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## 3RD ANNUAL ARTS, CRAFTS & MUSIC FESTIVAL - OCT 18

A Celebration of Creativity, Community, and Culture

The Florham Park Education Foundation (FPEF) is thrilled to announce our 3rd Annual Arts, Crafts & Music Festival – happening Saturday, October 18, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Florham Park Gazebo, 111 Ridgedale Avenue. (Rain location: Ridgedale Middle School, 71 Ridgedale Avenue.)

What began just two years ago as a small but spirited gathering has blossomed into one of our signature events, drawing visitors from across Morris County. This free festival brings together the sights, sounds, and flavors of fall while spotlighting the artistic talents of our students, neighbors, and regional artisans.

This year's festival promises vendors, music, and family fun activities – reasons to stay and enjoy all day:

- Live Performances and DJ Jak all day From soulful acoustic sets to upbeat music from all genres, the gazebo will be alive with music.
- Unique Artisans & Craft Vendors Shop handmade jewelry, pottery, home décor, seasonal crafts, and one-ofa-kind gifts.
- Food Trucks & Local Eats Savor delicious treats and meals while you stroll the festival.
- Family Fun Interactive children's activities, art stations, and community booths.
- Community Spirit Connect with local organizations making a difference right here in Florham Park.

The festival is not only a celebration of the arts – it's a fundraiser that directly supports teacher/school grants and community care programs in the Florham Park School District. Your support as a sponsor, vendor, or attendee helps enrich the educational experience for every student in our schools.

Sponsorship Opportunities are now open, with levels from Grand Artisan (\$2,500) to Apprentice (\$250). Secure your spot on our festival banner in the heart of town before it sells out!

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### SINGING AT THE THRESHOLD

#### Garden State Threshold Choir

A choir that rehearses but does not perform. A choir that goes in a very small group to sing to one person at a time. A choir whose mission is to provide, not entertainment, but kindness and comfort, to someone who is dying. That is a Threshold Choir.

Threshold Choir is a nonprofit network of about 200 chapters across the country and abroad. And there is one right here in Whippany, NJ, called the Garden State Threshold Choir.

Founded 25 years ago, Threshold Choir singers go, by invitation, to sing at the bedside of those crossing life's challenging thresholds, especially the final threshold between living and dying.

The Garden State Threshold Choir began in 2017 when Whippany resident Judy Hahn retired, looked for a chapter to join, and, finding none nearby, started recruiting to form a new chapter. "It takes time and patience to establish a new chapter," says Hahn. "And it takes time and patience for each singer to be ready to do this work. What we have is an incredibly dedicated and compassionate group of women."

Arriving in a group of two to four singers at a hospital, nursing facility or home, they carry folding stools and sit by the bed. "Even if the hospice patient is nonresponsive, we believe they can hear us and feel the vibrations of our harmonies," says Hahn. "For those close to the

end, it is said that we are 'singing them home.'"

Threshold Choir has its own unique repertoire of songs, written mostly by members. The songs are simple and short, sung softly a capella, first in unison, then repeated and layered with harmonies. The lyrics speak of rest, comfort, letting go, or about peacefulness and love.

"People wonder how we can sing to a dying person," noted Cedar Knolls resident Bonnie Adams. "But to us it's an honor to be present in that sacred, intimate space. We see the breathing relax; and when the patient is surrounded by family, the songs give voice to their feelings and help them grieve."

The Garden State chapter is accepting inquiries for membership. A singer has to be able to carry a tune, hold her own part in harmony, blend with other voices, be willing to self-monitor and accept gentle feedback, and, above all, communicate kindness with their voice. Rehearsals are held on Tuesday evenings, alternating between Zoom sessions and in-person at the First Presbyterian Church of Whippany.

Threshold Choir is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that honors all spiritual paths and has no religious affiliation. All of the chapter's services are free of charge.

