

Longwood Public Library July/August Newsletter 2024

Serving the communities of Coram, Gordon Heights, Lake Panamoka, Medford, Middle Island, Ridge, East Yaphank & Yaphank

Friends of the Library Scholarships Awarded

We're thrilled to congratulate our outstanding graduating seniors, Erin Stumpf and Brooke Lakas, for being awarded the prestigious Friends of the Library Scholarships worth \$1,000 each! Their dedication to the public library shines through their active participation in library programs, community service, and extensive utilization of library resources throughout their high school years. Join us in celebrating their achievement and commitment to the power of knowledge and community!

Thank You, Friends of the Library!

The library received a generous \$8,000 donation from the Friends of the Library at their June General Meeting. Learn more about projects and events funded by the Friends and how to become a member at:

longwoodlibrary.org/friends

Community Yarn Project Art Installation on Exhibit

This summer, visit our mezzanine to admire the beautiful tapestry created by our community members as part of the Community Yarn Project, along with charming yarn birds made by children, and a delightful Very Hungry Caterpillar crafted by our talented teens. After the display, the tapestry will be stitched into blankets and scarves for those in need this fall. Celebrate creativity and community spirit with us!

Summer Library Tour

Get ready to explore Suffolk County libraries this summer with your Summer Library Tour booklet! From July 1 through August 31, visit public libraries across the county. As you explore each library, don't forget to find their unique artifact and collect a stamp at their Stamp Station in your booklet. Plus, every 5th, 15th, and 25th library visits automatically enter you into exciting raffles. Reach your 25th library visit to become an official Summer Tour Library Explorer and receive a special commemorative patch – while supplies last!

Exciting News!

We've Completed the NexTrex Challenge Twice!

Thanks to our community and our partnership with Middle Island Civic, we collected 1,500 pounds of soft plastics and earned two benches. By popular demand, we're signing up for a third time! Let's keep making a difference together!

Discounted Venue Tickets

Show your current adult LPL card at the Circulation Desk to purchase discounted tickets and receive discount codes to local attractions!

- Adventureland
- Gateway Playhouse
- Long Island Aquarium
- Splish Splash Water Park
- Watch Hill Ferry
- Whale Watching Tours with CRESLI & Viking Fleet

For more information visit longwoodlibrary.org/tickets or call (631) 924-6400 x221.

Summer Reading

Join the adventure at your library this summer! Earn raffle tickets by reading, attending programs, and joining activities for a chance to win fantastic prizes.

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Featured Events

- A World of Song & Dance Series
 - Wonderland: Curious Nature New York Botanical Garden Bus Trip
 - Lester H. Davis Town Meeting House Tour
 - Kovarik Author Talk: An Afternoon with Bestselling Author Diane Chamberlain
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1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Learn more online at: longwoodlibrary.org/1KBK

Adalynn, Aria, Brayden, Landon, and Mia

Bayles Local History Room

Thomas R. Bayles Local History Room holds many documents and items relating to the Longwood community. You may speak with a Local History Librarian by calling (631) 924-6400 x246 or email your questions to baylesroom@longwoodlibrary.org.

- Bayles photographs and family files
- Biographies
- Cemetery transcriptions
- Correspondence
- Deeds
- Local population censuses
- Genealogical reference books
- House histories
- Long Island Forum
- Manuscripts, clippings and scrapbooks
- Maps and atlases
- Minutes of library and some school board meetings
- Periodicals
- Postcards
- Town records
- War histories
- Wills

Ask an Archivist

Call the Adult Reference Desk at **(631) 924-6400 x250** or register in person for an appointment. No walk-ins.

Registration ongoing

Local History Librarian and Certified Archivist Melanie Cardone-Leathers can help you sort through your family's documents, photos, and other personal items and create a plan to preserve them. Reserve a one-hour time slot to start preserving your family's history.

