

Manville's News

A New Beginning with a Proud Past

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Mayor Onderko's Corner
Richard M. Onderko, Mayor
Borough of Manville

In the past couple of weeks, I have had the opportunity to attend several important meetings looking out for the best interests of our Borough. I would like to give everyone a brief update on what was discussed and communicate the importance of each meeting.

I attended the New Jersey Association of Floodplain Managers' (NJAFM) meeting held on January 24th in Trenton to address the outcome of a new federal administration and what impact it will have on our Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Interesting questions were raised: Will President Obama's Executive Order 13690 dated January 30th, 2015, establishing the Federal Flood Risk Management Standard and influencing Federal investment in projects be repealed outright? What regulatory processes exist that lengthen rollback? Will the new Administration strengthen funding requests for flood mitigation and infrastructure?

I remain hopeful that projects can be undertaken to help lower flood water levels in our Borough. I refuse to accept nothing can or will be done to help us. The very next day I attended the reorganization meeting of our regional, multi-town flood Commission, the Raritan & Millstone Flood Control Commission. I spoke passionately to the Commission about considering smaller projects and to work with New Jersey's Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) to make progress. It has been over 60 years without any flood mitigation efforts in Manville after two hurricanes hit NJ in August of 1955 and major flooding occurred.

In the weeks ahead, I will be inviting representatives of NJDEP to Manville. I believe it is important for them to see first-hand the adverse effects flooding has had on our neighborhoods and discuss ideas for projects and a path forward in 2017. I remain hopeful President Trump, who wants to put "America first", will put more fund-

ing toward flood mitigation to help us eliminate the constant flooding threat we face.

I recently attended a Conference of Mayors' meeting in Trenton held on January 26th to specifically address the school funding formula. The meeting was sponsored by the New Jersey League of Municipalities. I had the opportunity to address the panel, which included Senate President Sweeney and Assembly Speaker Prieto, to ask how can Manville's school district be one of the most underfunded districts in our State after the loss of rateables due to Blue Acre buy-outs and the reduction in our town's overall value? We receive less in school aid today than we received in 2010 even with enrollment up over 100 students. This is further proof that the existing complex funding formula is simply "unfair" or does not accurately account for economic conditions within our Borough. Fighting for more school aid for Manville is a fight worth taking on in my opinion. Any amount of additional aid, whether it is State or Federal, will help stabilize our property taxes and allow for a quality education to be offered to our students without cutting curriculum and teachers.

I attended the 25th Annual Mayors' Legislative Day in Trenton held on February 8th that covered a wide variety of topics facing New Jersey taxpayers. Discussions evolved around how funds were distributed from the NJ Transportation Trust to providing affordable housing requirements with the recent court ruling on COAH obligations. In addition, the NJDEP commissioner stated that a 2017 priority of the DEP is to help reduce localized flooding. There's no better place to start than right here in the Borough of Manville.

I also recently had a meeting with Somerset County's Office of Emergency Management to discuss various topics of importance concerning our emergency operations plan, in addition, to inquire about available OEM grants. I look forward to helping update the Somerset County hazard mitigation plan this year from a Manville perspective. All municipalities will participate in this work effort and update their own local plans to remain eligible for FEMA grant money.

Providing better communication during times of emergencies is a top priority. The Nixle messaging service is used by our police department and by surrounding towns to communicate more effectively with residents. Simply text our zip code 08835 to 888777 to start receiving mobile phone alerts sent from our police department. You can visit www.nixle.com and sign up for all the notification options available. I find this to be a valuable service being notified of weather events, traffic accidents and road closures in our local area as they occur.

Until next month,
Mayor Richard M. Onderko

Manville Senior's Digest

The Manville Senior Citizens meet at noon on the second Thursday of each month at the VFW Hall on Washington Avenue. Membership is open to anyone age 50 or older, residents and non-residents. The next meeting is March 9th.

Canned goods or non-perishable food items are collected before each meeting. Remember to bring one item per member to help stock the Food Bank.

The club's buffet and movie program will continue on announced dates.

