

**Feb 1 - Apr 21 - 5th Annual Community Read: Around the World in 80 Days (All Ages)**

Join in the fun as the NP Library celebrates the 150th Anniversary of Jules Verne's AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 DAYS!! Come pick up a Library Travel Passport and read from our curated book lists for children, teens. Plus, we'll have lots of fun programs, games and events celebrating various cultures and destinations around the world. Don't miss out -- travel with us right here at the Library!

**March 2 @ 7PM - Documentary: "Maidentrip: A Teen's Solo Voyage Around the World" (Adults & Teens)**

14-year-old Laura Dekker sets out - camera in hand - on a two-year voyage in pursuit of her dream to be the youngest person ever to sail around the world alone. Winner of an audience award at the SXSW Film Festival. Watch in person in the Conti Room or stream Maidentrip any time at home in the Kanopy app, free with your NP library card.

**March 3, 10, 17, 24 @ 3:15-4:15PM - Math Club (Teens)**

Join the NP Math Club and hone your problem-solving skills while meeting with other math enthusiasts. Meetings are held every Friday at the NP Library from 3:45-4:45PM. There will also be opportunities to join math competitions. Run by NP Teens, open to students in 6-12th grades. Email [NPMLTeens@gmail.com](mailto:NPMLTeens@gmail.com) to register.

**March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 @ 11:15AM-4:15PM - Drop-In Play Fridays (Kids)**

Bring the kids to drop in and play in the Coddington room. Featuring 2-3 toys each week, including the newly refurbished dollhouse, the train table, puzzles and the puppet theater!

**March 4 @ 11:30AM and 12:30PM Irish Dancing (Kids and Families)**

In celebration of the upcoming St. Patrick's Day, The Denogla Academy of Irish Dance will perform jigs and reels. The performers will teach basic steps after their performance. Wear green! Two shows! Registration required at: [NPMLchildrens@gmail.com](mailto:NPMLchildrens@gmail.com) This program is made possible by the Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library.

**March 4, 18 @ 10AM-4PM CRAFTERDAY (Children)**

Come by the Coddington Room and use the materials and instructions that have been left out on the tables. Take home what you create. While supplies last! This program is made possible by the Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library.

**March 5 @ 2-3PM - International Taste Test (Teens)**

Come try unique snacks from around the world. Guess what country they're from and vote for your favorites! Open to students grade 6-12. Foods that contain common allergens will be labeled. Please note any food allergies when registering. Register via email [NPMLTeens@gmail.com](mailto:NPMLTeens@gmail.com)

**March 6 @ 7PM - Knit/Crochet Night (Adults & Teens)**

Drop by the Conti Room with a crochet or knitting project, and chat with this friendly group as you work. No registration required. To sign up for an email reminder, please call the library or email [rsvp@newprovidencelibrary.org](mailto:rsvp@newprovidencelibrary.org).

**March 6, 13, 20, 27 @ 5:30-7:30PM - NP Chess Club (Kids, Teens & Adults)**

Learn to play chess from the NP Chess Club! **Weekly play every Monday night from 5:30-7:30** in the Coddington Room. **Instructional Lectures & Strategy on Mar 6 and Mar 20 from 4:30-5:30** in the Conti Room. Open to kids, teens and adults. Children 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Register at least 1 day in advance online at [npchessclub.org](http://npchessclub.org).

**March 7, 14, 21, 28 @ 11:15AM-8:15PM - Drop-In Play Tuesdays (Kids)**

Bring the kids to drop in and play in the Coddington room after storytime. Featuring 2-3 toys each week, including the newly refurbished dollhouse, the train table and the puppet theater!

**March 7 @ 10:30AM-12PM - Books & Bagels (Adults)**

Join us for bagels & a book group with no assigned reading! Come and tell us about what you've been reading and which books you've enjoyed recently. This program was made possible by NP Bagel Cafe and the Friends of the NPML. To sign up for email reminders, call the library or email [RSVP@newprovidencelibrary.org](mailto:RSVP@newprovidencelibrary.org).

**March 9 @ 7:30PM-8:30 PM - Book Group (Adults)**

The book group will discuss "Circe" by Madeline Miller, which follows the banished witch and daughter of the Greek god Helios, as she hones her powers before a conflict with one of the most vengeful Olympians forces her to choose between the worlds of the gods and mortals. To join the book group, email [rsvp@newprovidencelibrary.org](mailto:rsvp@newprovidencelibrary.org).

**March 11 @ 2PM - "Around the World in 80 Days" Movie (Kids and Families)**

Enjoy the adventure and humor of this 2004 film. Fun and free for everyone. This program was made possible by the Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library.

