



September & October

PROGRAMS

for Children, Teens and Adults

@ THE WATCHUNG PUBLIC LIBRARY

A Branch of the Somerset County Library System

Library Mission

We believe that the Somerset County Library System can make a difference in people's lives. Our mission is to provide library services and resources that help people in Somerset County expand their knowledge and talents, make informed decisions, enrich their leisure hours, and enhance their daily lives.

Hours

Monday - Thursday

10:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Friday

10:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Saturday

10:00 - 4:00 PM

Location

12 Stirling Road,
Watchung, NJ 07069
www.somerset.lib.nj.us

Phone

908-561-0117

How to Register for Programs

Registration begins on **August 25 at 10:00 AM**. All programs are free. Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted. You can register in-person, by telephone, or online at www.somerset.lib.nj.us. To register online, click on **PROGRAMS** (at top of page) and go to **WATCHUNG** to find the **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**. By including your email address when registering, you will receive a reminder about the program.

Some restrictions may apply to certain programs. Please contact the library if you cannot attend a program for which you've registered so that someone on the waiting list can be contacted. If you are on a waiting list for a program, and an opening becomes available, you will be notified **before** the program.

Program information is subject to change. Please check Watchung's online **CALENDAR OF EVENTS** for library hours, updated information, added programs and inclement weather closings.

Please note that the library will be closed on Monday September 6 for Labor Day, and Monday, October 11 for Columbus Day.

Overview of Programs

Program Title	Age	Date(s)
Music to Move By with Ann Wild	Birth through age 4 with Caregiver	September 8, 22, October 6 and 20 at either 10:00 AM <u>or</u> 11:00 AM
Music for Special Needs Kids	Birth through age 5 with Caregiver	September 30 and October 21 at 4:30 PM
Stories for Twos with Elaine	Ages 24 to 35 Months with Caregiver (Child MUST BE 24 MONTHS old when program begins)	September 14 and October 5 at 10:30 AM
Thursday Treats for Toddlers	Ages 2 1/2 to 3 with Caregiver	September 23 and October 14 at 10:30 PM
Miss June's Room	Ages 4 to 6	September 2 and October 7 at 4:00 PM
Learning with Leisa	Ages 5 and 6 (Must be 5 or older when programs begins)	September 15, 29, October 13 and 27 at 4:00 PM
Hoots and Howls	Ages 7 to 9	September 22 at 3:30 PM
Let's Get Batty	Ages 7 to 9	October 20 at 3:30 PM
Serpentine of Mine	Ages 7 to 9	September 14 at 3:30 PM
Make It, Take It Craft	Grades 5 and up	September 25 at 2:00 PM
Wednesday Table Games	Grades 5 and up	Wednesdays from September 8 to October 20 beginning at 6 PM
Gaming at Your Library	Grades 5 and up	October 8 at 7:00 PM
Teen Café	Grades 5 to 8	October 23 at 2:00 PM
Teen Action Group Meeting	Grades 7 and up	September 7 and October 5 at 7:30 PM
1 st Look Books	Ages 13 to 18	September 28 and October 26 at 7:30 PM
Current Books Book Club	Adult	September 13 and October 18 at 7:30 PM
Hearing Educational Seminar	Adult	September 13 at 10:30 AM
Introduction to Qi Gong	Adult	September 20, October 4 and 11 at 7:00 PM
Kenny Cunningham: Journey to the '60s and '70s	Adult	September 30 at 7:00 PM
Mah Jongg Club Of Watchung	All Ages	Mondays from 1:00 to 4:00 PM
Social Action Nonfiction Book Club	Adult	September 16 at 7:30 PM (<i>book</i>) October 21 at 7:00 PM (<i>film</i>)
Tasty Bites and Books Book Club	Adult	September 20 and October 25 at 12:00 PM
Watchung Book Discussion Group	Adult	September 9 and October 14 at 7:00 PM
Watchung Writers Group	Adult	Thursdays from 10 AM to 12 PM

Day-by-day Programs for September, 2010

When & Where

Program Description

Thursday,
September 02
10:00AM-12:00PM
Seniors Room

Watchung Writers Group Ages: Adult

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Thursday,
September 02
4:00PM-5:00PM
Bicentennial Room



Miss June's Room Ages: 4 to 6

Relax and have fun making a project, hearing a story and enjoying a snack.