President Philip Petrone set the agenda for 2017 with 2 overnight trips and 3 day trips. The picnic will be Wednesday, July 12, Oktoberfest, Thursday October 12 and Christmas party Sunday, December 10. Keep these dates in mind for the coming year. The picnic and Oktoberfest will again be held at Knob Hill in Colonial Park.

Upcoming Senior Trips:

Atlantic City — Third Wednesday of the month to Caesar's. Bus leaves VFW at 9 am. Cost is \$35 of which \$30 will be returned. Next trip is March 15. Contact Jo Pschar at 908-722-0156.

Sands Casino — Bethlehem Thursday, March 30. Bus leaves VFW 10am. Cost is

\$30 with \$20 back and \$5 for food. Contact Jo Pschar at 908-722-0156.

Ocean City, MD. — Monday, May 8 to Thursday, May 11. Trip includes guided tour of Assateague Island, gaming time at The Casino Ocean Downs, scenic nature cruise aboard the Ocean City Explorer, shopping at Tanger Outlet Center and much more. Cost is \$619 double and \$769 single.

Contact Kathy Petrone at 908-526-2948 for information and reservations. All trips, day and overnight, are open to the public.

Need a Ride?

Somerset County Transportation provides a variety of para-transit services to senior citizens (ages 60+) and persons with disabilities (ages 18+). Transportation services are provided in accessible vehicles, Monday through Friday, on a time- and space-available basis. Trips can be arranged to a variety of destinations including medical appointments, nutrition/wellness centers and grocery shopping. For more information, call the SomCty Division of Transportation at 908-231-7115 or toll-free at 1-800-246-0527. *Please note: All para-transit services require advance reservation.*

Our Local Business Spotlight



SIGNARAMA MANVILLE, located at 32 S. Main Street, is a full-service sign center serving the Manville area and surrounding communities for over 15 years. The current owners (since 2015), Larry and Margot Freedman, have created a warm and creative environment where customers' ideas are translated into beautiful signs, banners, light boxes, vehicle graphics and even feature walls in a home or office. With their top-notch designer, Jason Skorupa, and production manager, Pete Chetwynd, the team at Signarama is able to produce eye-catching images to help promote and brand businesses and offices.

Our customers range from the small business owners, such as - accounting and law firms, doctor's offices, hair salons, to much larger corporations such as large pharmaceuticals corporate headquarters, professional sports teams, property management firms and individuals who just want to make a wall "pop" with a beautiful graphic image.

With a combined total of decades of experience in the marketing and branding industry, we are able to offer our customers top-tier creativity, clean and efficient installation, competitive pricing and fast turn-around.

We are so proud of our portfolio of work and invite you to check out our Facebook (www.facebook.com/signaramamanville) and Instagram (www.instagram.com/signaramamanville/) pages to see for yourself.

If you would like to have your Manville business highlighted in the Business Spotlight, send an email to abierwirth@manvillenj.org.

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M News from the Manville Public School District

World Language Honor Society Inductions: Twenty-three (23) students at Manville High School were inducted into the French and Spanish Honor Societies at Manville High School on Monday evening, January 30, 2017. Many of the students inducted have also earned induction into the National Honor Society. We are extremely proud of all of our students for their wonderful accomplishments.

ATHLETIC MILESTONES: The entire Manville Public School Community offers its sincere congratulations to MHS Student Julie Pankowski!!! Julie scored her 1000th point in Girls' Basketball on Friday evening, January 20, 2017, in the first period of MHS's game against Wartlaw-Hartridge! We are extremely proud of Julie for this remarkable accomplishment!!!



MHS Senior Student Julie Pankowski is surrounded by her teammates on January 20th following the scoring of her 1000th point in MHS Girls' Basketball

EXCITING LITERACY NEWS: In December 2016, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Dr. Barbara Popp and Superintendent Anne Facendo spent several days drafting a Literacy Grant that, if won, would provide the district with more than \$25,000 of professional development for teachers in best instructional practices for teaching Reading and Writing to young students, courtesy of Rutgers University and the New Jersey Department of Education.

ABIS SCHOOL PLAY: The ABIS Drama Club presented a remarkable musical production of The Phantom Tollbooth Jr. on Friday evening, January 27, 2017 under the direction of Mr. Robert Longstreet.



