

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

We kicked the New Year off by holding the annual reorganization meeting of the Mayor and Council on Saturday, January 5th, 2019. We were honored to have Congresswoman, Bonnie Watson Coleman, Senator Kip Bateman and Assemblymen Freiman and Zwicker in attendance along with other dignitaries from around Somerset County. Our Congresswoman administered the oath of office to our newest Councilwoman Pattie Zamorski and I administered the oath to Councilwoman Michele Mignani, returning to Council for her second term. I congratulated them both and look forward to a productive 2019 for our Borough. My comments can be found in the minutes from the meeting published on the Borough's website.



Tim and Tara Kenyon

The highlight of the meeting for me, besides reporting on 2018 accomplishments and excellent financial news, was to recognize residents who contribute to our outstanding "Community Spirit". We have some of the best volunteers in all of Somerset County and they are helping to make Manville a great place to live. The first award was presented to Tim and Tara Kenyon, Co-Chairs of our Sustainable Manville team, for their "leadership & extra effort" going "above and beyond" helping the Borough of Manville achieve the bronze certification level with Sustainable Jersey. This was the first time this achievement was ever attained for the Borough of Manville.

Tim and Tara were persistent in getting all the information filed with Sustainable Jersey for the various activities the group has undertaken. These activities contributed to point totals which helped achieve bronze certification. Through their efforts, Manville was awarded the "Rookie of the Year" award by Sustainable Jersey in Atlantic City last November and was recognized state-wide.

Bronze certification is a big deal because it allows us to apply for larger grants to improve our Borough and it shows our commitment to the environment. Tim and Tara moved to Manville a few years ago and love the sense of community our town offers. Thank you, Tim and Tara and the entire Sustainable Manville Team! Please follow Sustainable Manville



MAC President Heather Ball

on Facebook to stay informed and get involved.

The next award for "Community Spirit" went to Jorge and Jill Rodriguez for their contributions to the Manville Rocks movement in our town by fostering "kindness, creativity and community" one painted rock at a time. Through their artistic talents, Jorge and Jill have made so many residents happy in town during 2018 by painting rocks and raffling them off on Facebook. The comments by residents in the Facebook group "Manville Rocks" were overwhelmingly positive, thanking Jorge and Jill for these efforts and generosity.



Jorge and Jill Rodriguez

Yes, a simple painted rock can put a smile on anyone's face and change someone's day for the better. I experienced their kindness by being "rocked" with a special Thanksgiving rock last year. It's one I will always cherish. Thank you, Jorge and Jill! You are helping bring out the good in everyone and making Manville a special place to live.

The last award presented was for the ongoing work of a small group of volunteers known formally as the Manville Arts Council. They help foster community spirit throughout the year beginning with their annual Art Expo held at our Library in May. This past December, Manville was shining bright as many residents participated in their "Bright Lights" fundraising contest

for the best holiday decorated home in town. It was so much fun to drive around our town to view and vote on the 25 homes in the contest. Many nice prizes were awarded to the participants.

The Arts Council is led by President Heather Ball, Vice President and Treasurer Karen McDermott, Secretary Amy Hartmann-Ohlson and my wife, Sharon Onderko who provides technical support for the Arts Council's website, www.ManvilleArts.org.

This small group of volunteers puts in a lot of time promoting the arts in town. They are an independent 501(c)3 not for profit

organization and they do not receive any taxpayer funds. I was happy to give them this well-deserved recognition by presenting them with customized pens and creativity books for their commitment to fostering the arts in Manville. I also donated half my salary as Mayor to the MAC to help them continue their mission of fostering the arts in Manville. We should all look forward to the unveiling of their first painted mural on our Library building in 2019. Thank you, Manville Arts Council for all you do! Your efforts are changing the image of Manville for the better.

In closing, this past month we enjoyed a special Federal holiday, Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The Faith in Action Church on our Main Street held the 24th Annual Celebration to honor his legacy. The theme of this year's service was "Succeeding Against the Odds" and was led by Faith in Action Church, Pastor Willa Maree-Rollins.

Guest speaker, Annalee Davis, Pastor of the Manville Reformed Church, gave an inspiring speech about her life challenges and the King legacy. Today, Manville is a shining example of the diversity and inclusion of Dr. King's vision. We have come a long way as a town and a nation, but more work still needs to be done for everyone to live the American dream Dr. King cherished.

