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Library news September 7, 2026

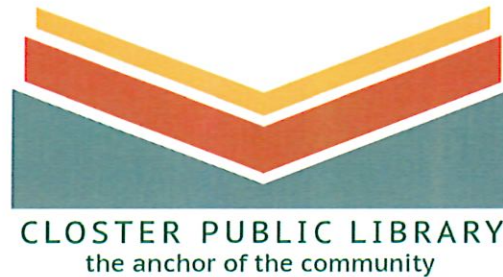
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September 7, 2026

LABOR DAY



The Library will be closed today, Monday September 7th for Labor Day.

BELSKIE LIBRARY ART WALL

Paintings by Barry Shiff

September 7 - October 18

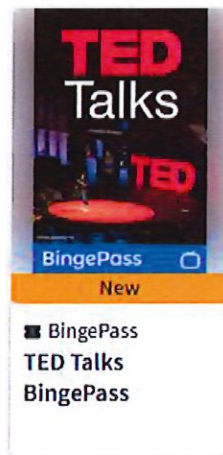
Barry Shiff was born in Brookline, Massachusetts, raised in Boston, and you can still hear the New England twang in his speech. He moved to New Jersey in 1978, and stayed.

His interest in art started early in his childhood, and he still tells the story of his delight with a small set of colors he received as a gift from his sister. He received his fine art training from the Museum School of Fine Arts in Boston and he studied

life drawing with Don La Cedra at the Copley Society. He is an accomplished artist who works primarily in oil and watercolor.



RESOURCES



TED Talks now on Hoopla

TED Talks have partnered with Hoopla to bring you short videos on a large range of topics, including science, art, music, design, and many others.

Use your Closter Library card to borrow one of the TED talk BingPasses and you can watch unlimited TED talks for a week. A BingPass counts as only one of your borrows.

[Click Here to see the collection.](#)

COMING SOON

Advanced ESL Conversation

Mondays 10-11:30am, starting September 14

The Advanced Conversation ESL classes will resume on Monday, September 14, 2026, at 10 am. Classes will focus on conversation about topics of general interest, movies, articles, and personal experiences. Vocabulary expansion and improved pronunciation are important goals and grammar will be addressed as needed.

Contingent on the enrollment numbers, we may add a second class on Wednesdays from 1-2:30 PM.

[Click here to register.](#) Call or [email](#) the library for more information.



NEW PROGRAMS



Chair Pilates

Tuesdays 12:30pm, starting September 8

This Pilates inspired workout is suitable for people who have difficulties getting down on the floor and prefer the support of a chair.

We are using all of the same Pilates fundamentals and principles to improve posture, muscle tone, balance and joint mobility as well as relieve stress and tension.

As you age, you lose mobility because of

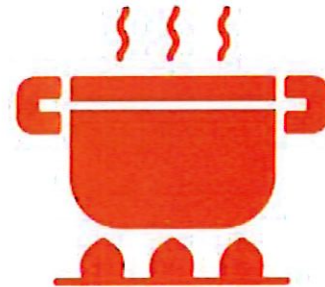
physiological changes. With chair pilates you will practice positions that challenge your body's orientation to gravity and you can practice movements that put the least amount of stress on your joints, while at the same time stabilizing your range of motion, and making you stronger. For maximum benefit please bring one or two pound weights to class.

[Contact the library for more information.](#)

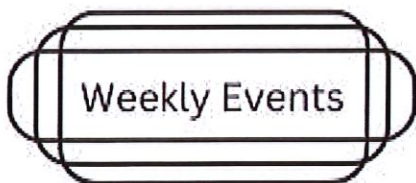
The Queens of Potluck (An International Cookbook Club)

**2nd Tuesday of the Month 6:15pm,
starting September 8**

Whether you're an enthusiastic home cook or someone who needs inspiration to try something new for dinner, let's gather on the second Tuesday of each month to travel the world via our palate. We will take inspiration from (library) cookbooks that feature cuisines from different corners of the globe.



On our first meeting this September 8, 2026, let's introduce ourselves with a dish from a cookbook we like. At each meeting, we will decide on a country's cuisine to explore together the following month. Please [email](#) the library for information and to sign up. Joy is beautiful at any age!



