

THE READER

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

NOVEMBER—DECEMBER 2018

THEATER PROJECT: HERE COME THE HOLIDAYS

At family gatherings, anticipation of a potential food fight can be worse than the clean-up. The New Jersey Mental Health Players and The Theater Project will collaborate in the Cranford Community Center on **Monday, November 5 at 7:00 pm**. This interactive presentation is designed to brainstorm and strategize about that familiar balancing act: breaking bread with people we may avoid the rest of the year. The goal is for people in the room to leave with some insights and tools for coping with the festive season.



WHY EVERY PARENT NEEDS AN ESTATE PLAN



Parents become experts at planning – scheduling playdates, the menu and family activities. Unfortunately, one of the most important things we can do to protect our family is often overlooked: an estate plan. On **Wednesday, December 5 at 7:00 pm**, join attorney Nick Giuditta at the Cranford Community Center as he presents important information about setting up an estate plan and how you can use wills and trusts to protect and provide for your family.

CHILDREN'S ROOM—MINIATURE THERAPY HORSE

Families with children ages 4+ are invited to meet Michelangelo the miniature therapy horse on **Thursday, November 8 at 11:00 am**! Learn about miniature horses: what they eat, where they live, and--since they are too small to ride--what kinds of jobs they have. Registration for this free program, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, is not required, but we ask that participants arrive on time as we may be unable to accommodate latecomers.



YOUNG ADULT SPACE—SPA DAY, TALK IT OUT AND MORE



Registration for **November programs** is filling up fast! Unwind at Spa Day on **Nov. 9**, or stop by to make cards to donate to Cards for Hospitalized Kids on **Nov. 26** (and earn volunteer hours). Our new program—Talk it Out—will have its inaugural meeting on **Nov. 15 at 5:00 pm** in the Community Center. Our other recurring programs require no registration: Game On! on **Nov. 7**, Teen Advisory Group on **Nov. 12**, and Chess Club on **Nov. 13 and 27**. Registration is required: email Kate-Lynn at k-brown@cranfordnj.org.

HEALTH LITERACY LIBRARY KITS

Health matters, and information is key. Through a partnership between the Libraries of Union County Consortium and the Overlook and Morristown Medical Centers, we are now lending **Health Literacy Library Kits** with the goal of improving health in the community. These resources, which cover a wide range of physical and mental health topics, may be borrowed by Cranford Library card holders and MURAL patrons 18 years and older. Subjects include diabetes, heart health, stroke recovery, and opioid abuse.



NEWS FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE CRANFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

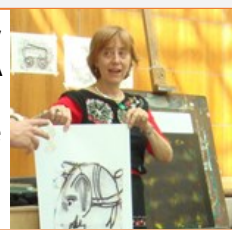
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE



The Friends of the Cranford Public Library invite you to visit their used book sale on **Wednesday, January 9, 4:00 pm to 8:30 pm, Thursday, January 10, 10:00 am to 8:30 pm, Friday, January 11, 10:00 am to 4:30 pm, and Saturday, January 12, 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.

STORYTELLER LINDA HOWE

Multimodal storyteller, artist, writer, and educator Linda Howe will bring her many talents to the Cranford Community Center on **Tuesday, November 27 at 7:00pm.** A member of the NJ Storytelling Network, Ms. Howe blends the oral tradition with visual art and poetry, captivating audiences with tales and myths from around the world while designing creative illustrations. Her performances encourage and invite viewers to find common ground through humor, compassion, intuition, and imagination.



AN EVENING WITH GIL SCOTT CHAPMAN AND MIA PAFUMI



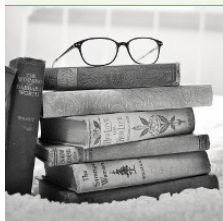
Please join the Friends of the Cranford Public Library for an evening with concert pianist Gil Scott Chapman and soprano vocalist Mia Pafumi on **Thursday, December 6 at 7:30 pm** in the Cranford Community Center. A classically trained jazz pianist, Gil Scott Chapman holds a B.F.A. in Jazz Studies and Master of Music (improvisation) from the University of Michigan. Mia Pafumi's recent performance venues include Lincoln Center and the Alexander Kasser Theater in Montclair. Both have performed at Carnegie Hall.

FILM SERIES AND THEATER PROJECT

Join the Friends for captivating films and theater! On **Monday, November 19 and Monday, December 10 at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm,** we'll be showing award-winning dramas from China and Spain. On **Tuesday, November 13 and Tuesday, December 11 at 7:00 pm,** join us as we debut new Hollywood films. The Theater Project also returns, with *The Place of Understanding* on **Saturday, November 10 at 2:00 pm.** All events will take place in the Cranford Community Center.



BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS



The library's book discussion groups will continue in the library. The **Readers' Forum** will meet on **Monday, November 26 at 7:00 pm** to discuss *Between the World and Me* by Ta-Nehisi Coates, and on **Monday, December 17 at 7:00 pm** to discuss *The Fire Next Time* by James Baldwin. The **Literary Café** will meet on **Saturday, November 10 and Saturday, December 8 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!

HOURS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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