

# THE READER

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

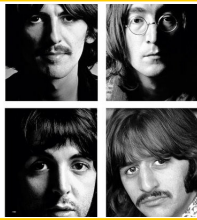
MAY—JUNE 2019

## ARMCHAIR ART TOURS—EAST MEETS WEST

These two Armchair Art Tours at the Cranford Community Center are illustrated conversations about art, guided by Dr. Michael Norris, Ph.D., former museum educator. In “West Africa on the East Coast” on **Thursday, May 9 at 7:00 pm**, explore the cultural tapestry of West Africa through centuries of art from its 18 present-day countries. In “The Ancient Near East at the Met” on **Thursday, June 13 at 7:00 pm**, learn about the artistic traditions of Mesopotamia, the fertile land between the Tigris and Euphrates.



## THE MAKING OF THE WHITE ALBUM



On **Monday, June 3 at 7:00 pm** in the Cranford Community Center, Beatles Scholar and Sixties Rock Historian Vincent Bruno presents an entertaining and informative session for casual listeners as well as hardcore Beatles fans. This lecture will follow the Beatles’ journey through the turbulent year of 1968 as they embark on the creation of the group’s ninth studio album - The Beatles (aka ‘The White Album’). We’ll explore the genesis of their songs and their increased studio output despite personal and creative differences.

## THE BORSCHT BELT

In detailing the history, heyday and decline of the Borscht Belt, lecturer Marty Schneit brings to life a remarkable time, place and people on **Wednesday, June 5 at 7:00 pm** in the Cranford Community Center. A nickname for the summer resorts of the Catskill Mountains in New York, the Borscht Belt was a fertile haven for Jewish comedians and entertainers through the mid-20th century, including Red Buttons, George Burns, Sid Caesar, and Milton Berle. Revisit Old Route 17, Red Apple Rest, Grossinger’s and more!



## THE SECRET OF 10 & 10 ORGANIZING



Got clutter? If you have too much stuff and not enough time to go through it all, this is the program for you! Join organizing humorist and bestselling author Jamie Novak on **Wednesday, June 19 at 7:00 pm** in the Cranford Community Center. Laugh and learn while making a plan, finding the time, and getting motivated. Make progress this summer without getting overwhelmed using the secret of 10 & 10 Organizing. Stop saying someday; get organized today!

## HARRY WARREN, THE UNKNOWN MASTER OF MELODY

On **Wednesday, June 26 at 7:00 pm** in the Cranford Community Center, join professor and singer Diane Cypkin and pianist Lena Panfilova for an evening of songs and stories about tunesmith Harry Warren. While you may not know his name, you know his music: Warren had nearly two dozen number one hits, including “42nd Street,” “Chattanooga Choo Choo” and “The More I See You.” Nominated for the Academy Award for best song eleven times, Harry won three Oscars, including one for “Lullaby of Broadway.”



## NEWS FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE CRANFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE



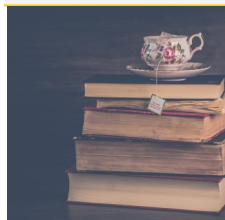
The Friends of the Cranford Public Library invite you to visit their used book sale on **Wednesday, June 5, 4:00 pm to 8:30 pm, Thursday, June 6, 10:00 am to 8:30 pm, Friday, June 7, 10:00 am to 4:30 pm, and Saturday, June 8, 10:00 am to 3:30 pm.** Items for sale include more than 10,000 adult and children's 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.

### FILM SERIES AND THEATER PROJECT

Join the Friends for captivating films and theater! On **Monday, May 13 and Monday, June 10 at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm,** we'll be showing award-winning films from India and Japan as part of our Foreign Film Series. On **Wednesday, May 15 and Wednesday, June 12 at 7:00 pm,** join us as we debut new Hollywood films. The Theater Project also returns with a reading of a new original play on **Saturday, May 4 at 2:00 pm.** All events will take place in the Cranford Community Center.



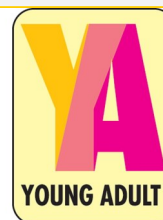
### BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS



Our two book discussion groups will continue in the library. The Literary Café will meet on **Saturday, May 4 at 10:15 am.** Bring your favorite books you've read recently, join the discussion and enjoy refreshments courtesy of the Friends of the Cranford Public Library! The Readers' Forum will wrap up its 2018-2019 season on **Monday, May 20 at 7:00 pm** to discuss *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeyman. Stay tuned for new dates and selections for 2019 and 2020!

### WELCOME OUR NEW YOUNG ADULT LIBRARIAN

Please join us in welcoming our newest librarian to the Cranford Public Library family! "Hi, my name is Stacey Shapiro and I'm the new Young Adult Librarian at Cranford Public Library. Previously I worked up in Bergen County, and my favorite genre of Young Adult books is fantasy. This year, I'm serving on the YALSA Printz Committee and I have been selected as an ALA Emerging Leader. Keep an eye out for fun new teen programming in the future!"



### AGING SERVICES KIOSK AT THE LIBRARY



Do you have questions about services for seniors or their caregivers? Come visit the Aging Services Kiosk at the library on **Wednesday, May 8 at 10:00 am.** Speak to a specialist from the Union County Department of Human Services Division on Aging and Disability Resource Connection and get answers to your questions about pharmaceutical assistance, home energy and cooling assistance, home care, home delivered or congregate meals, Medicaid eligibility, social security, transportation and more.

Monday to Thursday, 10 am—9 pm · Friday and Saturday, 10 am—5 pm  
(Summer Saturdays 10 am—2pm, June to August)

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