Tuesday

10-11:30pm - 1to1 ESL tutoring

Wednesday

6-7 pm Yoga/Meditation

Thursday

10-11:30am - 1to1 ESL tutoring

12:30-2pm - Knitting and Craft

4:30 Zumba on Zoom

Saturday

1:30-2:30 - Intermediate ESL - [Click here to register.](#)

2-3pm Tech Help



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THE LIBRARY IS ALWAYS OPEN ONLINE

As ever, please contact the library:

Ruth and **Deborah** for general questions

Vida for Kids N Young Adults question

Tim for Reference questions and issues with electronic media

Julia for the short story club

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Bergen250 Resumes Revolutionary War Roundtable Series

1 message

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BERGEN250 RESUMES REVOLUTIONARY WAR ROUNDTABLE SERIES WITH DIVE INTO TWO NOTABLE FIGURES AND THEIR IMPACT ON BERGEN COUNTY

*Learn More about John Fell, Patriot and Signer of the Declaration of Independence, and
William Franklin, Last Colonial Governor of New Jersey*

HACKENSACK, NJ – Bergen250, the Bergen County Division of Cultural & Historic Affairs, and the County of Bergen invite the public and media to attend the first lecture of the fall 2026 American Revolutionary War Roundtable Series on Wednesday, September 9th at 7:00 PM at the Bergen County Administration Building's 1st Floor Multipurpose Room, [1 Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack, NJ](#).

William Franklin, illegitimate son of Benjamin Franklin, was the last royal governor of New Jersey. John Fell led the local opposition to the British during that time. Although their paths probably never crossed, their dual lives provide a unique look at New Jersey in Revolutionary times.

In honor of the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, noted local author, Jim Wright of Allendale, will talk about these two exceptional men – and their legacies in Northwest Bergen County.

For those unable to attend in person, the lecture will be recorded and published on the County of Bergen's [official YouTube channel](#) following the event.

Fall 2026 Lineup (7pm at the One Bergen County Plaza Multipurpose Room):

September 9th: "The Turncoat & The Patriot" Presented by Jim Wright

October 14th: "The Baylor Massacre" Presented by Edmund Moderacki

November 10th: "George Rogers Clark & The Revolutionary War in the West. The Siege of Fort Vicennes, February 23-25, 1779" Presented by Pat Schuber

December 9th: "Pillage, Plunder, and Arson in 1780 in Bergen County: Material Culture of the Inhabitants" Presented by Peggy Norris

About Bergen250

Bergen250 is Bergen County's initiative to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution, highlighting the county's critical role in the nation's founding and engaging the public through lectures, events, and community programming. For more information, visit www.Bergen250.com.

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The Bergen County Executive, James J. Tedesco III and the Board of Commissioners
invite you to

Bergen250



REVOLUTIONARY WAR ROUNDTABLE SPEAKER SERIES

ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA, 1ST FLOOR MULTIPURPOSE ROOM
HACKENSACK, NJ



**SEPT.
9
7:00PM**

JIM WRIGHT
**THE TURNCOAT &
THE PATRIOT**

EDMUND MODERACKI
**THE BAYLOR
MASSACRE**

**OCT.
14
7:00PM**



**NOV.
10
7:00PM**

PAT SCHUBERT

**GEORGE ROGERS CLARK & THE
REVOLUTIONARY WAR IN THE WEST.
THE SIEGE OF FORT VICENNES,
FEBRUARY 23-25, 1779**

PEGGY NORRIS
**PILLAGE, PLUNDER, AND ARSON IN
1780 IN BERGEN COUNTY: MATERIAL
CULTURE OF THE INHABITANTS**

**DEC.
9
7:00PM**



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Public Works Qualifications, Drinking Water Hearing, Brownfields Webinars

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Weekly Roundup <njleague@njlm.org>

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Weekly Roundup

September 9, 2026

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State Issues

Governor Sherrill Signs Law Creating Minimum Qualifications for the PWCR

Governor Sherrill has signed into law A-4072/S-3405, which establishes minimum qualifications for persons employed on public works contracts. The new law will take effect on September 9, 2027.

Contact: Lori Buckelew, Deputy Executive Director, lbuckelew@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x112.

Read more: Governor Sherrill Signs Law Creating Minimum Qualifications for the PWCR

State Health Benefits Commission Rate Setting Meeting

The State Health Benefits Commission met September 3 to adopt the renewal rates for Plan Year 2027 and consider eight resolutions. Only two resolutions received the requisite votes to pass.

Contacts: Lori Buckelew, Deputy Executive Director, lbuckelew@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x112, or Erin Knoedler, Legislative Analyst, eknoedler@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x116.

Read more: State Health Benefits Commission Rate Setting Meeting

Federal Issues

House Subcommittee Held Drinking Water Legislation Hearing

On September 3, the House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Environment held a hearing titled “Reliable Water in the Digital Age: Examining Legislation to Strengthen Drinking Water Systems and Protect Ratepayers.”

Contact: Paul Penna, Director of Government Affairs, ppenna@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x110.