Two Classes: September 2 and October 7

Monday,
September 06

Library Closed for Labor Day

Tuesday, September
07
7:30PM-8:30PM
Bicentennial Room

Teen Action Group Meeting (TAG) For Grades 7 and up

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September 7 and October 5

Wednesday,
September 08
10:00AM-10:45AM
Bicentennial Room



Music to Move By with Ann Wild Ages: Birth through age 4 with Caregiver

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Wednesday, September 8, 22, October 6 and 20

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 September 08
 6:00PM-8:30PM
 Room with
 Fireplace

Wednesday Table Games For Grades 5 and up

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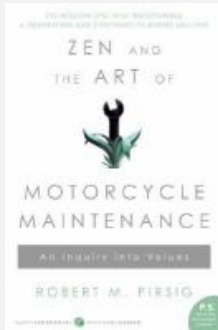
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Thursday,
 September 09
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 Bicentennial Room



Watchung Book Discussion Group

Ages: Adult

Second Thursday of the Month at 7:00PM

This Month's Selection:

***Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance*
 by Robert Pirsig**

A narration of a summer motorcycle trip undertaken by a father and his son, this book becomes a personal and philosophical odyssey into fundamental questions on how to live. The narrator's relationship with his son leads to a powerful self-reckoning; the craft of motorcycle maintenance leads to an austere beautiful process for reconciling science, religion, and humanism. Resonant with the confusions of existence, this classic is a touching and transcendent book of life.



Hearing Educational Seminar

Ages: Adult

Presented by:

Elizabeth Coron, Educational Program Director of Total Hearing

Monday,
 September 13
 10:30AM-11:00AM
 Bicentennial Room

The presentation will cover the following topics:

- Hearing, Hearing Loss and Tinnitus
- Social Impacts on Hearing Loss
- The Evolution of Hearing Devices: A Look at Technology: Past, Present and Future
- The Importance of Baseline Hearing Testing

The presentation will last 30 minutes, including a brief question and answer period.

Free Hearing Screenings are available following the presentation.

When & Where

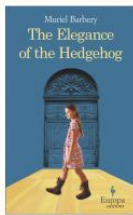
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**Monday,
 September 13
 1:00PM-4:00PM
 Seniors Room**

Mah Jongg Club Of Watchung **All Ages**

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CURRENT BOOKS Book Club

Ages: Adult

Current Books Book Club Second Monday of the Month at 7:30 PM (with exceptions for holidays)

This Month's Selection: ***The Elegance of the Hedgehog*** **by Muriel Barbery**

We are in the center of Paris, in an elegant apartment building inhabited by bourgeois families. Renée, the concierge, is witness to the lavish but vacuous lives of her numerous employers. Outwardly she conforms to every stereotype of the concierge: fat, cantankerous, addicted to television. Yet, unbeknownst to her employers, Renée is a cultured autodidact who adores art, philosophy, music, and Japanese culture. With humor and intelligence she scrutinizes the lives of the building's tenants, who for their part are barely aware of her existence. Then there's Paloma, a twelve-year-old genius. She is the daughter of a tedious parliamentarian, a talented and startlingly lucid child who has decided to end her life on the sixteenth of June, her thirteenth birthday. Until then she will continue behaving as everyone expects her to behave: a mediocre pre-teen high on adolescent subculture, a good but not an outstanding student, an obedient if obstinate daughter. Paloma and Renée hide both their true talents and their finest qualities from a world they suspect cannot or will not appreciate them. They discover their kindred souls when a wealthy Japanese man named Ozu arrives in the building. Only he is able to gain Paloma's trust and to see through Renée's timeworn disguise to the secret that haunts her. This is a moving, funny, triumphant novel that exalts the quiet victories of the inconspicuous among us.

**Monday,
 September 13
 7:30PM-8:45PM
 Bicentennial Room**

**Tuesday, September
 14
 10:30AM-11:15AM
 Bicentennial Room**



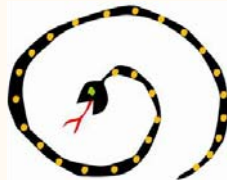
Stories for Twos with Elaine

Ages: 24 to 35 Months with Caregiver (Child MUST BE 24 MONTHS old when program begins)

Enjoy books, crafts, music, and more for the very young.

September 14 and October 5

**Tuesday, September
 14
 3:30PM-4:15PM
 Bicentennial Room**



Serpentine of Mine

Ages: 7 to 9

Presented by:

**The Environmental Education Center
 Somerset County Park Commission**

Do not let snakes make you hiss-terical. There is a wide diversity of reptile species, and many of them are *not* venomous. In fact, they play an important role in the ecology. Join us as we seek out all you need to know about snakes in the grass and elsewhere.