Lead Characters Tock and Milo are welcomed to "Digitopolis" by the Miners. From Left to right: Kathryn Sanders (Tock), Anthony Yakobchuk (Milo), Miners: Sanaia Harrison, Olivia Jaime, Chloe Gosk, Kat Saburova, and Grace Perun.



Characters Mathemagician and Azaz argue a point, while Rhyme and Reason try to restore peace. From Left to Right: Jason Brennan (Mathemagician), Grace Perun (The Princess of Pure Reason), Chloe Gosk (The Princess of Sweet Rhyme), and John Wilczek (King Azaz)

Manville School District is now a state-wide finalist for the New Jersey Tiered System of Supports Early Reading Professional Development Grant Project (NJTSS-ER)! Organizers of the Grant conducted final interviews with Dr. Popp, Mrs. Facendo, and a team of Weston Literacy Coaches and Reading Intervention Teachers on Monday, February 6, 2017. The NJDOE will render final decisions on the grant recipients by late March, 2017.

Main Street Manville Bridge Work Begins

Replacement of the county-owned CR 533 South Main Street bridge in Manville will take about 18 months.

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The Somerset County-owned bridge on South Main Street (CR 533), located between Roosevelt Avenue/Kyle Street and Kennedy Boulevard, will be under construction for the next 18 months.

The new bridge will be reconstructed in three separate stages, with through vehicular and pedestrian traffic and local business access maintained throughout the project.

Starting Thursday, Feb. 2, traffic heading southbound on Main Street will be shifted slightly to the east to allow for the demolition and replacement of the western portion of the existing bridge. Left turn lanes will be temporarily eliminated; motorists should follow the posted signs.

A full road closure at the bridge with a posted detour will be implemented over approximately 10 evenings between the hours of 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. at various times during construction. A number of overhead and underground utility relocations at and adjacent to the project limits also will be performed during construction.

The county will provide updates during construction to provide advance notice for the various staged traffic shifts and nighttime detour schedules.

To stay up to date with Somerset County events and information, sign up for free email alerts or follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

Recreation News

Manville Recreation Travel Wrestling

The Manville Wrestling Recreation Team concluded a stellar dual meet season. The team competed in the Raritan Valley League which is made up of 16 teams across Central Jersey with wrestling powerhouses like South Plainfield, North Hunterdon, Watchung Hills and Bound Brook among others. Manville held their own; this is a young team with a very bright future.

The team had a number of first year wrestlers who did a phenomenal job. Some wrestlers to keep an eye on are Anthony Lopez, who had an 8-0 record highlighted by an 11 second pin; Gabriel Paiz, who had a thrilling comeback victory at Watchung Hills to earn a pin; Brian Mahovetz who controlled a tough Somerville opponent winning by a technical fall; Brady Spangler, who scored against Hillsborough in the final seconds for the win; Christian Paiz who had a great match against North Hunterdon and scored at the buzzer to send the match into OT where he earned the victory; Rowan Dewet who broke into the starting lineup and recorded 2 wins for the team. Antimo Bucieri contributed 7 wins in his first year while Jesse Hordetsky showed great improvement in his first year.

Second year wrestlers, Lorenzo Sanchez and Anthony Drake, each finished the dual match season on a high note with a 3 match winning streak. Lorenzo used a half nelson to finish off his opponents while Anthony was strong on his feet and used a tough cradle.

Upperclassmen Justin Petti, pictured above, finished 7-2 on the season. Justin was tough on his feet and his Petti cement mixer was a force to reckon with. Justin also had a nice win against a previously undefeated Scotch Plains wrestler. Trip Freitag was 8-2 and dominated opponents on top and on his feet using both double and single leg takedowns as well as a cradle. Kenny Riker and Sebastian Rodriguez also went out on a high note, both winning their last 7 matches of the season in dominating fashion. Kenny had an 11 second pin while Sebastian used a power-half to earn his victories. Finally 5th grader Rich Freitag used a powerful 2-on-1 to wear out his opponents and earn his victories to finish with an 8-2 record.

Next up for the team is the league tournament.