Much more information about Threshold Choir is available on thresholdchoir.org, and about the Garden State Threshold Choir at thresholdchoir.org/Garden State



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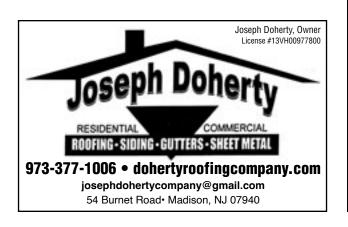
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- Oct. 5 Afternoon of Doo Wop: The Chimes, The Classics & The Fireflies
- Oct. 11 Sinatra: A Man & His Music featuring Michael Martocci
- Oct. 18 Jersey Four: Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons with Gerry Polci Tribute
- Oct 24 Clint Holmes, Let's Go, Up On the Roof!
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### MORRISTOWN PUP NABS SPOT IN 2025 BARK FOR LIFE CALENDAR

She's got the ears of a supermodel, the zoomies of a champion sprinter, and a bark that says "treat, please." Meet Josie, Morristown's unofficial mayor of South Street — and now, one of the proud winners of the 2025 Bark for Life Calendar Contest!

After a week-long voting frenzy, Josie galloped ahead of the competition to earn a coveted feature in this year's 2025 Bark for Life calendar. And not just a cameo — a full-page glam spread, complete with her story, her signature side-eye, and plenty of reasons why she's the queen of local hearts.

But Josie's calendar win is more than just a photo op. It means she'll be a VIP (Very Important Pup) at the Bark for Life of Central NJ celebration on October 12, 2025 at Bell Works in Holmdel, where she'll be officially honored for her victory — likely with applause, belly rubs, and maybe a few snacks.

#### WHO IS JOSIE?

Josie is a 4-year-old Australian Cattle Dog (allegedly)—though some suspect she may also be part professional napper and part mayhem enthusiast, depending on the hour. She was rescued as a puppy and now lives her best life ruling the sidewalks and hearts of Morristown.



(above) Paws Up for Josie!



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suspiciously dramatic sighs, and a highly curated side-eye, Josie has become a local celebrity both on leash and online.

Her favorite things include: Car rides (windows down, please), Sidewalk café peoplewatching (her favorite being the Lokl!), Chasing squirrels she has no intention of catching, Ignoring her toys to chew sticks instead, and Judging humans from the couch like it's her fulltime job.

In short: she's a rescue with attitude, heart, and a whole lot of fans.

#### WHAT IS BARK FOR LIFE?

The Bark for Life event is part of the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life movement. It honors the caregiving qualities of canine companions while raising critical funds for cancer research and support services especially here in New Jersey.

Proceeds from calendar sales and fundraising

Known for her expressive ears, her events all go toward supporting programs like free rides to treatment, overnight stays near major cancer centers, and 24/7 access to cancer information and support for patients and families.

#### **GET INVOLVED!**

Missed your chance to vote for Josie? You can still be part of the tail-wagging fun. Donations are open at the Bark for Life of Central NJ website, and registration is now live for the October 12 celebration at Bell Works.

Whether you're walking in honor of a loved one, supporting a survivor, or just want to hang out with some adorable dogs (like Josie), this is your chance to do some good — and pet some pups.

Big paws up to Josie and all the calendar winners! Be sure to snag your copy of the 2025 Bark for Life Calendar, come say hi to Morristown's finest furry ambassador this fall, and follow @ispyjosie and @barkcentralnj to come along for this year's adventure!



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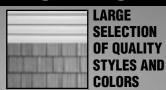
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First launched in 1982 as the Westfield Craft Market, this event enjoyed a 20-year run, earning a reputation for quality and community spirit. Now, producers Richard & Joanna Rothbard - owners of An American Craftsman Galleries in NYC and Great Barrington, MA return with fresh energy to reintroduce Westfield to a cultural tradition it once embraced.

Sharing the spotlight will be 80 gifted artists and designers including several nationally recognized for their award winning accomplishments; many traveling from across the U.S., from as far as California and Florida. Guests will enjoy work never before seen on the East Coast. The fair could be called a weekend "Off-Broadway production" - with a great cast, many stars, with several booths designed like stage sets.

#### HALLOWEEN EVE KICKOFF: ALL WEEKEND PASS FOR PARENTS AND KIDS FOR FREE.

The show opens Friday, October 31, with a family-friendly Trick-or-Treat Party. Kids can:

- Collect their treats while meeting the artists
- Create their own art on the famous Art Wall

Join a weekend-long Treasure Hunt. Great prizes made by the artists. And throughout the weekend, visitors can win original art prizes donated by An American Craftsman Gallery.

#### THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

- Westfield Armory is Just 5 minutes from Exit 135 on the Garden State Parkway
- Free parking at the Armory or across the street at the High School.
- \$12 weekend pass covers all three days. SENIORS \$10. Under 10 Free

#### **Show Hours**

Trick or Treat barty Friday Oct. 31 - 3 pm-7 pm Saturday Nov.1. - 10 am-6 pm Sunday Nov. 2 - 10 am-5 pm

An incredible selection of ceramics, independent fashion artists, fine woodworking, jewelry, paintings, mixed media, Illustration, photography, and art glass - from \$25 keepsakes to Michael Alexander's \$10,000 masterpieces.

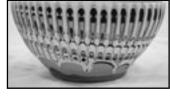
Overall, this will be the art weekend that Westfield and its surrounding communities will celebrate this first year - and for years to come. And please . . . don't forget your credit card.

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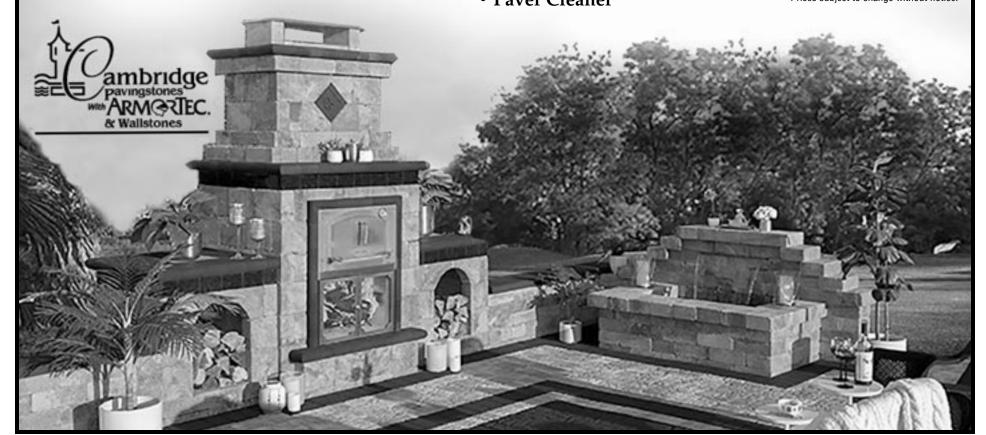
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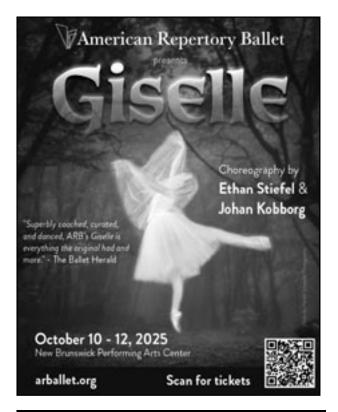


### **AMERICAN REPERTORY BALLET PRESENTS STIEFEL & KOBBORG'S GISELLE**

American Repertory Ballet (ARB) opens its 2025/26 season at the New Brunswick Performing Arts Center (NBPAC) with the highly anticipated return of Ethan Stiefel and Johan Kobborg's acclaimed adaptation of the classic ballet Giselle. Presented Friday, October 10, 2025 through Sunday, October 12, 2025, Giselle tells the story of a young woman who dies of a broken heart—only to confront, and eventually forgive, her beloved from beyond the

Originally choreographed in 2012 for the Royal New Zealand Ballet under Stiefel's artistic leadership, Giselle was initially restaged and partially redesigned specifically for ARB at NBPAC in 2022 by the award-winning team of Howard Jones (Scenic Designer), Natalia Stewart (Costume Designer), and Joseph R. Walls (Lighting Designer). Giselle is celebrated as being "[s]uperbly coached, curated, and danced," says The Ballet Herald's Nadia Vostrikov. "ARB's Giselle is everything the original had and more."

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- New Brunswick Performing Art Center New Brunswick, NJ
- Friday, October 10, 2025 at 7:00 PM\*
- Saturday, October 11, 2025 at 2:00 PM & 7:00 PM
- Sunday, October 12, 2025 at 2:00 PM\*\* Tickets for Giselle range from \$42 to \$72, not including additional 4% NBPAC Ticket Fee.
- \*Post-Show Reception (\$50 add-on to ticket purchase) with ARB Dancers, artistic leadership, and VIPs immediately following the performance. Light bites and beverages will be served.

