

Library Lines

JULY 2009

* The library will be closed **Friday, July 3rd** for Independence Day. The Library will re-open Monday, July 6th at 11:00am

* The library will be closed on Saturdays during July.

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WE'RE MOVING!

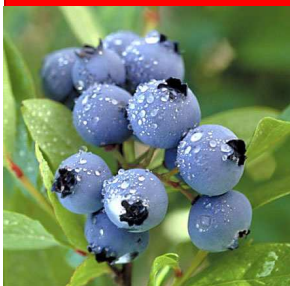
After a long wait, the library will be moving to 713 Marsha Avenue (behind the Amish Market). The new library is nearing completion, and we are beginning to make arrangements for its patrons. The library will be closed for the move to the new building during the entire month of August. We will be re-opening sometime in September. There is some information of which patrons should be aware:

1. Item holds and Inter-Library Loans will stop as of **July 10th**.
2. As of **July 24th**, patrons will no longer be able to check out materials from the Monroe Township Library.
3. All library activities will cease as of **July 31st**. This includes faxing, computer usage, etc. The library will **not** be open for business after July 31st.
4. All items checked out on the 24th of July **must** be returned by **August 7th** to avoid penalties. Please bear in mind that if your return date is prior to August 7th, then your item is still due on your original return date. For instance, if your check-out slip reads that your items are due by August 1st, those items **must** be returned by August 1st to avoid late fees.
5. Items may still be returned to the **outside drop box** on 306 S. Main Street until further notice.

Please remember that during this time, patrons can still visit any of the LOGIN libraries in Gloucester County and check out materials.

We will keep patrons informed as we begin to learn more of the details. In the meantime, check out our website at www.monroetownshiplibrary.org and our blog at mtblog.mtlibrary.org We are also on FACEBOOK! Just search for "The Free Public Library of Monroe Township."

NATIONAL BLUEBERRY MONTH



BOOKCLUB

This month, the Bookmarks will be reading Senator's Wife by Sue Miller. The Book Club meets on Tuesday, the 28th at 7:30 p.m. Please call in advance if you are interested in attending. Copies of the 2009 reading list are available at the Circulation Desk.

July is National Blueberry Month. Blueberries are flowering plants of the genus *Vaccinium*. The berries can be dark blue, purple, or black in color.

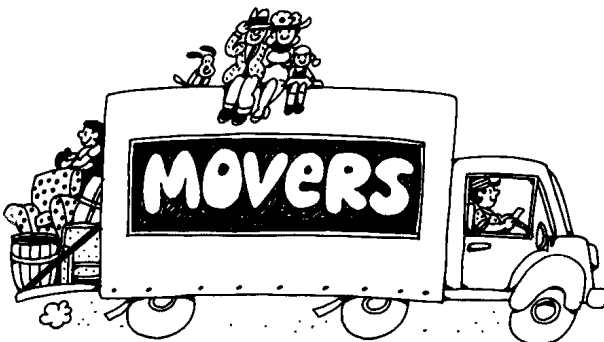
The United States and Canada supply 95% of the world's blueberries. North American farmers harvest 103 million pounds each year. There are two main types of blueberries: lowbush and highbush. Lowbush blueberries grow in the wild to approximately 6-18 inches in height. These blueberries are mainly canned and processed. The state of Maine supplies 25% of all lowbush blueberries in North America. Highbush blueberries are the primary source of fresh blueberries. Farmers grow these plants to about 3-6 feet tall. Arkansas, Michigan, New Jersey, North Carolina, Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia are the primary growers of highbush blueberries; Michigan supplies 32% of highbush blueberries. Blueberries grow best in acid soil. The plants need a cold, inactive period during winter for producing the best berries. Although some blueberries are harvested by machinery, 60% are still hand-picked.

There are many "pick your own" blueberry farms in New Jersey. Two farms located in Gloucester County are:

Fehlauer Farm in Gibbstown (856-224-1792)

Mood's Farm Market in Mullica Hill (856-478-2500)

For an extensive list of "pick your own" farms in NJ, check out the website www.pickyourown.org.



CHILDREN'S EVENTS—JULY

Due to the library being closed in August, this month's

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Children's Events for July AND August.

Tuesday, July 7th, 2 PM-All Join In. Ages 0-3 are welcome for a story-time and some songs to move along to.

Wednesday, July 8th, 2 PM-Making Music Together. All ages welcome to hear some stories, try some chants of their own, and make a toilet-paper-tube kazoo. (Bring your own toilet-paper tube if you can.)

Thursday, July 9th, 2 PM-Draw Me A Story. Ages 2 and up welcome to hear stories like "Harold And The Purple Crayon" and see some draw-and-tell stories.

Friday, July 10th, 2 PM-Chicken Cha Cha Cha. Ages 2 and up welcome to hear stories like "Peeping Beauty", dance the Chicken Dance, play "The Farmer And The Chicken," and make a craft. (This will be in Room A of the Pfeiffer Center.)