Genealogy Drop In

Saturday, July 13 from 2:00-3:00 pm

No registration

Getting Started with Your Family Tree on FamilySearch: Explore the branches of your family tree with our Local History Librarian, Georgie! Dive into the captivating world of ancestry research using the powerful tools of FamilySearch. Whether you're a novice or an experienced genealogist, join us for a casual and informative gathering where you can share discoveries, seek guidance, and connect with others on the journey to uncovering your roots.

Lester H. Davis Town Meeting House Tour

Saturday, July 20 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Registration begins July 1

We are pleased to partner with the Davis Town Meeting House Society this summer to host a tour of the site. Come see the newly restored house and grounds and learn the history behind this important site in our community.

The Lester H. Davis House is located at the corner of Middle Country Road and Coram-Mount Sinai Road in Coram.

Parking is available behind the house.

Legendary Women of Long Island

Thursday, August 15 from 12:00-1:00 pm

Registration begins July 9

During the glory days of Long Island's fabled Gold Coast, all of society was ruled by an elite group of glamorous women. They were the first American super-stars as their lives, loves, and scandals played out on the pages of newspapers all over the country. Join historian and author Monica Randall for a glimpse into the sensational histories of these women including Alva Vanderbilt, Mrs. Clarence Mackay, Barbara Hutton, the Countess of Bismarck, Ann Woodward, Zelda Fitzgerald, and others.

A Taste of Longwood: The History of Our Community Through Food

Wednesday, August 21 from 6:30 pm-8:00 pm

Registration begins July 22

Diane Schwindt from Stirring Up History will join our local history librarian for a culinary journey through our community's history. Learn about the history of Middle Island, from its start as a farming community through to today. A sampling of the foods discussed will be offered.

SPOTLIGHT ON HISTORY: Irving Berlin and Camp Upton

In 1918, noted songwriter Irving Berlin was drafted into the U.S. Army. Born in Russia as Israel Baline, Berlin had become a US citizen only weeks before he was called up to serve. He was sent to Camp Upton in Yaphank and was assigned to the 20th Infantry, 152nd Depot Brigade; however, General Bell, commander of Camp Upton, soon realized that Berlin would be a better fit as an entertainer for the troops instead of a soldier. General Bell promoted Berlin to the rank of sergeant and assigned him the role of creating a musical revue to raise the morale of his fellow soldiers. In addition to the show, General Bell wanted to raise funds for a community house at Camp Upton. Legend has it that Berlin used this opportunity to negotiate a schedule that better suited his late hours of songwriting. In exchange for creating the show, *Yip! Yip! Yaphank!* Berlin was allowed to disregard the dreaded morning bugle call and miss reporting at reveille.

Yip! Yip! Yaphank! was an all-male soldier-produced musical revue that featured acrobatics, dancers, and jugglers, in addition to military drills choreographed to music by Berlin. Berlin wrote his most recognized song for this show, "God Bless America," but felt that it didn't fit the overall upbeat nature of the production and removed it from the lineup. *Yip! Yip! Yaphank!* had a two-month run on Broadway with 32 performances, raising over \$83,000 to create the community house at Camp Upton, although it was never built. For the finale, "We're on Our Way to France," the whole company wore their full gear and marched out of the theater, down the aisles, and out to the street. However, on the night of the final performance in September 1918, the audience saw the usual ending, but this time, after the main performers marched through the aisles, Sgt. Irving Berlin and the rest of the crew were similarly dressed and marched out of the theater. The men were actually going off to war and heading to France.

In 1941, Berlin used *Yip! Yip! Yaphank!* as the basis for a new play called *This Is The Army*. The show benefitted the Army Emergency Relief Fund and was taken worldwide to entertain American troops, earning \$10 million during its three-year run. As for "God Bless America," Berlin offered Kate Smith the song for her radio show, and on November 11, 1938, Smith sang the song for the first time in honor of the 20th anniversary of Armistice Day. Today, "God Bless America" is regularly sung at sporting events across the country.

Want to learn more about Irving Berlin? Come to our program, *There's No Business Like Show Business: The Music of Irving Berlin*, in August. See inside for more information.

