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Summer 2009

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News, Events and Free Programs at the Camden County Library System

## From the Director

If you are looking for free summer fun, look no further than your Library!

Our summer reading program will provide fun for children of all ages. Each branch will offer programming, events, and fun related to the "Get Creative @ your Library" theme. Teens can participate in their own reading club and continue to enjoy programming just for them, like our anime and manga clubs and gaming nights. We've got lots of book discussion groups, workshops, story times, and events planned for everyone in the family. Or stop by to visit and enjoy our diverse collections and services.



The Library is happy to be there for you and your family during the long days of summer. Just come in to see what we have in store for you.

*Linda A. Devlin*

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Director

**Be Creative**

**@ Your Library**

## 2009 Summer Reading Program

*Hey Kids... Get creative this summer with our Summer Reading Program!*

All you need to do is sign up at any of our branch libraries. You'll receive a book log and then you can get into the act and start reading!

Read Anything! Read Anywhere! Really, you can read anything, anywhere and for every hour of reading, you can earn a chance at a prize basket. The more you read, the more chances you get to win!

With our wide selection of summer programs, you can explore the worlds of music, drama, art, books and more! You'll find story times, crafts and other great activities that will spark your imagination. Check the listings for each branch and use SignUp to register for your favorite programs. So, imagine, create and participate by signing up for our exciting fun-filled Summer Reading Program!

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## Mr. Malcolm's Theatre Workshop

Explore the world of theatre!

**For Grades 2 - 6**

Learn what actors know in this two-day theatre workshop. You will learn skills like movement and speech. During the second day, you will act in a short play. Presented by Mr. Malcolm, an experienced children's performer. Participants attend both days of the workshop.

### Gloucester Township

Tuesday & Wednesday, June 23 & 24  
1 - 2:30 p.m.

### South County

Wednesday & Thursday, July 8 & 9  
1 - 2:30 p.m.

### Haddon Township

Monday & Tuesday, July 13 & 14  
1 - 2:30 p.m.

### Vogelson

Monday & Tuesday, July 20 & 21  
1 - 2:30 p.m.

### Bellmawr

Wednesday & Thursday, July 29 & 30  
6:30 - 8 p.m.

## Get Beary Creative @ Your Library

*Did you know that black bears live in New Jersey?*  
Learn about bears in this imaginative program presented by Michelle Ruggiero of the NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife

**Gloucester Township** - Thursday, July 9, 11 a.m. Ages 3 - 5 years

**Haddon Township** - Monday, August 3, 11 a.m. Grades 2 - 4

**Merchantville** - Wednesday, July 15, 2:30 p.m. Grades K - 4

**South County** - Tuesday, June 30, 11 a.m. Grades K - 5

**Vogelson** - Tuesday, July 14, 2:30 p.m. Grades K - 5

[www.camdencountylibrary.org/events](http://www.camdencountylibrary.org/events)



## Our Branches Partner with SCORE to Help Small Businesses

*Your Library, Your Lifeline* program expands help in hard times

The Camden County Library System continues its initiative - *Your Library, Your Lifeline* - by enlisting SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) to provide entrepreneur education and valuable information for small businesses this summer.

SCORE is a nonprofit association dedicated to the education of entrepreneurs and the

formation, growth and success of small business all across the United States by providing free counseling services.

The Library is pleased to offer the following programs as part of its *Your Library, Your Lifeline* initiative. Our partnership with SCORE will help provide further alternatives to Camden County residents in these hard economic times.

### Starting Your Own Business

- Monday, June 8, at Bellmawr
- Monday, June 22, at Gloucester Township
- Thursday, July 9, at Vogelson

### Marketing Your Small Business

- Thursday, June 18, at Haddon Township
- Monday, June 29, at South County
- Thursday, July 23, at Vogelson

All programs run from 7 - 8:45 p.m.  
More details on these and other programs are available at  
[www.camdencountylibrary.org/events](http://www.camdencountylibrary.org/events)

*See page 2 for much more systemwide programming this summer!*



# Be Creative

# Summer Reading Program

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Explore creative drama with our selection of programs

## YOUTH STAGES Presents...

### Angelina Ballerina

**Gloucester Township: Wednesday, July 22, 10:30 a.m. Ages 3 - 5**  
Angelina's constant dancing is a nuisance until she harnesses her energy and takes dance classes. We'll act, dance and move to many kinds of music.

### The Secret Science Project that Almost Ate the School

**Merchantville: Wednesday, July 22, 2:30 p.m. Ages 8 - 10**  
We will become a slimy mass and grow and grow and grow. Just who we eat and what we do, only you will know! (We'll become human characters, too!)

### Garbage Drama

**South County: Thursday, July 23, 10:30 a.m. Ages 9 - 12**  
**Vogelson: Thursday, July 23, 12:30 p.m. Ages 8 - 10**  
**Bellmawr: Thursday, July 23, 3 p.m. Ages 10 - 13**  
**Merchantville: Wednesday, July 29, 2:30 p.m. Ages 8 - 10**  
Use recycled items to create props and then create scenes to use them in. Bring in recyclable junk!

### The Knight and the Dragon

**Haddon Township: Wednesday, July 29, 11 a.m. Ages 2 - 5**  
We'll explore this classic story and make faces in an imaginary mirror, create armor in pantomime and joust with imaginary opponents.

### Rum Pum Pum

**Vogelson: Thursday, July 16, 12:30 p.m. Ages 4 - 6**  
We'll make drums and shakers from recycled materials and use them to dramatize a story.

### Sitting in My Box

**Haddon Township: Wednesday, July 22, 12:30 p.m. Ages 2 - 5**  
Who needs toys or props when you have a big cardboard box? We'll use paper and cardboard to become many things, and ourselves to become many animals.

### Balloon Animals

Learn the basics of twisting balloons into balloon animals

**South County**  
**Thursday, July 16, 10:30 a.m. Ages 9 - 12**  
**Bellmawr**  
**Thursday, July 16, 3 p.m. Ages 10 - 13**  
**Gloucester Township**  
**Wednesday, July 29, 4 p.m. Ages 9 - 12**



## Be Creative @ Your Library

### Summer Craft Workshops

Led by Maggi Liebe, Camden County Environmental Educator

#### Hand Drum Craft

**Vogelson: Tuesday, June 30, 10:30 a.m. Ages 5 - 10**

#### Cardboard Weaving

**Merchantville: Wednesday, July 1, 2:30 p.m. Grades 1 - 3**  
**Gloucester Township: Wednesday, July 15, 2 p.m. Grades 1 - 3**  
**Haddon Township: Thursday, July 23, 11 a.m. Ages 8 and up**

#### Sand Painting

**Gloucester Township: Wednesday, July 8, 2:30 p.m. Grades 4 - 8**  
**South County: Wednesday, August 5, 11 a.m. Ages 4 - 8**

#### Basket Craft

**Bellmawr: Tuesday, July 14, 3 p.m. Grades 4 - 8**

#### Scrimshaw Craft

**South County: Wednesday, August 5, 2 p.m. Ages 9 - 12**



## Petting Zoo

Colette Bogie has been giving rescued animals a loving home for over 15 years.

Meet her collection of clean and friendly animals and learn about their needs and natural habitats.

### All ages

**Merchantville: Wednesday, June 10, 3:30 p.m.**  
**South County: Saturday, June 20, 11 a.m.**  
**Bellmawr: Tuesday, June 30, 3 p.m.**  
**Vogelson: Tuesday, July 7, 2 p.m.**  
**Gloucester Township: Tuesday, July 14, 11 a.m.**  
**Haddon Township: Wednesday, July 15, 11 a.m.**



## Camden Riversharks Visit Meet the Riversharks mascot Finley!

All ages

- **Bellmawr: Thursday, June 18, 3 p.m.**
- **Vogelson: Wednesday, July 8, 10:30 a.m.**
- **South County: Monday, July 13, 11 a.m.**
- **Gloucester Township: Tuesday, July 7, 2 p.m.**
- **Merchantville: Wednesday, July 8, 2:30 p.m.**
- **Haddon Township: Monday, July 27, 11 a.m.**

## 2009 Teen Summer Reading Theme

# Express Yourself!

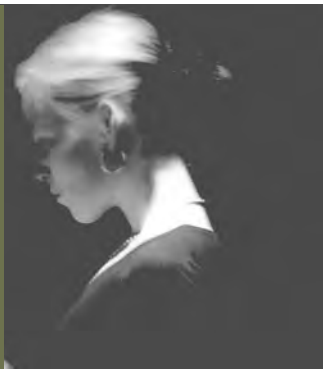


Grades 5 and Up

Calling all tweens and teens...

Are you the next Brad Pitt or Angelina Jolie? Will we one day see your face on American Idol? Think you can show Shakespeare a thing or two? If yes, join us this summer for our Summer Reading Program and Express Yourself @ Your Library. Read books for prizes and take part in the special programs being offered that are all about you and expressing your creativity. Enjoy such programs as Teen Scenes, Project Runway, Garbage Drama, local author Bree Donovan, and Anthony Mohamed and his House of Conga.

# Author Visits



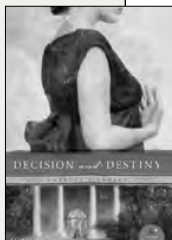
## Vogelson

**Rosemary Burgo**  
**Saturday, June 20**  
**12 - 2 p.m.**

Author Rosemary Burgo will discuss her book, *Whispers of Truth*. This coming-of-age memoir describes life growing up in an Italian-Catholic American home in Camden, NJ, as told by the 9-year-old narrator, Milissa Maroni. Throughout the book, Milissa learns to cope with Italian traditions, Catholic dogma, and family chaos from her childhood to her twenties.

