Cherry Hill Public Library
Director's Report
August 12, 2020

Library Building opened to public – Monday, July 13
Wednesday 10 a.m. – 8 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Phased reopen plan: 50 people maximum, 30 minute limits for patrons

Contactless pickup (7/15 – 8/5) 559 appointments
Active members: 26,734
New Members: 95

Library items checked out in July: 13,402

VIRTUAL: "Hidden Valley Road:"
A Conversation with New York Times Bestselling Author Robert Kolker
Monday, August 24
6:30 pm - 8 p.m.

Hidden Valley Road is the nonfiction account of a mid-century American family with twelve children, six of them diagnosed with schizophrenia, that became science’s great hope in the quest to understand the disease.

VIRTUAL! Armchair Travel: Fairy Tale Castles
Thursday, August 13 at 7 p.m.

Staying home getting you down? Join our virtual trip to real fairy tale castles throughout Europe. Enjoy the beauty of these fantasy locations from the comfort of your home - no time zone adjustment and no money conversion!

Suitable for all ages.

This event is virtual and will be hosted through Zoom.
Youth Services Board Report 7/13/20 - 8/7/20

Virtual Story Time for ages 3-6
7/16 Virtual Story Time  16 views
7/23 Virtual Story Time  21 views
7/30 Virtual Story Time  21 views
8/6 Virtual Story Time  6 views

Kids Story Break
7/14  14 views
7/21  8 views
7/28  18 views
8/4  5 views

Animal Crossing – game for Nintendo Switch
7/15 Animal Crossing Open Hours, 6 attendees
7/27 Animal Crossing Open Hours, 7 attendees
7/29 Animal Crossing Open Hours, 10 attendees
8/3 Animal Crossing Open Hours, 2 attendees
8/5 Animal Crossing Open Hours, 2 attendees

CHPL Animal Crossing New Horizons Open Hours

Animal Crossing New Horizons players of all ages are invited to open play at CHPL Cove. Pick fruit, catch bugs, visit our virtual branch and museum, and swap recipes, fossils, furniture and clothing!

Add the library’s Nintendo Friend Code, SW-7377-8544-2015, then once playing ACNH, visit your airport, and select “visit through online play” to find us. Note: Animal Crossing requires a Nintendo Online subscription for online play.

Virtual Programs (developed, created, filmed and edited)
7/13 Fairy Tale STEM, 44 attendees
7/13 Barking Book Buddies, 6 kids and 3 dogs/handlers
7/14 Loch Ness Monster Take and Make, 50 attendees
7/15 Summer Stories for ages 2-4, 22 views
7/15 Teens Cook!  6 attendees
7/16 Fairy Tale Escape Room, 15 attendees
7/17 Teen Game Night, 0 attendees (cancelled for low registration)
7/20 Fairy Tale STEM, 16 attendees
7/21 Teencraft: Shrinky Dink pins, 32 attendees
7/22 Summer Stories for ages 2-4, 26 views
7/24 Teen Film Appreciation Meetup, 3 attendees
7/25 Teen Dungeons and Dragons, 8 attendees
7/28 Yeti Felt Pin Take and Make, 51 attendees
7/28 Dungeons and Dragons for Kids, 3 attendees
7/29 Summer Stories for ages 2-4, 17 views
Coming up!
Every Monday and Wednesday: Animal Crossing CHPL Island open hours
8/8 Summer Reading Closing session: Rock & Rhyme with Mr. Jon and Friends
8/10 New Jersey Myths and Legends
8/13 Fairy Tale Ball (preschool Dance Party)
8/15 Wizardfest All Day event!
8/15 End of Summer Reading

Almost all YS staff have returned to work in the building. We are staffing the Youth Services desk, providing check-out upstairs, reader’s advisory services and computer assistance. We are also shelving all books that come out of quarantine and assisting circulation by pulling holds for Non-Contact Pickup from the Youth Services collections. We spend an hour in the morning and after closing making sure that the department is disinfected by cleaning computers, tabletops, carts and any other high touch surfaces.