Coaches for the Manville team are Jason Pfoutz, PJ Freitag, George Cichon and Alan Klein.



Manville Teams with The Nature Conservancy for Community Planning



By Elizabeth Schuster, Environmental Economist, The Nature Conservancy

It's smart to include nature as part of community planning. That's why the Borough of Manville has partnered with The Nature Conservancy of New Jersey to help shape its community for the future.

The Nature Conservancy is a non-governmental, not-for-profit organization that has been working throughout New Jersey for more than 60 years to help protect the natural resources that are essential to people and wildlife. Working with Manville leaders, Conservancy experts will help identify and maximize benefits from the town's natural assets, like parks, waterways and open space.

Nature-friendly communities provide many obvious advantages for people, like cleaner air, habitat for wildlife, and room for recreation like walking, biking, hiking and birding. Offering pleasing natural surroundings and a canvas for outdoor activities can increase tourism and help boost the local economy as visitors patronize local stores and restaurants.

For Manville, flooding has been an ongoing problem. Paved surfaces in the community, which do not absorb water,

exacerbate flooding conditions. When there is a storm or the river swells, the water flows unimpeded over the pavement into neighborhoods and business areas. Natural open spaces, particularly wetlands and land adjacent to rivers, help absorb water and, if designed, restored and protected properly, can play a role in mitigating some damage from flooding.

The Borough of Manville is a community with an interesting culture and history, whose residents really care about its future. The town's many assets for community development include a charming main street and, yes, lots of open space. That combination holds a lot of promise for people and for nature.

The Nature Conservancy will bring valuable scientific insight and implementation experience to Manville's ongoing community planning efforts, and also values direct input from local residents to ensure results meet community needs and expectations. Please contact eschuster@tnc.org to share your interests regarding open space and community development in Manville.

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Girls Manville Recreation Basketball Team visit Rutgers

On Sunday, January 29th, the 3rd and 4th grade girls Manville Recreation Basketball teams attended a Rutgers Women's Basketball Game against Northwestern University. The girls were invited down to the court to sit on the team bench as the women warmed up. Assistant Coaches Kelley Gibson and Nadine Domond sat with the girls and answered some of their questions about basketball and playing at the college level. All of the girls were beyond excited for this unique opportunity.



4th Row: Sydney Pfeiffer, Hailey Bentz
 3rd Row: Mackenzie Monto, Sofia Gosk, Sarah Alfaro, Kaitlin Leppert, Emily Leppert
 2nd Row: Ciara Johnston, Katerina Kontos, Summer Luna
 1st Row: Abigail Van Buren, Molly Weber, Danna Betancourth, Adrianna Gorbatuk, Abi Miranda, Jessica Luna

Manville Recreation Department

EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 8th

Rain Date: Sunday, April 9th

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For Children Infant to 4th Grade

All Participants will receive a goody bag!

For more information please contact the Recreation Department at 908-725-9478 ext. 106 or ext. 121

Summer Employment Opportunities with Manville Recreation!

The Manville Recreation Department will be accepting applications for summer employment beginning March 13, 2017 for the following positions:

- Camp Counselors
- Certified Lifeguards
- CPR Guards

If interested, please contact the Borough of Manville Recreation Office @ (908) 725-9478 Ext. 121 or visit our website www.manvillenj.org.

Around the Manville Borough Hall.....

The Building Department

The building department is located on the second floor of the municipal complex. This office processes all construction permits, zoning applications, certificates of continued occupancy for home sales and rentals, and smoke detector certificates. Property maintenance concerns are also handled by this department.

The following individuals comprise our Building Department team:

Walter Wilczek is the Zoning/Property Maintenance Officer. His duties include processing of the zoning applications, CCO inspections, and handling of property maintenance concerns. Walt's hours are Mondays 9-7 PM, Tuesday through Thursday 9-5 and Friday 9-2.

John Tamburini is the licensed Construction Official and Building Subcode Official. John is responsible for reviewing all permit applications and signing off as the Construction Official. John is available most afternoons and will gladly meet with a contractor or homeowner at their convenience.

Michael Resetar is the Plumbing Subcode Official. Michael reviews plumbing permit applications and performs the proper inspections. His office hours are Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 4-5PM. Plumbing inspections are on Tuesday and Thursday from 5-6:30 PM.

