



Ocean County Library

# Programs and Events Guide December 2021



**BARNEGAT**  
609-698-3331

**T – 6 pm, Wednesdays**  
**Teen Drop-in Gaming**

From video games to board games. Ages 12 – 18.

**CH – All Mondays**  
**Take & Makes for Kids**

Each week will feature a different theme, while supplies last. Ages 4 and up.

12/6: Hanukkah  
12/13: Snowflakes  
12/20: Christmas  
12/27: Snowman

**T – 12/1, 6 pm, Wednesday**  
**Teen Anime Club**

Enjoy all things manga and anime. Drop in. Ages 12 – 18.

**A – 1 pm, Mondays**  
**Monday Movies**

12/6: *Prancer* (G) 105 min.  
12/13: *Jack Frost* (PG) 96 min.  
12/20: *Four Christmases* (PG-13) 88 min.  
12/27: *It's A Wonderful Life* (PG-13) 130 min.

**A – 12/6, Monday**  
**Holiday Snowflake Luminary**  
While supplies last.

**A – 12/7, 7 pm, Tuesday**  
**Book Café**

Come share your new favorite read, and hear from fellow book lovers. New members welcome.

**T – 12/8, 7 pm, Wednesday**  
**Paint Party: Rudolph**

Hosted by local artist and educator Marty Manzo. View his podcast located on our website. Ages 12 – 18.

**A – 12/9, 12/23, 1 pm, Thursdays and 12/11, 10 am, Saturday**  
**EWE Knit and Crochet**  
Drop in with your own supplies.

**DIV/A – 12/11, 11 am, Saturday**  
**Documentary Movie:**  
**Quiet Heroes**

Sundance Film Festival documentary about the early days of the AIDS epidemic in Salt Lake City,

Utah where two women medical professionals, a doctor and nurse, with the support of a Catholic hospital's nuns were willing to fight a climate of fear and intolerance to provide healthcare services for HIV-positive people. (NR) 69 min.

**FR – 12/14, 1 pm, Tuesday**  
**Friends of the Barnegat Library Meeting**

**A – 12/15, 2 pm – 4 pm, Wednesday**  
**Wrapping Party**

Get caught up on your present wrapping. We will supply wrapping paper, scissors, tape and some festive surprises. **REG**

**T – 12/15, 7 pm, Wednesday**  
**Teen Advisory Board (TAB)**  
Grades 7 – 12.

**A/T – 12/16, 6 pm, Thursday**  
**Family Movie Night**  
*Frozen II* (PG) 103 min. Drop in.



**BEACHWOOD**  
732-244-4573

**CH – All Tuesdays**  
**Storytime Book Bundles**

Each Tuesday will feature a different themed book bundle. Each bundle includes themed books, coloring sheets, songs, a craft, and more. Available while supplies last.

12/7: Winter Time  
12/14: Holidays  
12/21: Dinosaurs  
12/28: Some of our Favorite Crafts and Books of the Year

**A – 12/9, 12 pm – 1 pm or 3 pm – 4 pm, Thursday**  
**Crafternoon**

Space is limited. Please call the Beachwood Branch to register for a time slot. **REG**

**T – 12/13, 6 pm, Monday**  
**Make it Monday**

Take-home supplies to design your own holiday card. Available while supplies last.



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**BERKELEY**  
732-269-2144

**ED – December**  
**Art by Clara Sue Beym**

Visit the art display by Clara Sue Beym, located in the Berkeley Branch meeting room.

**CH – December**  
**/ Spy Bulletin Board**

Find all the hidden items and win a prize.

**CH – December**  
**Take & Make Craft**

Stop by each week for a different craft to make at home. Feel free to share pictures of your completed projects on our Facebook and Instagram pages.

**T – December**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Pom-Pom Penguin**

Create a cute cuddly penguin out of yarn. Available in the Teen Zone while supplies last.

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**T – December**  
**Take & Make:**

**Craft Stick Snowflakes**

Available in the Teen Zone while supplies last.

**T – December**  
**Take & Make:**

**Winter Felt Pine Tree**

Available in the Teen Zone while supplies last.

## PROGRAM KEY

A	Adult Program
BD	Book Discussion
CH	Children's Program
DIV	Diversity Program
ED	Exhibits and Displays
FR	Friends Meeting
G	General Audience
MKR	Maker Program
PA	Potential Allergens
REG	Please Register
S	Sensory Program
T	Teen Program
TW	Tween Program

The Ocean County Library is a truly multicultural institution. We respect, honor, and celebrate individual and cultural differences. Our collections, programming, outreach, policies, and personnel practices reflect this commitment. We are inclusive and understanding of our co-workers and of the communities we serve, and we seek out others to join on this journey.

**All Library programs are free and open to the public, but registration may be limited. To avoid disappointment, please call the branch where the program is offered to register.**

Please note, all Take & Make programs are provided on a first come, first served basis. While supplies last.

All activities pose a degree of risk. We urge you to talk to your physician before beginning any exercise program and to be especially careful if you have any health issues. If you experience any pain or discomfort associated with any activity, you should stop immediately to prevent injury.



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Please see our event guide (<http://bit.ly/OCLEventGuide>) for more information on how to access these virtual programs.



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**BERKELEY**  
732-269-2144

### A – All Mondays Take & Make Crafts for Adults

Stop by each week for a different craft to make at home, available every Monday while supplies last.

### A – All Mondays, 1 pm Monday Movies

Register for each movie separately.

12/6: *Roadrunner: A Film About Anthony Bourdain* (R) 118 min.  
12/13: *Respect* (PG-13) 145 min.  
12/20: *Jungle Cruise* (PG-13) 129 min.  
12/27: *Black Widow* (PG-13) 135 min.

### A – December, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm, Tuesdays Movie for Adults with Special Needs

Individuals and day programs for adults with special needs are welcome to enjoy a movie in our meeting room. The audience will select their film on the day of the showing.  
**REG**

### A – 11 am, All Wednesdays Book Café for Adults with Special Challenges

Select your favorite books and relax and share with friends. Call ahead to reserve your group's favorite titles.

### A – 1 pm – 4 pm, All Thursdays Mah Jongg

Weekly play for experienced players of Mah Jongg. Players must bring their own set and current card.

### G – 12/1 – 12/15 Gingerbread House Contest

Create a festive gingerbread house and drop it off to the Berkeley Branch for our second annual contest. Construction materials can be anything you have on hand, it does not need to be edible. Maximum size 12"x12". Prizes sponsored by

The Friends of the Berkeley Library will be awarded to the winners in the following groups: Childrens (0 – 12), Teens (13 – 17), Adults (18+).

### A – 12/4, 1 pm – 4 pm, Saturday Artist Reception: Clara Sue Beym

Meet the artist whose art is on display for the month of December.