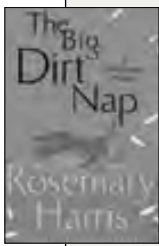
**De Va Gantt**  
**Thursday, June 25**  
**7 - 8 p.m.**

Author De Va Gantt will sign her book, *Decision and Destiny*.



**Rosemary Harris**  
**Monday, June 29**  
**7-9 p.m.**

Author Rosemary Harris, writer of the Dirty Business mystery series, will sign and discuss her book, *The Big Dirt Nap*. Rosemary has been nominated for an Agatha Award for Best First Novel!



**Bree Donovan**  
**Thursday, July 23**  
**7 p.m.**

*Steve Prefontaine, Rocketman*  
 Bree Donovan, New Jersey author, tells the story of Steve Prefontaine, considered to be among the greatest and most inspirational long-distance runners.  
 Grades 6 and up

**Stefan Block**  
**Saturday, August 8**  
**2 - 3 p.m.**

Author Stefan Block will sign his book, *The Story of Forgetting*, which is a 2008 School Library Journal Best Adult Book for High School Students and on the short list for the Mercantile Library's 2008 John Sargent Sr. First Novel Prize.

## ANTHONY MOHAMED AND HIS HOUSE OF CONGAS

Do you recognize that beat? Maybe you heard the rhythm when you visited the Philadelphia Waterfront or walked around the city. Anthony Mohamed, spoken word artist and percussionist, will engage the audience in poetry, stories and song. Meet a performance artist and learn something new about music!

Haddon Township - Adults  
**Tuesday, June 30, 4:30 p.m.**

South County - Ages 9 - 18  
**Monday, July 20, 6:30 p.m.**

Gloucester Township - Grades 4 - 8  
**Wednesday, July 22, 2:30 p.m.**

Bellmawr - All ages  
**Wednesday, August 5, 6:30 - 8 p.m.**

# Adult Book Clubs

## Bellmawr

**Brown Bag Book Share**  
**Tuesday, June 16, 12 noon**

Bring your lunch and let's talk books! Share your latest read and get ideas for those lazy summer days. This book chat group will resume in the fall.

**Secret Passions: The Romance Reader Friendly Book Club**  
**6 p.m.**

Read the book and then watch the movie at the meeting  
**Monday, June 22, *Angels Fall* by Nora Roberts**  
**Tuesday, July 21, *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen**  
**Monday, August 24, *Blue Smoke* by Nora Roberts**

## Haddon Township

**Thursday Evening Book Discussion Group**  
**7:15 - 8:45 p.m.**

**June 25, *The Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic, and Madness at the Fair that Changed America* by Erik Larson**

Enter readers into a richly complex moment in American history, a moment that would draw together the best and worst of the Gilded Age, the grandeur and triumph of the human imagination, and the poverty, violence, and depravity that surrounded it.

**July 23, *The Thirteenth Tale* by Diane Setterfield**

Margaret Lea works in her father's antiquarian book shop where her fascination for the biographies of the long-dead has led her to write them herself. She gets a letter from one of the most famous--yet mysterious and reclusive--authors of the day, Vida Winter, wanting to bare the truth about her extraordinary life before she dies; her letter to Margaret is a summons.

**August 27, *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* by Mark Haddon**

Christopher John Francis Boone knows all the countries of the world and their capitals, and every prime number up to 7,057. He relates well to animals, but has no understanding of human emotions. Christopher's quest to investigate the suspicious death of a neighborhood dog reveals one of the most unusual, improbable, yet captivating novels in recent years.

## South County

**"Tired Eyes" Book Club**  
 New members are always welcome.  
 Light refreshments will be served.

**Monday, June 8, 7- 8:45 p.m.**

Escape the heat at South County this summer!

Join the "Tired Eyes" in discussing  
*Three Cups of Tea* (nonfiction) by Greg Mortenson  
 and *City of God* (fiction) by Beverly Swerling

**Monday, September 14, 7 - 8:45 p.m.**

The summer hiatus is over! The "Tired Eyes" Book Club resumes its bimonthly meetings with Lisa Scottoline's new novel, *Look Again*, and your choice of any biography on Eleanor Roosevelt.

## LIBRARY FLASH

**Get Program  
 Information  
 Sent to Your Inbox  
 Each Month**

In March we launched a new service to help keep you informed about the more than 100 programs offered each month through our six branch libraries.

**Library Flash** is the system's free monthly e-news letter that can be received automatically in your inbox to find out about programs planned at the different library branches.

Each of the library system's branches has its own newsletter.

To subscribe to one of the **Library Flash** branch newsletters go to [www.camdencountylibrary.org/updates](http://www.camdencountylibrary.org/updates) and check the box next to the newsletters for your favorite branches. If you'd like, you can also subscribe to some of the other 21 NextReads book suggestion newsletters at the same time!

After entering a user name, e-mail address and creating a password, you will receive an e-mail from the library with a link to confirm the subscription. **Library Flash** will then automatically be e-mailed to your inbox a few weeks before each month's programs. It's that simple to stay up-to-date with Library events!

# bellmawr branch **SIGNUP** @ [www.camdencountylibrary.org/events](http://www.camdencountylibrary.org/events)

or call (856) 931-1400 to register

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## adults

### Putting Your Resume to Work

Adults  
Monday, June 1, 10:30 a.m.  
Get your resume noticed! James Marino from Rutgers-Camden will take you through the steps to polish your resume. Gain valuable resume writing strategies. Light refreshments.

### Sip & Mingle Coffee Date

Adults  
Mondays, June 8, July 13, August 10, 10 a.m.- 2 p.m.  
Stop in for a cup of coffee and a tasty treat while you look for a book, read a magazine and chat with staff and other library users.

### Job Searching on the Internet

Adults  
Wednesday, June 10, 10:30 a.m.  
Looking for a job? Can't find anything in the paper? Put the power of the Internet to use in your search! Reference staff from our Voorhees Branch will guide you through this 90-minute session. Then log on at one of our computers and put these skills to work!

### Brown Bag Book Share

Adults  
Tuesday, June 16, 12 noon  
Bring your lunch and let's talk books! Share your latest read and get ideas for those lazy summer days. This book chat group will resume in the fall.

### Secret Passions:

#### The Romance Reader Friendly Book Club

Adult  
Monday, June 22; Tuesday, July 21;  
Monday, August 24, 6 p.m.  
Read the book and then watch the movie at the meeting. June: *Angels Fall* by Nora Roberts;  
July: *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen;  
August: *Blue Smoke* by Nora Roberts

### Anthony Mohamed and His House of Congas

All ages  
Wednesday, August 5, 6:30 - 8 p.m.  
Entertainer Anthony Mohamed will wow us with his music, songs, stories and poetry!

### Summer Clearance Book Sale

All ages  
Thursday - Saturday, August 20-22, 10 a.m. to one hour before closing.  
Bargains galore! Help the volunteers raise money for teen programs at Bellmawr.

## kids and families

### Harry Potter Festival

All ages  
Saturdays, June 13, 20 and July 11, call for times.  
Are you ready for the new Harry Potter movie? Bring a snack and get caught up as we show the first five films over three Saturdays: June 13 -- HP 1 & 2; June 20 -- HP 3; July 11 -- HP 4 & 5. Call the library for specific start times.

### Bedtime Story Time

Ages 2 - 6  
Mondays, June 15, July 13, August 10, 7 p.m.  
Wear your pajamas to listen to bedtime stories and make a simple craft.

### Book Bingo

Grades 1 - 6  
Tuesday, June 16, 3 p.m.  
Play Bingo with titles and authors. Prizes and snacks provided.

### Camden Riversharks Visit

All ages  
Thursday, June 18, 3 p.m.  
Meet the Riversharks mascot Finley and sign up for summer programs.

### Father's Day Craft

Grades K - 6  
Friday, June 19, 11 a.m.  
Make a gift for dad's special day.

### Be Creative @ Your Library Summer Reading Program

Preschool - grade 4  
Monday, June 29 - Friday, August 7  
Read on your own to be eligible for weekly drawings. Craft, music and drama programs will be presented throughout the summer.

### Summer Crafts

Grades K - 6  
Mondays, June 29 - August 3, 3:30 p.m.  
Create cool crafts with seasonal materials.

### Petting Zoo

All ages  
Tuesday, June 30, 3 p.m.  
Colette Bogie has been giving rescued animals a loving home for over 15 years. Meet her collection of clean and friendly animals & learn about their needs and natural habitats.

### Lunch Bunch

Grades K - 4  
Wednesdays, July 1 - August 5, 12 noon  
Bring a brown bag lunch as we listen to stories, play games and make a simple craft.

### Story Time

Ages 3 - 5  
Thursdays, July 2 - August 6, 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.  
Stories, songs, fingerplays and a simple craft.


### Origami

Grades 2 - 6  
Tuesday, July 7, 3 p.m.  
Learn the art of Japanese paper folding.

### Toddler Tales

Ages 18 - 36 months, with caregiver.  
Fridays, July 10 - August 7, 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.  
Stories, songs, fingerplays and a simple craft.

### I Scream, You Scream -- Let's Have Ice Cream!

All ages   
Friday, July 17, 3 p.m.  
Celebrate summer's favorite treat at our annual make-your-own sundae festival. Ice Cream + Toppings = Yummy treat! Registration a must!


