

# September at a Glance ...

SUN	2		Library is Closed
MON	3		Library is Closed
WED	5	11:00	Book Café <i>Session 1</i>
WED	5	1:00	Book Café <i>Session 2</i>
WED	5	7:00	Socrates Café
THU	6	2:00	Color in the Everyday
FRI	7	10:30	Sit-N-Stitch
FRI	7	11:00	Poets Corner
SAT	8	10:30	Current Events Discussion
MON	10	3:00	Open Sewing
TUE	11	2:00	Dementia Communication Strategies Workshop
TUE	11	6:15	Library Board of Trustees Meeting
WED	12	11:00	Short Story Discussion
WED	12	1:30	Genealogy Club
THU	13	6:00	Open Sewing
FRI	14	11:00	Medicare Workshop
SAT	15	1:00	Documentary Film <i>Survivors</i>
MON	17	1:30	Coupon Club
TUE	18	10:30	International Book Club <i>Stay With Me</i>
THU	20	11:00	Page Turners
FRI	21	10:30	Sit-N-Stitch
MON	24	2:00	Team Trivia
TUE	25	11:00	Tech Express
TUE	25	2:00	Louise Penny Book Discussion
TUE	25	6:30	Friends of the Library Meeting
WED	26	11:30	Using Technology to Grow Your Business
THU	27	6:30	3D Printer Demonstration
SAT	29	10:00	Green Fair <b>AT MONROE TWP HIGH SCHOOL</b>

## Upcoming October Events

### Princeton Symphony Orchestra Performance Monday, October 1 at 1:00pm

Daniel Rowland, violin & Maya Bogdanović, cello  
*Presented by the Cultural Arts Commission.*  
Registration is not required.

### Civics Education Series in Memory of Joan Leon

#### Tuesday, October 2 at 6:00pm

Be An Informed Voter: NJ Government & Politics

#### Thursday, October 11 at 6:00pm

Midterm Elections 2018: What You Need to Know

Voter registration table open immediately following both programs. Light refreshments provided.

*Sponsored by The Friends of the Library*

Registration is not required.

### Boheme Opera NJ Series

#### Wednesday, October 10 at 1:00pm

"Leonard Bernstein at 100"

*Presented by the Cultural Arts Commission.*

Registration is not required.

### Genealogy Club

#### Wednesday, October 10 at 1:30pm

Guest lecture *'Relatively' Speaking: How to Be the Best Ancestor* presented by **Donna Atkins**

"The Life Story Lady." Beginner & experienced genealogists welcome.

Registration is not required.

### Non-Fiction Book Discussion

#### Monday, October 15 at 2:00pm

**Irene Goldberg** leads a discussion about What Unites Us: Reflections on Patriotism by Dan Rather and Elliot Kirschner. Register and reserve a copy at the Welcome Desk.

If you want to read more about this topic, you may be interested in Things That Matter: Three Decades of Passions, Pastimes and Politics by Charles Krauthammer, as well.



The Monroe Township Library Foundation provides Pop-Up Shop rental space on select Saturdays between 10:00am and 4:00pm. Local residents with their own direct sales businesses may visit one of our service desks or our website for an application to sell merchandise.



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Monday-Thursday 9:30am-9:00pm  
Friday 9:30am-5:00pm  
Saturday 10:00am-5:00pm  
Sunday 10:00am-5:00pm



## September 2018 Happenings



### Expanded Sunday Hours

Due to popular demand, the Library will be open on Sundays from 10:00am until 5:00pm beginning Sunday, September 9, 2018 on a 4 month trial basis, through December 2018.

### Children's Books will be Fine Free

Overdue fines will be waived on Monroe-owned children's picture books and juvenile fiction only. If a book is lost, there will still be a charge for its replacement. This amnesty does not apply to parenting books, magazines or media, including audiobooks. Fines will still accrue on juvenile books belonging to other libraries and borrowed through the Monroe Township Library.