### A – 12/8, 2 pm, Wednesday SCAMS: What You Need to Know

Learn about the most recent scams endangering consumers and how to protect yourself. Presented by the Ocean County Department of Consumer Affairs. **REG**

### DIV/A – 12/17, 2 pm, Friday Christmas and Midwinter Stories

Celebrate the season with an hour of holiday storytelling. Attendees will hear anecdotes about the origins of holiday customs, the Victorian "invention" of modern Christmas, the popularity of the Christmas tree, and traditional tales about "the most wonderful time of the year." **REG**

### G – 12/16 – 12/22 Gingerbread House Contest Voting

Vote for your favorite gingerbread house. Winners will be announced on 12/23.



**BRICK**  
732-477-4513

### CH – 12/1, 9 am, Wednesday Take Home Storytime Kits

Stop by any time to pick up a take-home storytime kit that includes three themed books and a coloring page.

### A – 12/3, 1:30 pm, Friday Shore to Age Well

Hosted by the Ocean County Health Department, this program geared towards seniors will explain the difference between misuse and abuse of medi-

cations and how to properly store medications, including extensive information on alternative options for pain management. **REG**

### CH – 12/6, 9 am, Monday Take & Make: Ugly Sweater Craft

Stop by anytime during the week of 12/6 and pick up a craft to make at home.

### T/TW – 12/7, 9 am, Tuesday Take & Make: Beaded Snowflake Ornament

Available while supplies last in the Teen Zone. Grades 6 – 12.

### CH – 12/13, 9 am, Monday Take & Make: Winter Shrinky Dinks Craft

Stop by any time during the week of 12/13 and pick up a craft to make at home.

### T/TW – 12/16, 1 pm, Thursday Take & Make: Poinsettia Ornament

Available while supplies last in the Teen Zone. Grades 6 – 12.

### CH – 12/20, 9 am, Monday Take & Make: Gingerbread Man Craft

Stop by any time during the week of 12/20 and pick up a gingerbread man craft to make at home.

### CH – 12/27, 9 am, Monday Take & Make: New Year's Craft

Stop by any time during the week of 12/27 and pick up a craft to celebrate the New Year.

### T/TW – 12/28, 9 am, Tuesday Take & Make: Happy New Year Bracelet

Available while supplies last in the Teen Zone. Grades 6 – 12.

## Beanstack

Welcome to Beanstack, your one stop shop for tracking your reading progress and activities at the Ocean County Library.



**ISLAND HEIGHTS**  
732-270-6266

### CH – 12/1, 10 am – 5 pm, Wednesday Take & Make: Reindeer Craft

Pick up a kit and make a cute reindeer at home. Ages 5 – 12.

### A – 12/6, 10 am – 5 pm, Wednesday Take & Make: DIY Picture Frames

### T – 12/13, 10 am – 5 pm, Monday Take & Make: Crafting with Clay

Clay kits complete with instructions for different projects. Ages 12 – 18.

### G – 12/20, 10 am – 5 pm, Monday Take & Make: Holiday Card Bonanza

Whatever you celebrate, pick up a kit and create a beautiful card.

### G – 12/22, 10 am – 5 pm, Monday Take Home: Winter Coloring Pages

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**JACKSON**  
732-928-4400

## **A – December Friends Pop-Up Holiday Book Sale**

All book bundles are \$1 while supplies last.

## **CH – December Take-Home Storytime**

Themed book bundles and activity packets featuring Scholastic® Teachable pages and a craft. These bundles will be available at the Jackson Branch for the month of December.

## **CH – All Fridays Friday Take & Make**

Younger children will need help from a caregiver to complete the crafts. Available while supplies last. Please be mindful and take only one kit per child.

## **A – 11/26 – 12/6 Take & Make: Star of David Mobile Craft Kit**

Make a blue Hanukkah Star of David mobile and decorate it with craft gems and glitter shapes. Available while supplies last. Sponsored by Jackson Friends of the Library.

## **A – 12/1, Wednesday Take & Make: Christmas Beaded Charm Bracelet Craft Kit**

Available while supplies last. Sponsored by Jackson Friends of the Library.

## **A – 12/1, 7 pm, Wednesday, Holiday Concert: Marjorie Koharski & Keith Calmes**

Enjoy a performance of holiday selections on flute and guitar from this popular duo. **REG**

## **A – 12/2, 7 pm, Thursday, Elvistory: Christmas with the King**

Award-winning Elvis tribute artist and "Elvis-torian" Ruben Castillo takes you on a Yuletide journey with Elvis as your tour guide. During this live musical lecture learn about Elvis' love of the holidays, traditions

and toys that were in fashion during his career, and sing along to holiday music made popular by The King himself. **REG**

## **A – 12/6, 12/20, 10 am, Mondays Knit Chat Chain Volunteers** Items are donated to hospitals.

## **TW – 12/6, Monday Embroidered Constellation Cards**

Practice your sewing skills with a take-home card. Ages 9 – 12. **REG**

## **MKR/T – 12/6, 6:30 pm – 8 pm, Monday Teen Fiber Arts: Crochet Flower Pin**

Learn a few basic crochet stitches to craft a flower, then turn it into a pin. Ages 12 – 18. Supplies are limited. **REG**

## **A – 12/7, Tuesday Take & Make: Fleece Candy Tied Pillows**

Create a holiday pillow project for gatherings and sleepovers, or to give as gift. Available while supplies last. Sponsored by Jackson Friends of the Library.

## **A – 6:30 pm, All Tuesdays Prose & Ink Writers' Group** All genres welcome. Bring 3 – 5 pages of a work in progress for discussion and critique.

## **BD – 12/7, 7 pm, Tuesday The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah**

## **A – 12/10, Friday Take & Make: Beaded Snowman Necklace Craft Kit** This smiley snowman necklace makes for the perfect holiday accessory or handmade Christmas gift. Available while supplies last. Sponsored by Jackson Friends of the Library.

## **A – 12/13, 12/27, 6:30 pm, Mondays Knit Chat Chain Volunteers** Items are donated to hospitals.

## **BD – 12/14, 1 pm, Tuesday The Only Woman in the Room by Marie Benedict**

## **T – 12/14, 4:30 pm – 8:30 pm, Tuesday**

### **Shelf Reading Session**

Earn some volunteer time before Winter Break. As a group, you will help ensure our materials are in order on the shelf. All participants must submit an online Teen Volunteer Application prior to volunteering – if you have participated in Virtual Volunteering, there is no need to submit an app. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

## **MKR/T – 12/15, 3 pm – 4 pm Wednesday**

### **Gift Lab:**

### **Candy Cane Earrings**

Make a pair of festive beaded earrings. Ages 12 – 18. Supplies are limited. **REG**

## **MKR/T/PA – 12/21, Thursday Teen Winter Break Box**

Each box includes supplies for Teen Cuisine: DIY Twix, Sparks's Lab: LED Sparkle Lantern, a 2022 Gratitude Jar, and some surprise items. Supplies are limited. All registrants will be contacted by email when their Box is available for pick-up at the Jackson Branch. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

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**LACEY**  
609-693-8566

### ED – December Meeting Room Art

Watercolors by Linda Werner, Kathy Crocker, and MaryBeth McCabe

### A – 12/2, 12/16, 12 pm, Thursday Mah Jongg Mavens & Masters

Have you always wanted to learn how to play Mah Jongg? Learn by watching seasoned players. Do you already know? Either way, join us.