Daniel Cappola is the Fire Subcode Official. Dan is responsible for reviewing fire permit applications and conducts the proper inspections. His office hours are Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 4-5 PM. Fire inspections are on Tuesday and Thursday from 5-6:30 PM.

Alan Kirsch is the Electrical Subcode Official. Alan reviews electrical permit applications and performs electrical inspections. His office hours are Tuesday and Thursday afternoon 4-5 PM. Electrical inspections are on Tuesday and Thursday from 5-6:30PM.

Danielle Stashek is the Technical Assistant to the Construction Official. Danielle is responsible for collecting permit fees and the issuing of permits as well as scheduling all inspections. Danielle is available Mondays 9-7 PM, Tuesday through Thursday 9-5 and Friday 9-2.

The phone number for the Manville Building Department is 908-725-9478 Ext. 117.

From the Tax Collector

Dear Homeowners,

The Property Reimbursement Program (also known as the Senior Freeze Program) forms will be mailed by the State of New Jersey in early March. There is a form inside that must be completed by the Manville Tax Collector's office during regular office hours. If for any reason you do not receive this booklet in March, please do not hesitate to go to the Division of Taxation located at 75 Veterans Drive in Somerville to receive a new booklet. Unfortunately, if you do not remember if you are currently in the program, you will need to call 800-882-6597 and speak to a representative. Reimbursement checks for the program will arrive in August 2017.

The Homestead Benefits program requires that homeowners apply by phone. Homeowners are able to see the credit for this program directly on the tax bill. The State of NJ is currently working on making this happen for May 2017.

Tax appeals being requested must be in the Somerset County Tax Board by 3:30 pm on Monday April 3, 2017 located at 27 Warren Street, 4th Floor, Somerville. You may pick up the applications at the Manville Tax office during regular office hours.

From the DPW Director's Office

Bulk Waste Collection

The Borough's bulk waste collection program will resume in March 2017 with bulk waste stickers available for sale again at the Borough Hall. The Borough will be strictly enforcing its bulk waste collection guidelines. Bulk stickers must be affixed to any bulk items if they are to be collected by DPW. Any items left at the curb on days other than bulk waste pickup days and/or without proper stickers will be subject to penalties including property liens.

Visit www.manvillenj.org/184/Bulk-Stickers for additional details.

From the desk of Chief Mark Peltack



Make Sure Your Child is Properly Buckled Up the Whole Ride, Every Time!

Learning the importance of wearing a seat belt starts with a good role model—and that's you. As a parent or caregiver, you are the number one influence on your child's seat belt safety. Research shows that children whose parents buckle up are much more likely to buckle up themselves. Consistency is the key; consistently remind your child to buckle up properly the whole ride and never assume they're buckled up! Make it a rule in your family that everyone follows the same practices as you: always buckle up before moving the car, no matter how short or routine the drive, and make sure all children are buckled up properly. Equally important is the proper seat belt fit for your child. The risk of injury among child passengers is significantly higher when their seat belts are loose and/or improperly positioned.

For your child to properly fit a seat belt, he or she must:

- Be tall enough to sit without slouching;
- Be able to keep his or her back against the vehicle seat;
- Be able to keep his or her knees naturally bent over the edge of the vehicle seat; and
- Be able to keep his or her feet flat on the floor.

Additionally:

- The lap belt must lie snugly across the upper thighs, not the stomach.
- The shoulder belt should lie snug across the shoulder and chest and not cross the neck or face.
- Never let a child put the shoulder belt under an arm or behind the back; this could cause severe injuries in a crash.
- Keep your child in the back seat because it is safer there.

Remember, always check your child's belt fit in every vehicle. A booster seat may be needed in some vehicles and not in others. If the seat belt does not fit properly yet, the child should continue to use a booster seat.

Free child safety seat inspections are held at Hillsborough Fire Company #2, 375 Rt. 206 North in Hillsborough. They are held the first Saturday of the month from 10:00AM to 1:30PM and the third Wednesday of each month from 3:00PM to 6:30 PM. No appointments are necessary.