Read more: House Subcommittee Held Drinking Water Legislation Hearing

Federal Surface Transportation Legislation Update

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) programs were set to expire on September 30, but currently the House’s Build America 250 bill is just out of Committee and the Senate has not yet released a draft bill.

Contact: Paul Penna, Director of Government Affairs, ppenna@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x110.

Read more: Federal Surface Transportation Legislation Update

EPA Region 2 Hosting Brownfields Grant Workshop

EPA Region 2 and NJIT TAB is hosting a grant-writing workshop to help municipal officials and community organizations prepare for EPA Brownfields funding opportunities. The hybrid workshop will be held on September 14.

Contact: Ciara Bradley, Research Associate, cbradley@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x128.

Read more: [EPA Region 2 Hosting Brownfields Grant Workshops](#)

Conference Connections

Calling All Veterans! Plans on Tap to Honor Service

As part of the New Jersey League of Municipalities' celebration of the nation's 250th, the League's 111th Annual Conference will include a recognition of municipal officials who have served or are currently serving in one of the branches of the United States Armed Forces.

Municipal officials with current or previous military service are invited to [complete a nomination form](#) by October 6 for inclusion at this year's event.

Awards Opportunities

The League will recognize innovation and service with presentations at Annual Conference events.

[Nominate candidates for the Mayors' Hall of Fame.](#) Nominees must be serving as mayor and their years of mayoral service will specify their level of recognition: 10+ years, silver level; 20+ years, gold level; and 30+ years, platinum level.

[Submit nominations for the Elected Officials' Hall of Fame.](#) Take a moment to recognize local municipal governing body members, active and retired, who have served for 20 or more years as a governing body member.

[Spotlight your efforts, participate in the Innovation in Governance recognition program.](#) Apply by October 3 to showcase your municipality's innovative solutions reviewed and selected for award by the New Jersey

Department of Community Affairs (DCA) and the New Jersey League of Municipalities (NJLM).

Support Your Causes, Submit a Conference Resolution

[Submit a topic consideration as a Conference Resolution](#) if you have a topic to improve local government and address an issue impacting local governance. Or, if you already have a resolution drafted, please submit [your resolution for consideration](#). The resolution will be reviewed by League staff and presented at the Resolutions Committee meeting during the Annual League Conference. Visit the [Conference Resolutions webpage](#) for more details on the process and answers to common questions.

Also of Interest

NJ Municipalities Magazine Blog: Free Rides! Asbury Park Launches Shuttle

Fall at the shore just got a bit easier to navigate. The City of Asbury Park has launched a seasonal free shuttle service for residents and visitors that will run through September 28. [Read about it in this week's *NJ Municipalities* magazine blog.](#)

Want to share your local story in the blog or print magazine? Please send in your 300- to 1,200-word items and photos.

Contact: Amy Spiezio, Editor, aspiezio@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x123.

Governor's Housing Conference Registration Now Open

The Governor's Conference on Housing and Economic Development will be on September 29 and 30 at Harrah's Resort Atlantic City.

Registration is [now open](#).

Contact: Paul Penna, Director of Government Affairs, ppenna@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x110.

NJEDA Garden State C-PACE Webinar

On October 1 at 10 a.m., the New Jersey Economic Development Authority is hosting an informational webinar on the Garden State C-PACE program. This program is a voluntary financing tool that allows qualifying commercial property owners to access financing.

Contact: Erin Knoedler, Legislative Analyst, eknoedler@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x116.

Read more: NJEDA Garden State C-PACE Webinar

OVC Grants to Prevent Trafficking of Girls Available

The DOJ Office for Victims of Crime is offering grants to support prevention and early intervention services for girls and young women at risk of or affected by human trafficking. Applications are due October 6.

Contact: Ciara Bradley, Research Associate, cbradley@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x128.

Read more: OVC Grants to Prevent Trafficking of Girls Available

Safe Drinking Water Cybersecurity Grant Program Offered

NJCCIC is offering cybersecurity tools, technologies, and services to help New Jersey water and wastewater organizations reduce cyber risks and strengthen system resilience. Applications are due September 30, 2026.

Contact: Ciara Bradley, Research Associate, cbradley@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x128.

Read more: Safe Drinking Water Cybersecurity Grant Program Offered

NEA Arts and Artifacts Indemnity Program Funding Opportunity Open

The NEA is accepting applications for international and domestic indemnity coverage to reduce insurance costs for eligible international exhibitions of significant art and artifacts. Applications are due September 14.

Contact: Ciara Bradley, Research Associate, cbradley@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x128.

Read more: NEA Arts and Artifacts Indemnity Program Funding
Opportunity Open

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Cyber and Counterintelligence Newark Field Office



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