### A – 12/7, 10 am, Tuesday Stitch It Club

Knit, crochet, sew, or embroider with fellow Stitch It members. Share leisurely conversation and tips. All skill levels welcome.

### T – 12/14, 6:30 pm, Tuesday Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting

Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18.

### A – 12/20, 9 am, Monday Take & Make: Confetti Coasters

Create coasters for your New Year's celebration. Available for pick-up at the Lacey Branch beginning December 20 during operating hours, while supplies last.

### BD – 12/20, 1 pm, Monday Lacey Book Discussion

*The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman. Contact Lacey Circulation for more information.

### CH – 12/27, 9 am, Monday Take & Make: Kwanzaa Bracelets

Use cording and beads to create a bracelet just in time for Kwanzaa.



**LAKEWOOD**  
732-363-1435

### G – 12/3, 12/10, 12/17 Friday Fun Take & Make

Family fun craft. All ages.

### CH – 12/6, Monday Winter Village Take & Make

Create a colorful, paper winter village. Ages 5 – 12.

### CH – 12/8, Wednesday Take & Make:

**Handprint Cardinal**  
Make a cardinal with your hand, felt, and feathers. Ages 6 – 12.

### T – 12/8, Wednesday Take & Make:

**Pompom Snowman**  
Learn how to make your own pompoms to create a pompom snowman. Ages 12 – 18.

### CH – 12/9, Thursday Take & Make:

**Handprint Cardinal**  
Make a cardinal with felt and feathers. Ages 6 – 12.

### CH – 12/13, Monday Take & Make:

**Paper Poinsettia**  
Make a 3D poinsettia flower for the holidays. Ages 5 – 12.

### T – 12/14, 6 pm, Tuesday Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting

Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18.

### CH – 12/16, Thursday Take & Make:

**Paper Roll Penguins**  
Ages 5 – 12.

### CH – 12/20, Monday Take & Make:

**Snowman Craft**  
Ages 7 – 12.

### CH – 12/21, Tuesday

#### Take & Make:

#### Reindeer Craft

Assemble a reindeer out of construction paper. Ages 6 – 12.

### T – 12/21, 6 pm, Tuesday

#### 3D Snowflakes

Learn a new twist on this classic winter craft. Ages 12 – 18.

### CH – 12/23, Thursday Take & Make:

#### 3D Origami Stars

Ages 6 – 12.

### A – 12/27 – 12/30

#### Adult Craft:

#### Winter Coloring Book

Stop by to pick up a winter-themed coloring book.

### CH – 12/27, Monday

#### Take & Make:

#### Hibernating Bear

Create a bear hibernating in a craft stick cave. Ages 3 – 12.

### CH – 12/28, Tuesday

#### Bingo Month Take & Make

Create and decorate your own bingo game boards. Ages 8 – 12.

### CH – 12/30, Thursday

#### Take & Make:

#### Morse Code Name Bracelet

Spell your name in Morse Code. Ages 6 – 12.



**LITTLE EGG HARBOR**  
609-294-1197

### CH – 12/1 – 12/4, 9 am Take Home Book Bundle

Explore new reads from board books to juvenile fiction and all reading levels in-between. Available while supplies last.

### G – 12/2, 6 pm, Thursday

#### Holiday Green Screen Photos

Visit the Library to capture the spirit of winter with amazing holiday

backgrounds. Using a green screen, staff will help patrons take festive photographs. **REG**

### T – 12/2, 7 pm, Thursday Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting

Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

### T – 12/6, Monday

#### Take & Make: Button Painting

Available while supplies last.

### CH – 12/7, 3 pm, Tuesday Take & Make:

#### Penguin Bookmark

Available while supplies last. Ages 3+.

### CH – 12/9, 9 am Thursday Take & Make:

#### Dr. Seuss Grinch Headbands

Available while supplies last. Ages 3+.

### CH – 12/16, 9 am, Thursday Take & Make:

#### Holiday Ornament

Available while supplies last. Ages 3+.

### T – 12/16, 7 pm, Thursday Winter Luminaries

Create your own wintery luminary with some basic craft supplies. **REG**

### CH – 12/17, 9 am, Friday

#### Take & Make: Snowman Puppet

Available while supplies last. Ages 3+.

### CH – 12/20, 9 am, Monday Winter Solstice Sensory Walk Checklist

Discover the sights, textures, smells, and sounds of Little Egg Harbor during the Winter Solstice.

### CH – 12/28, 9 am, Thursday Take & Make:

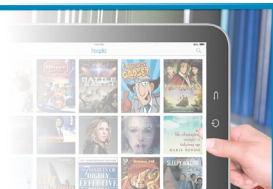
#### Kwanzaa Necklace

Available while supplies last. Ages 3+.

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**LONG BEACH ISLAND**  
**609-494-2480**

**DIV/G – 12/1, 10 am, Wednesday**  
**Family Take & Learn:**  
**Cultural Recipes from Around the World**

Journey around the world sampling recipes from different cultures enjoyed at their holiday celebrations. Available while supplies last.

**TW/T – 12/1, 1:30 pm, Wednesday**  
**Tween & Teen Take & Make:**  
**Winter Candle Holder**

Available while supplies last.

**DIV/A – 12/2, 12/16, 10 am, Thursdays**  
**Adult Take & Play:**  
**Holiday Puzzle Packs**

Learn about different holidays celebrated in December. Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/2, 12/16, 10 am, Thursdays**  
**Storytime at Home:**  
**Interactive Book Bundles**

**CH – 12/3, 10 am, Friday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Mittens**

Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/6, 10 am, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Snowmen**

Available while supplies last.

**A/PA – 12/6, 1 pm, Monday**  
**Adult Movie Kit:**  
**Call of the Wild**

Take home a free bag of goodies. Available while supplies last. Movie available for check out.

**TW/T – 12/8, 1:30 pm, Wednesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Winter Fairy Ornament**

Available while supplies last.

**A – 12/10, 10 am, Friday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Seahorse Magnet**

Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/10, 10 am, Friday**  
**Take & Make: Snowflake**

Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/13, 10 am, Monday**  
**Take & Make: Reindeer**

Available while supplies last.

