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ARC OF UC RAISES \$60,000 TO MARK 70TH ANNIVERSARY

Along with more than 200 families and community supporters, The Arc of Union County celebrated 70 years of service to the community on Thursday, October 10, 2019. Supporters and vendors from throughout Union County together raised more than \$60,000, which will be invested in programs for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Attendees enjoyed raffles donated by more than 50 vendors throughout the county, including a wine pull raffle, a cash prize 50/50 raffle and a Bermuda cruise giveaway, along with unlimited food and drinks. A favorite local band, TreeOh!, performed decade favorites that highlighted the 70 years of our past, while a lively and enthusiastic crowd danced and celebrated a successful seven decades of service.

At the event, Executive Director of The Arc of Union County, Frank X. Caragher, spoke of the importance of the "lifespan of services provided by the agency," and the "longevity that families of The Arc have come to rely on for seven decades." More stories of families and staff of The Arc of Union County were shared through video throughout the evening. Highlights of these stories can be viewed on The Arc's YouTube Channel. The mission of providing

services to individuals and families of those with special needs has become a mission that our community embraces together. A supportive community helps individuals with special needs to be empowered to live their best life, while being included in opportunities for employment, building greater independence in their residential homes and neighborhoods, accessing education, recreational and social opportunities, and being supported in realizing a full, productive and enhanced life.

David Light, Board member of The Arc of Union County, shared a message about the importance of getting involved in the mission, what it means to his family and how getting involved in this community has made an impact on his life. He highlighted the fact that The Arc has grown to support more than 1,000 families throughout Union County and surrounding areas each year.

The Arc of Union County is a non-profit, 501c(3) organization headquartered in Springfield, NJ, dedicated to enriching the lives of individuals of all ages with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The Arc serves more than 1,000 families throughout Union County. To learn more, please contact 973-315-0000 or visit arcunion.org.



(above) The Arc of Union County celebrated 70 years of service to the community and raised more than \$60,000, which will be invested in programs for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

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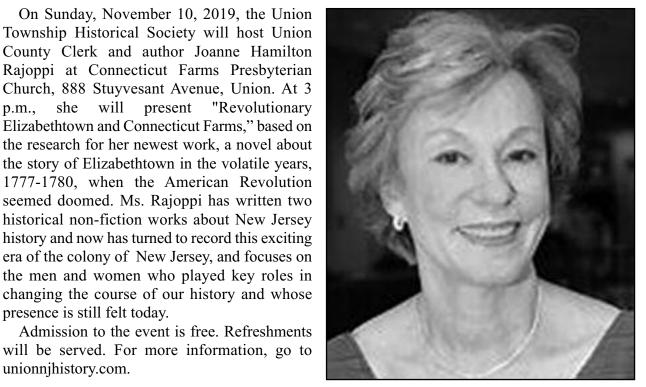
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Rajoppi at Connecticut Farms Presbyterian Church, 888 Stuyvesant Avenue, Union. At 3 p.m., she will present "Revolutionary Elizabethtown and Connecticut Farms," based on the research for her newest work, a novel about the story of Elizabethtown in the volatile years, 1777-1780, when the American Revolution seemed doomed. Ms. Rajoppi has written two

era of the colony of New Jersey, and focuses on the men and women who played key roles in changing the course of our history and whose presence is still felt today.

Admission to the event is free. Refreshments will be served. For more information, go to unionnjhistory.com.



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HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO HOST AUTHOR - NOV. 10

all who care for a loved one with a mental health illness to join our peer led group meetings and gain support and insight from others facing similar challenges. Time: Meetings are held the

The National Alliance on Mental Illness invites 3rd Tuesday of every month from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Cranford, 11 Springfield Avenue, Cranford.

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It was an evening filled with talent as 16 contestants took the stage, one of them a tiny sixyear-old with a soaring voice who wowed over 200 spectators and a panel of prestigious judges on Saturday, October 5, 2019, at the 2019 Union's Got Talent (UGT) held at Union High School.