Adult Classes & Events

2024 Adult Summer Reading Club

June 3–August 18

Adventure awaits! Join us for our Adult Summer Reading Club! Sign up to receive a cotton tote as a registration prize. Then, spend time reading and/or listening to books and attending programs to receive raffle tickets toward chances to win fabulous prizes!

Register at longwoodlibrary.org or on the Beanstack app.

Supported by Friends of the Library

4th Annual Vincent Rodgers Memorial Blood Drive

Wednesday, July 17 from 1:00-7:00 pm

Help us reach our goal of 40 donors!

There is a critical blood shortage in our area; nearly 2,000 donations are needed each day in New York and New Jersey alone.

The entire donation process takes less than an hour, and a single donation can save multiple lives.

You may donate if you are at least 17 years old, weigh 110 pounds or more, and are in good health. Donors with O-negative blood type are especially encouraged to donate, as their blood can be used in emergencies.

Appointments are suggested, but walk-ins are welcome.

To make an appointment, please call the New York Blood Center at **1-800-933-2566** or visit **www.nybc.org**

A World of Song and Dance Open to all

Somewhere in Time with Shiloh Piano and Cello Duo

Thursday, July 11 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration ongoing

Join us for an evening of beautiful romantic melodies with Shiloh, the Long Island based duo of classically trained cellist Barbara Feltkamp and pianist Phoebe Yee. They will perform their “Somewhere in Time - Beautiful Musical Moments” selections featuring timeless classics that span the decades.

There's No Business Like Show Business:

The Music of Irving Berlin

Thursday, August 8 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration ongoing

From his first hit song “Alexander’s Ragtime Band” in 1911 through “An Old-Fashioned Wedding,” written for the 1966 revival of *Annie Get Your Gun*, Berlin’s 1,500 songs reached the hearts of Americans and paid tribute to his adopted country. This Plaza Theatrical program will honor the man and spotlight his music, which remains an integral part of our musical heritage.

Dances of India Performance and Workshop

Saturday, August 24 from 2:00-3:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Learn about Indian culture through dance and music with Ajna Dance Company! Enjoy their performance of three different styles of Indian dances followed by a live, interactive Bollywood and Bhangra dance workshop.

These events are co-sponsored by Suffolk County and Legislator Nick Caracappa.

Train Trip to NYC

Saturday, August 10, on the 9:20 am train
from LIRR's Ronkonkoma Train Station.

Fee: \$10.75 per ticket round trip (cash only, exact change please, and no refunds)

LIRR ticket prices are subject to change without prior notice.

Children 4 years old and under ride free.

Ticket sales begin Monday, July 15 at 9:30 am at the Circulation Desk.

There is a 4-ticket limit per adult LPL cardholder (cardholders must be present). While supplies last.

Tickets are valid for the August 10 trip only.

Travel as a group at a reduced rate from the Ronkonkoma Railroad Station to Penn Station NYC. Please remember that you must sit in the first two cars of the train. This is because you'll be traveling under a library group ticket for the westbound leg of the trip only. For your return (eastbound) trip, you may use your individual ticket for any other LIRR train that day and may sit wherever you like.

****Schedules are subject to change without notice. Please check the LIRR website for important updates and schedule changes prior to your trip.****

Wonderland: Curious Nature

New York Botanical Garden Bus Trip

Tuesday, September 3 from approximately 8:00 am-6:00 pm

Non-refundable fee: \$75 per person cash (exact change) or
major credit card (can pay online) due at registration

Registration begins July 22

Limit 2 registrations per LPL cardholder

Won't you join us for tea? Head down the rabbit hole as NYBG Wonderland: Curious Nature transforms its 250 acres through the sights, settings, and scents of the classic story of Alice's Adventures in Wonderland – and step into a botanical experience that grows curiouiser and curiouiser as you set off on your immersive journey. Includes round trip coach transportation and admission to the New York Botanical Gardens. Lunch on your own. Self-guided tour. Gratuity not included. Dress for the weather and wear comfortable shoes.

KOVARIK AUTHOR TALK

An Afternoon with Bestselling Author Diane Chamberlain

Saturday, October 5 at 2:00 pm

Registration begins Friday, August 30

Limit 3 registrations per adult LPL cardholder.

