



From the Friends...Millions of Pennies & Thousands of Books

October 20, 2013 kicked off our first ever "Million Pennies Campaign." We'd like you to add your two cents and support the Library! Our goal is to raise \$10,000 over the next year. Throughout the campaign, we will have contests to see who can bring in the most pennies, who can guess how many there are, who can guess when we will have a million....and more. You will find our collection canisters not only at the Library, but at many local businesses who support the RBPL.

The date of the Friends of the Red Bank Public Library Annual Book Sale has changed. Mark your calendars with these new dates:

Friday April 11th - Preview Party, 7:00–9:00 p.m.

Saturday April 12th - Book Sale, 10am-4pm (9am opening with \$10 admission fee).

Monday April 14th - Bag Sale, 10am-4pm (fill a provided bag for \$5)

This is our biggest fundraiser, and this will be our 5th Annual Sale. So we invite lovers of libraries, books and bargains to come as there will be a HUGE selection of current bestsellers, classics, fiction and nonfiction; DVDs, CDs; and a separate room for the Children's Book Sale. Hidden treasures can still be found at the Bag Sale on Monday, but for the best finds, come help us kick off the sale at the fabulous Preview Reception on Friday night. For \$25 (members of Friends of RBPL are FREE), you can join us for wine and appetizers, live music, raffle items and, of course, first dibs at the book sale. All proceeds will benefit the Friends of the Red Bank Public Library. We are currently accepting donations of gently used books. Please no textbooks, workbooks, phone books, etc. We will accept only books that are good candidates for resale. Thanks for your support!

Foundation Fundraiser a Success

More than 130 people attended the Foundation for the Red Bank Public Library's Wine Tasting benefit which was held at the Library on Tuesday, November 12th helping to raise more than \$8,600. Guests enjoyed holiday wines from The Wine Cellar and The Little Silver Bottle Shop paired with cheeses from The Cheese Cave. The pairings were presented by Kirsty Niro, the Cork Maven, and Stephen Catania of The Cheese Cave. Guests also sampled tasty treats from local establishments such as Readie's Cafe, The Melting Pot, No Joe's Cafe, Tavolo Pronto, Monmouth Meats, and Sugar Rush while enjoying live music by Sue Haugen and John O'Neil.



Event Coordinator, Kathleen Brown (center), celebrates with Trustee April Klimley (left) and Library Director, Virginia Papandrea (right).

for community support noting that the library cannot thrive with public funding alone.

A highlight of the evening was when Library Director Virginia Pappandrea presented the Foundation with a matching gift of \$1,000.

The Foundation wishes to thank the following sponsors for helping to make the event a fundraising success: *Vintage Sponsor (\$1,000):*

Councilwoman Cynthia Burnham; *Varietal Sponsors (\$500):* Lou DiMento & Remedios Quiroz; and *Vin Nouveau Sponsors (\$250):* Senator Jennifer Beck, Circle BMW, OceanFirst, Investors Bank, Brynes, O'Hern & Heugle, LLC, Marion Schloemer, FVP Merrill Lynch Wealth Management, and Foss, San Filippo & Milne, LLC.

Our great thanks also to the local businesses and supporters of the Library who donated items for our silent auction. Everyone's generosity helped to make the event a big success!

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News from the
Red Bank
Public Library**

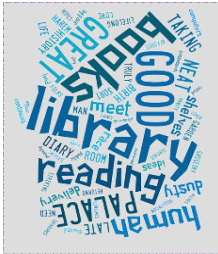


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New and Noteworthy...