### Mr. Malcolm's Theatre Workshop

Grades 2 - 6  
Wednesday & Thursday, July 29 & 30, 6:30-8 p.m.  
Explore the world of theatre! Learn what actors know in this 2-day theatre workshop. You will learn skills like movement and speech. During the second day, you will act in a short play. Presented by Mr. Malcolm, an experienced children's performer. Participants attend both days of the workshop.

### Harry Potter Trivia Challenge

Grades 4 - 10  
Friday, July 31, 3 p.m.  
How well do you know the world of Harry Potter? Pit your memory of all things Potter against your friends' when we play the ultimate HP trivia game -- on Harry's birthday.

### Anthony Mohamed and His House of Congas

All ages   
Wednesday, August 5, 6:30 - 8 p.m.  
Entertainer Anthony Mohamed will wow us with his music, songs, stories and poetry!

### Piccirillo Sciencetelling presents Trapped at Tripletree

Grades K and up  
Friday, August 7, 2 p.m.  
Storytelling through science experiments. Refreshments included.

### Game Day Fun @ Your Library

Kids - adults  
Friday, August 14, 10 - 4  
Bring a board game to play with friends or help Miss Barbara, Miss Peg or Miss Debbie work on a jigsaw puzzle! Use the Wii or DDR. Play Uno or Connect Four.

### Summer Afternoon Movies

Ages 10 and up  
August 24, 25, 26, 27, 31, September 1, 2, 3, 2:30 p.m.  
Tired of the same old games? Can't think of anything to do? Come to the annual summer afternoon film festival! Bring a friend, a snack and a drink!

## teens and tweens

### Teen Advisory Board

Grades 5 and up  
Thursdays, June 11, 4 - 5 p.m.  
Express Yourself @ Your Library! Join the Teen Advisory Board as we work on our Second Annual Beach Party Lock-In! Look for other upcoming events: Summer Reading Program, Henna Tattoos, Book Sale, Game Days and much more!

### Read with the Camden Riversharks!

Grades 5 and up  
Thursday, June 18, 3 - 4 p.m.  
Express Yourself@Your Library by enrolling in our Tween/Teen Summer Reading Program. Be eligible for weekly drawings, surprises and lots of fun!

### Summer Game Day @ Your Library

Grades 5 and up  
Friday, June 19, 2 - 4 p.m.  
Wii, Uno, DDR, Connect Four or bring your own games to play.

### Second Annual Beach Party Lock-In!

6th Grade (as of the beginning of September) and up!  
Saturday, June 27, 7 - 11 p.m.  
Beach Volleyball, Hula Skirt Contest, Seashell Hunt and MANY MORE SURPRISES! Registration and parent permission slip a must! Parent chaperones needed. Limited to 40 participants.

### Summer Scrapbook Craft with Miss Barbara

Grades 5 and up  
Thursday, July 9, 3 - 4 p.m.  
Make an awesome scrapbook for your summer vacation souvenirs!

### Tween Music Day

Grades 5 and up  
Friday, July 10, 3 - 4:30 p.m.  
Stay cool as you listen to music, chat with your friends or just chill out!

### Basket Craft

Grades 4 - 8  
Tuesday, July 14, 3 p.m.  
Native Americans make wonderful baskets used for many things. Make your own basket with Maggi Liebe, Camden County Environmentalist.


### Teen Game Night

Grades 6 - 8  
Wednesday, July 15, 6 - 8 p.m.  
Wii, DDR, PS 2 and Gamecube. Bring age-appropriate games to share!

### Balloon Animals

Ages 10 - 13  
Thursday, July 16, 3 p.m.  
Learn the basics of twisting balloons into balloon animals. Presented by Youth Stages.

### I Scream, You Scream -- Let's Have Ice Cream!

All ages   
Friday, July 17, 3 p.m.  
Celebrate summer's favorite treat at our annual make-your-own sundae festival. Ice Cream + Toppings = Yummy treat! Registration a must!

### Henna Tattoos

Grades 5 and up  
Wednesday, July 22, 4 - 5 p.m.  
Decorate yourself with henna designs. Permission slips to be signed by parent/guardian if under 18 years.

### The Working Actor

Grades 5 and up  
Wednesday, July 22, 7 - 8:30 p.m.  
Mike Twisler has appeared in commercials and movies. Learn how to audition, tell a joke and get a SAG card and then experience some improv!

### Garbage Drama

Ages 10 - 13  
Thursday, July 23, 3 p.m.  
Use recycled items to create props and then create scenes to use them in. Bring in recyclable junk! Presented by Youth Stages.

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# gloucester township branch

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## adults

### E-Mail Basics

Adults  
Thursdays, June 4, July 9, August 6,  
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.  
Learn to create an e-mail account and navigate  
sending, receiving messages and more. Must know  
how to use the mouse. Class limited.

## kids and families

### Summer Storytime Series

Ages 3 - 5  
Tuesdays, June 9, 23, August 4, 18  
10:15 and 11:30 a.m.  
Experience new and classic picture books, enjoy  
favorite songs, learn new fingerplays, as well as  
other activities in this playful program.

### Evening Storytime Series

Ages 3 - 5  
Thursdays, June 11, July 16, August 13, 7 p.m.  
Wear your PJ's and bring a bedtime friend for  
stories, lullabies, and other activities.

### Toddler Time

Ages 18 - 36 months with caregiver  
Tuesdays, June 16, 30, Wednesday, July 15,  
Tuesdays, July 28, August 11, 25  
10:15 and 11:30 a.m.  
Hear great books, discover delightful fingerplays  
and play with other children during this library time  
dedicated to active toddlers.

### Wiggles and Giggles

Ages 6 - 18 months with caregiver  
Fridays, June 19, July 17, August 14, 10:30 a.m.  
A time for our youngest patrons to meet old and  
new friends. Enjoy stories, fingerplays, songs, and  
activities.

### Mr. Malcolm's Theatre Workshop

Grades 2 - 6  
Tuesday & Wednesday, June 23 & 24, 1-2:30 p.m.  
Explore the world of theatre! Learn what actors  
know in this 2-day theatre workshop. You will learn  
skills like movement and speech. During the second  
day, you will act in a short play. Presented by  
Mr. Malcolm, an experienced children's performer.  
Participants attend both days of the workshop.  
Registration is limited.

### Summer Craft Club

Grades 1 - 3  
Mondays, July 6, 20, August 3, 17, 2:30 p.m.  
Make nifty crafts with friends that showcase your  
summer experience.

### Camden Riversharks Visit

All ages  
Tuesday, July 7, 2 p.m.  
Meet the Riversharks mascot Finley!

### Get Beary Creative @ Your Library

Ages 3 - 5  
Thursday, July 9, 11 a.m.  
Did you know that black bears live in New Jersey?  
Learn about bears in this imaginative program  
presented by Michelle Ruggiero of the NJ Division  
of Fish & Wildlife.

### Summer Games Mania

Grades 1 - 3  
Mondays, July 13, 27, August 10, 24, 2:30 p.m.  
Test your skills with some of our most popular games.  
Will you reign as champion or experience the  
agony of defeat? Prizes awarded.

### Petting Zoo

All ages  
Tuesday, July 14, 11 a.m.  
Colette Bogie has been giving rescued animals a  
loving home for over 15 years. Meet her collection  
of clean and friendly animals & learn about their  
needs and natural habitats.

### Cardboard Weaving

Grades 1 - 3  
Wednesday, July 15, 2 p.m.  
Some of the world's most beautiful rugs are woven  
by the Native Americans of the Southwest. Try your  
hand at weaving with this craft. Presented by  
Maggi Liebe, Camden County Environmentalist.

### Thursday Movie Matinee

Grades 1 - 3  
Thursdays, July 16, 30, August 6, 20, 2:30 p.m.  
After a hot day out in the sun, join friends to chill  
and relax while watching one of our popular  
movies. Refreshments served.

### Angellina Ballerina

Ages 3 - 5  
Wednesday, July 22, 10:30 a.m.  
Angellina's constant dancing is a nuisance until she  
harnesses her energy and takes dance classes. We'll  
act, dance and move to many kinds of music.  
Presented by Youth Stages.

## teens and tweens

### Crafty Kids Club

Grades 4 - 8  
Tuesday, June 16, 6:30 p.m.  
Make a summer craft.

### Thursday Chess Club

Grades 4 - 8  
Thursday, June 18, 4 - 5:30 p.m.  
Meet on the third Thursday this month. Last meeting  
for school year. Light snacks.

### Scrapbooking for Tweens

Grades 4 - 8  
Wednesday, July 1, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.  
Learn scrapbooking. Bring favorite photos or  
pictures.

### Sand Painting

Grades 4 - 8  
Wednesday, July 8, 2:30 p.m.  
Sand paintings are done in the pueblos of the  
Southwest by medicine healers and spiritual leaders.  
Try your hand at sand painting with this craft.  
Presented by Maggi Liebe, Camden County  
Environmentalist.


### Diary of a Wimpy Kid

Grades 4 - 8  
Tuesday, July 14, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.  
Discuss the book *The Last Straw*. Play trivia and  
games. Learn to journal.

### Mehndi Body Art Night

Grades 9 and up  
Tuesday, July 21, 6:30 p.m.  
Decorate yourself with henna designs. Permission  
slips to be signed by parent/guardian if under  
18 years.

### Anthony Mohamed and His House of Congas

Grades 4 - 8   
Wednesday, July 22, 2:30 p.m.  
Do you recognize that beat? Maybe you heard the  
rhythm when you visited the Philadelphia Waterfront  
or walked around the city. Anthony Mohamed,  
spoken word artist and percussionist, will engage  
the audience in poetry, stories and song. Meet a  
performance artist and learn something new about  
music!

