

Manville's News



A New Beginning with a Proud Past

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Richard M. Onderko,
Mayor
Borough of
Manville

Mayor Onderko's Corner

2018 was a pretty good year for our Borough even in light of this fact: New Jersey was pummeled with more precipitation in 2018 than in any other year since record keeping began in 1895. A statewide average of over 64 inches of rainfall was measured. Thankfully, we did not encounter any major flooding since much of the rainfall was spread out throughout the entire year. Ten of the 12 months of 2018 recorded above average rainfall amounts. The next wettest year on record in NJ was 2011 with 63 inches of rainfall when Tropical Storms Irene and Lee inundated NJ. The average annual rainfall amount for NJ is 46 inches.

By the Borough encountering such an unusually wet 2018, it has led to a significant overage charge from the Somerset Raritan Valley Sewage Authority (SRVSA) for what they refer to as "I&I" – inflow and infiltration. Our sewage rates are metered before entering the processing facility across the Raritan River near Lost Valley. The Borough budgets annually to a projected number of gallons of sewage on average. It is difficult to predict if any particular year will be a drought year or an exceptionally wet year like 2018. In dry years we get a processing credit and in wet years we get hit with an overage charge. Unfortunately for the Borough, this year's overage charge was approximately \$497,000. The charge basically wipes out our entire sewer department budgetary surplus heading into 2019.

What can be done to help in future years that are exceptionally wet? Every home owner in our Borough who has a basement sump pump must ensure that it is not hooked up to directly discharge into our sewer system since we pay per gallon on rain water that should not be included in the processing of sewage. Sump pumps need to discharge to your yard if possible or out to the curb. We will also be introducing an ordinance to allow for discharge enforcement. In addition, to confront the underground pipe infiltration, pipe joints need to be re-grouted. In the past, the Borough applied for a Community Development Block Grant and received \$100,000 to perform this work on the north side of town. We will look for additional funding in the years ahead.

I have met recently with the director of the SRVSA, Mr. Ron Anastasio, and he informed me that the sump pump discharge issue is causing the biggest part of our I&I

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Somerset County Library System Congratulates Manville's Library Director For Leadership Award

Somerset County Library System of New Jersey (SCLSNJ) would like to congratulate Nan Peterson on her acceptance to the National 2019 PLA Leadership Academy. The PLA Leadership Academy empowers public library professionals to become innovative and successful leaders of change, shifting their libraries from an internal approach—focused on organizational operations—to an external approach—focused on community needs. This concept follows suit with the goals pertaining to the SCLSNJ Strategic Plan.

This was a highly competitive application process and Ms. Peterson was selected as one of 28 exceptional cohort members from across the United States into what promises to be an energizing, career-building experience. Leadership

Academy participants will engage in thought-provoking lectures and breakout discussions focused on:

- Recognizing one's individual leadership style and values
- Becoming an effective change agent
- Managing and sustaining "big picture" library projects
- Developing library programs that meet community needs
- Understanding how to engage with nonprofits, local governments, and business partners for collective action.

SCLSNJ is proud to have Ms. Peterson represent us at this special library leadership experience in Chicago, Illinois this May.

Christopher Korenowsky, Director of Public Services, Somerset County Library System

Elks Pig Roast for Gavin Ruffer, My Son's Story

by Carl Ruffer, 2nd Grade Weston School Teacher

The moment your child is born your life changes in so many great ways. All you can do is think about all of the great things you will do together as a family in the future.

Gavin was born on September 4, 2016 around 1:30 in the morning. He was just over 9 pounds. A big boy!

At approximately 36 hours old Gavin developed a fever and was brought to the NICU where he stayed for the next 23 days. He had a variety of issues ranging from aspiration to very low oxygen levels. A trying beginning, but one we fought through.

Around 9 months old you could clearly tell Gavin was behind on his milestones. We often heard the famous line of "boys progress slower than girls", so no testing was warranted from the pediatrician. Gavin continued to miss milestones until his first birthday when he qualified for physical therapy, occupational therapy and developmental intervention. Needless to say he was not a fan, but we had to do something to get him moving.

In November 2017, Gavin was hospitalized with pneumonia and low oxygen levels. While admitted he also got RSV. It was finally time for more aggressive testing.