Brianna Cameron, a 1st Grader at Battle Hill Elementary School, was remarkably disciplined as she performed "Greatest Love Of All" by Whitney Houston and sparked a standing ovation from the crowd. At the awards portion of the show, Brianna told UGT host Meridoc Burkhardt that she started singing at two years old and that "when she was a little girl she used to go on big stages like this," winning the hearts of the crowd.

"Everyone did a wonderful job; I don't envy the judges, they had to make a really tough choice picking the winners," stated Marie Krueger-Canarelli, Union's Got Talent show founder.

Finishing in second place and earning \$500 was Khadija Sankoh, 16-year-old at Union High School, with her performance of "Quiet."

Nikkita McKinnon, 16-year-old junior from Union High School, rapped to her original piece titled "To The Top", was awarded the Youth Award, winning a \$250 prize.

The People's Choice Award winner – which was voted by the audience – was E. Spear, aka Blaze, who performed "Your My World" by Cilla Black, who also snagged a \$250 prize. Every year, audience members are asked to participate as the 6th judge where they can vote for their favorite contestant by donating money into their perspective basket.

All proceeds raised from the event benefit the UHSPAC and DMK, two organizations that give back to the students of Union through scholarships and arts education.

For more information on the 2019 Union's Got Talent Show, visit unionsgottalent.org or call 908-851-5096.



(above) 2019's Union's Got Talent winner, Brianna Cameron.



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"If you are someone who likes to do hands-on projects, and enjoys fixing bikes on your free time, then the Bike Exchange is meant for you," said Russell Triolo, CEO of Boys & Girls Clubs of Union County. "This is a great opportunity for a young individual to learn a new skill or continue to gain more knowledge in this type of field, and we are always happy to bring in new volunteers."

For information on our clubs and programs, please visit our website bgcuc.org or contact us 908-687-2697. Download our mobile APP free from Google Play or iTunes App Store to receive information on programs, activities, alerts and photos.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF UNION COUNTY

Boys & Girls Clubs of Union County seek to inspire and enable young people, who need them most, to realize their full potential and have provided opportunity for youth since 1955. They are part of a national network of some 4,000 neighborhood-based facilities, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, which serves more than 4.6 million young people annually, in all 50 states and on U.S. military bases worldwide. Clubs provide guidance-oriented character development programs on a daily basis for children 6-18 years old, conducted by a full-time professional staff. Key Boys & Girls Club programs emphasize leadership development, education and career exploration, financial literacy, health and life skills, the arts, sports, fitness and recreation, and family outreach.



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YOUTH VOLUNTEER PRIYA MAHARAJ HONORED BY THE GATEWAY FAMILY YMCA

The Gateway Family YMCA honored Priya Maharaj, a dedicated YMCA Volunteer, as 2019 Youth Volunteer of the Year, at the New Jersey YMCA State Alliance 19th Annual Recognition Celebration on October 17, 2019 at Forsgate Country Club in Monroe Township, NJ.

"Youth Volunteers are key to the mission of the YMCA, providing positive impact to members and program participants in our branches every day," stated Krystal R. Canady, CEO, The Gateway Family YMCA. "We are fortunate to have the ability to foster a sense of volunteerism for youth in the communities we serve."

Priya, a Junior attending Union High School, has been an active member and volunteer at the Five Points Branch in Union, providing support and assistance to the Youth Soccer program. Priya first joined the YMCA with her family in January, and within a few weeks began volunteering every Saturday morning to assist youth program participants. She is dedicated to volunteering and making a difference in the lives of the youth athletes. Priya's future plans include attending college to become a Pediatric Psychologist, where she can continue to work with youth and make a positive impact.

"Priya chose to volunteer because she felt it would be a good opportunity to give back and help youth in her community. She also wants to be a role model for the young athletes and someone they could look up to," stated Melynda A. Mileski, EVP/COO. Rodger Koerber, District Vice President added, "Priya's favorite part of volunteering with the soccer classes so far is when there is a child struggling with a skill and she is able to help them learn the skill."

