

PLAINFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Plainfield Public Library Celebrates National Card and Letter Writing Month

The Plainfield Public Library announces a new exhibit in celebration of National Card and Letter Writing Month. The Library is displaying selected items from its historical collections of photographs, postcards, and personal papers & manuscripts: ***Put A Stamp On It!***

The exhibit will feature rare letters, including the notable John Quincy Adams letter and a special fundraising letter written by Col. Mason W. Tyler to his grandfather, Joseph W. Sandford, in support of the city's first public library. In addition are Civil War letters from Vail family and correspondence from Dorothea Dix and Reina Lawrence. The letters will be interspersed with historical photographs, ephemera, artifacts, and realia – both part of the library's collection and on loan.

In conjunction with the fun and educational exhibit, the library will hold a letter-writing program, **Letter Writing & Decorating**. Join the letter-writing challenge! Try to write and send a letter every day there is postal service – or just try to send one each week! Attendees can select from an assortment of fun stationary, then write and embellish their letters. The library will stamp and mail the letter for you! Attendees will also receive a free Plainfield Public Library pen! The program is offered on two dates: **April 4th at 6 p.m.** in the ALD Room **and April 6th at 3 p.m.** in Room 5. This hands-on letter writing activity is free and all ages are welcome to attend one or both sessions. Registration is requested.

The *Put A Stamp On It!* exhibit will be on display in the lobby from April 3rd through the end of May.

Plainfield Public Library is located at 800 Park Avenue. For hours of operation, call 908-757-1111 or check the website at plainfieldlibrary.info.

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Plainfield Post Office, c. 1920s.



Vintage Plainfield Postcard, ca. 1910s



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