A Preview of Books & Videos Coming Soon



BOOKS

January

Tiffany Baker, [Mercy Snow](#)
 Ishmael Beah, [Radiance of Tomorrow](#)
 E.L. Doctorow, [Andrews' Brain](#)
 Nancy Horan, [Under the Wide and Starry Sky](#)
 Rachel Joyce, [Perfect](#)
 John Katzenbach, [Red 1-2-3](#)
 Phillip Margulies, [Belle Cora](#)
 Joyce Carol Oates, [Carthage](#)
 Richard Powers, [Orfeo](#)

February

Suzanne Brockmann, [Do or Die](#)
 Wiley Cash, [This Dark Road to Mercy](#)
 Jackie Collins, [Confessions of a Wild Child](#)
 Laura Lippman, [After I'm Gone](#)
 Erin Lindsay Mccabe, [I Shall be Near to You](#)
 Armistead Maupin, [The Days of Anna Madrigal](#)
 Tarashea Nesbit, [The Wives of Los Alamos](#)
 Alexander McCall Smith, [The Forever Girl](#)

DVD'S

After Earth ♦ Before Midnight ♦ Croods ♦ Elysium ♦ Family ♦ Frozen Ground ♦ Grown Ups 2 ♦ Hangover Part III ♦ Heat ♦ Insidious: Chapter 2 ♦ Internship ♦ Jobs ♦ Lone Ranger ♦ Man of Steel ♦ Monsters University ♦ Mortal Instruments: City of Bones ♦ Pacific Rim ♦ Paranoia ♦ Planes ♦ Prisoners ♦ Purge ♦ Red 2 ♦ RIPD ♦ Smurfs 2 ♦ This Is the End ♦ Turbo ♦ 2 Guns ♦ We're the Millers ♦ White House Down ♦ Wolverine

CD's

Amore, Joseph Calleja ♦ As Long as There Are Songs, Stephanie Blythe ♦ Bluegrass Album, Alan Jackson ♦ The Civil Wars, The Civil Wars ♦ Closer to the Truth, Cher ♦ Cluck Ol' Hen, Ricky Skaggs ♦ The Diving Board, Elton John ♦ Feels Like Home, Cheryl Crow ♦ James Levine: Live at Carnegie Hall ♦ Kinky Boots ♦ The Last Ship, Sting ♦ Loved Me Back to Life, Celine Dion ♦ New, Paul McCartney ♦ Piano Guys 2, Piano Guys ♦ Wise up Ghost, Elvis Costello

Take them home: Books, cd's, audio books & magazines circulate for 2 weeks (\$.20 per day late fee). DVD's circulate for 1 week (\$1 per day late fee). Place materials on hold at the reference desk or do it yourself on line at www.redbanklibrary.org.

Spotlight on a Super Volunteer

Sue Goldberg had been a technology teacher in Short Hills and a Bronx Zoo volunteer for many years when she wandered into the Red Bank Public Library to purchase a library card.

She was attracted by the size of the collection and the building's view. "I've always loved libraries and books. I'd just retired and thought it would be nice to volunteer some time there, as well as borrowing from their collection and looking at the river. It was more than a happy accident when I was accepted into the volunteer corps in Red Bank. Linda Hewitt and Elizabeth McDermott, particularly, have both given me lots of creative assignments, and I couldn't be happier about that."

Besides the regular weekly assignments, Sue has enjoyed assembling displays for the cases as well as putting together signage for special events and displays. "Linda always finds wonderful artists and collectors, so setting up the display cases becomes a delightful task." Some of the displays in the last couple of years include chocolate pots from the collection of Gale Soler, Lisa Bagwell's sculptures made from recycled materials, women in stamps from Elsalyn Palmisano's collection, a number of Glenn Vogel's dug-up

treasures, and fellow volunteer Joan Boucher's "butterflies."

"Some of my favorites include Carl Colmorgen's festive hats which he wears to suit the seasons or the holidays while he crosses school children in Red Bank. I also had a ton of fun setting up (and playing with) the Star Wars collectible figures belonging to librarian Julina Lee's husband. Joanne Grandits, wife of author and Library Board member John Grandits, let us borrow her marionette and puppet collection which filled cases on both floors of the Library. They were both magnificent and adorable!"

And, if a month should arrive without a contributor, Sue has shared her own collections like Native American artifacts, recycled goods and projects, and storybooks with their stuffed animal counterparts. "The Library staff has often collated items from individual homes so we can put together a display. We've shown teapots, decorative boxes, and sea glass, for example."