**March 12 @ 2PM - "Beauty on the Wing" with Filmmaker Kim Smith (All Ages)**

Experience the inspirational story of a magnificent species found in our own backyards! A screening of a film for all ages, the award winning documentary film, "Beauty on the Wing: Life Story of the Monarch Butterfly" with an introduction and Q & A by filmmaker Kim Smith. The filmmaker will speak via zoom. This program was made possible by the Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library and the New Providence United Methodist Church. Attendees will receive free wildflower seeds. Families are welcome! To register, email [RSVP@newprovidencelibrary.org](mailto:RSVP@newprovidencelibrary.org).

**March 13 @ 1PM - David Epstein, Author of "Range: Why Generalists Triumph in a Specialized World" (Adults)**

You're invited to a virtual conversation with New York Times bestselling author David Epstein as he chats about his most recent book, "Range: Why Generalists Triumph in a Specialized World". A closer look at research on the world's top performers, from professional athletes to Nobel laureates, shows that early specialization is the exception, not the rule. This program was made possible in part through a grant from New Providence Our Community For All. Register online at <https://libraryc.org/newprovidencelibrary>.

**March 13 @ 7PM-9PM - Batter Up - Let's Talk Baseball (All Ages)**

Baseball enthusiasts are invited to discuss teams, players and issues of the sport with other baseball fans. Now in its ninth year, this group of mostly seniors welcomes all ages to join the discussion. Email the library at [rsvp@newprovidencelibrary.org](mailto:rsvp@newprovidencelibrary.org) to register.

**March 14 @ 1PM-2:45PM - Monthly Movie (Adults)**

"Ticket to Paradise" (rated PG-13) will be screened in the Conti Room. George Clooney and Julia Roberts reunite on the big screen as exes who find themselves on a shared mission to stop their lovestruck daughter from making the same mistake they once made. Free, everyone is welcome. This program was made possible by the Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library.

**March 16 @ 7PM-8:30PM - Knit/Crochet Night (Adults & Teens)**

Drop by the Conti Room with a crochet or knitting project, and chat with this friendly group as you work. No registration required. To sign up for an email reminder, please call the library or email [rsvp@newprovidencelibrary.org](mailto:rsvp@newprovidencelibrary.org).

**March 18 @ 2PM-4PM - Indian Singing and Dancing Workshop (Kids and Families)**

Two professional performers from Taal Live will teach children how to sing classical Indian songs and dance in Bollywood style. Come to learn and for the joy of singing and dancing! Two workshops - 1. Singing for children ages 4-6 at 2 pm 2. Dancing for children 7+ at 3 pm. Registration required at: [NPMLchildrens@gmail.com](mailto:NPMLchildrens@gmail.com) This program is made possible by the Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library.

**March 19 @ 3PM - Catmoondaddy Concert (All Ages)**

With over 40 years of experience and an extensive repertoire covering several decades and genres, Catmoondaddy pleases with its alluring vocals, harmonies and distinctive instrumentation. This concert is part of the Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library's annual concert series. Free, everyone is welcome.

**March 21 @ 10:30AM-11:30AM - Book Group (Adults)**

The morning book group meets to discuss "The Daughters of Yalta" by Catherine Katz, the story of the fascinating and fateful "daughter diplomacy" of Anna Roosevelt, Sarah Churchill, and Kathleen Harriman, three glamorous young women who accompanied their famous fathers to the Yalta Conference with Stalin in the waning days of World War II. Copies will be available to check out at the front desk one month beforehand.

**March 21 @ 5:15PM-7:15PM Hot Air Balloon Craft (Children)**

In the spirit of Around the World in 80 Days, come by the Coddington Room and make a hot air balloon craft. While supplies last! This program is made possible by the Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library.

**March 23-25 - NJ Makers Day (All Ages)**

New Jersey Makers Day is a statewide event that celebrates, promotes maker culture, as well as the values associated with making, tinkering and STEM-based learning. Activities are planned for all ages.

**NJ Makers Day:**

- **March 23 @ 7 PM - "Mothers of Invention" with Carol Simon Levin (Adults)**

Carol Simon Levin portrays Lillian Moller Gilbreth, motion study pioneer and “Cheaper by the Dozen” mother of twelve, while sharing the stories of other overlooked women innovators, from Margaret Knight (the 19th century “female Edison”) to Hollywood superstar Hedy Lamarr, who developed frequency-hopping, the technology behind Bluetooth, GPS and wifi. Email [RSVP@newprovidencelibrary.org](mailto:RSVP@newprovidencelibrary.org) to register. Attend in person or watch over zoom. This program was made possible by the Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library.