On January 31, 2018 we went to see the

neurologist who would give us the results that would change our lives forever. At just 16 months old Gavin was diagnosed with MECP2 Duplication Syndrome. The doctor was so professional in delivering the news and honestly told us she had never heard of this before. She researched and told us:

- MECP2 Duplication Syndrome is:
- A rare, progressive neurological disorder that primarily affects boys
 - Low muscle tone
 - Feeding difficulties
 - Poor or absent speech
 - Constipation and/or reflux
 - Seizures that may not improve with treatment
 - Delayed development of motor skills such as sitting and walking
 - Loss of previously acquired skills (developmental regression)
 - Recurrent respiratory tract infections. These respiratory infections are a major cause of death.
 - Average life expectancy is 25 years

Since receiving this devastating diagnosis our lives have changed in so many ways. It brings with it a grieving process that is continuous because we never know what is coming next. However, it has also brought a reason to celebrate every tiny little improvement/accomplishment that Gavin has. For example, Gavin's biggest accomplishment is that he can now crawl. To most it seems strange to be so excited to have a two year old crawling around, but to us, we are just joyous that he is now mobile and independent. On the flip side, Gavin still cannot walk or even get to a standing position on his own, but these are milestones we will continue to strive for through physical therapy, patience and love.

In addition to working on achieving the

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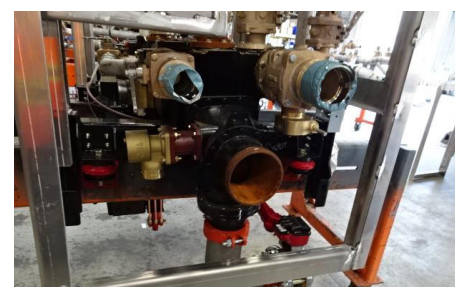
Fire Co. 3 New Truck Assembly Update



Painting the cab



The chassis frame



The pump house structure and the fire pump were joined

Volunteer Firefighters Needed



The Manville Fire Department is seeking new members. If you are 18 years of age or older and interested in becoming a volunteer firefighter, consider joining our department.

The Manville Fire Department provides free training to all new members, a yearly clothing allowance and it is a great way to give back to your community. For more information feel free to contact:

Fire Company #1

20 South 3rd Ave
908-707-9877
Meeting 7:00 pm - 1st Tuesday of the month

Camplain Fire Company #2

Washington Ave and S. 13th
908-526-0439
Meeting 7:30 pm - 1st Tuesday of the month

North End Fire Company #3

169 North 8th Ave
908-526-0403
Meeting 7:30 pm - 1st Monday of the Month



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From the Desk of the Manville OEM Director, John Bentz

Manville OEM, Police, Fire and EMS join Somerset County OEM Rescue Task Force

The Manville OEM, Police Department, Fire Department and Manville First Aid/Rescue Squad have joined with seven other Somerset County Municipalities in joining the newly created Somerset County Rescue Task Force. The Rescue Task Force (RTF) has been established within the County due to the recent tragedies that have taken place over the last few years across the country. The municipalities will be working jointly with Somerset County OEM, EMS Bureau, Public Safety, SWAT and Prosecutors Office on being trained to respond to Active Shooter and Hostile Incidents.

The Rescue Task Force has been established through a grant that Somerset County has received and will help the municipalities get their RTF's up and running by supplying the training and equipment that is needed for the teams. RTF members will be required to receive training in RTF Awareness: Response to Active Shooter and Hostile Incidents, Controlled Bleeding and a RTF Concepts of Operations Module. The County has also set up an Implementation Timeline with training and drills to get the program in full operation by the end of 2019.

The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manville fully support the creation of the Manville RTF. A Resolution and Memorandum of Understanding were adopted and executed at the February 25, 2019 Mayor and Council meeting.

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typical milestones, our future with Gavin entails managing Gavin's ongoing reflux and constant constipation. We are also learning to communicate with him using devices, flashcards and various resources as he is nonverbal. Being that Gavin, like all MECP2 Duplications Syndrome children, is intellectually disabled, we also have to keep in mind and become accustomed to the fact that his toddler mentality will remain with him throughout his life.

One of the worst parts of all is that we will forever live on the edge of fear, or as another MECP2 Duplication Syndrome parent once described it "with a black cloud of fear lingering over our head", that Gavin will begin regression, having seizures or develop a severe respiratory tract infection.

Bills will forever come from the need for physical therapy – a staple in these boys lives to prevent rigidity, medical devices (i.e. wheelchairs, special needs bath chairs, Hoyer lifts, etc.) and medications.