When & Where

Program Description

Wednesday,
September 15
4:00PM-5:00PM
Bicentennial Room



Learning with Leisa

Ages: 5 and 6 (Must be 5 or older when programs begins)

A craft, a snack, and read-along stories for children of kindergarten age and up. Join us!

Wednesday, September 15, 29, October 13 and 27

Wednesday,
September 15
6:00PM-8:30PM
Room with
Fireplace

Wednesday Table Games

Grades: 5 and up

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Thursday,
September 16
10:00AM-12:00PM
Seniors Room

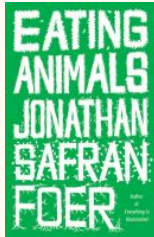
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Bicentennial Room



Social Action Nonfiction Book Club

Ages: Adult

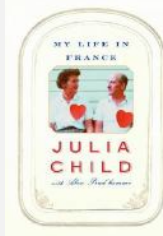
Third Thursday of the Month at 7:30 PM

This Month's Selection:

**BOOK: *Eating Animals*
by Jonathan Safran Foer**

Brilliantly synthesizing philosophy, literature, science, memoir and his own detective work, 'Eating Animals' explores the many fictions we use to justify our eating habits--from folklore to pop culture to family traditions and national myth--and how such tales can lull us into a brutal forgetting.

Monday,
September 20
12:00PM-1:00PM
Bicentennial Room



Tasty Bites and Books Book Club

Ages: Adult

Bring a bag lunch and share your thoughts!

This Month's Selection:

***My Life in France*
by Julia Child**

The legendary food expert describes her years in Paris, Marseille, and Provence and her journey from a young woman who could not cook or speak any French to the publication of her cookbooks and becoming 'The French Chef.'

When & Where

Program Description

Mah Jongg Club Of Watchung

All Ages

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Introduction to Qi Gong

Presented by: Patty Barron

Ages: Adult

**Monday,
 September 20
 7:00PM-8:00PM
 Bicentennial Room**

Qi gong (pronounced Chi gong) means 'energy work' and essentially, it is the art of cultivating your vital energy or Qi to promote health and vitality by moving slowly without strain.

Join us for an easy and relaxing way to better health.

September 20, October 4 and 11



Music to Move By with Ann Wild

Ages: Birth through age 4 with Caregiver

**Wednesday,
 September 22
 10:00AM-10:45AM
 Bicentennial Room**

Don't miss Ann – there will be music, rhythms and fun for everyone!

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Wednesday, September 8, 22, October 6 and 20



Music to Move By with Ann Wild

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**Wednesday,
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 Bicentennial Room**

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Wednesday, September 8, 22, October 6 and 20



Hoots and Howls

Ages: 7 to 9

Presented by:

**The Environmental Education Center
 Somerset County Park Commission**

**Wednesday,
 September 22
 3:30PM-4:15PM
 Bicentennial Room**

Discover who's out there in the forest and fields as the sun sets and the full moon rises.

When & Where

Program Description

Wednesday,
 September 22
 6:00PM-6:15PM
 Room with
 Fireplace

Wednesday Table Games

For Grades: 5 and up

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Thursday,
 September 23
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 Seniors Room

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Thursday,
 September 23
 10:30AM-11:15AM
 Bicentennial Room

Thursday Treats for Toddlers

Ages: 2 1/2 to 3 with Caregiver

Enjoy books, songs, fingerplays, flannelboard stories, puppets and crafts - of course!

Thursday, September 23 and October 14

Saturday, September
 25
 2:00PM-3:00PM
 Bicentennial Room

Make It, Take It Craft

For Grades 5 and up

Bring your creativity and sense of fun. We'll provide the supplies for making magnets for your locker or refrigerator.

Please pre-register to ensure enough supplies for all. Register from the library's online *Calendar of Events*, or by email to tcoss@sclsnj.org, or by calling 908-561-0117.

Monday,
 September 27
 1:00PM-4:00PM
 Seniors Room

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When & Where

Program Description

Monday,
 September 27
 7:00PM-8:00PM
 Bicentennial Room

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September 20, October 4 and 11

Tuesday, September
 28
 7:30PM-8:30PM
 Bicentennial Room

1st Look Books

Ages: 13 to18

Read a new book before it's in the stores! Then give us your opinion of it and you can keep the book! New members always welcome but please see registration note below.