### Auto-Renewal Pilot Program

A simple phone call or online process allows you to renew books for another loan period, but what if it slips your mind? Renewals will now occur automatically on library books with these two restrictions:

- If you have already met the allowed number of two renewals (nine weeks total)
- If someone has a hold on the book

When your item Auto-Renews, you will be notified via email that the book has been renewed. When an item cannot be auto-renewed, you will receive our standard 3 day courtesy notice for the checked out books.



**Please be sure to register for programs requiring registration, as they may be cancelled due to low registration.**

### Color in the Everyday Thursday, September 6 at 2:00pm

Color is a major part of our lives and can affect our moods. Long-time art teacher **Roberta Hodes** will discuss color combinations in logos, paintings and clothing, colors in nature, and reasons artists and designers choose certain colors.  
Registration is not required.

### Dementia Communication Strategies Tuesday, September 11 from 2:00 to 3:30pm

Free workshop will teach you how to make powerful connections and communicate effectively with someone with dementia.  
*Presented in collaboration with the Alzheimer's Association.*  
Register at the Welcome Desk.

### Medicare Workshop Friday, September 14 from 11:00am to 1:00pm

Learn the 5 biggest mistakes made by Medicare beneficiaries, what has changed in 2018, original Medicare vs. Medicare Advantage plans, how Medicare supplement policies work, how Medicare prescription programs (Part D) work, proposed future Medicare changes.  
Presented by **Michael Salum** of Senior Advisors.  
Register at the Welcome Desk.



**Monday, September 24 at 2:00pm**  
Presented by "That Trivia Guy" **Roy Cohen**.  
Join us for an afternoon of friendly competition. Register a team of 3-6 adult players, or sign up as an individual to be assigned to a team.  
Register at the Welcome Desk.

### Clearbrook, Rossmoor and Regency Residents

Learn about all the free resources available through the Library when we visit your communities this month.

**Rossmoor:** Wednesday, September 5 at 1:30pm

**Regency:** Monday, September 17 at 1:00pm

**Clearbrook:** Thursday, September 20 at 1:30pm

Register for a library card, enter a drawing for a prize, enjoy light refreshments.

### Call For Artists

#### Help us celebrate our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

We're seeking local artists to submit work that shows what the Library means to them. All forms of artwork may be submitted; painting, photography, sculpture, etc.

On **Friday, November 30th**, the Library will host an Artist's Reception. The artwork will be on display throughout the Library during the month of December.

Contact Steve Hrubes at (732) 521-5000 x140 or shrubes@monroetwplibrary.org to participate.



## Continuing Programs

### Socrates Café

**Wednesday, September 5 at 7:00pm**

Socrates Café are gatherings around the world where people from different backgrounds get together and exchange thoughtful ideas and experiences while embracing the central theme of Socratizing; the idea that we learn more when we ask questions along with others. Join us and pose questions, listen to others, raise challenges and consider other alternatives. Monroe resident **Noreen Gumnic** moderates.

Register at the Welcome Desk.

### Poets Corner

**Friday, September 7 at 11:00am**

A workshop and reading group for all ages. Please bring 12 copies of your work.

Registration is not required.

### Current Events Discussion Group

**Saturday, September 8 at 10:30am**

Enjoy a discussion about the latest in global and domestic affairs. Light refreshments provided.

Register at the Welcome Desk.

### Genealogy Club

**Wednesday, September 12 at 1:30pm**

Beginner and experienced genealogists are welcome. Registration is not required.

### Coupon Club

**Monday, September 17 at 1:30pm**

Clip, swap and trade coupons. Bring scissors and your stash of non-expired coupons.

Registration is not required.

## Book Discussion Groups

### Book Café

**Wednesday, September 5**

**Session 1 at 11:00am** *for existing group members*, **Session 2 at 1:00pm** *for new members*

Discuss books that you have read. Light refreshments will be served.

Register at the Welcome Desk.

### Short Story Discussion Group

**Wednesday, September 12 at 11:00am**

**Leah Wagner** moderates a discussion about 100 Years of the Best American Short Stories. This month we will discuss "Brownies" by ZZ Packer and "What You Pawn I Will Redeem" by Sherman Alexie.