### Balloon Animals

Ages 9 - 12  
Wednesday, July 29, 4 p.m.  
Learn the basics of twisting balloons into balloon  
animals. Presented by Youth Stages.

### Mystery Movie Matinee

Grades 4 - 8  
Wednesday, August 5, 2:30 p.m.  
Movie and munchies. Guess the movie and win  
a prize.

### After Summer Reading Tee Party

Grades 4 - 8  
Wednesday, August 12, 2:30 p.m.  
Bring an old tee shirt and tie dye it. Wear old clothes.

### End of Summer Game Party

Grades 4 - 8  
Monday, August 17, 6:30 p.m.  
Enjoy pizza and pop while playing your favorite  
video games. Bring your own or use ours

## bellmawr branch continued

### Teen Game Day

Grades 5 and up  
Friday, July 24, 3 - 4:30 p.m.  
Wii, DDR, Connect 4, Uno and checkers or  
bring your own! Help Miss Barbara work on a  
jigsaw puzzle.


### Summer Craft Fun with Miss Barbara

Grades 5 and up  
Thursday, July 30, 3 - 4 p.m.  
Beat the summer heat and make an  
awesome craft!

### Harry Potter Trivia Challenge

Grades 4 - 10  
Friday, July 31, 3 p.m.  
How well do you know the world of Harry Potter? Pit  
your memory of all things Potter against your friends'  
when we play the ultimate HP trivia game -- on  
Harry's birthday.

### Anthony Mohamed and His House of Congas

All ages   
Wednesday, August 5, 6:30 - 8 p.m.  
Entertainer Anthony Mohamed will wow us with his  
music, songs, stories and poetry!

### Teen Advisory Board

Grades 5 and up  
Thursday, August 6, 4 - 5 p.m.  
VolunTeens needed to staff our 2nd Annual  
Summer clearance book sale! Help plan our Fall  
activities. Participation looks great on college  
applications and volunteer credit is always given  
for attending meetings!

### Game Day Fun @ Your Library

Kids - Adults  
Friday, August 14, 10 - 4  
Bring a board game to play with friends. Use the Wii  
or DDR. Play Uno or Connect Four.  
Or help Miss Barbara, Miss Peg or Miss Debbie work  
on a jigsaw puzzle!

## Summer Clearance Book Sale

All ages  
Thursday - Saturday, August 20-22  
10 a.m. to one hour before closing.  
**BARGAINS GALORE!!**  
Help the VolunTeens raise money  
for teen programs at Bellmawr.



# haddon township branch

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### adults

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#### Petting Zoo

All ages

Wednesday, July 15, 11 a.m.

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#### Bach 2 Rock : An Evening with Caryn Lin

Adults

Tuesday, July 21, 7 p.m.

"Caryn Lin does not simply play the violin, she has electrified & reinvented it and then continually takes it where no human has ever dared. In a nutshell, Caryn Lin is to violin what Bela Fleck is to Banjo, Miles Davis to trumpet, Zappa to guitar, Coltrane to sax, & well, you get the idea."

--Bruce Ranes, Sellersville Theater

#### Camden Riversharks Visit

All ages

Monday, July 27, 11 a.m.

Meet the Riversharks mascot Finley!

### kids and families

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#### Teddy Bear Time

Ages 12 - 36 months

Thursdays, June 11, 18, July 9, 16, August 6

10:30 a.m.

Sing, dance, move to the music and enjoy stories for you and your toddler!

#### Be a Reading Star

Ages 5 - 7

Mondays, June 29, July 6, 20, 27, August 3, 2:30 p.m.

It's time to shine as you make music, hear stories, work with puppets, and enjoy some fun art projects at the Reading Star Club meetings.

#### Color Your World—Read!

Ages 3 - 5

Tuesdays, June 30, July 7, 14, 21, 28, August 4

10:30 a.m.

Using the rainbow, preschoolers explore the world of art. Our first session will be about all things red.

#### Imagine, Create, Participate

Ages 8 and up

Tuesdays, June 30, July 7, 21, 28, August 4, 2:30 p.m.

Interactive stories, plays and games to delight your senses. Art projects to tease your creativity and tickle your imagination.



#### Mr. Malcolm's Theatre Workshop

Grades 2 - 6

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#### Sitting in My Box

Ages 2 - 5

Wednesday, July 22, 12:30 p.m.

Who needs toys or props when you have a big cardboard box? We'll use paper and cardboard to become many things, and ourselves to be many animals. Presented by Youth Stages.

#### Cardboard Weaving

Ages 8 and up

Thursday, July 23, 11 a.m.

Some of the world's most beautiful rugs are woven by the Native Americans of the Southwest. Try your hand at weaving with this craft. Presented by Maggi Liebe, Camden County Environmentalist.

#### Camden Riversharks Visit

All ages

Monday, July 27, 11 a.m.

Meet the Riversharks mascot Finley!

#### The Knight and the Dragon

Ages 2 - 5

Wednesday, July 29, 11 a.m.

We'll explore this classic story and make faces in an imaginary mirror, create armor in pantomime, and joust with imaginary opponents.

#### Get Beary Creative @ Your Library

Grades 2 - 4

Monday, August 3, 11 a.m.

Did you know that black bears live in New Jersey? Learn about bears in this imaginative program presented by Michelle Ruggiero of the NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife.

#### Briz- Rockin' and Readin'

All ages

Friday, August 7, 10 -11:30 a.m.

Have you ever heard of the book series "Diary of A Wimpy Kid" by Jeff Kinney? Write a song with Briz based on the book that includes the chords, melody, and lyrics.

### teens and tweens

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#### Tween Snack and Read Book Club Ages 9 - 14 Third Tuesday of the month, 4 p.m.



A free copy of the book is available at the circulation desk when you register. Snacks are provided, but PLEASE bring your own drink.

Tuesday, June 16, 4 p.m.

*Al Capone Does My Shirts* by Gennifer Choldenko  
Twelve-year-old Moose Flannagan's new home is in San Francisco Bay, but the neighbors leave something to be desired. You see, Moose and his family live on Alcatraz Island. The author of this Newbery Honor book loves cookies, so in her honor we will feast on cookies while talking about her book.

Tuesday, July 21, 4 p.m.

*The Little Prince* by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry and translated by Katherine Woods "I have lived a great deal among grown-ups. I have seen them intimately, close at hand. And that hasn't much improved my opinion of them..." pg. 8 This desert story deserves a cool, refreshing, delectable dessert and a surprise for the group.

Tuesday, August 18, 4 p.m.

*No More Dead Dogs* by Gordon Korman  
The author wrote his first book when he was in seventh grade; it was published when he was 14. In this book he tells the tale of Wallace Wallace (not a mistake, that's his name) who believes that honesty is the only policy, even if it means saying that his mother's cake tastes like "vacuum cleaner fuzz." Our snack this month will be homemade human puppy chow.

#### Creative Crafting at Haddon Township Library

Age 12 and up

Thursdays, July 2, 16, 30, 4 p.m.

Explore your creative side with our bi-weekly craft sessions. July 2 we'll make tennis bracelets to accent any outfit. July 16's craft will be gorgeous, glittered gift boxes. And July 30, colorful, creative candles will be our thing.

#### Petting Zoo

All ages

Wednesday, July 15, 11 a.m.

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#### Camden Riversharks Visit

Tweens and all ages

Monday, July 27, 11 a.m.

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#### Briz- Rockin' and Readin'

All ages

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## Camden County Library System Honored for Pennies for Peace Donations



At ceremony in Trenton April 17, Norma Blake, NJ State Librarian, and Pat Tumulty, Executive Director of the NJ Library Association, present Nan Rosenthal, manager of the William G. Rohrer Memorial Library in Haddon Township and coordinator of the library system's campaign, with a certificate for raising over \$500 for Pennies for Peace.

The customers of the Camden County Library System were honored April 17 for being one of the top fundraisers in the State in the Pennies for Peace campaign in February. The \$529 in penny donations from customers at the six branches will help build and supply schools in Afghanistan and Pakistan. The statewide campaign was promoted by the New Jersey State Library as a celebration of Lincoln's 200th birthday. More than \$13,400 was raised at libraries statewide.

# merchantville branch

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## adults

### Merchantville Film Forum

Adults 18 and older

Wednesdays, June 3, July 1, August 5, 6:30 p.m.

Join other adults for screening and discussion of classic films. Bring your dinner in a sack. We have the water and snacks. Call for titles.

### Little Ones Playgroup

Birth to 3 years and their caregivers

Saturdays, 11 a.m. - 12 noon

Meet our youngest members and make new friends! We have special books and toys too!

## kids and families

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### Petting Zoo

All ages

Wednesday, June 10, 3:30 p.m.

Colette Bogie has been giving rescued animals a loving home for over 15 years. Meet her collection of clean and friendly animals and learn about their needs and natural habitats.

### Mr. Malcolm Presents Mary Poppins

All ages

Wednesday, June 17, 3:30 p.m.

Mr. Malcolm performs Mary Poppins and invites the audience to participate by playing many characters, including Mary and the Banks children.

### Let's Go Fly A Kite!

Grades 2 and up

Wednesday, June 24, 2:30 p.m.

Make kites to hang in the trees for summer.

### Cardboard Weaving

Grades 1 - 3

Wednesday, July 1, 2:30 p.m.

Some of the world's most beautiful rugs are woven by the Native Americans of the Southwest. Try your hand at weaving with this craft. Presented by Maggi Liebe, Camden County Environmentalist.

