

NOVEMBER 2025 HAPPENINGS



HOW TO WRITE YOUR STORY THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6 3:00 P.M.



Reflect on your life experiences and share them with others. With writing prompts to get you started and publishing options, this program is perfect for anyone interested in exploring the world of memoir writing. In person. Registration required.



EFFECTS OF POLLUTANTS ON ECOSYSTEMS SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8 11:00 A.M.

Presented by Monroe Township Commission. Please email monroetwplibrary@gmail.com or register at www.monroetwplibrary.org to receive the link. Walk-ins always welcome.



JEWELS OF NEW JERSEY JEWELRY SHOW SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9 11:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

15th annual event. Vendors are NJ residents who handcraft jewelry, handbags, clothing and other wearable art. Sponsored by The Monroe Township Library Foundation.



FRIENDS BOOK SALE THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13 *preview sale* 5:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. FRI & SAT, NOVEMBER 14 & 15 10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Purchase gently-used books at bargain prices, most between 25¢ and \$1. Attend the preview sale for a \$5 admission fee. Proceeds benefit the Friends of the Monroe Township Library. Drop in.



DOCUMENTARY FILM DEBUT LOST IN CIRCULATION SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15 12:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.

"Lost in Circulation" is a documentary highlighting woman-owned New Jersey bookstores that are advocating for the inclusion of AAPI, LGBTQ+, and BIPOC stories. The film's director, **Nazli Mohideen**, a Monroe Township resident and Journalism student at Rutgers University, is a Leadership Scholar with the Institute for Women's Leadership. "Lost in Circulation" is her Social Action Project for the Institute. In person. Registration required.



HARVEST MARKET TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25 11:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Thanksgiving is coming! Visit the Harvest Market to pick up provisions for your holiday table. Are you going visiting this holiday season? Shop for hostess gifts and start your holiday shopping! Browse a variety of crafts, food, and more from vendors located both inside the library and outside in the parking lot. Don't miss this perfect opportunity to find unique gifts and treats for everyone on your list!

Continuing Programs

Mahjong Club (Chinese Style)

Friday, November 7, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

Poetry Workshop

Monday, November 10, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

Bereavement Support Group

Monday, November 10, 2:00 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

Caregiver Support Group

Wednesday, November 12, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

Creative Writing Workshop

Wednesday, November 12, 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

Genealogy Club *Guest Speaker Laura Cabbage-Draper*

Wednesday, November 12, 2:00 p.m.

In person. Registration not required.

Military Records for Genealogical Research

Photography Club

Wednesday, November 12, 4:30 p.m.

In person. Registration not required.

The Music Lounge

Thursday, November 13, 3:00 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

Frank Sinatra

Mix & Mingle Social for Adults with Special Needs

Tuesday, November 18, 5:00 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

Caregiver Support Group

Wednesday, November 19, 7:00 p.m.

Online. Registration required.

Family Karaoke

Sunday, November 30, 2:30 p.m.

In person. Registration not required.

Technology

Device Advice

Meet with a librarian for one-on-one help with library resources or basic technology questions, like email, e-readers, basic smartphone operations, library catalog & databases. Open to adult Monroe Library cardholders and residents. Limit one session per cardholder per month. Registration required.

Getting Started with Computers

Tuesday, November 5

3:00 - 4:30 p.m. OR 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Learn basic computer skills. Topics to be covered are: What are computers? What kinds of computers are there? What is on a computer? How do you control a computer? Finding your way around the computer. Adults 18 and over. In person. Registration required. Register for just one session. Registrants must have an email address to create a Northstar Digital Literacy Learner account.

Internet Basics

Tuesday, November 18

3:00 - 4:30 p.m. OR 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Learn Internet Basics. Topics to be covered are: Connecting to the internet, using the internet, browsers and websites, finding what you need online, finding what you need within webpages, staying organized and staying safe online. Adults 18 and over. In person. Registration required. Register for just one session. Registrants must have an email address to create a Northstar Digital Literacy Learner account.



For a complete listing of all programs, detailed descriptions, and to register, visit www.monroetwplibrary.org/calendar or scan the QR code. Questions? Call (732) 521-5000.

Book Discussions

Book Café

Wednesday, November 5

11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

Women Writers Book Discussion Group

Monday, November 10, 7:00 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

The Giver of Stars by Jojo Moyes

Literary Book Club

Thursday, November 13, 11:00 a.m.

In person. Registration required.

Mrs. Dalloway by Virginia Woolf

Non-Fiction Book Discussion

Monday, November 17, 2:00 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

No More Tears: The Dark Secrets of Johnson & Johnson by Gardiner Harris

Cozy Mystery Book Club

Tuesday, November 18, 11:00 a.m.