Register and reserve your copy at the Welcome Desk.

### International Book Club

**Tuesday, September 18 at 10:30am**

Join a book discussion moderated by **Monica Teixeira**. An electrifying novel of enormous emotional power, Stay With Me by Ayobami Adebayo (Nigeria) asks how much we can sacrifice for the sake of family.

Coffee and cookies provided. Register and reserve a copy at the Welcome Desk.

### Page Turners

**Thursday, September 20 at 11:00am**

Looking for something to read or add to your reading list? Library staff will present and recommend a variety of new titles pertaining to a different topic each month, both new and old titles. This month we will discuss **series books**. Light refreshments will be served. Register at the Welcome Desk.

### Louise Penny Book Discussion

**Tuesday, September 25 at 2:00pm**

Join the discussion of Canada's famous sleuth Chief Inspector Gamache and the good people of Three Pines, Quebec as they unravel a good mystery in A Fatal Grace. Moderated by **Paula Simon**.

Register at the Welcome Desk.

The Library will be closed on Sunday, September 2 and Monday, September 3.

## Needle Crafts

### Sit-N-Stitch

**Fridays, September 7 and 21 at 10:30am**

Stitch projects, assist others, share tips, projects and patterns. Bring your own supplies.

Registration is not required.

### Open Sewing

**Monday, September 10 at 3:00pm**

**Thursday, September 13 at 6:00pm**

Get help with your own project or make a project from a class you missed. If you are new to sewing, please attend the Meet Your Sewing Machine class before a project class or open sewing. Ages 18 and over.

Register at the Reference Desk, by phone, or online at [www.monroetwplibrary.org](http://www.monroetwplibrary.org).

## Using Technology to Grow Your Business

**Wednesday, September 26 from 11:30am to 1:00pm**

**David Schuchman** of Princeton Technology Advisors will present technology tools and digital marketing strategies to promote your company, products, services and professional brand. *Sponsored by the Jamesburg-Monroe Regional Chamber of Commerce*. Registration is required.

Visit <https://chamberlunchandlearnSept26.eventbrite.com> to register.

## Monroe Township Green Fair

**Saturday, September 29 from 10:00am until 3:00pm**

The purpose of the Green Fair is to educate the community about healthy and sustainable living, as well as how to become responsible environmental stewards. Visit vendors in categories such as health/wellness, healthy living, alternative energy, recycled products, organic pet products and more. The Friends of the Monroe Township Library partner with the Environmental Commission to present the Monroe Township Green Fair annually.

Location: Monroe Township High School, 200 Schoolhouse Rd., Monroe Twp., N.J. Registration is not required.

### Hands-On Oceans Rock Program

**Saturday, September 29 from 11:00am until 12:00pm**

The Friends of the Library are sponsoring a highly interactive program about oceans and ocean life to take place during the Monroe Township Green Fair at the Monroe Township High School. Registration is not required.

Learn more at <http://dinosaursrockprograms.com/oceans-rock/>

## Technology Assistance & Instruction

### Tech Express

**Tuesday, September 25 from 11:00am to 12:00pm**

Drop in with your electronic device to get personalized help from a Librarian. Bring your charged and registered device, and all necessary passwords. First come, first served.

### One-On-One Sessions By Appointment

We now offer one-hour personalized technology assistance by appointment. Register for one-on-one help with a Librarian at the Reference Desk or by phone. Sample topics include:

- Microsoft Word, Excel, Office
- Email
- Internet searching, databases
- Facebook, LinkedIn, and other social media
- Ebooks, audiobooks
- Online job searching and applications
- Smartphones, tablets, laptops
- 3D Printer demonstration

### "These Books Rock!" Summer 2018 Reading Challenge

Read one of the displayed titles recommended by our staff and submit an entry for a chance to win a prize. Winners will be chosen at the end of September. Suggested reading and entry forms available at the Welcome Desk.