### Camden Riversharks Visit

All ages

Wednesday, July 8, 2:30 p.m.

Meet the Riversharks mascot Finley!

### Get Beary Creative @ Your Library

Grades K - 4

Wednesday, July 15, 2:30 p.m.

Did you know that black bears live in New Jersey? Learn about bears in this imaginative program presented by Michelle Ruggiero of the NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife.

### The Secret Science Project that Almost Ate the School

Ages 8 - 10

Wednesday, July 22, 2:30 p.m.


We will become a slimy mass and grow and grow and grow. Just who we eat and what we do, only you will know! (We'll become human characters, too) Presented by Youth Stages.

### Garbage Drama

Ages 8 - 10

Wednesday, July 29, 2:30 p.m.

Use recycled items to create props and then create scenes to use them in. Bring in recyclable junk! Presented by Youth Stages.

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## Member Libraries

### Marie Fleche

Berlin Boro

(856) 767-2448

### Preschool Story Time

Ages 3 - 5

Thursday, July 9 - July 30, 10:45 a.m.

Stories, songs, and finger plays fill this story time prepared especially for your preschooler.

### John McPeak Berlin Twp.

(856) 767-0439

### Preschool Story Time

Ages 3 - 5

Thursdays, July 9 - July 30, 9:45 a.m.

Stories, songs, and finger plays fill this story time designed especially for your preschooler.

### Mt. Ephraim Public Library

(856) 931-6606

### Summer Story Time

Preschool and up

Tuesdays, June 30 - July 28, 10 a.m.

Stories, songs, fingerplays and a simple craft.

### Summer Reading Party

Preschool and up

Tuesday, August 4, 10:30 a.m.

Stories, games, pizza and prizes.

## Honored Employees

Each year, the Management Team selects members of the staff to be honored by the Freeholder Board during National Library Week. This year the team chose to honor Kathy Mahony, Library Associate in Children's Services in Voorhees, and Pratik Amin, Student Assistant at Bellmawr. Their exemplary work has truly contributed to the success of our Library. Kathy and Pratik were awarded proclamations at the April 23 Freeholder meeting.



Jennifer Druce, Children's Services Manager, and Kathy Mahony

Kathy Mahony, who started at Merchantville in 2003 and moved to the Children's Services Department at Vogelston in 2005, is the acknowledged organizer behind the department. She ensures that supplies are on hand and craft materials are in order and takes care of hundreds of other details. She also organizes the summer reading lists for all the branches, a complicated task involving contacting many schools and compiling and distributing the lists.

In 2007/2008, when the department head and two librarians moved on to other positions, Kathy kept the department going and then helped the new department head "get up to speed."

Kathy creates successful programs and contests for grade school aged children. Some of her most recent and popular programs were gross science experiments, a Star Wars light saber craft, an egg drop experiment and a mock presidential election. Kathy spends much time talking with our young customers to find out what kinds of programs and crafts they would enjoy and then translates these wishes into fun experiences.

Kathy is well known among the parents and children who come into the Library each day and goes out of her way to help people find what they need and introduce them to the library. Her efforts reach many families and help them have fun and positive experiences at the Library.



Debbie Stefano, Bellmawr Branch Manager, and Pratik Amin

Pratik Amin has been a Student Assistant with the library system for four years – he couldn't wait to turn 16 and get a job at Bellmawr! He is very invested in the success of the library and takes particular pride in "his" branch.

Pratik frequently suggests ways to market the collections and freshen the look of the branch. When he sees a problem he immediately starts brainstorming for a solution. Bellmawr has a large collection of Gujarati books and DVDs. To advertise their availability, Pratik put together a postcard describing the collection and the steps to getting a library card and then distributed copies among the Indian community in Bellmawr.

Pratik has also stepped up to help with programming. When our henna artist cancelled at the last minute, he used his contacts in the community to find a replacement. He has run game nights with the teen librarian, acted as DJ for a program for 4th and 5th graders and proposed starting a teen movie group for high school students.

Pratik is in his second year at Camden County College and plans to pursue a four-year degree. Pratik recently expressed an interest in continuing to graduate school and becoming a librarian.



### In Memoriam

John Ritchie

The Camden County Library System mourns the loss of John Ritchie, a well loved and respected staff member who passed away in March. We extend our heart-felt sympathies to the Ritchie family, who lost a loving son, brother and uncle.

John was promoted to the position of Principal Library Assistant in May 2008 after demonstrating his technical knowledge and work ethic in the role of Computer Service Technician since joining the library in 2003.

We are proud that John's work and contributions were officially recognized by proclamation of Camden County Library Commission on April 14. "John was a gracious man who genuinely cared about staff and customers. He was quick to volunteer his time and energy and always had a positive influence on others," comments Janice Masud-Paul, head of Information Technology.

Friends of the Camden County Library System

## Vogelston June Book Sale

Friday, June 5  
10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Saturday, June 6  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



# south county branch

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### adults

#### The "Tired Eyes" Book Club

Adults  
Monday, June 8, 7 - 8:45 p.m.  
Escape the heat at South County this summer! Join the "Tired Eyes" in discussing *Three Cups of Tea* (nonfiction) by Greg Mortenson and *City of God* (fiction) by Beverly Swerling.

Monday, September 14, 7 - 8:45 p.m.  
The summer hiatus is over! The "Tired Eyes" Book Club resumes its bimonthly meetings with Lisa Scottoline's new novel, *Look Again*, and your choice of any biography on Eleanor Roosevelt.

#### South County YarnBalls

Adults  
Mondays, June 22, July 27, August 24, 7 - 8:45 p.m.  
The Knitting and Crochet Club at Your Library! Bring your needles, hooks and whatever project you want to work on. New members are always welcome. Need help with a knitting or crochet disaster? Pop in for some help.

### kids and families

#### Read to a Dog

Grades K - 5  
Thursday, June 4, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
Meet Raven and her trainer Stacey Kupezyn. Your child will love to read to Raven, a trained therapy dog. Perfect for the child who is shy about reading aloud or needs practice reading aloud.

#### Father's Day Craft Corner

Ages 4 - 8  
Tuesday, June 16, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.  
Make a simple craft and enjoy a story or two celebrating fathers.

#### Petting Zoo

All ages  
Saturday, June 20, 11 a.m.  
Colette Bogie has been giving rescued animals a loving home for over 15 years. Meet her collection of clean and friendly animals and learn about their needs and natural habitats.

#### Pajama Story Time

Ages 2 - 6  
Tuesday, June 23, 7 - 7:30 p.m.  
Dress in your favorite pajamas, bring your favorite bedtime buddy, and listen to bedtime stories and lullabies.

#### Toddler Tunes and Tales

Ages 18 - 30 months  
Wednesdays, June 24 - July 29, 10:30 - 11 a.m.  
Toddlers will love this program especially designed for them and filled with stories, songs, and finger plays.

#### Whimsical Wednesdays

Ages 2 1/2 - 5  
Wednesdays, June 24 - July 29, 11:30 - noon  
Preschoolers will love this program especially designed for them and filled with stories, songs, and finger plays.

#### Trapped at Tripletree

Grades K - 5  
Tuesday, June 25, 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.  
Piccirillo Sciencetelling presents *Trapped at Tripletree* which has been described as a combination of *Night at the Museum* and *Help! I'm a Prisoner in the Library*.

#### Get Beary Creative @ Your Library

Grades K - 5  
Tuesday, June 30, 11 a.m.  
Did you know that black bears live in New Jersey? Learn about bears in this imaginative program presented by Michelle Ruggiero of the NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife.

#### Mr. Malcolm's Theatre Workshop

Grades 2 - 6  
Wednesday & Thursday, July 8 & 9, 1 - 2:30 p.m.  
Explore the world of theatre! Learn what actors know in this 2-day theatre workshop. You will learn skills like movement and speech. During the second day, you will act in a short play. Presented by Mr. Malcolm, an experienced children's performer. Participants attend both days of the workshop. Registration is limited.

#### Family Movie Matinee

All ages  
Saturday, July 11, 11 a.m.  
Cool off at your library with a fun family-friendly movie. Bring a pillow and a blanket to get comfortable.

#### Camden Riversharks Visit

Monday Morning Madness  
Ages 4 - 8  
Monday, July 13, 11 a.m. - noon  
Meet the Riversharks mascot Finley! Then make a simple puppet to take home and listen to the story of Sock Monkey.

#### Sea Science and Aqua Art

Grades K - 5  
Tuesday, July 28, 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.  
Learn about sea life with the New Jersey Academy for Aquatic Sciences and take home a simple craft.

#### Mamapalooza

Grades K - 5  
Saturday, August 1, 11 - noon  
Start to create a pop-up book with mother and artist Olivia Funghina while listening to the music of mother and children's musician Marcia Katz.

#### Pajama Story Time

Ages 2 - 6  
Tuesday, August 4, 7 - 7:30 p.m.  
Dress in your favorite pajamas, bring your favorite bedtime buddy, and listen to bedtime stories and lullabies.

#### Sand Painting with Maggi Liebe

Ages 4 - 8  
Wednesday, August 5, 11 a.m.  
Sand paintings are done in the pueblos of the Southwest by medicine healers and spiritual leaders. Try your hand at sand painting with this craft. Presented by Maggi Liebe, Camden County Environmentalist.

### teens and tweens

#### Tween Manga Monday

Ages 9 - 12  
Monday, June 8, 7 - 8 p.m.  
Talk about all things manga, comics, and anime at a new time just for the tween. Includes an origami craft.