Hurry before registration opens to all on Monday, September 9!

Diane Chamberlain is the *New York Times*, *USA Today*, and *Sunday Times* bestselling author of 27 novels published in more than twenty languages. Influenced by her former career as a social worker and psychotherapist, she writes suspenseful stories that touch both heart and mind. She will discuss her works ending with a Q&A session and book signing. Books will be sold at the event.

DNA and Famous Murder Cases

Tuesday, July 9 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins July 1

Retired forensic science educator Linda Maria Frank discusses how DNA analysis was used and misused in the trials of O.J. Simpson, Scott Peterson, Sam Sheppard, and the Boston Strangler.

Broadway on a Budget

Friday, July 19 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins July 2

Theater enthusiast Brian Stoll discusses all things Broadway! Listen along as he shares the history and importance of the Broadway Playbill and why audience members collect these memorable theater keepsakes. Also, learn a variety of money-saving tips on how to see Broadway shows for under \$60 a ticket!

Metal Detecting 101

Monday, July 22 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Join local metal detectorist Don Deaner to learn about metal detecting techniques, the type and cost of equipment, rules and protocols, and other basics of the metal detecting craft. He'll also share some of his oldest and most exciting finds.

Radio Controlled Model Aircraft Display and Flight Simulator

Saturday, July 27 from 11:00 am-2:00 pm

No registration

Come meet members of the Long Island Flying Eagles, see their display of radio-controlled model aircraft, and test your RC flying skills with their flight simulator.

Headline News

Wednesdays, July 31 and August 28 from 2:00-3:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join John Merenda for a lively discussion about current events. All in attendance will listen to one another in a respectful manner during this program. Register for each date you are attending.

Celebrating 60 Years of Doctor Who

Tuesday, August 6 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Whether you're new to Doctor Who or have been a fan for decades, join professor and podcaster Stephanie Reese for a look back on how the show started and the journey it's been on for the last 60 years.

The I Love Lucy Story: Birth of the Modern-Day Sitcom

Tuesday, August 13 from 2:00-3:00 pm

Registration begins July 5

Join Sal St. George for a behind-the-scenes look at one of the most beloved television shows ever created. When Desi Arnaz and Lucille Ball fell in love on the set of the film *Too Many Girls*, they never imagined that together they would revolutionize the television industry. We will examine the early careers of both Lucy and Desi, how they met, their battles with CBS, and the ultimate creation of Desilu Studios.

Trash or Treasure: Eddie and Jean Costello's Antique Roadshow

Saturday, August 17 from 2:00-4:00 pm

Registration begins July 8

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Do you have something that is old, unusual, valuable, or even bizarre? Bring it to the Longwood Public Library! Learn how to identify today's hottest antiques and collectibles with certified appraiser Eddie Costello. The first 40 people who register may bring only ONE item in for appraisal (no coins, currency, stamps, or firearms), and Eddie will provide an appraisal and rationale for valuation.

Arts & Crafts

Color Your Cares Away

Fridays, July 12 and August 23 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration ongoing

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join us for a relaxing hour of coloring, music, and conversation. All materials will be provided. Register for each date you are attending.

A Knitting and Crochet Circle of Friends

Thursdays, July 25 and August 22 from 10:30 am-12:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Calling all fiber friends! Join us for Longwood's own knitting and crochet group. Bring any project you are working on and take this opportunity to meet other knitters and crocheters in our area. The group will be facilitated by experienced fiber artist, Aimee Saccio. She can help you with questions you may have and offer unique patterns for you to try. All levels are welcome to join us. Register for each date you are attending.

Sand and Seashell Mandala Wall Art

Tuesday, July 30 from 6:30-8:30 pm

Registration begins July 3

Non-refundable materials fee: \$5 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration.

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Come experience the joy of sand and seashell art with award-winning mixed media artist Anna Chan. Unleash your creativity with this one-of-a-kind workshop and bring home the perfect Mandala coastal art to celebrate the season. No prior experience is necessary.