Volunteering at the Red Bank Library has given me opportunities to be useful and a bit creative. I love it all, whether I'm shelving books, clipping articles for the vertical files, or displaying someone's favorite treasures. It's all good!"



FREE
 Monday—Friday
 Inquire at the
 Circulation Desk.

Volunteers needed

If you're interested in volunteering your time and talents to the library, please contact Linda Hewitt at 732-842-0690 x112 or email ldhewitt@lmaxac.org



From the Director...What Ties It All Together

As I write, 2014 has gotten off to a great start here in the Library, with plans for some exciting author talks, another SAT practice test, a jazz concert, arts programs and story times for kids, book clubs, ESL classes, poetry readings, and the list goes on. Some activities are organized by the Library staff, while others are the work of the many community groups that meet here regularly because, after all, we're **the town's living room**.

I'd like to say a few words about technology and what it can do for us these days.

- We're using Facebook more and more to get the word out about what's happening here, so please be sure to visit our Facebook page and let us know that you dropped by.
- We launched our new website in late 2013, and although it's still a work in progress, we think it's much easier to use than our old one, and has a name that's easier to remem-

ber: www.redbanklibrary.org.

- From our new website, you can get to the online library catalog, e-Books to download, the events calendar, and lots more. Be sure to visit and let us know how you like it.

What ties it all together, besides you, our gracious public, is the library staff. Many things happen behind the scenes for events to take place and the books and DVDs you enjoy so much to arrive in our library. Our staff truly care about you and work hard at coordinating schedules, selecting and arranging new things for you to read or borrow, reaching out to community groups, writing and distributing publicity, and looking for new ways to make the library interesting and inviting. I'm so proud of them and the work they do to make this one of the coolest places to visit in Red Bank! Please join me in thanking them.

Board Member Profile: John Grandits, President

The printed word has always been a part of my life. My dad was a printer. He ran a jobbing shop in Buffalo, NY. I worked for him from the time I can remember until I got my own job. I learned; paper cutting, printing on a number of presses, engraving, embossing, die-cutting, and sweeping the floor (a job I hated). My favorite was setting type. In those days it was all "hot metal"—individual pieces of type set by hand, or lines of type set with a keyboard on a Linotype machine.

Mom ran a college bookstore for decades. Our house was filled with art and literature textbooks that for one reason or another didn't sell.

Joanne Grandits, my wife, came out of the world of editing to become a Children's Librarian. She's at the Berkley Branch of the Ocean County Library System.

I went to Rochester Institute of Technology to study the printing arts. I quickly found myself most interested in book design. Book designers choose the font, lay out the pages, place the pictures, decide the colors, and plan the binding and jacket. Much of my training was in the field of fine books: hand made paper, hand set types, small presses, and hand binding. But I decided to go into main-stream publishing.

My design career started in scholarly publishing; Oxford University Press, Macmillan College, Open Court Books. These are scientific, mathematics, and philosophy publishers. But soon I was drawn to children's books and magazines.

I was hired to design the first issues of Cricket Magazine. There I learned how to art direct from

the brilliant illustrator Trina Schart Hyman. Later, I designed and art directed at Lothrop Lee & Shepard, Crown Publishing, Random House, Open Court Reading, Muse Magazine, Click Magazine, and Front Street/Cricket Books. Joanne and I were editorial/art team in the start-up of Click Magazine.

Over the years I've had the good fortune to work with children's book luminaries like Hilary Knight, David Weisner, David Macauley, Leo and Diane Dillon, John Steptoe, Thacher Hurd, Mordicai Gerstein, and Faith Ringgold.

Most recently I've been a children's book writer and poet. I have a studio on the third floor of my house (and I'm still sweeping the floor). I'm the author of "The Travel Game," "Ten Rules You Absolutely Must Not Break if You Want to Survive the School Bus," "Technically It's Not My Fault," "Blue Lipstick" and "Pictures Tell Stories" (which is in print but hard to find). You can find these books in the Red Bank Public Library children's room or online at www.johngrandits.com.