#### Teen Manga Monday

Ages 13 - 18  
Monday, June 8, 8 - 8:50 p.m.  
Teens take over this meeting time and talk about their favorite manga series. Includes an origami craft.

#### Calling All Gamers!

Ages 9 - 18  
Fridays, June 26, July 24, August 7, August 28  
6:30 - 8:45 p.m.  
Gamers, take over your library! We provide PS2, Nintendo Game Cube and Wii. Feel free to bring games to share and play. Multi player modes and E or T rated games are preferred. For More information contact DW at South\_County\_Teenz@yahoo.com

#### Tournament Tuesdays

Ages 9 - 18  
Tuesdays, July 7, July 21, August 11, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.  
Get your game on at the library! Start with Guitar Hero on July 7, work your way up to Super Smash Bros. Brawl on July 21, and have a dance off with DDR on August 11. Please bring PS2 Guitar Controllers or Nintendo Game Cube and Wii controllers. Players will need to sign in and be assigned a number. For more information contact DW at South\_County\_Teenz@yahoo.com.



#### Teen Sit-n-Knit 2gether

Ages 12 - 18  
Tuesday, July 14, 6:30 - 8 p.m.  
A time just for teens to get together and knit. Space and supplies are limited to 5 teens who would like to learn how to knit. If you can already hold your needles and knit a basic stitch, there is no need to sign up

#### Balloon Animals

Ages 9 - 12  
Thursday, July 16, 10:30 a.m.  
Learn the basics of twisting balloons into balloon animals. Presented by Youth Stages.

#### Harry Potter Party

Ages 8 - 18  
Friday, July 17, 1 - 5:30 p.m.  
Waiting for the next Harry Potter movie? Have a Harry Potter afternoon at your library! Start at 1 p.m. with a wand-making session. At 2 p.m. test your wizardly knowledge with some trivia. End with a movie at 3 p.m. to remember how it all began.

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#### Garbage Drama

Ages 9 - 12  
Thursday, July 23, 10:30 a.m.  
Used recycled items to create props and then create scenes to use them in. Bring in recyclable junk! Presented by Youth Stages.

#### Kaleidoscopes

Ages 9 - 18  
Thursday, July 30, 10:30 a.m.  
Create your very own Kaleidoscope and enjoy the changing pictures. Supplies are limited!

#### Scrimshaw Craft

Ages 9 - 12  
Wednesday, August 5, 2 p.m.  
Scrimshaw has been done by the Inuit of the Far North for centuries. Make your own engravings with Maggi Liebe, Camden County Environmentalist.

## Let Your Creativity Grow @ Your Library

Ages 9 - 18

Tuesday, July 2, 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Start a vine garden in your library. Decorate a glass container to brighten up your plant and library. Make a faux stained glass picture to take home. Vine gardens will be picked up at the end of the Summer Reading Program in August.





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## adults

### Adult Anime & Manga Club

Ages 16 and up  
Tuesdays, June 2, July 7, August 4, 4 - 5:30 p.m.  
Do you love watching anime and reading manga? Then this newly formed adult club is for you! Share some snacks while we talk about your favorite stories and characters and watch the newest series.

### Friday Night Chess

All ages  
Fridays, June 5, August 7, 6 p.m.  
Looking for an informal chess club to test your skills? Bring your own board or play on one of ours against friends and other library patrons.

### Short Story Discussion

Adults  
Tuesdays, June 9, July 14, August 11, 1 p.m.  
Pressed for time? Join us for thought-provoking discussions of contemporary short stories. This program is in conjunction with Kennedy Eldermed. We meet in the cafe area. Each month's story can be obtained at the Information desk on the first floor.



### What is the Future of Social Security?

Adults  
Wednesday, June 10, 7 - 8:30 p.m.  
Learn about the future of Social Security in this educational seminar presented by the Social Security Administration and sponsored by Ameriprise Financial.

### Whispers of Truth with author Rosemary Burgo

Adults  
Saturday, June 20, 12 - 2 p.m.  
Hear author Rosemary Burgo discuss her book, *Whispers of Truth*. (See page 3)

### Beginner's Crochet

Ages 10 to adult  
Mondays, June 22 - August 17, 3 - 4 p.m.  
Our crochet club especially for beginners!

### Seniors Taking Charge - Understanding your Medicare Benefits.

Adults  
Wednesday, June 24, 10:30 a.m.  
Medicare-Part A recipients are 100 percent covered for hospice care, yet only 1 in 3 eligible people take advantage of the benefits they are entitled to. This program explains programs and services that the public may not realize exist under their Medicare benefits and how to access them in a timely manner.

### Crochet Club

Ages 10 to adult  
Wednesdays, June 24 - August 19, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.  
Bring your latest project and make friends.

### Author Visit and Book Signing

Thursday, June 25, 7 - 8 p.m.  
Author De Va Gantt will sign her book *Decision and Destiny* (See page 3)

### Sudoku Tournament

All ages  
Saturday, June 27, 1 - 5 p.m.  
Test your Sudoku strength in our live Sudoku tournament. There will be prizes for the winners.

### Author Visit and Book Signing

Monday, June 29, 7 - 9 p.m.  
Author Rosemary Harris, writer of the Dirty Business Mystery series, will sign and discuss her book *The Big Dirt Nap*. (see page 3)

### Just Write - Creative Writing Class

Adults  
Tuesdays, June 30, July 28, August 25, 7 - 8 p.m.  
Explore the joys of expressing yourself with words on paper. This workshop is for everyone from aspiring writers to blocked writers who want to keep the momentum flowing.

### Advanced Planning: Five Wishes

Adults  
Thursday, July 9, 10:30 a.m.  
Headlines have shown how important it is to talk about how you want to be treated if you should become seriously ill. This film addresses your personal, emotional, spiritual, and medical wishes so that family and friends won't have to make hard choices without knowing your wishes. The Five Wishes living will is valid in most states, including New Jersey. Participants bring the easy-to-complete booklet home at the end of the presentation.

### Knitting Niche

Ages 10 - adult  
Saturdays, July 11, 25, August 8, 22, 3:30 p.m.  
Knitters, bring your crafts and meet new friends.

### Overcoming Your Fears, Agoraphobia and Anticipatory Anxiety

Adults  
Thursday July 16, 7 - 8 p.m.  
Do you or someone you know suffer from frequent panic attacks? Anticipatory anxiety can lead to avoiding certain situations known as agoraphobia. This workshop will teach you how to overcome these issues and feel more in control of your life.

### Anime-Otakus

Ages 16 and up  
Tuesday, July 28, 4 - 7 p.m.  
Bring your favorite anime for this anime marathon. Refreshments served.

### Author Visit and Book Signing

Saturday, August 8, 2 - 3 p.m.  
Author Stefan Block will sign his book *The Story of Forgetting*. (See page 3)

### Homeschool Families

All ages  
Tuesday, August 25, 7 p.m.  
Get ready for the new school year by swapping ideas and curriculum.

## kids and families

### Little Readers' Playgroup

Ages infant - 18 months  
Fridays, ongoing 10 - 11 a.m. (No group on 6/5 or 7/3)  
Little ones meet new friends! Grown-ups have the chance to chat. We provide the toys and books but no organized programming.

### Toddlers' Playgroup

Ages 18 - 36 months  
Fridays, ongoing 11 - 12 noon (No group on 6/5 or 7/3)  
Play with new friends! Grown-ups have the chance to chat. We provide the toys and books but no organized programming. Feel free to bring snacks.

### Friday Night Chess

All ages  
Fridays, June 5, August 7, 6 p.m.  
Looking for an informal chess club to test your skills? Bring your own board or play on one of ours against friends and other library patrons.

### Be a Fashionista: Chapter 9: Diva Creations

Ages 8 - 14  
Tuesdays, June 9, 23, July 7, 21, 6:30 p.m.  
Create some cool looks. Bring an adult and your own sewing machine.

### It's Potty Time

Ages 10 months - 5 years  
Saturday, June 13, 11 a.m.  
Listen to stories about going potty.

### An American Girl Quilt

Ages 8 - 12  
Tuesdays, June 16, 30, July 14, 28, 6:30 p.m.  
Sew a quilt for your American Girl doll. Workshops for children and their caregivers.

### Shake Your Rattles & Roll

Ages 6 - 18 months  
Wednesdays, June 17, July 1, 15, 29, August 12, 26, 10:15 a.m.  
Crawl on in for fun with stories, songs, bounces and tickle rhymes for babies and those who love them!

### Father's Day Craft

Grades K and up  
Thursday, June 18, 4:30 p.m.  
Create a special craft for dad.

### Get Up and Wiggle

Ages 2 - 6  
Thursdays, June 18, July 16, August 20, 6:30 p.m.  
Wiggle to music, read stories and sing silly songs.

### Summer Reading Kick Off

All ages  
Saturday, June 20, 1 - 3 p.m.  
Celebrate summer reading at our kick off event! Summer reading registration, face painting and snacks from 1 - 2 p.m. and then Mr. Malcolm joins us for stories from 2 - 3 p.m.

### Shake Your Sillies Out

Ages 3 - 7  
Mondays, June 22, July 13, August 10, 11 a.m.  
Move to the music as you "shake your sillies out" through action songs and movement activities.

### Adventures in Art

Ages 8 - 12  
Monday, June 22, 1 - 2 p.m. Vincent van Gogh  
Friday, July 10, 2 - 3 p.m. Salvador Dali  
Wednesday, July 22, 7 - 8 p.m. Mary Cassatt  
Monday, August 3, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Pablo Picasso  
Learn about different styles of art and create your own masterpiece!