September 28 and October 26

Registering for this program:

First-timers MUST Pre-Register and provide an email address because a parent/guardian must sign a participation acknowledgement form. The form will be emailed prior to the meeting date. Bring the completed form with you to the meeting. Register online or by email to tcross@sclsnj.org.

Wednesday,
 September 29
 4:00PM-5:00PM
 Bicentennial Room



Learning with Leisa

Ages: 5 and 6 (Must be 5 or older when programs begins)

A craft, a snack, and read-along stories for children of kindergarten age and up. Join us!

Wednesday. September 15, 29, October 13 and 27

Wednesday,
 September 29
 6:00PM-8:15PM
 Room with
 Fireplace

Wednesday Table Games

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Thursday,
 September 30
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 September 30
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 Bicentennial Room

Music for Special Needs Kids

Ages: Birth through age 5 with Caregiver

In this program for children with speech and language issues, Ann Wild will use music to make connections. Class size is limited to six students.

September 30 and October 21

Thursday,
 September 30
 7:00PM-8:00PM
 Seniors Room



Kenny Cunningham: Journey to the '60s and '70s

Ages: Adults

Come to the Library and hear Kenny play such favorites as 'Norwegian Wood', 'Scarborough Fair', 'Heart of Gold', and Mrs. Robinson' with his fingerstyle guitar playing and vocal accompaniment.

Kenny Cunningham, a Liverpool acoustic guitarist/singer/songwriter influenced by Simon & Garfunkel and the Beatles, will perform classic favorites from the 60's-70's with stories of the music and of a 'Liverpudlian' living in the US. Kenny has played in clubs in the South of France, London, Liverpool, on Caribbean yachts and in private and public venues in the US such as the NJ State Fair, festivals and libraries.

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Thursday, October 07
4:00PM-5:00PM
Bicentennial Room



Miss June's Room

Ages: 4 to 6

Relax and have fun making a project, hearing a story and enjoying a snack.

For this program, you only need to register your child's name, even though the parent/caregiver may be in attendance. Please register each child separately.

Two Classes: September 2 and October 7

Friday, October 08
7:00PM-9:00PM
Seniors Room

Gaming at Your Library

For Grades 5 and up

It's Friday night. It's after hours. It's video gaming fun with friends and food. Please pre-register so there will be enough for all. Register online, or by emailing tcoss@sclsnj.org, or by calling 908-561-0117.

Monday, October 11
10:00AM-9:00PM
Bicentennial Room

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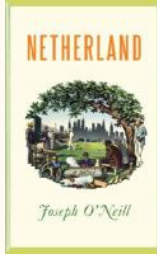
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Program Description

Thursday, October 14
 7:00PM-8:45PM
 Bicentennial Room



Watchung Book Discussion Group

Ages: Adult

Second Thursday of the Month at 7:00PM

This Month's Selection:

Netherland

by Joseph O'Neill

In a New York City made phantasmagorical by the events of 9/11, Hans--a banker originally from the Netherlands--finds himself marooned among the strange occupants of the Chelsea Hotel after his English wife and son return to London. Alone and untethered, feeling lost in the country he had come to regard as home, Hans stumbles upon the vibrant New York subculture of cricket, where he revisits his lost childhood and, thanks to a friendship with a charismatic and charming Trinidadian named Chuck Ramkissoon, begins to reconnect with his life and his adopted country.

Monday, October 18
 1:00PM-4:00PM
 Seniors Room

Mah Jongg Club Of Watchung

All Ages

All Mah Jongg Players are welcome! The Club meets every Monday in Watchung, and alternates between Watchung and Warren Libraries on Tuesdays, excluding holidays. Please email Melanie Novello at Novello1800@aol.com, if you are interested in playing, to receive a weekly EVITE for the Monday Mah Jongg Club of Watchung and the Tuesday Mah Jongg Club at either the Watchung or Warren libraries.

Beginners are encouraged to come to the Warren Library, when the club meets on Tuesdays, and where instruction is always available.

Monday, October 18
 7:30PM-9:00PM
 Bicentennial Room

CURRENT BOOKS Book Club

Ages: Adult

Current Books Book Club Second Monday of the Month at 7:30 PM (with exceptions for holidays)

This Month's Selection:

The House at Sugar Beach: A Memoir

by Helene Cooper

The author traces her childhood in war-torn Liberia and her reunion with a foster sister who had been left behind when her family fled the region.