The most important thing is that we are in this battle as a family, prepared for the worst, enjoying the moment, advocating for Gavin and spreading awareness about MECP2 Duplication Syndrome!

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 April 11th.

Follow Manville Seniors on Facebook and check out all the activities and pictures.

Manville Seniors enjoyed a traditional St. Patrick's Day dinner of corned beef, cabbage, boiled potatoes, rye and Irish soda bread and beverages for their March meeting.

Kari Couch, for the tax officer, went over the various deductions available to seniors regarding property taxes. There is the property tax freeze, veterans and low income deductions. Check with the Borough Tax Office for more information.

Thank you Olga Tafilowski for donating club pictures for the scrapbook. They are greatly appreciated. Manville Seniors are currently looking for old photos of the club's activities for inclusion in our anniversary collage.

Celebrating 50 years!! A chance encounter in 1968 at Foodtown between Mayor Joe Paterno (doing his wife a favor) and a senior woman resident. She

asked him what could be done for seniors to meet and socialize. The Mayor talked with other interested seniors, appointed a committee and in May 1969 the Manville Senior Citizens Club was born and incorporated October 29, 1969. The purpose was to keep seniors active and plan activities such as trips and socials and to have information on topics related to health, Medicare, Social Security and quality of life issues. A \$200 donation from Johns-Manville for an Asbury Park trip was the first official trip, followed by many more. Former Mayor Paterno has come full circle as he was President of the club and is currently the Vice-President. The club's first officers were President George Sopko, Vice-President John Fotta, Secretary John Jasinski, Treasurer Emma Brennan and Financial Secretary James Kavanaugh.

Tickets for the July 11th picnic will be on sale at the May meeting.

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 April 17th. Contact Josephine Pschar at 908-722-0156.

All trips are open to the public.

From the desk of Chief Mark Peltack

April Is Distracted Driving Month

U Drive. U Text. U Pay: It's Just That Simple

These days, nearly everyone owns a cell phone, and they use them all day long. But among the many aspects of our job, we're working hard to remind drivers that driving distracted—by using the cell phone, riding with other vehicle passengers, eating and drinking, or even tuning the radio—is a dangerous and, often, illegal habit.

The month of April is National Distracted Driving Awareness Month. The Manville Police Department is teaming up with the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to help spread the word about the dangers of distracted driving. From April 11 to April 15, 2019, we'll conduct a high-visibility enforcement effort called U Drive. U Text. U Pay. Law enforcement officers will step up enforcement efforts and issue citations for distraction violations. The campaign aims to remind drivers of the consequences of their distracted actions, and continue to spread the message about the dangers of distracted driving.

According to NHTSA, between 2012-2017, nearly 20,000 people died in crashes involving a distracted driver. In fact, there were 3,166 people killed in motor vehicle crashes involving distracted drivers in 2017, which accounts for nearly one-tenth of all fatal crashes for that year.

While we generally think of distracted

driving as texting or talking on the cell phone, it can take many other forms: Adjusting a GPS, applying makeup, chatting with other passengers, eating, or taking a sip of your coffee can all distract a driver from the essential task at hand – safe driving. The bottom line is this: If your attention is anywhere other than the road, you're driving distracted, and you're driving dangerous.

Drive Safe Every Trip

Don't want to get ticketed for distracted driving? Don't do it. If you need to text, then pull over and do not drive. If you're driving, follow these safe driving tips:

- If you are expecting a text message or need to send one, pull over and park your car in a safe location. Once you are safely off the road and parked, it is safe to text.
- Designate your passenger as your "designated texter." Allow them access to your phone to respond to calls or messages.
- Do not engage in social media scrolling or messaging while driving. Cell phone use can be habit-forming. Struggling to not text and drive? Put the cell phone in the trunk, glove box, or back seat of the vehicle until you arrive at your destination.

Texting while driving is dangerous and illegal. Break the cycle. Remember: U Drive. U Text. U Pay.



News and Events at the Manville-Hillsborough Elks

"Country Line Dance Classes for Beginners" will be starting Friday, April 12th from 7-8PM. Cost is \$35 dollars for the 5 week session. Please register by April 8th. Leather sole shoes are recommended.

The 2nd Annual "Mark Matisak Memorial Cornhole Tournament" will be held at the Elks on Saturday May 4th, 1pm registration with a 2pm start time. \$20 per player, \$40 team play, includes burgers and hotdogs with a cash bar.