I found this quote by author Mitch Albom fitting to honor the King legacy – "Devote yourself to your community around you. Devote yourself to creating something that gives you purpose and meaning." Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. certainly accomplished that and succeeded against overwhelming odds and changed our society for the better. He devoted and gave his life to making a difference to benefit others. We should all follow in his footsteps by devoting ourselves to help others within our community.

Until next month,
Richard M. Onderko

Manville Arts Council
ART EXPO
2019
A celebration of local art and artists inspired by the four elements

FOR MORE INFORMATION & ARTIST APPLICATIONS VISIT
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1929 - 2019
Borough of Manville

Things Happening around the United States in 1929:
New Comics released Tintin and Popeye
The First Academy Award Ceremony
Museum of Modern Art opens in NYC
First Desegregation of a Major TV
Cottontown Kodak opens in NJ and it is the largest weekly Kodak show in the United States

Sports
WORLD SERIES: THE PHILADELPHIA ATHLETICS DEFEAT THE CHICAGO CUBS
US OPEN GOLF IS WON BY BOBBY JONES
NFL CHAMPIONS ARE THE GREEN BAY PACKERS

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Manville Borough 90th Anniversary Committee

Manville was incorporated on April 18, 1929. As the Borough turns 90, we want to celebrate! We are forming a committee to organize a celebration. If you would like to be on the 90th Anniversary Block Party Committee contact Andrea Wardrop at awardrop@manvillenj.org.
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From the desk of Chief Mark Peltack



Manville Borough Police Officer Graduates Command and Leadership School

Manville Borough Police Sergeant Craig Jeremiah graduated from the New Jersey State Chiefs of Police Command and Leadership Academy on Thursday, January 17, 2019. The ceremony was held at the National Conference Center in East Windsor Township. In addition to receiving his Certificate of Graduation, Sgt. Jeremiah was the recipient of the Chief Harry Wilde Academic Achievement Award which is presented to the top student for Academic Excellence in each class.

In recognizing the future challenges in law enforcement, the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police (NJSACOP) have made a commitment to be in the forefront of innovation and change. The primary component of that commitment is the development of future police leaders.

The program began in 1993 when officials from the NJSACOP traveled to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point to work with the Academy's Department of Behavioral Sciences and Leadership to adapt the fabled West Point model of command and leadership to the needs of law enforcement.

The result of this collaboration is the NJSACOP Command & Leadership Academy, which is a unique blend of theory and application. Candidates with the greatest leadership potential are selected for this highly competitive program from all areas of the State.

For a program of this caliber, law enforcement professionals who are selected make more than a casual commitment; it is both an intensive and demanding program.

The Manville Police Department extends a heartfelt congratulations to Sgt. Jeremiah on both his achievement and award.

Manville Recreation News

Be Proactive with Concussion

Members of the Concussion in Youth Sports Steering Committee of the Brain Injury Alliance of New Jersey (BIANJ) created a guide to help families when a child is diagnosed with a concussion or when an event occurs and a concussion may be suspected. It was developed to help guide parents of children who are recovering from a concussion, to educate them about concussion, and to describe some of the complexities of concussion management.

The goal for this publication is to provide current, unbiased information about concussion in the absence of any media or marketing influence. The authors hope you find this tool useful and informative.

The terms, as used in this booklet, "parents" and "families" include biological, adoptive, and single parent, extended and any other familial arrangement. This resource may be valuable for anyone who cares for a child with a concussion and may need some help managing the recovery process.

Concussion affects each child differently. It is impossible to give all the answers for each situation. By familiarizing yourself with the current understanding of concussion issues, you will be better able to meet your child's needs throughout recovery.

This guide, which can be found at <https://bianj.org>, focuses on concussion and youth sports; however, concussions happen from many different types of activities such as car crashes, falls, playground and bicycle related crashes. Concussions resulting from a sports-related event are especially challenging because children who play sports typically want to get back in the game. Children diagnosed with concussion from a non-

sports related event may have less risk for a second concussion because returning to their sport is not a factor in recovery. The information in this guide provides a comprehensive overview of concussion regardless of the cause of the concussion.

This guide is not intended to be a substitute for medical advice or treatment. If you suspect a concussion, seek immediate medical care and intervention.



Spring Sports are just around the Corner! Registration for the 2019 Spring Sports Season is NOW OPEN!