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Municipal Alliance representatives needed in Manville!

Please join us at our next meeting to find out what the Alliance is all about! Our meetings take place on the first Wednesday of the month, 6pm at the Manville library. Also, check out our web page MAC CORNER at manvillenj.org on the Borough website for more details. As members, we hope to utilize prevention efforts, educate, and support programs in our community in lieu of substance abuse. Everyone is welcome to join! Bring any fresh ideas or just stop by to say hi! Please join us for our **Open House March 22, 2017 6pm** at the Manville Library. Our Mayor, County Alliance Coordinator, and MAC members will all be there for an informational session and Q & A. We look forward to meeting you!

Any questions or if you would like more information about upcoming events, please send an email to manvilleMAC@gmail.com.

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Holy comics, Batman!

After hosting a create your own comic book class at the Art of Diabetes event this past November, the MAC finds itself celebrating this fantastic art form one more time. Several highly regarded comic book artists have generously donated artwork to the MAC that will be auctioned off to support arts programming within our community.

Artists Alan Davis, Bill Sienkiewicz, Tom Rainey, and Mike McKone have created original signed sketches of Batman, the Joker, the Hulk, and Wolverine. A selection of these pieces will be on display at the opening night reception of the 2017 Art Expo this May. Other works include signed Superman, Wonder Woman, the Justice League, and Game of Thrones prints. More information on these prints and pricing can be found on our website.

Call To Artists

The MAC is searching for New Jersey artists (both amateur and professional) to take part in our 2nd Annual Art Expo.



The Art Expo will run for two weeks in May at the Manville Public Library and kicks off with the Opening Night Reception on Friday, May 5th. There is no application fee. Artists ages 16 and up are

invited to exhibit. For more information, or to download a copy of the application, visit www.manvillearts.org. Paper applications will also be available at the Manville Branch of the SCLS.

We all have a story to tell, what's yours?

Join the MAC every fourth Thursday of the month at the Manville Public Library, 7pm to 8:30pm for the New Page, Writers Workshop. Whether you are just starting out or have been writing for years, New Page creates a comfortable environment to share and critique excerpts from ongoing projects. Find inspiration by taking part in on-site writing exercises and gathering feedback from fellow writers. New Page is moderated by Beth Borrus, a local educator who studied writing at UCSD and Naropa University. The next meeting is March 23rd.

Program dates and times are subject to change. All programs are free and registration is required unless otherwise indicated. Visit SCLSNJ.org or call the Library at 908-722-9722 for more information and to register.

disappeared while flying over the Pacific Ocean 80 years ago, in July 1937.

During the course of the 40 minute show, Amelia recalls the events of her life from childhood through her final flight. Audiences are allowed a unique and fascinating glimpse into history, and the unforgettable experience of meeting a true American icon.

Adult Craft Night

Wednesdays, March 29; April 26

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Explore a variety of unique and attractive crafting techniques while relaxing with friends. We will supply all the materials required to create a new project each month.

CHILDREN AND TEEN PROGRAMS

Art Connections

Mondays and Wednesdays

March 1, 6, 8, 13 & 15

3:15 PM - 4:30 PM

A camp to expand your creativity, encourage your self-expression, make connections to your surroundings! The Manville Recreation Department and the Manville Library are co-sponsoring this after school program. Register at the Manville Recreation Department or at the Manville Library Circulation Desk. Grades 4-8. Program cost is \$10 for 8 sessions.

Mid-Week Mania

Wednesdays, March 1, 8 & 29; April 5, 12 & 26

3:30 PM - 5:30 PM

Join us Wednesday afternoons as we have a little fun and recharge our batteries for the week. The type of activity rotates each week between movies, tabletop gaming, and video game tournaments. No registration is required. This program is open to any kid in need of an after-school break.

Lego Club

Thursdays, March 2 & 9;

April 13, 20 & 27

4:00 PM - 4:45 PM

Grades K-5

Build with Legos based on a weekly theme.

Story Time

Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21 & 28; April 4, 11 & 25

1:15 PM - 2:00 PM

Ages 3 1/2-5 years

Stories, music and a craft for preschool children.