I've been on the Red Bank Library Board of Trustees since February 2010 and was elected to the presidency this February.

So, come into the Library and enjoy my world, the world of books and reading, and movies, and music, and every kind of information. I especially love the children's room. If you have an opportunity, come downstairs and look around. And it would be perfectly okay to check out one of my books.



Library Director,
Virginia Papandrea



On December 20th at the church of St. Anthony of Padua, a beautiful rendition of Handel's Messiah was enjoyed by over two hundred people. A chance auction was held prior to the event to benefit the Friends of the Red Bank Public Library.

Many thanks to the Rev. Albert Tomayo (Fr. Al) and St. Anthony's, as well as all of the local vendors, businesses and supporters of the Library who donated items for the auction. It was truly an inspirational event, and we were very pleased to be a part of it.



Upcoming Events & Programs



Young Adult Programs

Anime Club: Like anime? Then join the Anime Club! We meet one Saturday each month from 3:00-4:30 to watch and discuss anime, eat popcorn, and have a good time! For teens and pre-teens in grades 6-12. Upcoming meetings: February 1 and March 1.

YA Book Club: We meet one Monday per month to discuss a book and eat some snacks. We are also starting a book review blog! For teens and pre-teens in grades 6-12. Upcoming meetings: January 6, February 3 and March 3

An **SAT/ACT Practice Test** is being offered for teens, grades 9-12, on Saturday, February 22 from 1-5 pm. Register soon. Space is limited.

Programs and Events in the Adult Department

Special Black History Month Concert: On Thursday, February 20, from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. the **al wright unit jazz trio** will perform a concert celebrating African American music and musicians with prose, song, and instrumentals featuring Al Wright on drums and vocalist Ruth Wright. Ruth will read "Jazz: The African American's Contribution to the Arts," a brief history of jazz written by Al Wright. She will also sing classics such as "Come Sunday" by Duke Ellington, "Strange Fruit" by Lewis Allan, and "Work Song" by Oscar Brown, Jr., and Nat Adderley. Throughout the program there will be instrumentals on drum and keyboard of compositions by great jazz artists. This program is free and no registration is required.

Adults interested in the art of collage are invited to the free monthly **Collage Klatch**. Join this creative group on Saturday, February 22, and March 29, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Douglas L. Haviland of Meridian Life Support Training will conduct free **Family and Friends CPR** training classes on Monday, March 10, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Please call Meridian Health at 732-776-4470 to register.

Learn how to **Outsmart Your Smartphone** on Saturdays, February 2 and April 5, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. with staff librarian Erik Stevenson. This free class will cover Android phones and Apple iPhones, smartphone terminology, and choosing a smartphone plan. Please register by visiting or calling the Adult Reference Desk.

Learn **How to Use the eLibraryNJ, Zinio Magazines, and Freegal Music** on Saturday, March 15 from 2:00-3:30 p.m. Staff librarian Erik Stevenson will explain downloading free audiobooks, ebooks, magazines, and music from the library's website. Registration required.

Award-winning journalist Gilda Rogers will return to the Red Bank Public Library in March with her popular writing workshop **Write Now!** If you are a writer with a work in progress, bring in what you've written and get Gilda's **FRANK TALK** analysis. Good editing is essential to preparing your work for publication. In the workshop you will explore the concept of "less is more" when it comes to writing. Find out all you need to know about getting your work self-published and learn the pros and cons of self-publishing vs. commercial publishing. **Write Now!** with Gilda Rogers is a free three-session workshop for adults 18 and over. The workshop will meet Wednesday March 12, April 9, and May 14, 2014, from 6:45 to 8:45 p.m. Please plan to attend all three workshops. Space is limited and registration is required. Registration begins February 3, 2014. Please register at the Adult Reference Desk.