- **March 24 Kids’ Stepping Stone Mosaic Garden Kit Take and Make (preschool - 1st grade)**  
Pick up this fun take home craft in the library lobby. Kits are first come, first served, while supplies last.
- **March 24 Teens Take Out Craft Pickup begins (Teens)**  
Kit contains materials to decoupage a picture frame using maps. Registration begins March 1. Register via email [NPMLTeens@gmail.com](mailto:NPMLTeens@gmail.com)
- **March 25 @ 11 AM - Strategic Plan Review & Chat with the Director**  
Stop in the Conti room to hear a recap of the results of the new Strategic Plan and chat with Stacey Maisch, the new Library Director. Light refreshments will be served.
- **March 25 @ 2 PM - 3 PM Build a light-up circuit house (2nd - 8th grade) Conti Room**  
Learn about simple circuits by building a light-up 3D house and then decorating it.
- **March 25 Adult Hot Air Balloon 3D Greeting Card Craft Kit Pickup Begins** (sign up begins March 1)

#### **March 28 @ 1PM - Cookbook Club (Adults)**

This month’s theme is “breads and spreads”. Bring a cookbook or a recipe that you like to share with the group, or even cook and bring the dish itself if you’re feeling inspired! To join, stop by the reference desk or email [RSVP@newprovidencelibrary.org](mailto:RSVP@newprovidencelibrary.org).

#### **March 28 @ 5PM - Teen Book Talk (Teens)**

Come to the library for an informal book chat about whatever you’re reading, have read, or want to read! Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to come together to talk books and get some ideas for future reads. Register via email or just show up: [NPMLTeens@gmail.com](mailto:NPMLTeens@gmail.com).

#### **March 28 @ 6:35PM - 8:05 PM Read to a Dog (1st - 4th Graders)**

Are you a new or developing reader? Practice your skills by reading to a therapy dog. To register your 15 minute slot, please email [NPMLChildrens@gmail.com](mailto:NPMLChildrens@gmail.com).

#### **March 28 @ 7PM - Pam Jenoff, Author of “Code Name Sapphire” (Adults)**

Join us for an exciting trip through time as we chat virtually with New York Times bestselling historical fiction author Pam Jenoff about her newest book Code Name Sapphire! A woman must rescue her cousin's family from a train bound for Auschwitz in this riveting tale of bravery and resistance. Pam Jenoff is the NYT bestselling author of The Lost Girls of Paris. This program was made possible in part through a grant from New Providence Our Community For All. Register online at <https://libraryc.org/newprovidencelibrary>.

#### **March 30 @ 3:00PM - Sign up for April Teen Take Out Boxes (Teen)**

Teen Take Out is a monthly box of fun for NP teens in grades 6-12 with a current NPML library card. Each month, we put together a box for you including fun treats like snacks, crafts, bookmarks, buttons, stickers and more. Plus, we select a YA Fiction book for you based on your answers to our questionnaire! Use our Google form to sign up for the April box on March 30. <https://forms.gle/zv8cxtbRZCysPSXF7>

#### **Join us with the kids for Storytime and Play at the Library in the Coddington Room:**

##### **Tuesday Storytime with Miss Cathy @ 10:30 AM (preschool - K)**

Featuring stories, interactive rhymes and movement!

**Tuesday Drop-in Play @ 11:15 AM - 8:15 PM** featuring 2-3 toys, including the newly refurbished dollhouse.

##### **Tuesday Evening Bedtime Stories with Miss Debbie @ 7:00 PM (all ages)**

Subscribe to the Library’s YouTube channel for this program. Questions? Email [NPMLChildrens@gmail.com](mailto:NPMLChildrens@gmail.com)

##### **Wednesday Mother Goose Group with Miss Debbie @ 10:30 AM (babies-preschool)**

An active storytime with songs, fingerplays, dancing and fun for babies to preschool– But older kids are always welcome!

**Wednesday Drop-in Play @ 11:15 AM -1 PM** featuring 2-3 toys, including the newly refurbished dollhouse.

##### **Thursday Storytime with Miss Anita @ 10:30 AM (0 - 3 yr olds)**

Bring your babies and toddlers for stories, rhymes and socialization.

**Thursday Drop-in Play @ 11:15 AM -1 PM** featuring 2-3 toys, including the newly refurbished dollhouse.

**Friday Drop-in Play @ 11:15 AM - 4:15 PM** featuring 2-3 toys, including the newly refurbished dollhouse.