**G/PA – 12/13, 1 pm, Monday**  
**Family Movie Night Kit:**  
**Sing 2**

Take home a free bag of goodies. Available while supplies last. Movie available for check out.

**TW/T – 12/15, 1:30 pm, Wednesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Merry Krampus Card**

Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/17, 10 am, Friday**  
**Take & Make: Winter Gnomes**

Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/20, 10 am, Monday**  
**Take & Make: Ice Skating**

Available while supplies last.

**A/PA – 12/20, 1 pm, Monday**  
**Adult Movie Kit: The Man Who Invented Christmas**

Take home a free bag of goodies. Available while supplies last. Movie available for check out.

**G – 12/21, 1 pm, Tuesday**  
**Family Kit:**  
**Make a Puppet Show**

Get the family involved, puppets can be pre-made, paper made, and sock made to name a few. Available while supplies last.

**G – 12/21, 2 pm – 4 pm, Tuesday**  
**Friends Monthly Book Sale**

**TW/T – 12/22, 1:30 pm, Wednesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Danish Christmas Heart**

Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/23, 10 am, Thursday**  
**Take & Make: Yule Log**

Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/27, 10 am, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Gingerbread People**

Available while supplies last.

**A/PA – 12/27, 1 pm, Monday**  
**Adult Movie Kit:**  
**Little Women**

Take home a free bag of goodies. Available while supplies last. Movie available for checkout.

**TW/T – 12/29, 1:30 pm, Wednesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**New Year's Eve Party Popper**

Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/30, 10 am, Friday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**New Year's Eve Party Shakers**

Available while supplies last.



**MANCHESTER**  
**732-657-7600**

**A – 12/2, 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm, Thursday**  
**Quick, Easy and Inexpensive Holiday Crafts for Adults to Make**

We will be making four crafts using paper and other basic supplies. Participants must bring their own scissors. **REG**

**CH – 12/3, 12/10, 12/17, Fridays**  
**Take & Make: Friday Fun**

A different craft will be available each Friday. Available while supplies last. Limit one per child.

**CH – 12/6, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Jan Brett Winter Crafts**

Take & Make crafts inspired by winter-themed Jan Brett books. Available while supplies last.

**A – 12/6, Monday**  
**Take & Make: Pop Up New Year Card 2022**

Celebrate the New Year. Available while supplies last.

**A – 12/9, 12/23, 2 pm – 4 pm, Thursdays**  
**Chicks with Sticks – Knitting and Crocheting Group**

Do you love to knit or crochet? Bring your yarn, needles, and current projects, all skill levels welcome.

**A – 12/10, 2 pm, Friday**  
**Winter's Enchanted Journey**

Commemorate the winter season with acclaimed international concert violinist Dr. David Podles. David will evoke the enchantment of the winter season and all its merriment in this performance. **REG**

**CH – 12/13, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Winter Garland**

Available while supplies last.

**A – 12/14, 2 pm – 3:30 pm, Tuesday**  
**PT Barnum:**  
**Master Showman**

Neill Hartley portrays master showman P.T. Barnum in this exciting and entertaining look at one of the most colorful and well-known personalities of all time, who brought high and low culture to all of America. **REG**

**A – 12/16, 7 pm – 8:30 pm, Thursday**  
**Pearl Harbor:**  
**A Day of Infamy**

The attack was always considered possible, but not probable. Were critical judgement errors made by America's national leaders and its military that made America so vulnerable or did motivations by America's European allies to have America represented in WWII result in this devastating attack? Join Paul Zigo, retired Brookdale Community College professor and current director of the WW2 Era studies to find out. **REG**

**CH – 12/20, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Snowman Craft**

Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/27, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Hot Chocolate Craft**

Pick up a hot chocolate craft in the Manchester Youth Services Department. Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/30, Friday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**New Year's Eve**

Available while supplies last.



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**PLUMSTED**  
609-758-7888

**CH – 12/1, 10 am, Wednesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Dreidel**

Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/2, 10 am, Thursday**  
**Take Home**  
**Winter Storytime Kit**

Kit will include a story, craft, and assorted rhymes and songs. Available while supplies last.

**G – 12/6, 10 am, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Hot Cocoa Ornament**

Available while supplies last.

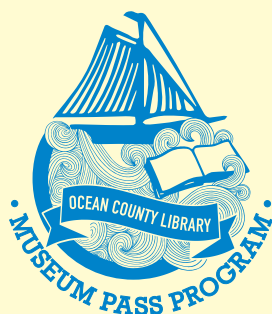
**A – 12/10, 2:30 pm, Friday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Adult Craft**

Available while supplies last.

**G – 12/13, 10 am, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Christmas Ornament**

Available while supplies last.

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**CH – 12/14, 10 am, Tuesday**  
**Take Home Monkey Day**  
**Story Kit**

Kit will include a story, craft, and assorted rhymes and songs. Available while supplies last.

**G – 12/20, 10 am, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Penguin Ornament**

Available while supplies last.



**PT. PLEASANT BEACH**  
732-892-4575

**CH/TW – December**  
**Winter Scavenger Hunt**

Can you locate all 12 winter images hidden around the Library? Visit the Branch any time during the month to complete the scavenger hunt.

**CH – 10 am, All Mondays**  
**Take & Make Monday**

Pick up a craft kit to complete at home. Ages 3 – 6 years. Available while supplies last.

**A – 12/13, 12/27, 1 pm, Mondays**  
**Knitting and Crocheting**  
**at the Beach**

Knitters and crocheters of all skill levels welcome.



**PT. PLEASANT BORO**  
732-295-1555

**ED – December**  
Classic Books by James Albano (Display Case).

**CH – 12/1, Wednesday**  
**Take & Make: Make a Gift**

Ages 3+. While supplies last.

**T – 12/1, Wednesday**  
**Take & Makes:**  
**Pom Pom Pinecones**

Pick up a craft kit with provided pinecones and pom poms to decorate while supplies last. Decision to make the pinecone an ornament is available too. A sample photo will be provided. Ages 12 – 18.

**DIV/A – 12/1, 2 pm, Wednesday**  
**Wednesday Documentary:**  
***We Were Here***

An intimate, yet epic history of the AIDS years in San Francisco, as told through the stories of five longtime San Franciscans. (NR) 92 min. **REG**

**BD – 12/1, 7:30 pm, Wednesday**  
**Good Readers Book Club**  
***The Whole Town's Talking*** by Fannie Flagg.

**A – 12/2, Thursday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Hanukkah Edition**

Available while supplies last.

**A – 12/2, 1 pm, Thursday**  
**Knit Wits of Ocean County**

Join our group to learn, or bring your project with you. If you are a beginner, knitting needles and yarn will be available for you. If you are already a knitter, please join.