"Legendary Locals of Red Bank" by Eileen Moon – come hear Eileen read from and speak about her brand new book about historic Red Bank. Purchase a copy and perhaps have one of the legendary locals sign your book. Saturday, March 29, 2:00– 4:00 p.m. Registration requested.

Free **English as a Second Language** classes for adults 18 and over are offered at the Red Bank Public Library in partnership with the Literacy Volunteers of Monmouth County. The next ten-week ESL session will begin April 3, 2014. Please contact the Literacy Volunteers of Monmouth County at 732-571-0209 or visit <http://www.lvmonmouthnj.org> for information on ESL classes, volunteer tutor training classes, and English conversation classes.

Ongoing Adult Programs

For adults 18 and over interested in photography and writing, the **Red Bank Photography Club** and the **Red Bank Writers Group** meet at the Red Bank Public Library on the first Monday of each month from 7:00 to 8:45 p.m.

The **Jersey Inchkins** is a club made up of adults who do "very little work." Club members build houses, rooms, scenes, and vignettes in miniature, usually on a scale of one inch to one foot. **Jersey Inchkins** meets at the library on the third Wednesday of each month from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

What to M8ke Today, a new scrapbooking and paper craft club for adults, meets on the third Wednesday of each month from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Each group welcomes new members interested in developing their skills in these creative fields.



**SAT / ACT
Practice Test**
Saturday,
Feb. 22nd
1:00-5:00 p.m.

Music Program

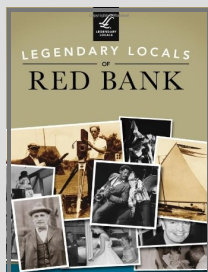


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Thursday,
February 20th
7:30 p.m.



Author Eileen Moon,
will discuss
**Legendary Locals of
Red Bank**
Saturday, March 29.
2:00– 4:00 p.m.



Ongoing Adult Programs, cont.

Artists' Workshop meets the first Thursday of every month from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Devote time monthly to your art with the guidance of Joe Berg-holm, Artist-in-Residence. All painting and drawing media except oils, please.

Scrabble with the Friends of the Red Bank Public Library on the second Saturday of each month from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. September through June.

The River Read Poetry Reading Series meets on the second Saturday of each month from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. September through June. The popular series features readings by noted poets and open mic poetry readings. The public is invited to these free programs. No registration is required.

Readin' on the River book club for adults meets the third Wednesday of every month from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. For more information and to register, call the library at 732-842-0690.

Yoga for Adults meets every Friday from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Please bring your own yoga mat. First come, first served, limit of 20 people age 18 and over.

Free Computer Instruction is available at the Red Bank Public Library by appointment. Please visit or call the Adult Reference Desk to register for a one hour, one-on-one session with our knowledgeable and patient volunteers. Learn computer basics or get help with more advanced topics. Help with devices such as eReaders and smartphones is available at selected times.

Free one hour, one-on-one help with **The Job Search** is offered at the Red Bank Public Library on selected Saturdays between 1:00 and 4:00 p.m. Our librarian volunteer provides you with assistance writing a new resume or updating an old one, creating a LinkedIn account, setting up an e-mail account, searching online job hunting sites and filling out job applications. Bring your

work history or current resume. Please call or visit the Reference Desk to register.

New Jersey History Room is open to the public every Tuesday from 2:00-4:00 p.m. and by appointment. Researchers, genealogists, local historians and students are welcome to browse the collection and historic displays about the area's people, places, and events. Please call the library's Local History Librarian Elizabeth McDermott for information at 732-842-0690 x119.

The Friends of the Library Monthly meetings take place in the historic Eisner room. Please call the Library for the next meeting date and more information about this vibrant group and its activities that support the Library.


Red Bank Senior Center Book Club meets the last Monday of every month (except December) at 1:00 p.m. at the Senior Center. A cooperative program with the Red Bank Public Library. Red Bank Borough residents age 60 and over are welcome to join the Center and participate in this or any of its other great programs.

The Board of Trustees of the Red Bank Public Library will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 27, and March 27, 2014.

All programs are free and registration is not required unless otherwise specified.