And don't forget the "Pig Roast for Alex" to benefit Gavin Ruffer on May 19th. Call the Elks at (908) 725-1717 for more information.

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problem. We are not alone. All towns have I&I issues to deal with including Somerville, it has the worst problem of towns in the surrounding area. In 2016, the SRVSA raised our process fees by 5% and they are currently considering building a new plant to handle the additional overflows from storm events to abide by NJDEP regulations. They do not believe any further rate increases are necessary at this time as they undertake this major capital improvement project. In addition, the Borough will be reviewing sewer rates which haven't changed since 2009.

Our Borough was also recently notified of additional Blue Acres funding for voluntary buyouts from the alternative list of 113 homes that was assembled in 2013. Only homes that are on that original list are eligible for the funding available provided by the HUD Community Block Grant Disaster Relief fund as allocated

after super storm Sandy hit NJ back in October of 2012. Homeowners on the alternative list should have already received letters notifying them. This is a voluntary program allowing the homeowner to back out of the buyout offer at any time.

I will be working with our elected officials in Trenton for awarding more municipal aid to our Borough in the state's 2019 budget. Our school district recently received \$9.7 million more in state aid for the school budget over next 6 years. It is time for the municipal budget to receive more aid as we actively participate in the NJ Blue Acres program and have lost recurring property tax revenues from over 150 home buyouts to date.

In closing, I would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter.

Until next month,
Mayor Richard M. Onderko

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The Little Shelter with the Big Heart

The Somerset Regional Animal Shelter (SRAS) provides 24/7 animal control and companion adoption services for Bridgewater, Manville and Green Brook. The Borough of Manville has been a long-time partner with the shelter as a shared service which provides animal control services to our residents. The shelter is celebrating the adoption of 996 pets in 2018 which is an all-time record.

If a family's dog or cat goes missing in town and is found, it will end up at this shelter so it can be reunited with its family. The shelter's animal control number is 908-725-0308. The shelter facility is located by the Bridgewater Commons Mall at the Bridgewater Municipal complex at 100 Commons Way and is a "not for profit" shelter.

The shelter's financial operations are also supplemented by an independent 501c3 group called "Friend of Somerset Regional Animal Shelter" or FOSRAS. On Saturday, May 11, 2018 at our VFW hall they will be hosting a Tricky Tray fundraiser – a major source of funds to support homeless dogs and cats at the shelter. The tricky tray, held every other year, is very popular and is sold-out at this time with a waiting list.

The Friends of Somerset Regional Animal Shelter ensures our shelter is a safe, loving place for homeless animals by providing the financial support that allows all of the shelter animals to receive the veterinary care and nutrition they need to be healthy and ready to find a forever home. Many of these animals came from overcrowded shelters where they face

uncertain futures. Some come from areas stricken by natural disasters, others from local areas where they were abandoned or surrendered by owners unable to care for them.

With the increase in the number of pets coming through the shelter, there is a far greater need for funds. Anyone can help make the tricky tray fundraiser a big success for the animals by donating goods, services or gift certificates for prize baskets, advertisement

sponsorship for the evening's program, or make a monetary contribution to help purchase the grand prizes. To arrange pickup of your donation or for more information please contact Kathy Healey at (908) 256-1244 or email: trickytraydonations@fosras.com.

- Some up-coming events are:
- April 7, 2019 – Petco Adoption
 - April 17, 2019 – The Kitten Shower
 - April 27, 2019 – Shake Shack Adoption Event
 - May 11, 2018 – FOSRAS Tricky Tray

Volunteers are always welcome at the shelter to greet customers at the front desk and the shelter always needs volunteers to help with off-site events. Please like the shelter on Facebook and visit their websites at www.SRAS.com and www.FOSRAS.com. Manville is a proud partner of the "little shelter with the big heart". Stop by and visit. Hours of operation are daily from 12-4 PM, with extended hours until 7pm on Wednesday's.



Brian Bradshaw, Shelter Manager



Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP)

The Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) is a new opportunity for income eligible residents. WAP is the nation's core program for delivering energy efficiency services to low-income households. The program goal is to reduce energy costs to low-income families by improving energy efficiency in their homes while ensuring their health and safety. Participants in the program can qualify for up to \$7,200 in weatherization improvements and \$7,200 in heating and cooling system replacements in addition to funds to remediate health and safety concerns.