Lighted Summer Sunset Painting

Thursday, August 22 from 6:30-8:30 pm

Registration begins July 10

Non-refundable materials fee: \$12 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration.

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Paint a beautiful tropical summer sunset and bring it to life with LED lights in this painting class with Pamela. All supplies are included. No painting experience is necessary.

Books & Writing

Summer Writing Workshop

Mondays, July 15, 22, 29, and August 5 from 2:00-4:00 pm

Registration begins July 2

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join Anne Kelly-Edmunds and a supportive group of writers in this inspiring writing workshop.

All levels welcome!

Titles and Treats

Tuesdays, July 30 and August 27 from 2:30-3:30 pm

Registration ongoing

Come and hear about interesting yet-to-be released books, as well as our favorites and classics. You are encouraged to share some of your favorite titles with the group, or just sit back, relax, and enjoy some good book chats and treats!

Daytime Book Discussions

Hello Beautiful

by Ann Napolitano

In-person/Zoom

Thursday, July 18 from 3:00-4:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Awarded a college basketball scholarship away from his childhood home silenced by tragedy, a young man befriends a spirited young woman who welcomes him into her loving, loud, chaotic household.

This title is available in eBook and audiobook formats on Libby. You may also pick up a hard copy at the library.

The Measure

by Nikki Erlick

In-person/Zoom

Thursday, August 15 from 3:00-4:00 pm

Registration ongoing

When every person, all over the globe, receives a small wooden box bearing the same inscription, the world is thrown into a collective frenzy. This box holds your fate inside: the answer to the exact number of years you will live.

This title is available in eBook and audio-book formats on Libby. You may also pick up a hard copy at the library beginning July 18.

Evening Book Discussions

The Book Eaters

by Sunyi Dean

Friday, July 26 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Out on the Yorkshire Moors lives a secret line of people for whom books are food, and who retain all of a book's content after eating it.

This title is available in eBook and audiobook formats on Libby. You may also pick up a hard copy at the library.

The Midnight Library

by Matt Haig

Friday, August 30 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Somewhere out beyond the edge of the universe there is a library that contains an infinite number of books, each one the story of another reality.

This title is available in eBook and audiobook formats on Libby. You may also pick up a hard copy at the library beginning July 26.

Community Outreach

Health Insurance Enrollment Assistance for NY State of Health

Tuesdays, July 9, 16, August 13, and 20 from 10:00 am-4:00 pm

No registration

NY State of Health is the official health plan marketplace for New Yorkers to shop for, compare, and enroll in health insurance coverage. Some plans are free, and most New Yorkers are eligible for financial support to lower their costs.

Those with higher incomes may be eligible for reduced premiums. Speak with a NY State of Health Insurance Enrollment Assistor about choosing a plan that is right for you.

Crime Victims Center and Parents for Megan's Law

Friday, July 19 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Tuesday, August 13 from 2:00-4:00 pm

No registration

Stop by the library to meet representatives from the Crime Victims Center and Parents for Megan's Law. This non-profit organization is dedicated to the prevention and treatment of child sexual abuse and rape, the provision of services for victims of violent crime, and the elderly, disabled, and minor victims of all crimes. They offer prevention education, victim services, and Megan's Law Community and Law Enforcement support.

Supportive Services for Veteran Families EOC of Suffolk

Wednesday, August 14 from 10:00 am-1:00 pm

No registration

Drop by the library's gallery and meet representatives from the Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) Program at EOC of Suffolk, Inc., who work with veterans and their families who are either homeless or on the verge of homelessness. Find out about SSVF resources to successfully transition to or maintain permanent housing.

Computer Classes

Windows Computer Cleanup and Security

Zoom

Wednesday, July 24 at 7:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Join Sharper Training and learn how to clean up your Windows computer, improve performance and speed up tasks, protect your computer from viruses, spyware, and much more.

Staying Safe Online

Thursday, August 1 at 7:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Join Librarian Alison and review best practices to help you avoid phishing schemes, viruses/malware, and account hacks.

