



Mountainside Public Library Newsletter - November 2014

The Mountainside Public Library is the proud first recipient of the LUCCy Award!

The Libraries of Union County Consortium (LUCC) will award the LUCCy yearly to a Public Library in Union County to honor Excellence in Library Service.

This award acknowledges the extra lengths to which a library has gone to maintain a high standard of service to the community in the face of economic challenges and difficult situations.



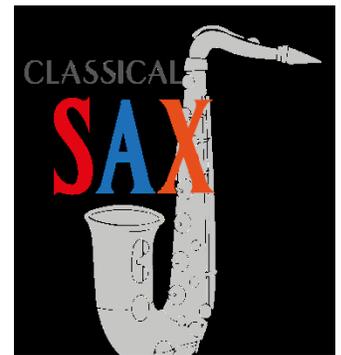
CLASSICAL SAX ON SATURDAY

Saturday, November 8th, 7:00PM

An evening of classical music to benefit the Mountainside Public Library.

Please join us for this delightful event, sponsored by the *Friends of the Library* and featuring local resident and saxophonist Allen Won, accompanied on piano by Cathy Venable. The event will be held at the Community Presbyterian Church of Mountainside, 1459 Deer Path, Mountainside, NJ 07092. There will be light refreshments following the concert and an opportunity to meet the musicians.

Proceeds from this event will go towards the replacement of the two well-used and much-loved Early Learning Station computers in our Children's Department.



Tickets are available at the Library, the Community Presbyterian Church of Mountainside and Christoffers Flowers & Gifts.

Adults: \$30 Students (6th to 12th Grade): \$15

Seating is limited, so don't be disappointed! Buy your tickets before they sell out!

For further information, please call the Library at 908-233-0115.

COLLEGE FINANCIAL PLANNING

Thursday, November 6th, 7 to 8:45PM (registration begins at 6:45PM)

Ecliptic Financial Advisors offers free college funding workshops that reveal how to beat the high cost of college and navigate the financial aid maze. By attending a workshop, you will gain valuable information that can make college affordable, help you through the complicated application process and provide tips to selecting the best college. You'll learn these valuable college funding secrets: where to get money, how to apply for aid, how to choose a college that will give you the best deal, the opportunities and pitfalls to watch out for, the difference between tax credits and tax deductions, why college financial aid officers can't help you, how to qualify even if you think you make too much money, why your accountant is not a good resource and when you should start planning.

EXPLORE THE HISTORY OF THANKSGIVING, with Maryanne Christiano-Mistretta

Monday, November 10th, 7PM to 8PM.

Each year American families get together to celebrate Thanksgiving with good eats and football. But these festivities would have been foreign to the original 1621 harvest celebration. Discover how it *really* was as Maryanne Christiano-Mistretta, an award-winning writer, explores the history of Thanksgiving.

Points of interest include: the original pilgrim menu, history of the Thanksgiving Day parade, Thanksgiving becoming a holiday, the story behind the turkey, and many more fun facts about Thanksgiving across America.

"Explore the History of Thanksgiving" is a fun, informative and interactive lecture. So get ready to share stories about your most memorable Thanksgivings!

Please call 908-233-0115 to reserve a seat.

This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Mountainside Library.

NATIVE PLANTS, with Bryan Lowe
Thursday, November 13th, 7PM to 8PM.

Learn the advantages of using native plants in your landscape. We will discuss the difference between native and non-native plants, invasive plants versus non-invasive plants and how to care for and select native plants. You will see what happens when invasive species get out into an ecosystem and the damage they can do. We will discuss government regulation and what some states are trying to do in order to control invasive plants. We will look at specific uses for native plant material such as naturalization and rain gardens.

Please call 908-233-0115 to reserve a seat.

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MAXIMIZING SOCIAL SECURITY
Saturday, November 15th, 10AM to Noon.

Determining the best time to take Social Security is a decision nearly every retiree struggles with, and one wrong decision could cost you thousands of dollars. In this workshop you will learn an easy-to-understand way to navigate the ins and outs of Social Security. Explore the basics of Social Security, advanced claiming strategies and the best way to maximize your benefits. We will cover the steps everyone nearing retirement should take to make the most of the benefits they have paid for. Refreshments will be served.

Presented by Bill Logue and Matt Filik, and sponsored by the American Education Foundation.

Please call 908-233-0115 to reserve a seat.

TUESDAY NIGHT MOVIES

Shown in our Community Room at 6:30PM, unless announced otherwise. Please see our website for details.

November 4: NO RESERVATIONS (comedy/drama/romance – 1 hour 44 minutes) Rated PG for some sensuality and language.

November 11: LIBRARY CLOSED FOR VETERANS' DAY – NO TUESDAY NIGHT MOVIE

November 18: GLORY ROAD (drama – 1hour 57 minutes) Rated PG for racial issues including violence and epithets, and momentary language.

November 25: CHOCOLAT (drama/fantasy/romance – 2 hours 1 minute) Rated PG -13 for a scene of sensuality and some violence.

OPERA FESTIVAL Second Friday of each month. Show starts at 1PM.

Our very popular Opera Series continues for a third season, featuring acclaimed operas on DVD, presented on our theatre system.

Presented by the T. ROBEL HILL FOUNDATION and Mena Clemson.

Fri Nov 14: ***ATTILa*** by Verdi

Starring: Samuel Ramey, Giorgio Zancanaro

Conductor: Riccardo Muti

1991 La Scala Opera 1hr 55 min



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