Library Contact Information

To find additional information on these and other free programs at the Red Bank Public Library, visit us at the library and on the library's website www.redbanklibrary.org, call the library at 732-842-0690, and check us out on Facebook. You can also receive timely and helpful news, messages, and alerts from the library and other Red Bank Borough departments by signing up at the Borough's website redbanknj.org.



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"It is a man's duty to have books. A library is not a luxury, but one of the necessities of life."
Henry Ward Beecher

Updates from the New Jersey History Room

Photo negatives that came from Margaret Rullman (a friend of Edmund Wilson, the wife of Dr. Walter Rullman, and the author of the "Barefoot Bulletins") were scanned for the Library by Steve McMillion of Red Bank Frameworks. "Thanks a million, Steve!"

Photos at right: Throckmorton's Lumber (*above*) & Al Throckmorton (*below*) — Never married, he owned and operated a lumber store on Front Street west of Broad. J.A. Throckmorton's was a "dealer in lumber, lathe, lime, cement, brick, nails, paints, oils, etc.... One of the best known houses dealing in lumber and masons' materials in the county," according to an old publication on display in the New Jersey History Room.



The Red Bank Lions Club donated \$1,500 to the New Jersey History Room in January! Thank you, Lions!

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MISSION STATEMENT:

The Red Bank Public Library provides materials, information, technology and cultural opportunities to enrich, empower, educate and entertain people of all ages and backgrounds.



Regular Hours
Monday 10-9
*Children's Rm 10-5
Tuesday 10-5
Wednesday 1-9
Thursday 10-9
Friday 1-5
Saturday 1-5

Upcoming Library Closings:
Monday, Feb. 17— President's Day
Fri./Sat., Apr. 18/19.—Easter

- **February is Black History month**
- **March is Women's History month**

National Library Week
April 13-19
"Lives change @ your library"



Dianne hangs one of her paintings behind the Circulation Desk.

Saturday, February 1 is **Take Your Child to the Library Day!**

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

Story Time

Stories, songs and crafts for young children and their caregivers. Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.



ONGOING PROGRAMS



Timber Time: Sit and read with Timber, a certified therapy dog. For hesitant reluctant readers...and dog lovers too! 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and the last Saturday of the month from 2:00-3:00 p.m. Call 732-842-0690 x115 for more information.

Artsy Smartys : Learn about a famous artist and make a masterpiece of your own.

The 3rd Saturday of each month from 2:00—3:00 p.m.

Ages 5 and up.

Registration is required.

Upcoming artists: February - Jim Dine (hearts)

March - George Rodrigue (blue dogs)

Movie Times: Fun movies and a snack for children and families to enjoy. The last Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the meeting room. Registration is required.

Upcoming movies: February - The Princess and the Frog

March - Monsters' University



SPECIAL PROGRAM



Valentine Craft Party

Date: Saturday, February 8

Time: 2:00—3:00 p.m.

Place: Meeting Room.

5 and up. Registration is required.



Supporting Local Artists

The Red Bank Public Library is proud to support local artists. The work of Dianne Nungesser is currently displayed at the Circulation Desk. The subject of her watercolors is landscapes, farms, seascapes and abstracts. Her work has appeared in many juried shows. Dianne is an exhibiting member of *The Laurelton Art Society*, *The Manasquan River Group of Artists*, and a member of *The Transparent Watercolor Society of America*.

In March, the Library will showcase the artwork of Linné Grant. Linné is a detail-oriented watercolorist whose main theme is portraying older buildings with character in Monmouth County - "places where we have all been." Please stop in to see her work and learn more about her. In the meantime, her work can also be viewed on her website www.monmouthcountyartist.com

In addition to original art, we often exhibit special collections. Currently displayed on the main floor are teapots from our volunteer Sue Goldberg, and downstairs near the Children's Room is the cat doll collection of our patron, Gale Soler. If you are an artist or someone with an interesting collection to share, please contact Linda Hewitt at 732-842-0690 x112 .