HANSON PARK



Join us for an evening of fascinating reflection on a local landmark, co-sponsored by the Cranford Public Library and the Cranford Historical Society. On **Tuesday, April 24 at 7:00 pm**, Cranford resident Dr. Frank W. Krause will tell the story of Hanson Park's location, buildings, and long development, using photos, newspaper clippings, and other historical documents. Dr. Krause has been involved in many local civic groups and projects during his longstanding medical practice in Cranford.

LIBRARY BOOK CLUBS

The library's ongoing book discussion groups will meet in the library this spring. The **Readers' Forum** will meet on **Monday, March 26 at 7:00 pm** to discuss *Before the Fall* by Noah Hawley, and on **Monday, April 23 at 7:00 pm** to discuss *The Glass Castle* by Jeannette Walls. The Literary Café will meet on **Saturday, March 3 and Saturday, April 7 at 10:15 am**. Bring your favorite books you've read recently, join the discussion and enjoy refreshments courtesy of the Friends!



NEWS FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE CRANFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

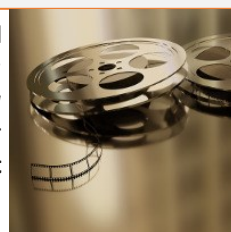
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE



The Friends of the Cranford Public Library invite you to visit their used book sale on **Wednesday, March 7, 4:00 pm to 8:30 pm, Thursday and Friday, March 8 and 9, 10:00 am to 4:30 pm, and Saturday, March 10, 10:00 am to 3:30 pm.** Items for sale include more than 10,000 adult and children's books, as well as CDs, DVDs, and recorded books. Prices range from \$.25 to \$2.00, except for a few specially marked items. On Saturday, fill a bag with books for just \$8.00. Enter through the side door.

FOREIGN FILMS AND THEATER PROJECT

Join the Friends for captivating films and theater! On **Monday, March 12 at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm,** join us for *Le Samourai*, a 1960's French take on 1940's American gangster films. On **Monday, April 9 at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm,** return for *Umi yori mo mada fukaku (After the Storm)*, a family drama from Japanese auteur Hirokazu Koreeda. The Theater Project also returns this spring, with a reading of an original play on **Saturday, April 7 at 2:00 pm.** All events will take place in the Cranford Community Center.



IRISH POETRY AND MUSIC



Celebrate Irish culture with an evening of poetry and music at the Cranford Community Center on **Wednesday, March 14 at 7:30 pm.** Cranford resident John McDermott, Dodge poet and winner of the Fanwood Arts Council's House Poetry Prize, will share the spotlight with Michele Mountain, a New Jersey-based harpist and vocalist specializing in traditional Celtic and Irish folk music. Don't miss this opportunity to take part in a cultural tradition that spans the Atlantic Ocean.

AGENTS OF CHANGE: FAMOUS WOMEN IN NJ HISTORY

In honor of Women's History Month, The Friends will sponsor "Agents of Change," a lecture on New Jersey's most influential women with lecturer and photographer Jim DelGiudice on **Monday, March 19, 2017 at 7:00pm** in the Cranford Community Center. Attendees will learn about philanthropists, performers, politicians and more, as well as the social context of their lives. Mr. DelGiudice is a three-time winner of a share of New Jersey's Historic Preservation Award.



CLASSICAL GUITARIST ROBERT DOPIRA



The Friends of the Cranford Public Library are pleased to present a performance by classical guitarist Robert Dopira on **Wednesday, April 18, at 7:30 pm** in the Cranford Community Center. Mr. Dopira has been performing on classical guitar for libraries, schools, colleges, churches, and community groups for more than 25 years. He studied guitar with virtuoso Ann Kotsarenko and with Albert Valdes-Blain, a protégé of Segovia and international concert/recording artist.

HOURS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Monday to Thursday, 10 am—9 pm · Friday to Saturday, 10 am—5 pm
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