**A – 12/2, 6:30 pm, Thursday**  
**Open Mic Night**

Join Dennis "The Heavy Metal Poet" Townsend for a night of local talent. Signups begin at 6 pm; performances start at 6:30 pm.

**A – 12/2, 12/16, 7:30 pm, Thursdays**  
**Adult Writers Group**

Explore your writing skills in a fun, friendly, informal setting.

**CH – 12/7, Tuesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Snowperson Ornament**

Ages 3+. While supplies last.

**A – 12/8, 7 pm, Wednesday**  
**Holiday Concert**

Marjorie Koharski, flutist, and Keith Calmes, classical guitarist, will perform an hour program of holiday music. Sponsored by the Friends of the Pt. Pleasant Borough Branch. **REG**

**CH – 12/10, Friday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Winter Mystery**

Ages 3+. While supplies last.

**CH – 12/13, Monday**  
**Take & Make: Cocoa Craft**

Come celebrate National Cocoa Day. Ages 3+. While supplies last.

**T – 12/13, Monday**  
**Take & Makes:**  
**Upcycled Mason Jar Lid Wreaths**

Available while supplies last. Ages 12 – 18.

**A – 12/15, 6 pm, Wednesday**  
**Knit Wits of Ocean County**

Join our group to learn, or bring your project with you. If you are a beginner, knitting needles and yarn will be available for you. If you are already a knitter, please join.

**BD – 12/15, 6:30 pm, Wednesday**  
**Open Our Mind Book Club**  
***All the Light We Cannot See*** by Anthony Doerr.

**A – 12/16, Thursday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Christmas Ornaments**

Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/18, Saturday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Polar Bear Winter Art**

Ages 3+. While supplies last.

**A – 12/18, 2 pm, Saturday**  
**Saturday Afternoon Movie:**  
***Cruella***

(PG-13) 134 min. **REG**

**BD – 12/20, 10:30 am, Monday**  
**Friends Book Discussion Group**  
***Hamnet*** by Maggie O'Farrell.

**CH – 12/22, Wednesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Get Ready for 2022**

Pick up a DIY calendar for 2022. Ages 5+. While supplies last.

**A – 12/22, 6 pm, Wednesday**  
**Wednesday Night Movie:**  
***The Suicide Squad***

(R) 132 min. **REG**

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**PT. PLEASANT BORO**  
**732-295-1555**

**T – 12/27, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**New Year Mandala**  
**Coloring Poster**

Come in and grab an inspirational velvet coloring poster of a mandala for the New Year. Ages 12 – 18. While supplies last.

**CH – 12/30, Friday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**2021 Time Capsule**

Load up your time capsule with 2021 memories and open in 10 years. Ages 3+. While supplies last.

**A – 12/30, Friday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**New Year's Eve**

Available while supplies last.



**STAFFORD**  
**609-597-3381**

**A – 12/2, 12/16, 12/30, 1 pm – 3 pm, Thursdays**  
**12/4, 12/18, 10 am – 12 pm, Saturdays**  
**String of Purls - Knit/Crochet**

Want to learn to knit and crochet? Join to learn or bring your project with you. Beginners, bring size 9 knitting needles and light-colored 4-ply cotton or acrylic yarn. To crochet, bring the same yarn, and size "I" crochet hook. Drop in.

**A – 12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 12:30 pm – 4 pm, Fridays**  
**Mah Jongg**

Please bring your current year gaming cards and game sets. Drop in.

**A – 12/6, 9 am, Monday**  
**Take & Make: Clothespin**  
**Snowman & Reindeer**

Pick up your kit at the Stafford Branch Circulation Desk. Supplies and instructions provided. Available while supplies last.

**CH – 9 am, All Mondays**  
**Children's Take & Make**  
**Mondays**

Each Monday pick up your kit at the Stafford Branch Children's Department. Supplies and instructions provided. Available while supplies last.

**A – 12/6, 11 am, Monday**  
**AAUW Monday Book**  
**Discussion**

*Olive Again* by Elizabeth Strout.

**A – 12/7, 11 am, Tuesday**  
**Dan Rather Remembers**  
**Pearl Harbor**

Join us as we commemorate the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the attacks on the Pearl Harbor naval base with a documentary from Access Video. Some material may be graphic and viewer discretion is advised. (NR) 102 min.

**T/TW – 12/8, 9 am,**  
**Wednesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Balloon CD Hovercraft**

Available while supplies last.

**A – 12/11, 10 am, Saturday**  
**NAMI Support Group**

Parents and caregivers of a loved one with mental illness are welcome to this National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) group. If someone you know is struggling with mental illness, you are not alone. Drop in.

**T – 12/14, 4:30 pm, Tuesday**  
**Teen Advisory Board (TAB)**  
**Meeting**

Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18.

**A – 12/16, 6:30 pm, Thursday**  
**Holiday Movie: Elf**

(PG) 97 min.

**A – 12/20, 9 am, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Cottage House Luminaries**

Pick up your kit at the Stafford Branch Circulation Desk. Supplies and instructions provided. Available while supplies last.

**T/TW – 12/22, 9 am,**  
**Wednesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Clay Photo Holders**

Pick up a craft kit to make a tabletop photo holder that looks like a snowy mountain. Available while supplies last.



**TOMS RIVER**  
**732-349-6200**

**ED – December**  
**European Canvas by Suzi**  
**Hoffman and Mary Walker-**  
**Baptiste (McConnell Gallery)**  
**Enjoy by Ron Cappuccilli**  
**(2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Gallery)**

**CH – 12/1, Wednesday**  
**Storytime-to-Go Bundles**

Stop by the Toms River Branch throughout the month of December for picture book bundles that are perfect for storytime at home. Bundles are available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/1, 9 am, Wednesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Snowman Wreath**

Children and their families are invited to pick up a Snowman Wreath craft kit. Available while supplies last. Best for children ages 3 – 6.

**A/T – 12/1, 2 pm, Wednesday,**  
**Learn to Loom Knit**

Join us and learn the basics to loom knitting. We will be making premie hats to donate to a local hospital. Supplies will be provided. No experience required. Registration is limited and required. Program is sponsored by the Friends of the Ocean County Library - Toms River. **REG**

**MKR/A – 12/1, 6 pm – 7 pm,**  
**Wednesday**  
**Holiday Gift Tags**

Come create and learn the basics of the Cricut® Maker™ and make gift tags for the holidays. **REG**

**S/G – starting 12/3, 9 am,**  
**Friday**

**Celebrate National Cookie**  
**Day with a Book Bundle**

Visit the Sensory Space on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor to pick up your National Cookie Day book bundle. You can read about all things cookie and maybe try some new recipes in one of the cookbooks. Book Bundles will be available for checkout for all ages while supplies last.

**CH – 12/6, 9 am, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**National Cookie Day**

Children ages 3 – 7 are invited to pick up a craft based on *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* by Laura Numeroff. Available while supplies last.