Wednesday, October 20
 10:00AM-10:45AM
 Bicentennial Room



Music to Move By with Ann Wild

Ages: Birth through age 4 with Caregiver

Don't miss Ann – there will be music, rhythms and fun for everyone!

IMPORTANT: There is a session at 10:00AM followed by a **REPEAT** of that session at 11:00AM. You must **choose ONE** time for all four dates.

Wednesday, September 8, 22, October 6 and 20

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When & Where

Program Description

Wednesday, October 20
 3:30PM-4:15PM
 Bicentennial Room



Let's Get Batty

Ages: 7 to 9

Presented by:

**The Environmental Education Center
 Somerset County Park Commission**

Holy cow, Batman - bats are amazing mammals!! They fly with wings, eat tons and tons of insects, and they hibernate too. Come learn all about our bat friends that live in New Jersey. You'll play some bat games and make bat crafts.

Wednesday Table Games

For Grades 5 and up

Wednesday, October 20
 6:00PM-8:30PM
 Room with Fireplace

Looking for a little fun in the middle of the week? The table in the main room is available for playing board and card games on Wednesday nights. Play with friends or challenge the librarian. Bring your own game or choose from the librarian's stash.

Don't try to register – this is strictly a “drop-in when you want” program! Available **every Wednesday from September 8 to October 20** beginning at 6 PM.

Watchung Writers Group

Ages: Adult

Thursday, October 21
 10:00AM-12:00PM
 Seniors Room

If you're interested in writing of any kind and want to improve your skills and share your experiences, The Watchung Writers Group would like to meet you. The aim of the Group is to stimulate better writing. We work toward this goal through critiquing, spontaneous writing and examining the various technical aspects of writing. Also, we periodically have guest speakers such as agents, editors and publishers. So, mark your calendar. We look forward to your participation in the writing group.

Any question, contact Gordon McLenithan at gmclenith@aol.com.

Music for Special Needs Kids

Ages: Birth through age 5 with Caregiver

Thursday, October 21
 4:30PM-5:30PM
 Bicentennial Room

In this program for children with speech and language issues, Ann Wild will use music to make connections. Class size is limited to six students.

September 30 and October 21

Social Action Nonfiction Book Club

Ages: Adult

Thursday, October 21
 7:00PM-9:00PM
 Bicentennial Room

Third Thursday of the Month at 7:00PM

This Month's Selection:

MOVIE: *The Ground Truth*

Documents the stories of American men and women who heeded the call for military service in Afghanistan and Iraq and the challenges they faced upon their return home.

Teen Café

For Grades 5 to 8

Saturday, October 23
 2:00PM-3:00PM
 Kitchen

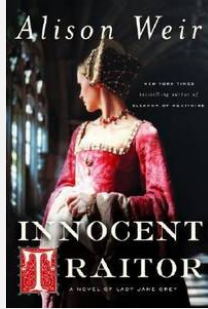
Create a creepy but delicious Halloween treat!

Please pre-register to ensure enough supplies for all. Register from the library's online *Calendar of Events*, or by email to tcoss@sclsnj.org, or by calling 908-561-0117.

When & Where

Program Description

Monday, October 25
 12:00PM-1:00PM
 Bicentennial Room



Tasty Bites and Books

Ages: Adult

Bring a bag lunch and share your thoughts!

This Month's Selection:

Innocent Traitor
 by Alison Weir

A fictional portrait of Lady Jane Grey, the great-niece of Henry VIII and cousin to his children, follows her turbulent life against the backdrop of Tudor power politics and religious upheaval, from her youth, to her nine-day reign as Queen of England, to its tragic aftermath.

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1st Look Books

Ages: 13 to 18

Read a new book before it's in the stores! Then give us your opinion of it and you can keep the book! New members always welcome but please see registration note below.

Tuesday, October 26
 7:30PM-8:30PM
 Bicentennial Room

September 28 and October 26

Registering for this program:

First-timers MUST Pre-Register and provide an email address because a parent/guardian must sign a participation acknowledgement form. The form will be emailed prior to the meeting date. Bring the completed form with you to the meeting. Register from the library's online *Calendar of Events* or by email to tcoss@sclsnj.org.

Wednesday, October 27
 4:00PM-5:00PM
 Bicentennial Room



Learning with Leisa

Ages: 5 and 6 (Must be 5 or older when programs begins)

A craft, a snack, and read-along stories for children of kindergarten age and up. Join us!

Wednesday. September 15, 29, October 13 and 27

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 10:00AM-12:00PM
 Seniors Room

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