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## **MORRIS COUNTY COLUMBUS DAY PARADE**

The East Hanover Italian American Club

The 2025 Morris County Columbus Day Parade, sponsored by the East Hanover Italian American Club, will commence on Sunday, October 12th, 2025 at 2 p.m. on Ridgedale Ave. in East Hanover. The mission of the annual parade is to perpetuate and celebrate Italian heritage, pride and culture.

State Senator Anthony Bucco has been chosen to be Grand Marshal. Joining Senator Bucco is Thomas Trepasso, a career law enforcement professional. He will be the Italian American Man of the Year. Stephanie Mitchell has been selected as this year's Women of the Year. Entrepreneurs of the year are Frank and Dean Nasto owners of the famous Nasto's Ice Cream. Nick Santangelo will receive the Italian Heritage Award. Gabriella and Elliana Foti are this year's parade princesses.

"This is an outstanding group of honorees who serve as great role models for young people and demonstrate how hard work and family values are the backbone of what Italian Americans are all about," said parade spokesman, William Agnellino.

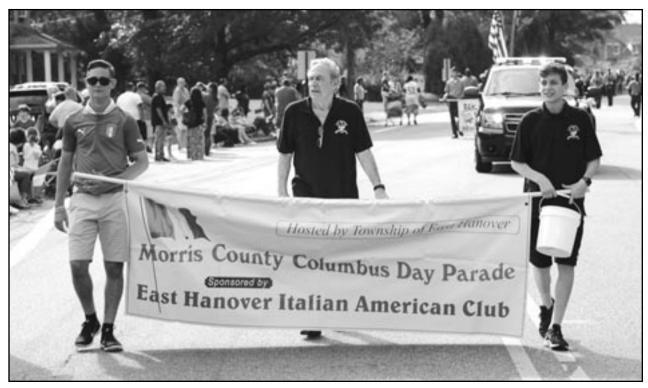
Lisa Marie Falbo of Long Shot Productions will serve as the Parade Master of Ceremonies. Assisting her at Town Square Park will be Christina Agnellino. The parade will feature marching bands including the Hanover Park and Whippany Park marching bands.

Police officers from the community of Arezzo Italy will also participate in this year's parade. Also, many social and civic organizations, performers, elected officials, police and fire departments from all around Morris County will be participating.

There will also be a family fun day at Lurker Park in East Hanover on the day of the parade with food vendors, games, Bouncy rides and face painting for all to enjoy beginning after the parade, all sponsored by the East Hanover Italian American Club. In celebration of the parade, music will start in Lurker Park after the parade featuring Damico Entertainment, and Danielle Delvescovo of Dance with Danielle will host a performance of Italian Dance classics.

Anyone who needs more information, or if your group would like to participate, call Parade Chairman, Bill Agnellino at 973-418-1485, or visit our website at ehiac.com.

In addition to the parade, an awards dinner will be held Friday, October 10th beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Hanover Manor, 16 Eagle Rock Ave., East Hanover, NJ. Tickets for the event can be purchased for \$125.00 by contacting John Alvino at 973-879-1044.



### PAUL CHASE HONORED BY SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

On Wednesday, September 10, 2025, during the annual Fall Picnic, the Florham Park Senior Citizens Club honored Paul Chase for his years of volunteer service to the Club. Paul has been the President of the Club for the past eight years and had previously served as Vice President.

Under Paul's guidance and leadership, the Senior Citizens Club has provided a wide range of educational, informative, and entertaining events for Florham Park seniors. These include semi-monthly meetings, four different exercise programs, day trips, spring and holiday luncheons, an annual Fall picnic, bingo, and movies. During his administration, membership has increased to over 280 members.

emails to the membership, and publicity in local publications. He also initiated the Holiday Food Drive to support local food banks, and a series of friendly, relaxed socials, including Oktoberfest, Pi Day, and Ice Cream Socials.

In his professional career, Paul held executive positions of increasing levels of responsibility in finance, accounting, administration, human resources, and sales. Paul is also a former Florham Park Borough Councilman and former Planning Board member.

The Club appreciates the service Paul has provided to the Seniors Club and the Florham Park seniors in general. He will continue to serve on the Club's Executive Committee, and we look



(above) During their annual Fall Picnic The Florham Park Seniors Club honored long-time club volunteers Angela Landon, Vice President & Paul Chase President.