The New Jersey YMCA State Alliance hosts the Recognition Event annually to highlight YMCA initiatives and recognize those who have shown leadership and support for New Jersey YMCAs in one of three focus areas: Youth Development, Healthy Living and Social Responsibility. Priya was joined by other Youth Volunteers honored from YMCAs across the state for their dedication to improving the lives of others and their impact in the community.



(above) Priya Maharaj, The Gateway Family YMCA 2019 Youth Volunteer of the Year

The Gateway Family YMCA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, health and community service organization of caring staff and volunteers dedicated to strengthening the foundations of community and stands For Youth Development, For Healthy Living and For Social Responsibility. The Y impacts the community by providing quality services to people of all ages, races, faiths or incomes. The Y is a powerful association of men, women and children of all ages and from all walks of life joined together by a shared passion: to strengthen the foundations of community.

For more information about The Gateway Family YMCA or to complete a Volunteer Interest Form, visit tgfymca.org. To learn more about volunteer opportunities, please contact the Elizabeth Branch 908-355-9622, Five Points Branch 908-688-9622, Rahway Branch 908-388-0057, Wellness Center Branch 908-349-9622, WISE Center YMCA Branch 908-687-2995 or Youth Development Branch 908-355-3061.







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WEEKLY/REGULAR PROGRAMS

Mondays: Construction Zone at 3:30 p.m.
All ages | No registration necessary
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Legos, K'Nex, and more during this fun dropin program! *Please note: Program will not
take place on November 11.

Mondays: Alphabet Soup (Storytime) at 4:30 p.m.

Ages 3 - 6 | Registration required We explore phonics, letter recognition & numbers all while reading fun stories, singing songs, doing crafts & making new friends! *Please note: Program will not take place on November 11.

Wednesdays: Tiny Tots (Storytime) at 10:30 a.m.

Birth - 18 months | No registration necessary Spend this special time with baby listening to stories and singing songs & rhymes, followed by free play & socialization. The November 6 session will be a music & movement program led by Boogie Woogie Babies.

Fridays: Toddler Tales (Storytime) at 10:30 a.m.

18 months - age 3 | No registration necessary Enjoy stories, singing, and movement, following a different theme each week!

*Please note: The November 8 session will be followed by a special Toddler Tae Kwon Do workshop led by Mr. C from USA Karate & Fitness. The November 15 session will be followed by Exploration Hour, an interactive, inquiry-based learning program that combines early S.T.E.A.M. (science, technology, engineering, art & math) skill practice, gross motor movement, and more! Registration required for the November 8 & November 15 sessions.

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Friday, November 1 at 3:30 p.m.
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Celebrate NaNoWriMo (National Novel
Writing Month) with this fun and interactive
creative writing workshop! Please register in
advance by emailing teens@uplnj.org, calling
908-851-5450 ext. 4, or stopping by the library.

NJPAC Presents Books on the Move Saturday, November 2 at 1:00 p.m.

All ages | Registration required Join NJPAC Teaching Artist Wincey Terry for an interactive reading of Nighttime Symphony by Timbaland and Christopher Myers, along with some fun arts & crafts activities. Plus, the first 25 families will receive a FREE

copy of the book!

Write On!

Creative Writing Workshop for Tweens

Tuesday, November 5 at 4:00 p.m.

Ages 8 - 13 | Registration required

Celebrate NaNoWriMo (National Novel

Writing Month) with this fun and interactive

creative writing workshop!

Homeschool Hangout

Wednesday, November 6 at 1:00 p.m.

Ages 5 and up | Registration required

Meet, learn, and engage with other local
homeschooling families through a variety of
fun and interactive activities! This month, we'll
be creating some fall themed slime and sensory
bags. We'll also be making leaf rubbing
collages to learn about different types of trees!

Tween Wii U & Board Games

Wednesday, November 6 at 3:30 p.m.

Ages 8 - 13 | Registration required

Join us for an afternoon of friendly
competition. We're breaking out the Wii U and
our collection of board games. Feel free to
bring your own games too!