We are also in full swing with our Summer Reading programs. We spend time with patrons on the phone to help log their reading into our Read Squared software and have already started distributing weekly prizes for Teens. The children’s End of Summer prize baskets are on display behind the Youth Services Desk. YS librarians are offering many live online Zoom programs and Teen Meetups in addition to our weekly on-demand story times. Our weekly Make and Take craft kits in the library for children and teens have been wildly popular, so we have made more on the fly and created new ones for upcoming weeks.

With any downtime in the department, staff have been weeding our collections. Since the Friends of the Library are unable to take our discards that are in good shape to sell at the book sale we have been weeding for condition (torn pages, broken spines, water damage and other staining). We are thrilled to have the time to finally be removing these books to freshen up the collection and make room for new books.

Adult Services Programs:

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Needlework Guild Virtual Meetup

Fairy Tales around the World

Use Google to Get a New Job: Create a Job Search Plan

What is Tor?

VIRTUAL: Imagine Your Life Story: A Discussion on Memoir Writing with Carol Harkavy and Stefani Milan

Use Google to Get a New Job: Search for New Jobs

VIRTUAL: "Dear Edward:" A Conversation with Author Ann Napolitano

Virtual Sneak Preview: A Musical Fairy Tale

ESL classes ongoing

Emails through chplref@chplnj.org (7/15 – 8/5) 37 patrons assisted

CHPL Summer Reading for Kids has 389 registrants

CHPL Summer Reading for Teens has 137 registrants

CHPL Summer Reading for Adults 295 adults

Kingston is in the lead for the Elementary School competition!

The 10 final prize baskets for kids are as follows:

- **Cooking Basket** (all ages)
  Includes: Mom & Me Cookbook, Sam Choy's Cooking, Tailgating Recipes, Cooking tools, Apron & Chef hat & Gift Certificate for guaranteed registration to Jr. Chef.

- **American Girl Basket** (all ages)
  Includes: American Girl books, American Girl doll, American girl jewelry craft kit, American Girl Accessories.

- **Science Basket** (Grades K-5)
  Includes: Science books for kids (Kitchen Science Lab for Kids, Cool Science Experiments, 365 Science Experiments), A microscope, Disgusting Biology kit, and a Brainbending Science kit.

- **Elephant & Piggie Basket** (Grades K-2)
  Includes: Mo Willems books (Elephant and Piggie, Pigeon Book Set), an Elephant stuffed animal, a Piggie stuffed animal, and We Are in an ART-ivity Book.

- **Bad Kitty Basket** (Grades K-2)
  Includes: Bad Kitty books (Bad Kitty for President, Bad Kitty School Daze, Bad Kitty vs Uncle Murray, Bad Kitty Meets the Baby, Bad Kitty Drawn to Trouble), a Bad Kitty Picture Book, Make Your Own kitty squishy kit, and a Bad Kitty stuffed animal.

- **Gutman Basket** (Grades K-3)
  Includes: Miscellaneous Dan Gutman books and Miss Bernard is a Wild Card Game.

- **Fairy Tale Basket-Pamper Yourself Royally!** (Grades 2-5)
  Includes: Fractured Fairy Tale books, DIY Bathbombs, Unicorn Mirror, Unicorn playing Cards, and a Spa Kit.
• **Graphic Novel Basket** (Grades 3-5)
  Includes: Graphic novels (Smile, Ghosts, Big Nate, Big Nate Out Loud, Invisible Emmy, Just Jaime, Geeky Fab 5, Cub, Share Your Smile: How to), an art kit, and drawing paper.

• **Rick Riordan Basket** (Grades 3-5)
  Includes: Books (Throne of Fire, Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky, Serpent's Shadow, Storm Runner, Serpent's Secret, Dragon Pearl, Sal & Gabi Break the Universe, Santorini by Spin Master Games), A Camp Halfbood T-Shirt, & Zeus on the Loose game.

• **Coding Basket** (Grades 3-5)

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