T-Ball & Softball:
Instructional T-Ball (4 to 6 year olds) - \$50.00 - Boys and Girls

are welcome; at this level we focus on learning the very basic fundamentals of the game and having tons of fun, so the kids will come back next year. Coaches place balls on the tee for hitting. Emphasis is on basic skills, teamwork and fun. Based on the number of teams; expect one practice and one game each week. This is an in-town program with practices and games played on the T-Ball fields at Lincoln Avenue Park in the Lost Valley Section of Manville.

Travel Softball (1st - 8th grade students) - \$55.00 - promotes the game as an opportunity to teach girls the value of teamwork and sportsmanship, to enhance self-esteem and to develop softball skills, all in a positive environment. This program is run through the Somerville Baseball Inc. Inter-town Girls Softball League. Other participating teams (and possible game locations) include: Bound Brook, Dunellen, Middlesex, Piscataway, Raritan, Somerville and South Bound Brook. Registration deadline is Friday,

Manville Borough Completing Annual Re-Assessment Program

The Borough of Manville entered into an annual re-assessment program in 2017. This program considers the current real estate market and updates the assessed values of all properties in the Borough each year. Changes are being finalized in January by the Tax Assessor's office. It should be noted that the reassessment program does require all of the properties in the municipality to be changed, so there is a chance that your new assessment may remain the same.

All property owners will now be notified of their 2019 assessment by the green assessment notification post cards which are sent out in mid-February.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Assessor's office at 908-725-9478, Ext. 109.

A Message from the Tax Collector...

February 2019 taxes are due by or before 5pm on **Monday, February 11th, 2019**. Starting 9am **Tuesday, February 12th, 2019**, interest is calculated from February 1 to date of payment at a rate of 8% for the first \$1500.00 and 18% for anything over \$1500.01. We do not accept postmarked checks. The payments MUST be in our office by February 11th, 2019.

The Annual Post-Tax Year Income Statement has been mailed to those seniors who are receiving the \$250.00 deduction. They are based on 2018 income and must be in the tax office by March 1st, 2019 to continue receiving that deduction.

SUSTAINABLE MANVILLE

Look for the first issue of Sustainable Manville's newsletter, "The Manville Eco," this winter. It is filled with information and activities for a greener Manville.

The MANVILLE ECO

SAVE A LIFE.
Learn how to recognize & prevent an OVERDOSE!

PREVENT OPIOID OVERDOSE, SAVE LIVES; FREE NARCAN TRAINING.

The Municipal Alliance Commission of Manville (MAC of Manville) invites you to join us for an evening filled with education and information. Naloxone (Narcan) is a drug that reverses the effects of an opioid or heroin overdose. It has been an important resource in the efforts to decrease rates of fatalities associated with opioid/heroin overdoses. This training will discuss what are opioid drugs, some their effects, risk factors of an overdose, the signs and symptoms of an overdose, the Good Samaritan Law, what to do if someone is experiencing an overdose, how to administer naloxone and rescue breathing. Seating is limited. Advanced registration for this training is required. If you would like to attend, please RSVP no later than February 5, 2018. For more information about this training or to make changes to your registration, please contact Jessica Gonzalez at manvillamac@gmail.com.

To register, please visit the following website:
<https://goo.gl/forms/JAZkYdaA9yb6m7TL2>

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ABIS MEDIA CENTER
100 N 13th Street
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February 14, 2018 6:00pm - 7:30pm
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Courier News Best of the Best IN CENTRAL JERSEY

Manville Borough Always Prepared for Winter Weather

Ever wonder what those white lines are that appear on the roads around town before a snow event?



Manville Borough's Department of Public Works utilizes a product called "brine", which is a mixture of water and rock salt. Less than a quarter

of the mixture is rock salt that is sprayed on dry roadways up to 48 hours before an anticipated snow event. This pre-treatment gets into the tiny crevices of the road, dries and acts as a barrier that stops the snow and ice from bonding with the pavement. Rock salt applied to dry roads does not stay put very long; it bounces around and traffic causes it to be pushed to the curb line thus not being effective.

Cost savings is one of the benefits of brine. Brine begins working immediately on all treated roads at the first snowflake therefore providing safety measures for motorists in a timely manner. Department of Public Works employees can then

be dispatched to other critical storm issues like plowing operations. Motorists are strongly urged to always use caution when operating a vehicle in any winter precipitation event including keeping a safe distance behind any salt or brine trucks.