Maple Sugar To Go

Thursday, March 16

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

Ages 8 and up

Take a trip through time to experience the art of the maple sugaring process. Learn about the Native American history of maple sugaring, proper tree identification, practice drilling for sugar on a log and enjoy a free sample of real maple syrup. Presented by

Hunterdon County Division of Parks and Recreation. Registration is limited.

"Magic: The Gathering" Gathering

Wednesdays, March 8; April 12

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Manville Library's monthly gathering for players of the popular card game, Magic: The Gathering. Whether you are an experienced player or just learning, our resident expert will assist you in finding the magic in Magic. You can bring your own card deck or use one of the library's decks. This program is open to ages 8+.

Teen Tech Week: Music and Digital Media

Friday, March 10

3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Make your own music and test out a variety of online digital music production software, including virtual drum kits, sound sequencers, and background vocals. This program is in conjunction with YALSA's Teen Tech Week and is open to ages 13-18.

Minecraft Club

Saturdays, March 18; April 15

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Ages 9-13 years

You asked and we delivered! Starting in January, Manville Library will host a monthly Minecraft program on our private server for ages 9-13. Each month will feature a new map or objective. You might compete against your friends in a free-for-all tournament or work together to achieve a goal before the time runs out. You won't know unless you show, so register today!

NJ Maker Day: F.A.S.T. Crafts

Saturday, March 25

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Manville Library is celebrating Maker Day with activities featuring Fabrics, Art, Science, and Technology (F.A.S.T.). Explore one or all stations:

Fabric Basket: By using cotton clothesline, makers will wind, wrap and sew fabric strips to create unique storage containers. This is a group project and the final results will be raffled amongst participants.

Geometric Artwork: Makers will use a spirometer to spin their way to beautiful geometric-based artwork.

Paper Circuitry: Makers will use copper tape and surface-mount LEDs to build their own paper circuits creations.

Animation Creation: Makers will bring their original stories to life through stop-motion animation and Stikbots.

Sewing Class with Ruth Slovik

Mondays, April 3, 10 & 17

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

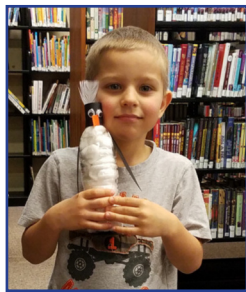
This class is intended for children ages 9-12 interested in learning the basics of sewing. Students will create a drawstring bag from start to finish while learning how to use a sewing machine. All materials supplied. Registration required; individuals must attend all three sessions.

The Manville Public Library

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Instructor Sandra Fernandez with student at Monoprinting Workshop



David Lukac at Storytime Penguin Craft



Jakub Jarabinsky enjoys Sensory Storytime

ADULT PROGRAMS

Adult Computer Literacy for Beginners

Mondays, March 6, 13, 20 & 27;

April 3, 10, 17 & 24

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Join a librarian for a series of classes on computer literacy. Topics include how to use a mouse, how to use a keyboard, how to create an email account, and how to safely navigate the internet. Space is limited and registration is required.

Evening Book Discussion Group

Mondays, March 13; April 10

6:00 PM - 7:45 PM

March 13: A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman

April 10: Miracles from Heaven by Christy Wilson Beam

Daytime Book Discussion Group

Wednesdays, March 15; April 19

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

March 15: The Storied Life of A.J. Fify by Gabrielle Zevin

April 19: What Alice Forgot by Liane Moriarty

Find Your Family Tree

Wednesdays, March 15; April 19

10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Manville resident and genealogy enthusiast, Bob Vornlocker, will share his techniques to maximize your search results and help uncover your family tree.

AARP Tax Assistance

Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays through April

11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Volunteer tax counselors have been trained to assist Somerset County residents in preparing their federal and New Jersey income tax returns. Appointments are required. Please call the Somerset County Office of Volunteer Services at (908) 541-5710 to schedule a meeting time.

Determined Spirit: The Story of Amelia Earhart

Saturday, March 18

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Actress and historian Monica Hoffman performs as Amelia Earhart in a one woman show that reveals the life and legacy of the world's most celebrated female aviator. Earhart and her co-pilot mysteriously



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