Hybrid. Registration required.

The Marlow Murder Club by Robert Thorogood

Page Turners

Thursday, November 20, 11:00 a.m.

Hybrid. Registration required.

Books Set in Hotels

Short Story Discussion Group

Thursday, November 20, 2:00 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

"The Ones Who Walk Away from Omelas" by Ursula K. Le Guin in The Penguin Book of the Modern American Short Story and "The Spit of Him" by Thomas Korsgaard



Virtual Author Talks

Register, submit questions to the authors, view upcoming author talks and previously recorded content at:

www.monroetwplibrary.org/authortalks



Joseph Lee

Wednesday, November 5, 2:00 p.m.

Joseph Lee discusses his stirring memoir, *Nothing More of This Land: Community, Power, and the Search for Indigenous Identity*, in which, he explores Indigenous identity in proximity to land that serves as an iconic vacationing spot for the wealthy—the “island paradise” Martha’s Vineyard.

Amanda Peters

Thursday, November 13, 7:00 p.m.

Amanda Peters will discuss her instant bestselling novel, *The Berry Pickers*, as well as her tender short fiction collection, *Waiting for the Long Night Moon: Stories*.

Charles Duhigg

Tuesday, November 18, 2:00 p.m.

Charles Duhigg, author of the bestselling books *The Power of Habit* and *Smarter Faster Better*, presents the ultimate guide on how to communicate and connect with anyone at work, home, and in life in his latest work, *Supercommunicators*.



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Make & Create

Meet Your Sewing Machine
Thursday, November 6, 6:30 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

Sit-N-Stitch

Fridays, November 7 & 21, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

In person. Registration not required.

Design Your Own Personalized Cutting Board

Sunday, November 9, 2:00 p.m. OR

Monday, November 10, 2:00 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

Register for one session.

Crafty Creations: Infinity Scarf

Wednesday, November 12, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

Foundation Paper Piecing

Thursday, November 20, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

Make It: Snowflake Wreaths

Monday, November 24, 3:00 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

Film

World Cinema Wednesday

Will meet again in December

International Film Discussion

Thursday, November 13, 2:30 p.m.

Online. Registration required.

Between Two Worlds (2021, France)

Documentary Film Debut

Saturday, November 15

12:00p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

In person. Registration required.

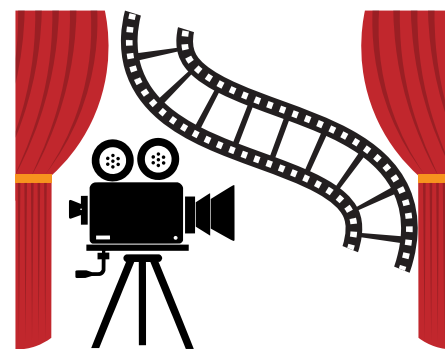
Lost in Circulation

Friday Afternoon Movie

Friday, November 21, 2:30 p.m.

In person. Registration not required.

The Founder



YOUR NOVEMBER ONLINE LIVE LINEUP

**3 ONLINE LIVE CLASSES TO LEARN HEALTHY RECIPES,
MINDFUL BREATHING AND SMART SNACKING**



Stuffed Turkey Peppers with Quinoa & Veggies

Learn to make protein-packed, fiber-rich stuffed peppers, healthy, hearty, and full of flavor!

**Wed, Nov 5 •
7 PM EST**



Breathwork Basics

Discover simple breathing techniques to reduce stress, boost energy, and improve focus.

**Wed, Nov 11 •
7:30 PM EST**



Smart Snacking & Label Reading for Diabetes Awareness

Snack smarter and decode labels like a pro — make healthier choices for Diabetes Awareness!

**Wed, Nov 19 •
7:30 PM EST**

Virtual Cooking Classes with Library Chef

*Enhance your kitchen skills with expert-led classes, from the comfort of your home with **Library Chef**.*

Scan the QR code below, or go to www.monroetwplibrary.org/databases and select Library Chef to create an account or sign in if you already have one on Library Chef—it's free and easy!

No Zoom required!



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Holiday Hours

The Library will be closed on **Tuesday, November 4** for Election Day, **Tuesday, November 11** for Veterans Day, **Thursday, November 27** and **Friday, November 28** for Thanksgiving.

On Display

Lobby Display Case

A showcase of Hardy Boys in Pop Culture Since 1927

Fine Arts Gallery

Images from the Peace Corps Experience by **Nancie Gunkelman**

Meetings

Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, November 18, 6:30 p.m.

Medicare

Medicare 101

Saturday November 22 at 11:00 a.m.