During anticipated snow events, the Department of Public Works will issue status notices to residents through the Code Red reverse phone call system. These notices can also be received on your cell phone, to your e-mail or by text. If you are not already receiving these notices, go to the Manville Borough's website and click on "Code Red" and enroll to be kept informed of any emergency situation or critical community alert.



Manville Seniors' Digest

The Manville Senior Citizens meet at noon on the second Thursday of each month at the VFW on Washington Avenue. Membership is open to anyone age 50 or older, residents and non-residents. The next meeting will be Valentine's Day February 14.

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.

We can be found on Facebook-Manville Senior Citizens. Check out our activities and pictures.

2019 officers were installed at the January meeting by former Manville Boro Clerk and current councilwoman Patricia Zamorski. President Petrone set the following agenda: Senior Picnic July 11, Monmouth Park July 26, 50th Anniversary Dinner October 27 and Christmas Party December 8. There will also be speakers and specialty programs during the course of the year.

Manville Police Department Detective Dave Sheffrin introduced Patrolman Nicholas Grammar who is new to the department. Detective Sheffrin discussed the various ongoing scams and to be cautious about giving personal information on the computer or through phone calls. Peddlers in town need to have verified identification issued by the Boro to solicit in Manville. Call the police if vendors do not possess this identification.

Lisa Cara from the Bridgewater Wellness Center passed out the schedule for the Center's activities and invited everyone to come for lunch (\$2.50 and you must call ahead) and to socialize

with other members from the County. Manville Librarian Nan Peterson gave updates on the library's programs. Recreation Director, Ron Cefalone, asked the Seniors for ideas regarding new programs they would like to see in addition to walking and exercise programs. He said he has noticed the strong interaction and impact the seniors have with the young people in town. Department of Public Works Director, Enzo LoMedico, said 2019 calendars are available.

Ned Panfile, School Liaison, reminded the seniors they are invited to attend the Board of Education meetings to voice their views and issues. Nick Trilone gave his 2018 membership report and note February is the last month to pay 2019 dues.

Upcoming trips:

Atlantic City - Third Wednesday of the month in to Caesar's. Bus leaves VFW at 9 am. Cost is \$35 of which \$30 will be returned. Next trip is February 20. Contact Josephine Pschar at 908-722-0156.

Sands Casino in Bethlehem, PA. will be on the fifth Thursday of the month. The next trip is May 30, 2019. Bus will leave from the VFW at 10 a.m. Cost is \$30 with \$20 back and \$5 for food. Contact Jo Pschar at 908-722-0156 for reservations.

Sunday, September 15 to Sunday, September 22, 2019 New England and Canada Cruise. Cost is double occupancy \$1,625.00 and single occupancy \$2715.00 for balcony cabins. Contact Kathie at 908-526-2948.

All trips are open to the public.

Time to License Your Dog

A reminder to all Manville Residents who own dogs – January is Dog License renewal time. Current dog license holders should have received renewals notices in the mail. Please submit your dog license renewal by March 1st.

If you are a new dog owner or have a new, unlicensed dog, please stop by the Office of the Registrar for your license application. Proof of valid rabies vacci-

nation is required. The hours of operation for the Registrar are Monday 9 am until 7 pm, Tuesday through Thursday 9 am until 5 pm and Friday 9 am until 2 pm. Dog license late fees begin March 1, 2019.



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Manville Releases Street Smart Pedestrian Safety Campaign Report (Plans are underway for a second campaign 2019)

The Borough of Manville announces the conclusion of the Street Smart pedestrian safety campaign conducted by the Manville Police Department with assistance from RideWise, the Bridgewater-based nonprofit transportation advocacy organization, and community businesses.

The campaign was initiated last spring, and included 159 hours of pedestrian safety enforcement by the police, who issued 51 warnings and 32 summonses, according to the report.

Street Smart is a statewide initiative to promote safe travel behavior through education and enforcement of pedestrian and motor vehicle laws. The campaign was developed in response to New Jersey ranking sixth in the U.S. in pedestrian fatalities at a rate of 24 percent. This is nearly double the national average of 14 percent.

Manville experienced 104 incidents involving vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists between 2006 and 2016, according to Numetric, the crash analysis tool from Rutgers University's Center for Advanced Infrastructure and Transportation (CAIT). In 2017 alone, there were another eight vehicle-pedestrian incidents along Main Street.