Kids' W.H.O. (We Help Others) Club

Thursday, November 7 at 1:00 p.m.

Ages 5 - 13 l

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Teen W.H.O. (We Help Others)

Thursday, November 7 at 2:00 p.m.
Ages 13 and up | Registration required
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Kidoodlers

Thursday, November 7 at 3:30 p.m. Ages 6 - 13 | Registration required Stop by after school and join us for a fun art activity!

SciFri (Science Friday)

Friday, November 8 at 2:00 p.m.
Ages 8 - 13 | Registration required
Join us as we explore the basic parts of the
brain, neurons, and the five senses in this fun
and hands-on program hosted by Brain Bunch!

VolunTEENS

Saturday, November 9 at 2:00 p.m. Ages 13 and up | Registration required Earn community service hours and help us make the library a better place! E-mail teens@uplnj.org if you have any questions.

ShopRite Kids Cuisine

Wednesday, November 13 at 4:00 p.m.

Ages 6 - 13 | Registration required

Learn more about healthy eating and prepare
some delicious snacks! Presented by Kelsey
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Kidoodlers

Thursday, November 14 at 3:30 p.m. Ages 6 - 13 | Registration required Stop by after school and join us for a fun art activity!

Teen Wii U & Board Games

Friday, November 15 at 3:30 p.m.

Ages 13 and up | Registration required. We're breaking out the Wii U and our collection of board games. Feel free to bring your own games too!

Kids' Masterpiece Studio

Saturday, November 16 at 12:00 p.m.

Ages 5 - 13 | Registration required

Learn about a well-known artist, then paint
your own masterpiece based on their unique
style. This month, we'll be emulating the work
of surrealist artist, Magritte.

Tween AV Club

Wednesday, November 20 at 4:00 p.m.

Ages 8 - 13 | Registration required

Join us for a special hands-on audio/visual

workshop project! This month, we'll be making

stop motion videos!

Saturday Stories

Saturday, November 23 at 11:00 a.m.
All ages | No registration necessary
Spend your Saturday morning listening to some
fun stories, singing songs, and more!

Teen Masterpiece Studio

Wednesday, November 27 at 1:00 p.m.

Ages 14 and up | Registration required

Learn about a well-known artist, then paint
your own masterpiece based on their unique
style. This month, we'll be emulating the work
of surrealist artist, Magritte.

Please note that you can sign up for programs up to one week in advance. Spaces are limited. We recommend signing up as early as possible to avoid disappointment!

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NaNoWriMo - Research Done Write: Conducting Online Research for Your Writing

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Adult Paint and Chill

Monday, November 4, 6-7:00 p.m., VH Add some color to your evening - join us for a paint party. We will provide the coffee, a fun atmosphere and step-by-step instruction with an experienced and enthusiastic artist.

Registration required.

Evening Meditation

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Tuesday, November 5, 12-1:00 p.m., MN Get answers to your questions about how to get it, use it, and understand what it does and does not cover along with what to do when problems occur. Bring your questions and get answers!

Tuesday Movie @2 (Adults)

Tuesday, November 5, 2-4:00 p.m. MN Call 908-851-5450 for title.

Gentle Chair Exercise for Adults

Wednesday, November 6, 10:15-11:15 a.m. Gentle and relaxing exercise with Soumya Pandey. No experience necessary, no registration required.

Keyboard & Mouse Basics

Wednesday, November 6, 1-2:00 p.m. VH This hands-on class will cover tips and tricks for beginners learning the basics of the keyboard and mouse. Registration required; please call 908-851-5450 x3. Note: Sign up early! Registration restricted to 8 people.

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Microsoft Word Basics

Saturday, November 9, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Learn how to create and edit a document with Microsoft Word. This class is for people who have little or no experience using Microsoft Word. Registration required; please call 908-851-5450 x3. Note: Sign up early! Registration restricted to 8 people. Computers provided.