Tuesday, July 14th, 2 PM-Clown Makeup with Macaroni Anne Cheese. All ages welcome to this program where Macaroni Anne Cheese shows us how she puts on clown makeup and shows us a little of the art of clowning.

Wednesday, July 15th, 2 PM-Jurassic Jiggle. Ages 2 and up can dance to "Dinosaurumpus," hear other dinosaur stories and make dinosaur finger puppets.

Thursday, July 16th, 2 PM-Ballet Storytime/Craft. Ages 5 and up can hear some lovely ballet stories, listen to ballet music, and make a ballerina craft.

Friday, July 17th, 2 PM-Lady Hawke Storytelling and Craft. Laura Kaighn, a.k.a Lady Hawke, is a storyteller from right here in Williams-town. She'll tell lots of fairy tales, and bring along a fairy village and craft supplies for you to make your own fairy. Ages 6 and up welcome. (**This will be in Room A of the Pfeiffer Center.**)

Tuesday, July 21st, 2 PM-Boogie Woogie Bunnies. Everybunny from ages 2 and up can come to dance the Bunny Hop, make some bunny ears, and listen to bunny stories. create a story. (**This will be in Room A of the Pfeiffer Center.**)

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All programs after June 30th will take place at the **Pfeiffer Community Center**-either in the Multi-Purpose room or Room A downstairs.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS—cont.

Wednesday, July 22nd, 2 PM-Make A Puppet. This will be a different kind of craft program-paper bags and other materials will be available, but it's up to you to use your imagination and make your own puppet. Ages 4 and up welcome.

Thursday, July 23rd, 2 PM-Bookmark Fun. All ages are welcome-there'll be plenty of bookmark patterns for you to make your own.

Friday, July 24th, 2 PM-Imagination. All ages welcome to hear some stories about where imagination can take you and use your imagination to create a story. (This will be in Room A of the Pfeiffer Center.)

Tuesday, July 28th, 2 PM-Animals and Music. Ages 3 and up welcome to hear animal stories and make a piggy tambourine.

Wednesday, July 29th, 2 PM-Box Bonanza. Ages 18 months and up can hear some box stories and bring in their own box that they can make something out of.

Thursday, July 30th, 2 PM-Move To The Music. Ages 0-5 welcome to try out all kinds of dances.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS—AUGUST

Tuesday, August 4th, 2 PM-Art with "Art". All ages welcome to hear Patrick McDonnell's "Art" (our One Book New Jersey for young readers), along with some other art-themed stories, and do a marble "splatter paint" craft. (Wear old clothes.)

Wednesday, August 5th, 2 PM-Colors. Ages 2 and up can hear some colorful stories and do a "picture window" craft.

Thursday, August 6th, 2 PM-Act It Out with Mr. Malcolm. Ages 7 and up can act out the story of "Diary Of A Wimpy Kid", with actor and storyteller Mr. Malcolm.

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CHILDREN'S EVENTS—cont.

All programs after June 30th will take place at the **Pfeiffer Community Center**-either in the Multi-Purpose room or Room A downstairs.

Tuesday, August 11th, 2 PM-Weaving as Art. Ages 7 and up can hear some stories about the art of weaving and make their own woven placemat.

Wednesday, August 12th, 2 PM-Art Class with Abrakadoodle. Abrakadoodle is a traveling art class that shows you how to make your own framed art. You can take the framed, signed art home with you. Ages 6 to 10 welcome. The class will only hold 25, so please sign up by August 5th.

Thursday, August 13th, 2 PM-Make Your Own Scrapbook. Ages 8 and up can make a scrapbook out of paper bags and contact paper.

Tuesday, August 25th, 2 PM-Let It Shine. Ages 2 and up can hear stories about shining stars and make some "magic stars".

Wednesday, August 26th, 2 PM-Groovy Tie-Dye. Ages 6 and up can take part. Just bring along a plain white T-shirt, or anything white that you might want to tie-dye. We'll use sharpie markers and rubbing alcohol to make tie-dye designs, and play some groovy 60's music while we're doing it, in honor of the fortieth anniversary of Woodstock. (Wear old clothes.)

Thursday, August 27th, 2 PM-End-Of-Program Party. All ages welcome. We'll have refreshments, read-alouds, games, and dances. Be sure to bring your reading log to the party so we can hold the prize drawing. (If you can't make the party, bring it to one of the earlier activities. But remember, the deadline for turning in reading logs-signed by a parent-is August 27th.)



July 2009

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3 CLOSED	4 Independence Day
5	6	7	8	9	10 Last day for item holds and Inter-library loans.	11
12	13	14	15 7:30pm– Library Board of Trustees meet	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24 Last day for item check-outs.	25
26	27	28 Book Club Meets: 7:30 pm.	29	30	31 Last day library is open!	