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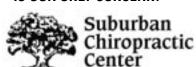
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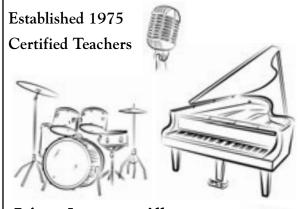
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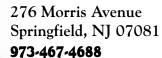
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Founded on the belief that orchestra is for everyone, NJIO welcomes people of all ages and musical levels into its four non-audition orchestras. By blending generations and skill levels, NJIO creates more than music; it creates moments of human connection, belonging, and joy.

All NJIO concerts are free, open to all ages, and require no tickets or RSVPs. Each performance is also livestreamed and recorded for later viewing on NJIO's YouTube channel, ensuring accessibility. Concert lobbies feature NJIO's Concert Comfort Station, offering sensory and comfort items such as cushions so everyone can enjoy the music.

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This year, NJIO's 32nd concert season carries the theme "Get Into the Spirit!", highlighting the natural spirit, the holiday spirit, the human spirit, and the national spirit. Each program is designed to draw people together around a shared experience of beauty and hope.

#### • FALL CONCERT:

#### The Natural Spirit November 2, 2025 at 3pm Crescent Ave Presbyterian Church, Plainfield

Beethoven's "Pastoral" Symphony paints a picture of meadows, flowing streams, and a sudden storm. The concert also features the NJIO 2025 Young Artist Concerto Competition winner (sponsored by NJIO's community partner, Elefante Music), Marcus Chong-Wah Wong, a 9th grade violinist from Edgewater, NJ.

#### • FAMILY HOLIDAY CONCERT:

## The Holiday Spirit December 13, 2025 at 2pm Summit Middle School

A joyful celebration of holiday and winter favorites, including interactive moments for kids and an Instrument Petting Zoo sponsored by Elefante Music.



#### **ABOUT NJIO**

The New Jersey Intergenerational Orchestra (NJIO) brings together musicians of all ages and skill levels through four non-audition orchestras and educational programs. Its mission is to open the world of orchestral music to diverse audiences and to foster human connection through education and performance.

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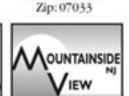
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#### **Fall Lunchtime Concert Series**

Performances run 12:15-12:45 p.m. Bring your lunch, coffee, snack, etc. and enjoy some great music while you eat! No registration needed, seating is first-come, first-seated.

## Troubadours: Tribute to Joni Mitchell and Sting Wed., Oct. 1

Ereni Sevasti, will be joined by guitarist, Darren O'Neill, to craft memorable interpretations of famous songs.

## 100 Years of American Songwriting Wed., Oct. 15

Musicians Marc Rosenthal (guitar/vocals) and Jeff Eyrich (bass) will perform well-known songs from the 1920's to the 2020's.

#### **Author Visit with Nick Corasaniti**

Wed., Oct. 1, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

New York Times reporter and author, Nick Corasaniti, will speak about and read selections from his book, I Don't Want to Go Home: The Oral History of The Stone Pony. No registration necessary; seating is first-come, first-seated.

## CALL FOR ART SUBMISSIONS FOR JANE AUSTEN THEMED EXHIBIT

In honor of Austen's 250th birthday on December 16, the library invites visual artists residing or working within Morris County to help us celebrate the enduring legacy of this beloved author through art. Submit your original, Austen-inspired artwork for inclusion in an exhibition in the library gallery to run through December 2025.

#### **ADULTS**

#### **Lunch & Learn: Home Fire Safety**

Fri., Oct. 3, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Presentation will cover best practices for home fire safety. Presented by John A. Zaragoza, Morris County Assistant Fire Marshal, and Chief Jon Connor McGuinness of the Cedar Knolls Fire Department. A light lunch will be provided after the presentation.

Registration is required.

#### **Italian Conversation**

Tue., Oct. 7, 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Back from summer hiatus! Practice your Italian informally with casual conversation! A basic level of proficiency is recommended. No registration needed.

#### **Medieval Literature Book Club**

Wed., Oct. 8, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Bi-monthly book club focusing on medieval literature. Our current selection: Historia Calamitatum: The Story of My Misfortunes by Peter Abelard. No registration necessary.

#### **True Crime Chat (Via Zoom)**

October topic: Burke & Hare Thu., Oct. 9, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Virtual true crime discussion group meets via Zoom on the second Thursday evening of each month. Register at tinyurl.com/mcltruecrime

#### **Tuesday Book Club**

Tue., Oct. 14, 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Meets the second Tuesday afternoon of every month. October's book: The Candy House by Jennifer Egan.