**MKR/G – 12/6, 6 pm, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**3D Printed Cookie Cutters**

Register to receive a set of two festive cookie cutters created in Sparks's Lab using the Lulzbot 3D Printer. All ages. **REG**

**A – 12/6, 7 pm, Monday,**  
**Elvistory:**  
**Christmas with The King**

It's the holiday season and award-winning Elvis Tribute Artist and "Elvis-torian" Ruben Castillo takes you on a Yuletide journey with Elvis as your holiday tour guide. During this LIVE musical lecture, you'll learn about Elvis's love of the holidays, traditions and toys that were in fashion during Elvis's career, and sing along to some great holiday music made popular by The King himself, with few tunes that may surprise you. **REG**

**CH – 12/7, 9 am, Tuesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Sensory Gingerbread**  
**Friends**

Celebrate the scents of the season with a fun sensory take-home craft. Children and their families are invited to pick up a take-home craft while supplies last. Recommended for children ages 2 – 4.



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**TOMS RIVER**  
**732-349-6200**

**CH – 12/8, 9 am, Wednesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Ornaments Craft Kit**  
Available while supplies last.

**DIV/A – 12/9, 6 pm, Thursday,**  
**Holiday Dances and Music of**  
**Spain and Latin America**  
Alborada Spanish Dance Theatre will perform dances from Spain, Ecuador, Peru and Mexico. There will be joyous Christmas songs and special festival dances. Sponsored by OceanFirst Bank Foundation. **REG**

**MKR/T/A – 12/9, 6 pm,**  
**Thursday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Hand Stitch a Felt Ornament**  
Create a festive ornament with felt, thread, and beads. Ages 13+. **REG**

**CH/TW – 12/11, 9 am,**  
**Saturday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Felt Gnome**  
Children ages 6 – 11 are invited to pick up a craft kit while supplies last.

**MKR/S/G – 12/11, 12 pm –**  
**1 pm, Saturday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Holiday Sensory**  
**Themed Ornaments**  
Available while supplies last. Kits will be available for pick-up outside of Sparks's Lab on the second floor of the Library. All ages.

**MKR/S/T/A – 12/11, 1 pm –**  
**3 pm, Saturday**  
**Drop-in Holiday Sensory-**  
**Themed Ornaments**  
Come join the Sparks's Lab and Sensory Space to create your own holiday-themed ornament. Sensory-related materials will be provided while supplies last. Will

take place in Sparks's Lab located on the second floor. Caregivers must be present. Ages 13+.

**CH – 12/13, 9 am, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Reindeer Paper Plate Craft**  
Children and their families are invited to pick up a craft kit. Available while supplies last.

**CH/TW – 12/14, 9 am,**  
**Tuesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Snowman Ornament**  
Available while supplies last. Recommended for children ages 5 – 12.

**T – 12/14, 5:30 pm, Tuesday**  
**Dungeons &**  
**Dragons for Teens**  
Join players on an adventure in the world of *Dungeons & Dragons*. Open to new and experienced players. Space is limited. **REG**

**MKR/A – 12/15, 6 pm – 7 pm,**  
**Wednesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**DIY Holiday Gift Bag Kit**  
Stop by and pick up your holiday bag craft kit. Included are Circuit<sup>®</sup> Maker<sup>™</sup> cut outs, a brown paper bag, sparkles, ribbon, a glue stick, and holiday tags. Kits will be available for pick up outside of Sparks's Lab on the second floor of the Library while supplies last. Ages 13+.

**CH/TW – 12/16, 9 am,**  
**Thursday**  
**Take & Make Craft:**  
**Skateboarding Reindeer**  
Get into the holiday groove with a fun take-home craft. Available while supplies last. Recommended for children ages 5 – 12.

**A – 12/16, 10 am, Thursday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**DIY Beach Inspired**  
**Holiday Ornaments**  
Each kit has supplies to make two ornaments. Available while supplies last. Please be mindful

and only take one kit per person.

**S/T – 12/16, 2:30 pm,**  
**Thursday**  
**Teen Calm Room**  
Join us for the Teen Calm Room in our new Sensory Space that's available to teens with a variety of special needs. In our room you can engage with stimulating, tactile, or calming interactive products, participate in a craft, and enjoy videos. Caregiver must be present and registered. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

**CH – 12/18, Saturday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Alphabet Soup**  
Stop by to pick up a "D is for Dinosaur and December" Craft Kit, which also includes a suggested reading list and printed activities. Best for children ages 3 – 5. Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/20, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**National Llama Day**  
Kits include a *Llama Llama* themed craft, book list and activities. Available while supplies last. Best for children ages 3 – 6.

**MKR/CH/T – 12/20, 12 pm,**  
**Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Ozobot<sup>®</sup> Coding Stickers**  
Pick up your own set of Ozobot<sup>®</sup> coding stickers to create your own code for your personal Ozobot<sup>®</sup> at home. Included are black line stickers, red, green, and blue dots, and blank paper to start your coding. Kits will be available for pick-up outside of Sparks's Lab on the second floor of the Library. Ages 8 – 12. **REG**

**T/TW – 12/21, Tuesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Last Minute Holiday Gift**  
Available in the Teen Zone while supplies last.

**MKR/G – 12/21, 6 pm,**  
**Tuesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Arctic Watercolor Silhouettes**  
Create an arctic scene using layers of intricately cut paper and watercolors. This take-home craft kit will be available to pick up at the Toms River Branch outside of Sparks's Lab. Available while supplies last. Please be mindful and only take one kit per person. A how-to video presentation for watercolor art using water-based markers is available on OCL's YouTube page.

**MKR/A – 12/22, 6 pm – 7 pm,**  
**Wednesday**  
**Wooden Photo Class**  
Come and learn how to transfer an image to a wooden plaque using mod podge. Please bring in a copy of your original image to use for the transfer or a copy. Computers in the Sparks's Lab will also be available to use to print and/or make copies of your photo. Ages 18+. **REG**

**CH – 12/28, Tuesday**  
**Take & Make for Holiday**  
**Break: Spiderman Mask**  
Celebrate your inner superhero with a fun take-home craft. Available while supplies last. Craft recommended for children ages 3 – 6.

**CH/TW – 12/30, Wednesday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Penguin Thermometer**  
Get ready to chill this winter with a fun take-home craft. Available while supplies last. Recommended for children ages 5 – 12.

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**TUCKERTON**  
609-296-1470

**A – 12/2, 11 am, Thursday**  
**Coping with Holiday Stress**

Ocean County Health Department presents a 20-minute program followed by a question and answer session. **REG**

**A – 12/6, Monday**  
**Take & Make Craft:**  
**Festive Trees**

Design your own mini tree. Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/6, Monday**  
**Take & Make Craft:**  
**Snow Globe Fun**

Available while supplies last.