### Beginner's Crochet

Ages 10 to adult  
Mondays, June 22 - August 17, 3 - 4 p.m.  
Our crochet club especially for beginners!

### Read to a Dog

Ages 5 - 11  
Mondays, June 22, July 27, August 17, 7 - 8 p.m.  
Bring your favorite book or choose one at the library to read to our therapy dogs, Brownie, Dr. Seuss and Dink. Each session will also feature a craft.

### Button & Ribbon Bookmarks

Ages 5 - 10  
Wednesday, June 24, 2 p.m.  
Create fun place markers out of colorful ribbons and unique buttons.

### Crochet Club

Ages 10 to adult  
Wednesdays, June 24 - August 19, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.  
Bring your latest project and make friends.

### Now Presenting! All Ages Story Time

All ages  
Registration not required.  
Wednesday, June 24, 6:30 p.m.  
Monday, June 29, 6:30 p.m.  
Thursday, July 9, 6:30 p.m.  
Monday, July 13, 6:30 p.m.  
Friday, July 24, 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, July 29, 6:30 p.m.  
Saturday, August 8, 11 a.m.  
Ham it up, sing and dance in a fun interactive story time. No craft.

### Drop In Story Time

Ages 18 months - 5 years  
Registration not required.  
Thursdays, June 25, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, August 6, 10:30 a.m.  
Drop in and "Be Creative" at story time with stories, songs and finger plays to celebrate summer reading! No craft.

### Rock Star Guitar Craft


Ages 5 - 8  
Thursday, June 25, 2 - 3 p.m.  
Come dressed as Hannah Montana, Nick Jonas or any rock star you like and make your own "guitar." Then strike a pose and let the paparazzi take your picture.

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# vogelson branch SIGNUP@ [www.camdencountylibrary.org/events](http://www.camdencountylibrary.org/events)

or call (856) 772-1636 to register

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 registration required for all programs unless otherwise indicated.

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## kids and families

### Friday Flicks

All ages  
Fridays, June 26, July 31, August 21, 6:30 p.m.  
Come in your PJs, bring a pillow and blanket, and join us for movie night! Refreshments will be served. Check SignUp or call the Children's Desk for movie listings.

### Library Band & Musical Parade

Ages 3 - 7  
Monday, June 29, 11 a.m.  
Create simple instruments and join our band on a parade throughout the library!

### Hand Drum Craft

Ages 5 - 10  
Tuesday, June 30, 10:30 a.m.  
All Native American groups, including those of the Great Plains, the Sioux, Cheyenne, Kiowa, Chippewa, Crow, and Blackfoot, make drums that they play when dancing. Learn about their traditions and make your own drums with Maggi Liebe, Camden County Environmentalist.

### Craft Corner

Ages 3 - 5  
Mondays, July 6, August 3, 10:30 a.m.  
Create a different craft at each session.

### Petting Zoo

All ages  
Tuesday, July 7, 2 p.m.  
Colette Bogie has been giving rescued animals a loving home for over 15 years. Meet her collection of clean and friendly animals and learn about their needs and natural habitats.

### Camden Riversharks Visit

All ages  
Wednesday, July 8, 10:30 a.m.  
Meet the Riversharks mascot Finley!

### "Bead" Creative @ Your Library

Ages 5 - 10  
Thursday, July 9, 2 p.m.  
Create a colorful bead snake or ballerina to show off your artistic side!

### Camp Creative

Ages 5 - 8  
Saturdays, July 11, 18, 25, August 1, 11 a.m.  
Bring your creativity for a fun time at camp. We will sing songs, do a craft and make new friends.

### Get Beary Creative @ Your Library

Grades K - 5  
Tuesday, July 14, 2:30 p.m.  
Did you know that black bears live in New Jersey? Learn about bears in this imaginative program presented by Michelle Ruggiero of the NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife.

### Shell Necklace for Boys and Girls

Ages 8 - 12  
Wednesday, July 15, 2 p.m.  
Make the perfect necklace to wear all summer long. We provide the shells and beads, you provide the creativity.

### Rum Pum Pum

Ages 4 - 6  
Thursday, July 16, 12:30 p.m.  
Make drums and shakers from recycled materials and use them to dramatize a story. Presented by Youth Stages.

### Author Visit Dan McGinley III

Ages 8 and up  
Monday, July 20, 6:30 p.m.  
Local children's author Dan McGinley will read from and sign his book. He will also talk about using your imagination. His debut children's novel, *CreatureSpell*, is a unique book which allows enthusiastic readers to be a part of the story by choosing which character they would like to follow.

### Mr. Malcolm's Theatre Workshop

Grades 2 - 6  
Monday & Tuesday, July 20 & 21, 1 - 2:30 p.m.  
Explore the world of theatre! Learn what actors know in this 2-day theatre workshop. You will learn skills like movement and speech. During the second day, you will act in a short play. Presented by Mr. Malcolm, an experienced children's performer. Participants attend both days of the workshop.

### Felt Landscape Play Boxes

Ages 5 - 10  
Wednesday, July 22, 2 p.m.  
Bring your imaginary world to life by creating a felt landscape play box. Create a scene, glue a felt backdrop and cut out moveable pieces to tell a story. Please bring a shoe box.

### Garbage Drama

Ages 8 - 10  
Thursday, July 23, 12:30 p.m.  
Use recycled items to create props and then create scenes to use them in. Bring in recyclable junk! Presented by Youth Stages.

### Project Library Fashion Show

All ages  
Tuesday, August 4, 7 p.m.  
See the children's creations from all the sewing classes in our second fashion show.

### Thumbprint Art

Ages 5 - 10  
Thursday, August 6, 2 p.m.  
No two thumbprints are exactly alike. Put your thumb to work creating unique thumbprint cards to give to friends and family!

### Homeschool Families

All ages  
Tuesday, August 25, 7 p.m.  
Get ready for the new school year by swapping ideas and curriculum.

### Get Ready for Kindergarten

Children entering kindergarten in September  
Wednesday, August 26, 6:30 p.m.  
Thursday, August 27, 10:30 a.m.  
Congratulations - you are starting kindergarten! Let's listen to stories, rhymes and fingerplays to make that first day more fun.

## teens and tweens

### Friday Night Chess

All ages  
Fridays, June 5, August 7, 6 p.m.  
Looking for an informal chess club to test your skills? Bring your own board or play on one of ours against friends and other library patrons.

### Be a Fashionista: Chapter 9: Diva Creations

Ages 8 - 14  
Tuesdays, June 9, 23, July 7, 21, 6:30 p.m.  
Create some cool looks. Bring an adult and your own sewing machine.



### Teen Anime & Manga Club

Ages 11 - 15  
Tuesdays, June 9, July 14, August 11, 4 - 5:30 p.m.  
Do you love watching anime and reading manga? Then this is the club for you! Share some snacks while we talk about your favorite stories and characters and watch the newest series.

### An American Girl Quilt

Ages 8 - 12  
Tuesdays, June 16, 30, July 14, 28, 6:30 p.m.  
Sew a quilt for your American Girl doll. Workshops for children and their caregivers.

### Teen Gaming Club

Grades 6 and up  
Tuesdays, June 16, July 21, August 18, 4 - 6 p.m.  
Bring your own T or E-Rated games for PS2 or GameCube, or play the library's games! Two full hours of play!

### Beginner's Crochet

Ages 10 to adult  
Mondays, June 22 - August 17, 3 - 4 p.m.  
Our crochet club especially for beginners!

### Crafts for Teens

Grades 6 and up  
Wednesdays, June 24, July 22, August 26, 4 p.m.  
Express yourself this summer as we make decoupage picture frames, locker mirrors, and mini-scrapbooks.

### Crochet Club

Ages 10 to adult  
Wednesdays, June 24 - August 19, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.  
Bring your latest project and make friends as we crochet together.

### Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

Grades 6 - 12  
Tuesdays, June 25, July 30, August 27, 4 - 5:30 p.m.  
TAB is made up of teens and tweens who want to make a difference in their local library. Plan and promote exciting new programs, participate in special community service projects, and discuss movies, books, music, and websites. Refreshments!

### Manga Drawing Workshop

Grades 6 and up  
Tuesdays, June 30, July 7, 14, 21, 6 p.m.  
Learn how to draw your favorite anime and manga styles in this four part series. Register early.

### Project Runway

Grades 6 and Up  
Wednesday, July 8, 6:30 p.m.  
Work in teams to create an alternative fashion show. Use bubble wrap, duct tape, t-shirts, and more to create "stylish" clothing. Materials provided. Held at The Spot at the Voorhees Town Center.

### Knitting Niche

Ages 10 - adult  
Saturdays, July 11, 25, August 8, 22, 3:30 p.m.  
Knitters, bring your crafts and meet new friends.

### Voorhees Idol

Grades 6 and up  
Friday, July 17, 6 p.m.  
Are you the next Kelly Clarkson? Do you think you're the singing sensation of Voorhees? If so, join us at The Spot at the Voorhees Town Center for a night of musical entertainment. Contestants must sign up by Thursday, July 16 at the library or at The Spot.

### Author Visit: Bree Donovan

Grades 6 and up  
Thursday, July 23, 7 p.m.  
Local author Bree Donovan will sign and discuss her book. *Steve Prefontaine- Rocketman* (See page 3)

### Anime-Otakus

Ages 16 and up  
Tuesday, July 28, 4 - 7 p.m.  
Bring your favorite anime for this anime marathon. Refreshments served.