The funding can be stacked for a total near \$20,000 in assistance. The program provides attic insulation, hot water

heater replacement, low flow showerhead replacement, and much more! Professionally trained weatherization crews perform all installations. PROCEED, Inc. is the agency designated by the State of NJ to administer WAP in Somerset County. For links to the flyer and the WAP website, check the Manville website at: www.manvillenj.org/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=447.

For additional information on WAP call PROCEED, Inc in Somerset County at 908-351-7727 Ext. 204.



ON THE DRAWING BOARD

SHOW YOUR ART in the Manville Arts Council's 4th Annual Art Expo!

The Manville Arts Council proudly announces the 4th Annual Art Expo beginning with Opening Night Artists Reception on May 3, 2019, 6-8pm at the Manville Public Library.

This year the Art Expo will have a theme: The Four Elements - Air, Water, Fire, Earth

We look forward to sharing the various ways this year's theme will be interpreted with our community. The Expo is open to all New Jersey artists age 16 and older. You can submit up to four pieces. Applications must be received by April 8, 2019. Artwork will be on display for two weeks until May 17, 2019.

Manville Borough Re-Assessment Program Update

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. Maintaining the annual program also eliminates the need for a costly full re-valuation program every 10 to 15 years. This program has been successfully implemented in several other Somerset County municipalities and has shown greater accuracy of assessments which ensures a fair and equitable distri-

bution of taxation across the town. A condition of the re-assessment program is the requirement by the State of New Jersey, Division of Taxation, that an inspection of every Borough property occur once every five years to confirm the details of the assessment records. This translates into a 20% requirement annually. Therefore, commencing in 2017, the Borough began inspecting properties in the areas commonly known as the Claremont and Lost Valley sections, representing the first 20%. For 2018, the Borough has hired inspectors from a professional revaluation firm, Appraisal Systems Inc., to complete the inspections of the next 20% of the properties.

The 2018 inspections were concluded in November and the 2019 Tax Assessments were mailed to property owners in February by the green assessment notification post cards. **If property owners wish to file a tax appeal, the deadline is May 1st.** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Assessor's office at 908-725-9478, Ext. 109.



Borough of Manville

COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP DAY

Help Beautify Our Town

Saturday, April 13, 2019

8:30 a.m. @ Manville Library

Register via CommunityPass*

Free t-shirt

Lunch Provided

Ages 10 and up

Volunteer Today!

Made possible with grant money from New Jersey Clean Communities and sponsored by Manville Department of Public Works, Manville Recreation, and Sustainable Manville.

Approved by the Mayor and Council.

*CommunityPass - <https://www.manvillenj.org/308/Recreation>

Miss out on Girl Scout cookies? There is still time!

Sale Dates:

- April 6th Walmart 9AM – 3PM
- April 6th Dunkin Donuts 10AM – 12PM
- April 7th Walmart 9AM – 3PM
- April 7th Dunkin Donuts 10AM – 12PM
- April 13th Walmart 9AM – 12PM
- April 14th Dunkin Donuts 10AM – 2PM

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Connect with your Community Through Current Event Conversations and More at SCLSNJ

We talk to our neighbors, friends, and/or family about current events and other happenings on social media, in phone conversations, or by text on an almost daily basis. Beginning this March, connect with your community and explore a program series based on thought-provoking, current events at the Somerset County Library System of New Jersey (SCLSNJ). The series will delve into a range of topics that aim to foster conversations in a polite and respectful setting.

“Presenting programs that help community members connect, explore, share, and discover meet the County’s need for creating meaningful interactions and connections,” said Marcela Dunham, system program coordinator.

During the program series, Library customers will be exposed to different viewpoints and perspectives presented by experts in their fields. These community conversations will include foreign policy, climate change, and more.

On April 11, 18, and 25, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. explore a series of three locally-produced documentaries featuring history and survivors of the Holocaust, followed by discussion facilitated by Peppy Margolis, director of community programs at Raritan Valley Community College at the Manville branch.

SOMERSET COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM
On April 29, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. discover the implications of direct-to-consumer genetic testing with Melanie Lenahan, Ph.D., from Raritan Valley Community College. The discussion will explore the benefits and downsides of direct-to-consumer genetic testing, including: privacy, healthcare, and ancestry issues at the Manville branch.

For more information and a complete list of current event conversation programs visit: SCLSNJ.org.