Autumn Wreath Craft

Saturday, November 9, 3-4:00 p.m., MN Presented by Adrienne from the Twp. of Union Community Garden. Make a floral wreath to decorate your front door for Thanksgiving. Please call 908-851-5450 x 3 to register.

Tuesday Movie @2 (Adults)

Tuesday, November 12, 2-4:00 p.m., MN Call 908-851-5450 for title.

Open Mic Poetry Night at the Main Library Hosted by Rock n' Joe Cafe

Tuesday, November 12, 7-8:30 p.m., MN Poets of all varieties are invited to read their work aloud to an appreciative audience. Light refreshments provided by Rock n' Joe will be served. No registration necessary.

Windows Basics

Wednesday, November 13, 1 p.m.-2 p.m

This class is intended for individuals who are new to computing or want to brush up on their basic skills. Participants will be introduced to basic computer terminology and given a general introduction on the basics of Windows operating system. Registration required.

Registration restricted to 8 people.

Computers provided.

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Thursday, November 14, 6-7:00 p.m., MN Presented by Dr. Laura Rokosz, Pharmacologist and Food Scientist, current Chair of the Rutgers Food Science Advisory Board. Dr. Rokosz is the author of over 35 peer-reviewed journal articles and the owner of EGGLROCK

Nutrition, LLC, an Integrative Healthcare practice providing dietary and lifestyle guidance for disease prevention and health maintenance.

Writer's Support Group

Thursday, November 14, 7-8:00 p.m., MN Are you looking for feedback on the book you're working on, trying to overcome writer's block, or determine your personal writing style? Join our group of writers whose mission is to encourage, support and promote authorship.

Celebrating Your Food Traditions

Saturday, November 16, 3-4:00 p.m., MN
Presented by Vanessa Young of Thirsty Radish.
Explore the meaning and value of food traditions while discussing practical tips on how to preserve recipes, family photos and food memories, and, how to update dishes to align with healthy lifestyles concerns while keeping them delicious. Presented by Vanessa Young of Thirsty Radish.

AARP Financial Basics for the 50+

Monday, November 18, 1:30-2:30 p.m., VH It's never too late to take charge of your financial future! Learn how to build on your smart money habits and make the most of your financial resources.

Shoprite: Wholesome Cooking

Monday, November 18, 6:00-7:30 p.m., VH Join the ShopRite of Union's Registered Dietitian, Kelsey Pezzuti, for an adult cooking class! She'll be teaching us quick, nutritious ways to eat well at home or on the go.

Registration required.

Connect, Explore and Discover

Monday, November 18, 6:30-7:30 p.m., VH Learn how to access UPL resources to learn a new language, watch your favorite movie, read a best seller or the latest magazine. Please bring your mobile device and Library card.

Tuesday Movie @2 (Adults)

Tuesday, November 19 2-4:00 p.m., MN Call 908-851-5450 for title.

Gentle Chair Exercise for Adults

Wednesday, November 20, 10:15-11:15 a.m. Gentle and relaxing exercise. No experience necessary, no registration required.

Internet & Email Basics

Wednesday, November 20, 1-3:00 p.m., VH
If you are new to the web or are looking to improve your Internet skills, this class has you covered! Learn how to browse smartly, the essentials of email and proper email etiquette. Registration required; please call 908-851-5450 x3. Note: Sign up early! Registration restricted to 8 people. Computers provided.

Meditation

Thursday, November 21, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. No experience necessary, no registration required.

Off the Shelf Book Discussion

Thursday, November 21, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Everyone welcome. This month we discuss "The Code Talker" by Chester Nez. The book is available at the Main Reference Desk.

Meditation

Thursday, November 21, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. No experience necessary, no registration required.

Rising Tide Capital Information Session: Learn How to Start and Grow a Successful Business

Thursday, November 21, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Rising Tide Capital is a non-profit organization whose mission is to assist struggling individuals and communities build strong businesses that transform lives, strengthen families, and build sustainable communities.

Registration required. To reserve call 201-484-5011 x123 or e-mail

Briana@RisingTideCapital.org.