The Borough is the third Somerset County municipality to conduct a comprehensive Street Smart campaign. Survey responses indicated that the campaign was highly visible throughout the community. The number of respondents who reported seeing pedestrian safety messaging increased from 34 percent in the pre-campaign survey to 50 percent in the post-campaign survey.

Since the campaign's conclusion last June, there have been four additional incidents between vehicles and pedestrians, one of which was a fatality. Borough officials have begun planning a second Street Smart campaign in 2019 with assistance from RideWise.

"I'm fully in favor of another campaign given the recent pedestrian accidents on our Main Street," said Mayor Rich Onderko. "Unfortunately, we have the most unsafe Main Street corridor in Somerset County out of 21 towns."

The final report for Street Smart Manville is available online at the Borough's website – www.manvillenj.org and at the RideWise website – www.ridewise.org.



February is Black History Month. SCLSNJ's Manville branch has arranged some unique events to showcase the important contributions to art, music and culture made by African Americans. Throughout the month of February, the community is invited to view "A Place For All People," a commemorative exhibit that highlights a selection of artifacts on display at the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of African American History and Culture. This colorful and informative exhibit is available to the public during regular Library hours.

Join us on Saturday, January 26th at 2 PM for a musical journey from the 1930's when the "First Lady Of Song," Ella Fitzgerald graced the stage, all the way through to the 1970's when the "Queen

of Soul," Aretha Franklin ruled the airways. Performer Rhonda Denet presents her unique interpretations of these classic songs accompanied by the Silver Fox Songs Duo/Trio.

On Saturday, February 2nd at 11 AM, Evelyn Hershey of the American Labor Museum will present a program about business partners Josiah Huntoon and William Van Rensalier who sheltered escaping slaves in their Excelsior Coffee and Spice Factory in Paterson. This presentation will explore the courageous acts of these two men and the history of the Underground Railroad in Paterson, NJ.

Please register for these event at www.sclsnj.libnet.info/events or call the Manville Library at 908-458-8425.

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SUSTAINABLE MANVILLE FILM SERIES



Plastic Paradise: The Great Pacific Garbage Patch (Ages 8 and up)

Date: Tuesday, February 19th
Time: 3:00 – 5:00 pm

Where: Reading Cinemas, Manville
(180 N. Main Street)

Cost: FREE!! FREE!! FREE!!

Sustainable Manville thanks Reading Cinemas for its generous sponsorship and support by offering their cinema to Sustainable Manville for this event!

Registration required: www.manvillenj.org/308/Recreation



Meet Our New Children's Librarian



SCLSNJ's Manville branch is pleased to announce that Amy Atzert will be returning to the SCLSNJ's Manville branch as our new Youth Services Department Supervisor. Amy was with us in 2015 as the Adult/ Young Adult Librarian and was promoted to the Youth Services Supervisor at the Hillsborough branch in 2016. Amy brings extensive experience focusing on educational outreach and her skills will greatly enhance our services to the Manville community. Welcome back, Amy!

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PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

TODDLER/PRE-SCHOOL STORYTIME

Fridays, February 1, 8, 15, 22
10:00am - 10:45am

Ages 3 1/2 and up

This fast-paced storytime for lively toddlers will vary from week to week, with activities that incorporate some of our favorite books, songs, rhymes, fingerplays, and crafts.

MAKE MUSIC IN MANVILLE

Fridays, February 1, 15
3:30pm - 4:30pm

Grades 5-8

Sponsored by Manville Recreation, this free afterschool program offers ABIS students a chance to create music together while sampling several instruments. Sessions will be led by John Fitzpatrick of The Coffeehouse Project, a music education nonprofit organization based in Somerville. John has more than twenty years of experience as an educator and musician and earned an MA in Community Music at the Irish World Academy in Limerick, Ireland. Register online at www.manvillenj.org/308/Recreation.

GROUNDHOG DAY STORYTIME AND CRAFT

Saturday, February 2
2:00pm - 3:00pm

Families with children

We can't get our "Phil" of this uniquely American holiday! Learn about Punxsutawney Phil while enjoying other groundhog stories. Participants will leave with a cute "pop-up" groundhog craft.

DROP IN VALENTINE'S DAY CRAFT

Saturday, February 9
All Day

All ages

Kids, tweens and teens, let your creativity shine! Stop by any time and make a sweet Valentine's Day craft to keep for yourself, or to give to someone special. All supplies will be provided.