FRIENDS OF THE MANVILLE LIBRARY

3rd Annual Cupcake Competition

A friendly competition to support the library!

MAY 8, 2019 | 5-7 PM

NEW THIS YEAR ...

ENTRIES WILL BE DIVIDED BY AGE GROUP (12 YEARS AND UNDER & 13+ YEARS)

Entries will be judged on creativity and presentation.
1st, 2nd, & 3rd place prizes awarded in each age group.

Cast your vote from 5-6 PM
Cupcake sale begins at 5:45 PM
All cupcakes will be sold for \$1 each



Registration forms are available at the Manville Library or ManvilleNJ.org/380/Friends-of-the-Manville-Library

Manville Library | 100 South 10th Ave., Manville, NJ 08835 | 908.458.8425

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.

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

LEGO Club (grades K-5)

April 4, 11, 18; 4-4:45 p.m.

Join the fun if you like building with LEGO bricks. Bring your creativity and prepare for a challenge.

Toddler/Preschool Storytime (ages 18-60 months)

April 5, 12, 19, 26; 10-10:45 a.m.

An interactive program that fosters early literacy skills through books, songs, and activities.

Family Storytime (families)

April 6, 11-11:45 a.m.

An interactive program that fosters early literacy skills through books, songs, and activities.

Make Music in Manville (grades 5-8)

April 12, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

ABIS students can create music together while sampling several instruments. Sponsored by Manville Recreation.

Stitch Craft: Sew a Quilted Potholder (ages 9-14 years)

April 16, 4-5:30 p.m.

Learn the basics of sewing while creating handmade projects.

Get Ready for National Bike Month (grades K-4)

April 20, 2-3:30 p.m.

Create fun and fabulous decorations for your bikes and helmets. A special guest will judge the bikes and award prizes.

Nature Explorers Series (families)

April 26, 2-3 p.m.

Explore nature and our environment along with a naturalist from the Somerset County Parks Commission.

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

Monday Matinee at Manville: The Children Act

April 1, 1-3:30 p.m.

High Court judge Fiona Maye has to make a life-or-death decision for 17-year-old Adam. Rated R.

Beginner Quilters Class

April 1, 15; 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Learn how to measure, cut, and assemble basic quilt blocks. Sewing machines and tools will be provided.

Learn to Control Your Diabetes

April 3, 10; 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Learn how to improve your blood sugar readings, lower your A1C, lose weight by eating better, and more.

Thursday Thrillers Book Discussion

April 4, 6-7 p.m.

“An Unwanted Guest” by Shari Lapena.

Live Armenian and Near Eastern Music

April 4 6:30-8 p.m.

Explore the music of Armenia, Turkey, Syria, Greece, Persia, and Israel with John Vartan and Pete Boorjy.

Yoga, Mental Health, and Stress Relief

April 6, noon - 2 p.m.

Explore wellness with a discussion on stress relief and depression, then participate in yoga for wellbeing.

Evening Book Discussion

April 8, 6-7 p.m.

“This Is How It Always Is” by Laurie Frankel.

Tech Training: Introduction to Microsoft Word

April 10, 1-2:30 p.m.

Learn to create various documents, including: resumes, business letters, and more.

Holocaust Remembrance Film Series and Discussion

April 11, 18, 25; 6:30-8:30 p.m.

A series of three locally-produced documentaries featuring history and survivors of the Holocaust, followed by discussion facilitated by Peppy Margolis, Director of Community Programs at RVCC.

Monday Matinee at Manville

April 15, 1-3:30 p.m.

Let's Get Crafty Series: Soap Making

April 16, 11 a.m. - noon

Spend an hour getting crafty with the librarian and some friends.

Fantasy Book Discussion Group

April 16, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

“Ender’s Game” by Orson Scott Card

Find Your Family Tree

April 17, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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

Afternoon Book Discussion

April 17, noon - 1 p.m.

“All We Ever Wanted” by Emily Giffin

Tech Training: Intermediate Microsoft Word

April 17, 1- 2:30 p.m.

Learn to format and enhance various documents, including: resumes, business letters, and flyers.

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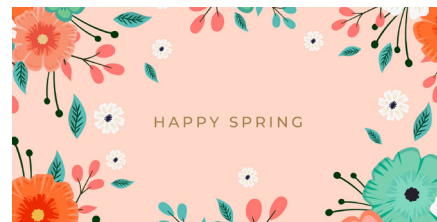
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