International Film
Thursday, November 21, 2-4:00 p.m., MN
Watch an interesting movie from around the world with friends. Call 908-851-5450 for title.

Hilton Readers Book Discussion Group

Monday, November 25, 6-8:00 p.m., VH Everyone is welcome. This month we discuss "American Marriage" by Tayari Jones.

Mobile Aging Kiosk(ASK)

Tuesday, November 26, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., MN

Union County's mobile Aging Service Kiosk (ASK) provides a convenient, friendly way to find out about services for the aging, and for their families and caregivers. It is staffed by the Division on Aging and Disability Resource Connection of the Union County Department of Human Services.

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Tuesday, November 26, 2-4:00 p.m., MN Call 908-851-5450 for title.

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Invitation for new members.

The Union Municipal Band, under the direction Howard Toplansky will present a concert on Monday evening, November 11, 2019. The concert will be held at Hannah Caldwell School Auditorium, 1120 Commerce Avenue, Union, NJ at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free and the public is cordially invited to attend. This autumn concert will feature music from the Broadway stage, marches and overtures.

The concert will include the following selections: The Star Spangled Banner, Brighton Beach March, Amazon Overture, Gypsy Fantasy, Variag March, Amazing Grace, Strenuous Life Rag, The Girl From Ipanema and Third Man Theme.

The band would like to invite musicians from Union and the surrounding communities to join the group.

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Toddler & Pre-K Time

Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m.

18 months - age 5 | Registration required Interactive storytimes, crafts, and more for young children and their parents/guardians

Story & Craft: Jellyfish - November 5

Toddler & Pre-K Music & Movement -November 12

STEM Story & Activity: Thanksgiving -

November 19

Interactive Learning Time - November 26

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

Family Prize Bingo

Saturday, November 2 at 10:00 a.m. All ages | Registration required The whole family is invited to play bingo for a chance to win some cool prizes!

Club Teen Presents Teen Advisory Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 6 at 5:00 p.m. Ages 14 and up | Registration required Help us make Union Public Library the place for you! Let us know what programs and events you want to see at the library.

Recommend books, movies, and music you want to see on the shelves, and earn community service hours by coming to TAB meetings and participating in programs!

Club Teen Presents ShopRite Teen Cuisine

Wednesday, November 6 at 6:00 p.m. Ages 14 and up | Registration required Learn more about healthy eating and prepare some delicious snacks! Presented by Kelsey

Pezzutti, Registered Dietitian from ShopRite of Union.

School is Out! Movie Showing

Thursday, November 7 at 2:00 p.m.

Ages 8 - 12 | Registration Required Join us for a movie showing on this day off school! We'll supply the popcorn and a beverage. Call library for movie title. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Family Crafternoon

Saturday, November 9 at 3:00 p.m. All ages | Registration required Create an adorable Easy Turkey Magnet to adorn your fridge! All materials will be provided.

Tween 'Make it at Your Library'

Thursday, November 14 at 3:00 p.m. Ages 8 - 13 | Registration required Make a Paper Plate Yarn Turkey, a perfect decoration for your Thanksgiving table! All materials will be provided.

Club Teen Presents Friendsgiving

Wednesday, November 20 at 6:00 p.m. Ages 14 and up | Registration required Join us for an evening full of fun, food, and friendship! All participants should bring a dish to share. Make sure to bring in a copy of your recipe and note any common allergens (gluten, nuts, dairy, etc.).

Tween STEM Builder

Thursday November 21 at 3:00 p.m. Ages 8 - 13 | Registration required Play with LEGO and 3-D magnetic tiles to create amazing shapes & structures.

Family Game Time

Saturday November 23 at 1:00 p.m. All ages | Registration required. Come play board & card games in the library! We have classic games, as well as new games, for children of all ages. Bring your friends and family!

Family Movie Showing

Saturday November 30 at 1:00 p.m. All ages | Registration required

Join us for a movie showing on this long weekend! We'll supply the popcorn and a beverage. Call library for movie title. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian

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