What is your Digital Footprint?

Zoom

Wednesday, August 14 at 7:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Join Sharper Training and learn how to keep track of your internet activity, "your footprint." What trail of information are you leaving on the World Wide Web about yourself and your activity, and how easy it is for someone to access your footprint? You will learn how you can control the information and, if necessary, have it removed from the Internet.

Concerts

Acoustic Friday on the Terrace

Friday, August 9 from 6:30-8:00 pm

Registration begins July 19

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

KJ Acoustics offers a unique blend of classic and today's rock, soul, R&B, country, and Top 40s music. A little something for everyone. Lawn chair optional. Seating is limited. This program will move inside in case of hot weather or rain.

Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month with José Trombone & Conjunto Rumbon

Sunday, September 15 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration begins August 30

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Come celebrate the contributions and influence of Hispanic Americans to the history, culture, and achievements of the U.S. with José Trombone & Conjunto Rumbon, keepers of the iconic salsa gorda sound that emerged in New York City during the golden era of salsa. ¡A celebrar se dice!

Cooking

Ice Cream Cone Cake Pops

Friday, July 12 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins July 1

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

There is no better summer treat than these ice cream cone cake pops. Join Fanny Cakes as they take you step-by-step through creating six of your very own delicious cake pops. Bring a medium-sized bowl. *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Mediterranean Salads with Chef Rob

Friday, August 30 from 4:00-5:00 pm OR 6:30-7:30 pm

Registration begins July 11

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

In this demonstration class, Chef Rob will show you how to put together two delicious end-of-summer salads: Beefsteak Tomato Feta Fusilli Salad and Vegetarian Italian Chopped Salad. *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Games

Hey! Let's Play!

Fridays from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

No registration

Bring along your friends or find others to share a game on Friday mornings. Bring your playing cards, Mah Jongg sets, and other favorites. We provide the tables and the room; you provide the fun!

Dungeons & Dragons: Summer Campaign

Mondays, July 8, 15, 22, 29, August 5, 12, 19, and 26 from 6:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins July 1

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Ready to level up? Join expert DM Jimmy for this eight-week D&D campaign involving mats, minifigs, and higher-level characters. Either bring your character from a previous campaign or create a new one prior to the first session. Every season is a new story arc, so if you miss out on this one keep an eye out for future campaigns!

Advanced Bridge

Thursdays, July 11, 18, 25, August 1, and 8, and Wednesday, August 14 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Registration begins July 1

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

This advanced bridge course is recommended for players who have completed at least one course in beginner bridge and have knowledge of modern bridge contracts and modern conventions of bidding. This class will focus on Michaels bids, cue bidding, new minor forcing, and fourth suit forcing. These conventions will improve your game-playing and help you make better contracts.

Summertime BINGO

Tuesday, July 16 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration begins July 3

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join us as we play our favorite game! We'll provide bingo cards and snacks for an afternoon of fun, games, and prizes galore!

Your Turn! Classic Board Game Night

Tuesdays, July 23 and August 27 from 6:30-8:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Limit 2 registrations per LPL cardholder

Join us for an evening of fun playing classic board games or learning some new ones. Games will be provided; however, you are welcome to bring your own to share. Register for each date you plan to attend.

Puzzle Palooza: Jigsaw Puzzle Competition

Tuesday, August 13 from 6:30-8:30 pm

Registration begins July 8

Limit 4 registrations per LPL cardholder

Grab some friends and join us for a fun puzzle competition at the library! Your team of 2 to 4 players will have two hours to assemble a 500-piece puzzle. The team closest to finishing at the end of two hours wins! You may register up to 4 people per library card. Please include your team's name and number of team players at registration. If you register as a single player, you will be matched up with other single players.

Trivia Night: Teens vs. Adults

Friday, August 16 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration ongoing

Limit 4 registrations per LPL cardholder

Calling all teen and adult trivia buffs! Join the Adult and Teen Services Librarians for a night of pub-style trivia.