**A/T – 12/6, Monday, 6:30 pm**  
**Movie Night:**  
***The Mountains Between Us***  
(PG-13) 111 min.

**A – 12/7, 10 am, Tuesday**  
**Art Chat**  
Meet and talk with local artists. Bring your own work for feedback.

**T – 12/10, 2:30 pm, Friday**  
**Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting**  
Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18. **REG**

**A/T – 12/13, 6:30 pm, Monday**  
**Movie Night:**  
***The Notebook***  
(PG-13) 123 min.

**T – 12/15, 2:30 pm, Wednesday**  
**Afternoon Film and Discussion for Teens: *American Teen***  
(PG-13) 102 min. **REG**

**A – 12/20, Monday**  
**Take & Make Craft: Candy Cane Ornament**  
Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/20, Monday**  
**Take & Make Craft:**  
**Winter Fun**  
Design your own cozy winter magnet. Available while supplies last.

**A/T – 12/20, 6 pm, Monday**  
**Movie: *Respect***  
(PG-13) 145 min.

**CH – 12/27, Monday**  
**Take & Make Craft:**  
**Kwanzaa Necklace**  
Kwanzaa is an annual celebration of African-American culture that is held from December 26 to January 1. Available while supplies last.

**A/T – 12/27, 6:30 pm, Monday**  
**Movie: *Black Widow***  
(PG-13) 133 min.



**UPPER SHORES**  
732-793-3996

**G – December**  
**Holiday Scavenger Hunt**  
Have some holiday fun and see if you can spot all of the holiday items hidden around the Library.

**A – 12:30 pm – 3 pm, All Mondays**  
**Mah Jongg Mondays**  
Come play Mah Jongg at the Library.

**CH – 12/1, Wednesday**  
**Take & Make: Welcome Winter Door Hanging**  
Available while supplies last.

**A – 12/2, 2 pm, Thursday**  
**Great American Standards**  
The talented Gary Evans entertains us with his delightful music at our piano on the main floor. Requests are welcome. Seating is limited. **REG**

**A – 12/6, Monday**  
**Take & Make for Adults:**  
**Holiday Ornament Craft Kit**  
A simple iron-on embroidery hoop craft to display on your own Christmas tree or gift to loved ones as a holiday gift. Available while supplies last.

**A – 12/10, 1 pm, Friday**  
**OC Purls Knitting Group**  
Enjoy conversation and exchange patterns while you work on your knitting projects.

**BD – 12/10, 3 pm, Friday**  
**Upper Shores Book Discussion Group**  
*This Tender Land* by William Kent Krueger. New members are always welcome.

**CH – 12/13, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Dinosaur Christmas Sign**  
Available while supplies last.

**T – 12/13, Monday**  
**Take & Make:**  
**Jack Skellington Ornament**  
Available while supplies last.

**A – 12/14, 6 pm, Tuesday**  
**Evening Holiday Film:**  
***White Christmas***  
(NR) 120 min.

**T – 12/14, 6:30 pm, Tuesday**  
**Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting**  
Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18.

**A – 12/16, Thursday**  
**Take & Make for Adults:**  
**Holiday Coloring**  
Available while supplies last.

**A – 12/22, 2 pm, Wednesday**  
**Afternoon Holiday Film: *The Man Who Invented Christmas***  
(PG) 104 min.

**G – 12/27, Monday**  
**Family Take & Make:**  
**Miniature Kwanzaa Unity Cups**  
Available while supplies last.

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### WARETOWN 609-693-5133

**A – 12 pm, All Wednesdays**  
**Mah Jongg Beginners**

**CH – 12/1, Wednesday**  
**Kids Take & Make:**  
**Paper Snowmen**

Available while supplies last.

**A – 12/6, 2 pm, Monday**  
**Just Kil'n Time:**  
**Winter Tree Nightlights**

Come and paint a winter tree ceramic nightlight with experts from Waretown's Just Kil'n Time. **REG**

**A – 12/7, 12/21, 11 am, Tuesdays**

**Waretown Writers' Group**

Join other writers to explore your skills in an informal and fun discussion group.

**T – 12/8, Wednesday**

**Take & Make:**

**Button Wreath**

Available while supplies last.

**CH – 12/15, Wednesday**

**PreK Take & Make:**

**Snowman Measuring Sticks**

Available while supplies last.

**A – 12/17, Wednesday**

**Take & Make:**

**Baby Yarn Hats**

Available while supplies last.

**T – 12/20, 6 pm, Monday**

**Teen Advisory Board (TAB)**

**Meeting**

Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18.

**T – 12/20, 7 pm, Monday**

**Craft-teen Time**

Melt crayons in an ornament to make a colorful and unique decoration or gift. **REG**

**A – 12/21, 2 pm, Thursday**

**Social Hour**

Individuals and day programs for adults with special needs are welcome to come and enjoy a social hour with activity stations for craft, sensory, coloring, and manipulatives.



### VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

**DIV/A – December**  
**World Languages & Holidays**  
**Trivia**

Not only are there numerous holidays celebrated around the world in December, but it's also Learn a New Language Month. Test your knowledge on world culture, languages, and holidays with our Kahoot quiz. Presented by the Toms River Branch.

**T/A – 12/1, Wednesday**

**Adulting 101:**

**How to Wrap a Present**

Learn how to wrap a present on our YouTube channel. Presented by the Little Egg Harbor Branch.

**DIV/T – 12/1, Wednesday**

**Easy Kugel for Hanukkah**

Learn how to make this delicious traditional Hanukkah dish. Presented by the Lakewood Branch. Ages 12 – 18.

**A – 12/1, 9 am, Wednesday**

**3 Resources to Boost Your Business**

Learn about amazing free resources accessible to business owners and Ocean County Library cardholders. Presented by the Lacey Branch.

**CH – 12/1, 9 am, Wednesday**

**Bedtime Action Songs and Rhymes with Miss Jen**

Get ready for bedtime and bring along your teddy bear or favorite stuffed animal to sing with us. Recommended for ages 3 – 6. Presented by the Lacey Branch.

**A – 12/1, 2:30 pm, Wednesday**

**Pearl Harbor:**

**A Day of Infamy**

December 7, 2021 is the 80th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor. Join Paul Zigo, director of the World War II Studies Institute, to explore possible causes of the event that led to the entry of the United States into World War II. Presented by the Jackson Branch. Registrants will be provided with a live Zoom link. **REG**

**DIV/T – 12/1, 6:30 pm, Wednesday**

**World AIDS Day: A History**

Join us to hear Austin Greitz, LGBTQ activist and professional in the HIV/AIDS prevention field, share the history of HIV/AIDS movement in honor of World AIDS Day. This program will be a live virtual program held on Zoom, hosted by the Toms River Branch. **REG**

**CH/TW – 12/3, 9 am, Friday**

**Gentle Rain Sensory Bottle**

Learn how to make this craft using supplies you have on hand such as paper clips, leaves, and beads. Presented by the Lacey Branch. Recommended for ages 5 and up.