NATURE EXPLORERS SERIES: Leave it to Beaver

Wednesday, February 13
6:00pm - 7:00pm

All ages

Along with a Naturalist from the Somerset County Parks Commission, explore nature and our environment. Can you believe that beavers are the second largest rodents in the entire world? These nocturnal, semi-aquatic critters are known for their amazing ability to construct dams and lodges, and alter the environment. Unfortunately, their population has been declining since 1988 due to extensive hunting for their fur. Learn why this keystone species, who lives in your backyard, is such a vital part of our ecosystem.

STITCH CRAFT

Tuesday, February 19
4:00pm - 5:30pm

Ages 9-14 years

Attendees will master the ABCs of

sewing machine operation, including threading the machine, winding the bobbin, and a variety of sewing machine stitches. Participants will learn some hand sewing and finishing techniques as well.

February 19: Fundamentals of Hand Sewing

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD IN PATERSON, NEW JERSEY - A Lecture with Evelyn Hershey of the American Labor Museum

Saturday, February 2
11:00am - 12:30pm

Step back in time for a presentation on two heroic men who used their business to assist those escaping from slavery in the 1850s. Paterson business partners Josiah Huntoon and William Van Rensalier sheltered escaping slaves in their Excelsior Coffee and Spice Factory in Paterson. This presentation will explore the courageous acts of these two men and the history of the Underground Railroad in Paterson, NJ.

BEGINNER QUILTERS CLASS

Monday, February 4
6:30pm - 8:30pm

Participants will learn how to measure, cut, and assemble basic quilt blocks. Sewing machines and sewing tools will be provided. Prior sewing knowledge is not required.

DOMINOES LADIES

February 5, 12, 19, 26
1:00pm - 3:30pm

Spend the afternoon playing a relaxing game of dominoes or cards.

OUCH, STEREOTYPES HURT!: Communication in a Diverse World

Wednesday, February 6
1:00pm - 3:00pm

At this workshop, attendees will experience the impact of stereotypical comments, jokes and emails. Jan Goodman, Community Outreach Specialist, of Greater Raritan One Stop Career Center, will discuss why people do not speak up against stereotypes and other biased behaviors and offers six techniques for speaking up without blame or guilt, in both your personal life and the workplace.

THURSDAY THRILLERS BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

February 7: "Believe Me" by JP Delaney
Thursday, 6:00pm - 7:00pm

ESL CONVERSATION GROUPS

Thursdays, February 7, 14, 21, 28
1:00pm - 2:30pm

6:30pm - 8:00pm

Practice speaking English in a friendly setting. Basic English skills are required. Hosted by the Literacy Volunteers of Somerset County. For more options regarding SCLSNJ's Citizenship classes, basic English Language instruction and more, go to <https://tinyurl.com/yc4zujhn>.

NEW YEAR, NEW YOU: Wellness and Mindfulness

Saturday, February 9
12:30pm - 2:00pm

Yoga, meditation, mental health, and stress relief event organized by Augusta Santos, founder of the John Santos Charitable Organization. Begin your journey to wellness with a soothing piano performance by jazz pianist Nick Arrechea. Participate in a discussion of stress and depression, then practice gentle yoga led by Lori Arrechea of eZential Wellness.

MONDAY MATINEE IN MANVILLE

Mondays, February 11, February 25
1:00pm - 3:30pm

EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

February 11: "Killers of the Flower Moon" by David Grann
Monday, 6:00pm - 7:00pm

LOVE ON A LEASH - Visit with a Therapy Dog

Saturday, February 16
Monday, February 25

11:00am - 12:00pm

Families welcome

Snuggle with Reya, a certified therapy dog. Her handler can tell you about the benefits therapy dogs can have on the humans with whom they interact.

FANTASY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Tuesday, February 19: "Good Omens" by Neil Gaiman and Terry Pratchett
6:30pm - 7:30pm

DAYTIME BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

February 20: "The Rosie Project" by Graeme C. Simsion
Wednesday, 12:00pm - 1:00pm

FIND YOUR FAMILY TREE

Wednesday, February 20
10:30am - 12:30pm

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

CROCHET AND KNITTING CLUB, TOO!

Wednesday, February 27
6:00pm - 8:00pm

Looking for someone to craft with, to teach or to learn from? Meet new people while honing new skills.



Manville resident and SCLSNJ employee Brian Holovach interacting with the children at his Friday morning Storytimes

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