



# MPL NEWS

September 2023

Sunday hours  
begin on  
September 10th  
12pm-5pm

## Events and Happenings at Middletown Public Library

**A library card  
is elemental.  
Get yours today!**

September is  
**LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH**

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## MPL is CELEBRATING Library Card Sign-Up Month

ALL new or renewing  
MPL cardholders during the  
month of September receive a  
**one free item certificate\*** to  
the Friends Bookstore!

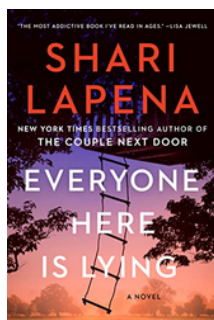
(\*excludes artwork, collectible books,  
coffee table books, and tote bags)

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**Celebrate  
with Us!**  
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Join the #HowILibrary  
movement sponsored by the  
American Library Association  
for your chance to win great  
prizes! Click HERE for full  
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## What's New at the Library



New Adult Books

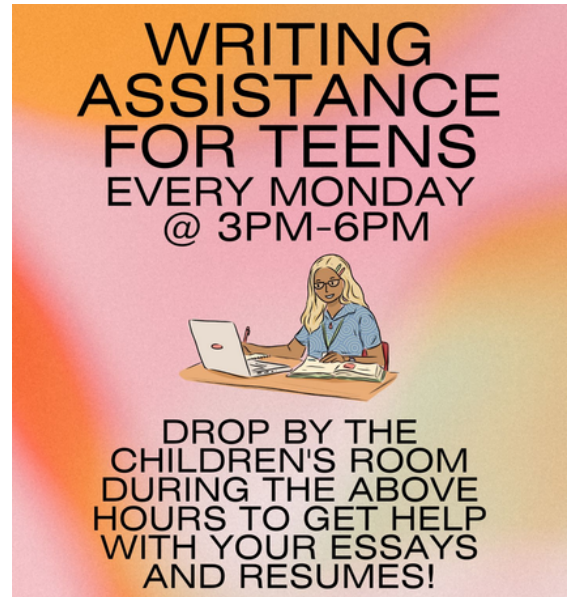


New Children's Books



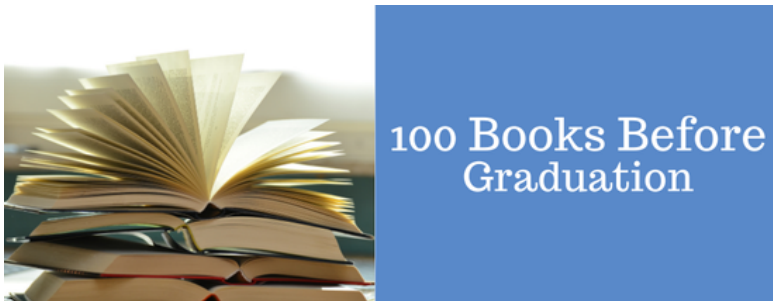
New Teen Books

## Youth Services Spotlight



Check out our full calendar of events [HERE](#)

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Read 100 books before college, log your reading in **Beanstack**, and earn a new set of badges! For every 20 books you read, you can win a free book of your choice from the Middletown Public Library!



Beanstack Tracker features a barcode scanner, reading session timer, and allows you to manage each member of your family's reading log and statistics. You can also access this free service 24/7 through our website, your computer, or your mobile device. Provides book recommendations already linked to our catalog to make finding reading material easier for you!

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**Last month's Summer Reading Celebration with the Toe Jam Puppet Band provided fun for over 100 patrons of all ages!**



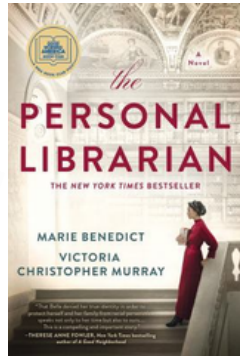


# MPL's Adult Programming

## Adult Book Club

3:30pm in our community meeting room

**Monday,  
September 11th**  
We'll be  
discussing



The Personal Librarian

Get your  
print, audio  
or digital  
copies today!

The Rosie Project



**Monday,  
October 16th**  
We'll be  
discussing



We hope you can join us! Click [HERE](#) to register.

## Adult Writer's Club

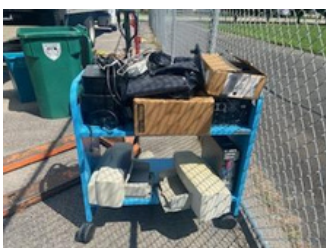
ALL writing styles  
and  
ALL experience  
levels are welcome!

**Thursdays, September 14th & 28th  
at 5:00pm**



The Middletown Public Library Writer's Club aims at providing a space for local writers to meet and share their writing. Whether you are a seasoned writer, or just starting out, feel free to join us. If you are not comfortable with sharing your writing that is ok too, you can still attend to meet with other writers and share your feedback on their work.

We hope you can join us! Click [HERE](#) to register.



**We hosted a successful e-waste  
dropoff event on August 19th  
and more than 140 cars visited  
us! We filled a large truck with  
electronics to be properly  
recycled ... a Big Win for the  
entire community!**



## *In Memory of Judy Papineau*

It is with sadness we share the news of the passing of one of our longtime volunteers, Judy Papineau, on August 12th.

She had been a valued volunteer at the library for over five years. Most recently, Judy worked in the Children's Room. She will be remembered for her gentle, helpful and quiet manner.

Rest in peace Judy, you will be missed.



*Learn more  
about Judy  
[HERE](#)*



As you enter the library, take a look at the plaque in the vestibule commemorating Theresa Coish's years of service as Director of the Middletown Library. This was presented to her as a gift from "the Library community".

## **The Friends Corner**



Now that school has opened for pupils from Kindergarten to College a visit to the Friends Book Store will provide students with books for research and reports. The history, biography, and non-fiction sections may have just what you want, so stop in and take a look. Teachers will find books to supplement the curriculum too.

The FRIENDS BOOKSTORE is open Monday-Thursday, 10:30 am to 4:30 pm and Friday and Saturday, 10:30 am to 2:30 pm.

For information about the FRIENDS or a FRIENDS MEMBERSHIP application, email [FriendsofMiddletownRILibrary@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsofMiddletownRILibrary@gmail.com) or pick up an application at the library.

### **Connect with us!**



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**Library Hours:**  
Monday - Thursday 10 am - 7 pm  
Friday - 10 am - 5 pm  
Saturday - 10 am - 5 pm  
Sunday\* - 12 pm - 5 pm  
\*Sunday hours begin on the Sunday following Labor Day and end on the Sunday before Memorial Day  
Library closed on Sundays preceding Monday Holidays