### Teen Scenes

Grades 6 and up  
Wednesdays, July 29, August 5, 4 p.m.  
Are you the next Angelina or Brad? Think you can show Shakespeare a thing or two? If yes, help us turn a book of fractured fairy tales into a play. Skits performed on August 8.

### Project Library Fashion Show

All ages  
Tuesday, August 4, 7 p.m.  
See the children's creations from all the sewing classes in our second fashion show.

### Tie Dye for Teens

Grades 6 - 12  
Thursday, August 6, 7 p.m.  
Bring a t-shirt and tie dye it! Space is limited!

### Homeschool Families

All ages  
Tuesday, August 25, 7 p.m.  
Get ready for the new school year by swapping ideas and curriculum.



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## Feeding the Birds of Spring

*Merchantville goes green, recycling soda bottles as bird feeders.*

Over thirty children gathered at Merchantville learned how to change empty 2-liter soda bottles into working birdfeeders. The children built and filled the feeders just in time for spring!



Kallie Anderson, Ella Stout, Amaya Robits and Cameron Bordi (back) show the birdfeeders they made from kits and 2-liter soda bottles.

## PINS are Coming

Our catalog and computers will soon require you to use a **PIN** (personal identification number) to view your library account information, request or renew items, use self checkout or sign up for a computer.

### Why?

PIN numbers will provide additional security for upcoming features, such as paying for printouts or paying fines online.

### How will this work?

CamCat will prompt you to create a PIN number when you attempt to view your library record, request an item or renew holds. Our self-checkout stations will prompt you to enter your PIN number after you scan your barcode.

- Your PIN must be four digits long
- Make sure to note the PIN you created - you will need it EVERY TIME you log into your library record.

**SAM**, our computer reservation system, will also ask you for your library card and PIN number. If you are not eligible for a free library card, you may get a SAM guest pass to use a computer. It will have a barcode and PIN number.



## Camden County Cultural and Heritage Commission

The gallery and offices are located at the Hopkins House on the south bank of the Cooper River between Cuthbert Boulevard and Route 130, 250 South Park Drive, Haddon Township. (856) 858-0040 TTY: Dial 711  
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### Poetry in the Park

**Mondays, June 8, July 13, August 10, 7 - 9 p.m.**

Encourages aspiring and established poets to share their poetry in a relaxing and nurturing environment under the stars. Come Rain or Come Shine - Held outdoors weather permitting or indoors when necessary. Refreshments served - Open Mic. Featuring special guest poets.

### Renowned Poets & Authors Series

**Thursday, June 25, 7 p.m.**

Featuring poet Ewuare Osayande.

### The Circle of Men Writers

**Sunday, June 14, 3 - 5 p.m.**

Featuring local writers of prose and poetry.

### Jazzy July Free Concert Series

**Wednesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - 6 p.m.**

Featuring some of Camden County's finest jazz musicians.

### Warm & Wonderful Wednesdays Cultural Series for Children

**August 5, 12, 19, 26, 10 a.m. & 11 a.m.**

Featuring a different topic each week. Registration required.

### Japanese-American Haiku Festival

**Saturday, July 25, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

Celebrate Haiku, the Japanese art form of writing poetry in only 15 syllables and 3 lines. Featuring the Haddonfield Japan Exchange, sponsoring several Japanese high school students visiting Camden County, who will translate American Haiku into Japanese and teach the art of origami. Also participating will be the Nick Viriglio Haiku Association of Camden and the Collingswood Book Festival. Reservations required.

Limited space for local vendors of Japanese food, clothing and other products available.

### 43rd Annual Senior Citizens Juried Art Contest & Exhibition

**June 1 - 30**

**Award Ceremony Wednesday, June 10, 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.**

William G. Rohrer Memorial Library, 15 MacArthur Blvd & Cuthbert Blvd., Haddon Township

### Musical Interludes

Celebrating 23 years of services to the sick and shut-in residents of our South Jersey community with the healing power of live musical performance! Call to arrange a visit from one of our talented musicians.

**For registration and schedule updates, call 856-858-0040 or visit [arts.camden.lib.nj.us](http://arts.camden.lib.nj.us)**

## Creative Writing Class – Just Write – Proves Popular at Voorhees

The Vogelson Branch offers a creative writing class - Just Write, which meets the last Tuesday of every month. Started by Reference Librarian Shyamoli De, the program consistently attracts 25 to 30 writers of all experience levels to its meetings.

"Initially I conceived this class as a way to simply get people writing, using prompts and exercises," said De. But the program is evolving as a result of its enthusiastic participants.

"I was not especially interested in providing a critique of their work. I was astonished, though, by the inventiveness and sophistication of the writing," De noted. "Each person in the class has a distinct style and voice, and I think that they have benefited from getting their work seen by other people."

Consequently, De started a blog for the class, <http://blogs.camdencountylibrary.org/creative/> where

class participants can post their writings and have an ongoing dialog to share ideas.

"We will be bringing in published authors to offer advice on all aspects of writing," explained De. In March Vogelson Branch Manager William Brahms spoke on the practice of self publishing. In April author Susan Muaddi-Daraj gave advice on how to approach publishers. She gave instructions on how to pitch a book idea and critiqued some of the work done by the class.

In August, author Christine Baker Kline is scheduled to talk about "the inherent descriptive power of food and how to incorporate it into writing," De said.

New and experienced writers are welcome to join the class at any time. For more information go to [www.camden.lib.nj.us/events/](http://www.camden.lib.nj.us/events/) and click on adult events at Voorhees.

Detach and mail application and fee to Friends of the Camden County Library, 203 Laurel Road, Voorhees, NJ 08043  
Please make checks payable to: Friends of the Camden County Library

### Friends of the Camden County Library System

The Friends of the Camden County Library System is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization that promotes the library. By raising funds with events such as book sales, the Friends are able to sponsor activities and purchase materials, enhancing the library services which are outside the library's regular operating budget. The Friends also sponsor many events and programs throughout the library system for children and families.

Friends of the Camden County Library Membership Application (Please Print)

[www.camdencountylibrary.org/friends](http://www.camdencountylibrary.org/friends)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Membership Fee:  \$10 Senior/Student  \$15 Individual

\$25 Family Membership  Other Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Donors of \$150 or more will receive a gold membership and will be recognized with their name and contribution amount on an engraved plaque in the library. (Membership year: January - December)



# Camden County Library System

M. Allan Vogelson Regional Branch Library  
203 Laurel Rd., Voorhees, NJ 08043  
www.camdencountylibrary.org



## Camden County Library System Branches and Hours

### Anthony P. Infanti - Bellmawr Branch Library

35 East Browning Rd., Bellmawr, NJ 08031  
(856) 931-1400  
Monday - Thursday, 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### Gloucester Township-Blackwood Rotary Public Library

15 South Black Horse Pike, Blackwood, NJ 08012  
(856) 228-0022  
Monday - Thursday, 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### Merchantville Public Library

130 S. Centre St., Merchantville, NJ 08109  
(856) 665-3128  
Monday and Wednesday, 2 - 9 p.m.  
Tuesday and Thursday, 2 - 5 p.m.  
Saturday, 10:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

### South County Regional Branch Library

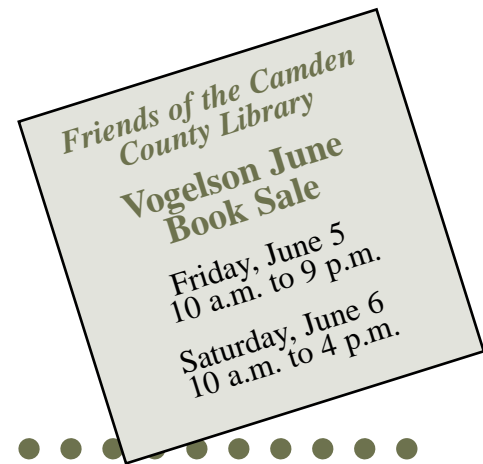
35 Coopers Folly Rd., Winslow Township, NJ 08004  
(856) 753-2537  
Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
Saturday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Sunday, 1 - 5 p.m.  
Closed Sundays during the summer

### William G. Rohrer Memorial Library-Haddon Twp. Branch

15 MacArthur Blvd., Westmont, NJ 08108  
(856) 854-2752  
Monday - Thursday, 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### M. Allan Vogelson Regional Branch Library

203 Laurel Rd., Voorhees, NJ 08043  
(856) 772-1636  
Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
Saturday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Sunday, 1 - 5 p.m.  
Closed Sundays during the summer



## Message from Freeholder Riletta Cream

Greetings on behalf of the Camden County Board of Chosen Freeholders. As Freeholder liaison to the Camden County Library System, I am excited about the programs that are available for the summer...and I hope you are, too.

Our libraries offer a wide array of activities/services for persons of all ages. Everything from DVDs and CDs to the exciting and limitless world of the Internet is right at your fingertips. Now that summer is approaching and the sun seems to be shining a little brighter, do not forget to drop by your local library to grab the latest bestseller or transport yourself to a world yet to be explored. Remember, the fantastic characteristic of reading is that you can be anything or go anywhere your imagination takes you!

There are also hundreds of programs and events offered at our six branches and with the new SignUp program you can find an event that you are interested in and even register online at our website: [www.camdencountylibrary.org/events](http://www.camdencountylibrary.org/events).

Whether you read for entertainment or education, by the pool or on the beach, you can be certain that your local library has a host of books tailored to suit your needs.

Please visit the local branch of your library to take advantage of the countless services that the library has to offer.

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### Summer Closings

Sundays	May 24 through September 1
Friday, July 3	Independence Day Observed
Saturday, July 4	Independence Day
Monday, September 7	Labor Day

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