Learn to navigate the many options available through Medicare, understand plans and supplements, and determine what plan best suits your needs. Presented by Jackie Spear, Medicare Specialist and Senior Advisor. In person. Registration required.

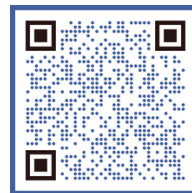
Medicare Information Seminar

Sunday, November 23 at 1:30 p.m.

Topics will include: the changes to Medicare, different types of plans available, Medicare options from different carriers, information on state and federal assistance programs, enrollment periods, and more. Representatives will be able to answer questions and help navigate through the process of choosing what would work best for each individual. In person. Registration not required.

Bookmobile & Outreach

Check the Bookmobile schedule to find a stop near you. **At Home Services** is not just for seniors. New baby at home? No vehicle? Health or mobility issues? We bring library services to your door!



Saturday, November 15
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

THE PAMPERED CHEF

Quality and innovative kitchen and entertaining products designed for home cooking, entertaining, baking and gift giving



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NOVEMBER 2025 AT A GLANCE

TUE	4		Library Closed for Election Day	
WED	5	11:00	Book Café	In person
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WED	5	2:00	Author Talk: Joseph Lee	Online
WED	5	3:00	Getting Started with Computers	In person
WED	5	6:30	Getting Started with Computers	In person
WED	5	7:00	Stuffed Bell Peppers with Turkey, Quinoa & Veggies	Online
THU	6	3:00	How to Write Your Story	In person
THU	6	6:30	Meet Your Sewing Machine	In person
FRI	7	10:30 - 12:00	Sit-N-Stitch	In person
FRI	7	2:00 - 4:00	Mahjong Club	In person
SUN	9	11:00- 4:00	Jewels of New Jersey Jewelry Show	In person
SUN	9	2:00	Design Your Own Personalized Cutting Board	In person
MON	10	11:00 - 12:30	Poetry Workshop	In person
MON	10	2:00	Design Your Own Personalized Cutting Board	In person
MON	10	2:00	Bereavement Support Group	In person
MON	10	7:00	Women Writers Book Discussion Group	In person
TUE	11		Library Closed for Veterans Day	
TUE	11	7:30	Breathwork Basics	Online
WED	12	11:00 - 12:30	Caregiver Support Group	In person
WED	12	12:30 - 2:30	Creative Writing Workshop	In person
WED	12	2:00	Genealogy Club	In person
WED	12	4:30	Photography Club	In person
WED	12	6:00 - 8:00	Crafty Creations: Infinity Scarf	In person
THU	13	11:00	Literary Book Club	In person
THU	13	2:30	International Film Discussion <i>Between Two Worlds</i>	Online
THU	13	3:00	The Music Lounge	In person
THU	13	5:00 - 8:00	Friends of the Library Book Sale Preview	In person
THU	13	7:00	Author Talk: Amanda Peters	Online
FRI	14	10:00 - 4:00	Friends of the Library Book Sale	In person
SAT	15	10:00 - 4:00	Pop-Up Shop <i>Pampered Chef</i>	In person
SAT	15	10:00 - 4:00	Friends of the Library Book Sale	In person
SAT	15	12:00 - 2:00	Documentary Film Debut <i>Lost in Circulation</i>	In person
MON	17	2:00	Non-Fiction Book Discussion	In person
TUE	18	11:00	Cozy Mystery Book Club	Hybrid
TUE	18	2:00	Author Talk: Charles Duhigg	Online
TUE	18	3:00 - 4:30	Internet Basics	In person
TUE	18	5:00	Mix & Mingle Social for Adults with Special Needs	In person
TUE	18	6:30	Library Board of Trustees Meeting	In person
TUE	18	6:30 - 8:00	Internet Basics	In person
WED	19	7:00	Caregiver Support Group	Online
WED	19	7:30	Smart Snacking & Label Reading for Diabetes Awareness	Online
THU	20	11:00	Page Turners	In person
THU	20	2:00	Short Story Discussion Group	In person
THU	20	6:30 - 8:30	Foundation Paper Piecing	In person
FRI	21	10:30 - 12:00	Sit-N-Stitch	In person
FRI	21	2:30	Friday Afternoon Movie <i>The Founder</i>	In person
SAT	22	11:00	Medicare 101	In person
SUN	23	1:30 - 3:30	Medicare Information Seminar	In person
MON	24	3:00	Make It: Snowflake Wreaths	In person
TUE	25	11:00 -3:00	Harvest Market	In person
WED	26		Library Closing Early	
THU	27		Library Closed	
FRI	28		Library Closed	
SUN	30	2:30	Family Karaoke	In person



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