Defensive Driving

*You MUST attend both sessions of the 2-day classes or stay for the full 1-day class to receive your completion certificate. No late admittance to class allowed.

AARP Smart Driver Course

Monday and Tuesday, July 8 and 9 from 10:00 am-1:15 pm OR

Monday and Tuesday, August 5 and 6 from 10:00 am-1:15 pm

Fee: \$25 for AARP members or \$30 for non-members. Check or money order, payable to AARP, due at first class. NO CASH OR CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED.

Registration ongoing

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

The AARP Smart Driver Course covers defensive driving techniques and the normal changes in vision, hearing, and reaction time associated with aging. The course also provides practical techniques for adjusting to these changes to ensure the driver's own safety and that of others on the road. During the course, participants learn about current rules of the road and how to operate their vehicles more safely in today's increasingly challenging driving environment. Anyone with a NYS Driver's License may take this class regardless of age.

General Defensive Driving

Saturday, July 13 from 10:00 am-4:30 pm OR

Wednesday and Thursday, July 24 and 25 from 5:30-8:30 pm OR

Saturday, August 10 from 10:00 am-4:30 pm OR

Wednesday and Thursday, August 21 and 22 from 5:30-8:30pm

Fee: \$40. Seniors (ages 62+) and veterans pay \$30. Cash (exact change) or major credit card required at first class.

NO CHECKS.

Registration ongoing

Completion of this course helps those who attend to become better, safer drivers, may include a reduction of violation points on your license, and a discount on automobile insurance.

Health & Fitness

Caring for Someone with Alzheimer's Disease

Tuesday, July 16 from 11:00 am-12:15 pm

Registration ongoing

Explore what it is like to be in the body and mind of someone with dementia or Alzheimer's disease. Learn the importance of taking care of yourself as a caregiver, an often overlooked aspect of caretaking. Learn about supportive resources like respite, support groups, joint enrichment programs for caregivers and their care partners, and more. Presented by the Family & Children's Association Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Program in association with Willing Heart, Helpful Hands.

Detox Your Mind through Meditation

Zoom

Tuesday, July 16 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Join Sangeeta Sinha, MBA, M. Ed, a long-time meditator, and learn how to implement a simple yet very powerful meditation technique to detox your mind to improve thought patterns. This virtual workshop will also include a short meditation session.

Stretch, Relax, and Renew with Yoga

Fridays, July 19, 26, August 2, and 9 from 10:00-11:00 am

Registration begins July 3

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Learn about yoga philosophy and applying its principles on and off the mat with Juliana. Enjoy a gentle stretch and guided deep relaxation to release stress. Suitable for beginners who can easily get down and up from the floor and those with experience. Questions welcome. Bring a yoga mat.

Blood Pressure Screening

Fridays, July 26 and August 30 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

No registration

Monthly free blood pressure screenings are provided by Northwell Health.

Permanent Solutions for Acid Reflux

Wednesday, July 31 from 6:30-7:30 pm

Registration ongoing

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

If you have acid reflux/GERD and want to reduce your dependency on medications, are concerned about their side effects and/or you continue to regurgitate despite proton pump inhibitors (PPIs), please join Dr. Ahmad, the Director of Acid Reflux and Hiatal Hernia Center of Excellence at Catholic Health - St. Charles Hospital, to learn about permanent solutions.

Take a Meditation Vacation

Zoom

Tuesday, August 20 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Take a break from the stress, strain, and problems life brings with a quick Meditation Vacation with Gaurav Singh. This virtual workshop will also include a short meditation session.

Language Classes

Intermediate English with LIEOC

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00-8:30 pm

Classes begin on September 3

Registration begins August 8

The Long Island Educational Opportunity Center (LIEOC) is offering an English class at the library with certified teachers. The LIEOC is a tuition-free Adult Education program sponsored by SUNY Farmingdale. The course introduces students to basic structures and vocabulary of the English language through reading, listening, and pronunciation skills at no cost to you. Make connections, learn English. This is your opportunity!

Inglés intermedio con LIEOC

Martes y jueves de 6:00-8:30 pm

Las clases comienzan el 3 de septiembre

La inscripción comienza el 8 de agosto.