#### **Socrates Cafe**

Wed., Oct. 15, 6:30–8:30 p.m. A discussion group using the dialogue of the Socratic Method. No registration required.

#### **Mystery Book Club**

Mon., Oct. 27, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

We read and discuss books chosen by the group. No registration necessary. October's book: The Devil and the Dark Water by Stuart Turton.

### **ALL AGES**

Escape Room

Fri., 10/24, Sat., 10/25, Mon., 10/27, & Tue., 10/28, various time slots
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## darkness! Registration (required) begins 9/21. **Master Gardeners**

Sat., Oct. 25, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
The Master Gardeners will be available in our lobby to answer your gardening questions. No registration needed; drop-in.

#### **Spanish Conversation**

Thu., Oct. 30, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Practice your Spanish language proficiency in a casual small group environment. A basic level skill is recommended, but any skill level is welcome. For teens and adults.

#### **TEENS**

#### Candy Guessing Game

Wed., 10/1 through Wed., 10/29 Stop by the Readers Services desk to guess how many pieces of candy are in the Halloween jar.

The person with the closest guess wins the entire jar and the candy inside! For ages 13-18.

#### TeenTober Grab & Go

#### Throughout October

Celebrate TeenTober at the Morris County Library. Stop by the Reader Services desk to pick up a teen craft! One craft per teen per week, while supplies last. For ages 13-18.

#### **Teen Space**

Fri., Oct. 24, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Come hang out with your peers at our monthly program! Unstructured time to just hang or enjoy games, crafts, and, of course, snacks. For ages 13-18. Drop-in; no registration necessary.

#### CHILDREN

#### **Guess the Pumpkin's Weight**

Oct. 6 th - 30 th

Guess the correct weight and win the pumpkin! Stop by the Children's Desk to view the pumpkin and enter your guess. For ages birth to 12. Winner will be announced on October 31.

#### Preschool Storytime & Music w/Mr. Laurence:

Tuesdays, Oct. 7, 14 & 28, 10-10:30 a.m. Stories, fingerplays and music with Mr. Laurence. For ages 2-5. Drop-in.

#### **LEGO Club**

Sat., 10/11, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Create and build using LEGO! Your creations will be displayed in the children's room. For ages 4-12. Registration (required)

#### **Halloween Parade**

Tue., 10/28, 3:00-3:45 p.m.

Come and join us in your Halloween costume and go trick or treating around the library! For ages birth to 12. No registration required.

#### **Halloween Spooky Spectacular Puppet Show**

Tue., 10/28, 4:00-4:45 p.m.

Goldilocks has a brand-new spooky story! This time instead of a family of bears, it's a monster under the bed! For ages birth to nine.

## LIBRARY SECOND SUNDAY SERIES BEGINS

Mark your calendars! The popular Second Sunday Series is back, with thought-provoking talks and musical performances —all free to the public, thanks to the generous support of The Friends of Florham Park Library.

Each presentation begins promptly at 2:00 p.m., in the Library's Akhoury Room, and offers an afternoon of enrichment and entertainment for curious minds of all ages.

On October 12, the Library welcomes the Museum of Early Trades and Crafts with 'The ABCs of Candy'—a delightful, alphabetic exploration of the history and cultural significance of sweets. From A to Z, each letter brings a new treat and its unique story.

On November 9, acclaimed vocalist Rhonda Denet returns with 'All Hail the Queens'—a powerhouse tribute to the legendary women of soul, R&B, and disco. Get ready for an afternoon of unforgettable music featuring the songs of Aretha Franklin, Donna Summer, Chaka Khan, Whitney Houston, Tina Turner, and more.

Rounding out the year, on December 14, the Library will feature space enthusiast and educator Paul Cirillo, who will present 'Returning to the Moon with NASA'. Dive into the future of lunar exploration, including the powerful new SLS Moon rocket, the Gateway Station, lunar landers, and the exciting missions planned ahead.

Please register in advance through the Library's website florhamparklib.org or by calling the Library at 973-377-2694.

Admission is free, and everyone is welcome. Whether you're a history lover, music fan, science enthusiast, or just looking for something inspiring to do on a Sunday afternoon—this season's Second Sunday Series at the Library has something for you.

The Library invites you to stay tuned for upcoming announcements. The series continues through April 2026, and information on the 2026 events will be shared as soon as they are scheduled.



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