**DIV/T/TW – 12/3, 9 am, Friday**

**The History of Hanukkah Foods**

From fried doughnuts to latkes, we'll discuss the delicious foods served during Hanukkah with a recipe for rugelach at the end. Watch on the OCL YouTube channel or click the link in our calendar of events. Presented by the Lacey Branch.

**A – 12/4, 2 pm, Saturday**

**Fireside Chat:**

**Portraits of the Jersey Shore**

Join us for a virtual talk and Q&A with Gregory Andrus from Portraits of the Jersey Shore. He will discuss his experiences and inspiration, including his past book and upcoming project on Lifeguards of the Jersey Shore. Sponsored by Jackson Friends of the Library. Registrants will be provided with a live Zoom link. **REG**

**A – 12/6 – 12/31**

**Librarian Reads:**

**2021 Year in Books**

Enjoy an end-of-year book review featuring book highlights, recommendations, and more. Presented by the Toms River Branch.

**A – 12/6, 6 pm – 7 pm, Monday**

**Advanced French Club**

Join us for a live virtual meeting using Zoom and speak French with other French speakers in the community. Intermediate and advanced speakers welcome. Zoom link will be emailed to participants upon registration. Presented by the Manchester Branch.

**G – 12/7, 9:30 am, Tuesday**

**Gingerbread Storytime**

Join us through Zoom to listen to gingerbread stories and a craft that can be made at home. Presented by the Tuckerton Branch. **REG**

**G – 12/8, 9 am, Wednesday**

**The Great Recipe Swap:**

**Holiday Edition**

Celebrate the upcoming winter holidays by sharing your favorite holiday recipes with the Ocean County Library community. Selected recipes will be shared on OCL's website airing 12/8.

**T – 12/8, 12 pm, Wednesday**

**TAB Interest Meeting**

Hosted by the Toms River Branch. The information session will be followed by an officer interest meeting for teens looking for leadership opportunities.

**T/A – 12/9, 6 pm, Thursday**

**A.S. King: Dive Into YA:**

**It's Not Just for Teens**

Join us for a virtual author visit with author, A.S. King as she discusses her novel, *Switch*. This is a series of virtual author visits focused on connecting Ocean County's teen and adult community. This series is in partnership with BookTowne in Manasquan, NJ. Attendees of this program will receive a 10% discount during this program. **REG**

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## VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

### T/TW – 12/9, 6:30 pm, Thursday TAB Orientation

Join our Zoom call to learn about volunteering at the Brick Branch. Grades 6 – 12. **REG**

### A – 12/10, 11 am, Friday Virtual Book Talk

Chat about your favorite holiday-themed book you read and check out what others are reading. Register to receive a Zoom link. Presented by the Lacey Branch. **REG**

### A – 12/11, 10:30 am, Saturday Virtual Shore Memory Café

Early-Stage Memory Café provide opportunities for persons diagnosed with early-stage memory loss, and their care partner(s), to engage with peers in a relaxed, unstructured environment. Presented by the Alzheimer's Association and the Lacey Branch. To register, please contact Robyn Kohn, MA, Director of Programs & Services, Alzheimer's Association - Greater New Jersey Chapter at (800) 272-3900 or visit their website [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org). **REG**

### CH – Ongoing, starting 12/13, Monday

#### Cooking with Miss Joanne

Check out our YouTube channel to see what fall treat Miss Joanne is making this month. Presented by the Berkeley Branch.

### T – 12/13, 6:30 pm, Monday Behind the Cover:

#### Book Cover Illustration with Stephanie Singleton

Stephanie Singleton has worked with publishers such as HarperCollins, Penguin Random House, Simon & Schuster, and more. Her designs have graced the covers of books by Justin A. Reynolds, Brandy Colbert and Jacqueline Woodson, to name a few. Learn about her experience as an illustrator, how she got involved in book covers and her advice for aspiring artists.

This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Ocean County Library - Toms River. **REG**

### T – 12/14, 5:30 pm, Tuesday Dungeons & Dragons for Teens

Open to new and experienced players. Space is limited. Presented by the Toms River Branch. **REG**

### A – 12/14, 5:30 pm, Tuesday Meet the Mayor

Join us as the Lacey Branch hosts a virtual meeting with Lacey Mayor Peter Curatolo. **REG**

### T – 12/15, 3 pm, Wednesday Afternoon Dungeons & Dragons

Learn how to play this game of storytelling and adventure using *D&D Beyond*. Open to new and experienced players. Participants must register to receive the Zoom link. This virtual event is presented as a joint effort by the Point Pleasant Borough and Point Pleasant Beach Branches. **REG**

### A – 12/16, 3 pm, Thursday Anime Club for Adults: Snow Day Anime

Join our virtual discussion of binge-worthy anime recommendations for those days you're stuck inside. Presented by the Lakewood Branch.



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### CH/TW – 12/22, 10:30 am, Wednesday Bulbasaur Planter

Make a planter using a recycled soda bottle. Ages 6 – 12. Visit our online events calendar for the live link the day of the program.

### CH – 12/27, 9 am, Monday Virtual Tour of NoveList K-8

NoveList helps you understand what about a book your readers love, and helps them find more that are just their style. This virtual tour will be available on OCL's YouTube channel. Presented by the Little Egg Harbor Branch.

### A – 12/28, 3 pm, Tuesday Tarot Tuesday: Choosing a Deck

Join a virtual discussion forum where you can share your experiences and ask questions about how to determine what tarot deck to use. Presented by the Lakewood Branch.

### CH/TW – 12/30, 10:30 am, Thursday

#### Make Nickelodeon™ Slime

Learn how to make some messy slime you can even eat. Ages 6 – 12. Visit our online events calendar for the live link the day of the program.

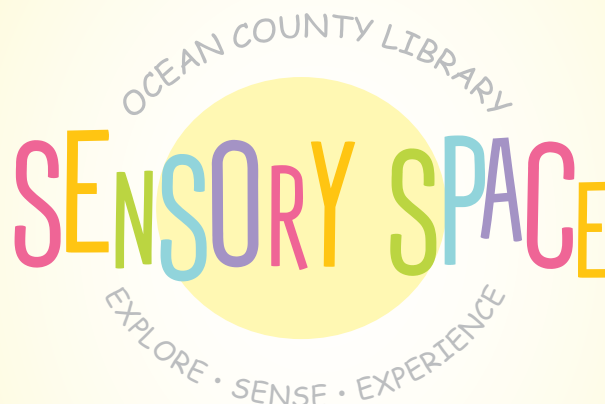
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