El Centro de Oportunidades Educativas de Long Island (LIEOC) ofrece una clase en la biblioteca con maestros certificados. El LIEOC es un programa gratuito de educación para adultos patrocinado por SUNY Farmingdale. El curso introduce a los estudiantes a las estructuras básicas y el vocabulario del idioma inglés a través de las habilidades de lectura, comprensión auditiva y pronunciación sin costo alguno para usted. Haz conexiones, aprende inglés. Esta es tu oportunidad!

English Conversation Online

Zoom

Tuesdays, September 10 through October 29 from 5:00-6:00 pm

Registration begins August 22

This ESOL conversation class is open to adult English learners who would like to improve their spoken English. Must be able to speak English and willing to participate in discussion and reading.

Movies

Saturday Afternoon Movie

Wonka

Saturday, July 6 at 2:15 pm

No registration

Starring Timothée Chalamet, Hugh Grant, and Calah Lane

Wonka tells the wondrous story of how the world's greatest inventor, magician, and chocolate-maker became the beloved Willy Wonka we know today.

(Family/Musical, 2024, PG, 116 mins.)

Madame Web

Saturday, August 3 at 2:15 pm

No registration

Starring Dakota Johnson, Sydney Sweeney, and Celeste O'Connor

Cassandra Webb is a New York City paramedic who starts to show signs of clairvoyance. Forced to confront revelations about her past, she must protect three young women from a mysterious adversary who wants them dead.

(Action/Adventure, 2024, PG-13, 116 mins.)

Watch-A-Movie Wednesday!

Wednesdays at 2:15 pm • No registration

Too busy to watch a movie this weekend? If so, why not... Watch-A-Movie Wednesday?! Every Wednesday of the month at 2:15 pm, the library shows a film for all to enjoy! So, come on in, sit back, and relax to a great film...without filling up your weekends!

July/August Selections...

JULY 3

Ordinary Angels

(Drama, 2024, PG, 118 mins.)

Starring Hilary Swank & Alan Ritchson

JULY 10

Smokey and the Bandit

(Comedy, 1977, PG, 96 mins.)

Starring Burt Reynolds & Sally Field

JULY 17

One Life

(Drama, 2024, PG, 109 mins.)

Starring Anthony Hopkins & Lena Olin

JULY 24

Summer School

(Comedy, 1987, PG-13, 97 mins.)

Starring Mark Harmon & Kirstie Alley

JULY 31

The American Society of Magical Negroes

(Comedy, 2024, PG-13, 104 mins.)

Starring David Alan Grier & Justice Smith

AUGUST 7

Steel Magnolias

(Drama, 1989, PG, 119 mins)

Starring Dolly Parton & Julia Roberts

AUGUST 14

Arthur the King

(Action/Adventure, 2024, PG-13, 107 mins.)

Starring Mark Wahlberg & Nathalie Emmanuel

AUGUST 21

Innerspace

(Comedy, 1987, PG, 120 mins.)

Starring Martin Short & Dennis Quaid

AUGUST 28

Bob Marley: One Love

(Drama, 2024, PG-13, 106 mins.)

Starring Kingsley Ben-Adir & Lashana Lynch

Nature & Environment

Tour of Downs Farm Preserve

Saturday, July 13 from 10:00-11:00 am

Registration begins July 1

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join Taralynn of the Group for the East End for a tour of Downs Farm Preserve in Cutchogue. Stroll the grounds, native wildflower meadow, and thicket. Learn about the variety of beautiful native plants in their gardens and how they support our native wildlife. Bring your questions about native plant gardens and we will do our best to answer them all!

Downs Farm Preserve is located at 23800 Main Rd, Cutchogue, NY 11935. You must provide your own transportation. Weather permitting.

Come Aboard! Whale Watching in Long Island Waters

Monday, August 5 from 6:30-7:30 pm

Registration begins July 2

Coastal Research and Education Society of Long Island (CRESLI) whale watching tours provide passengers and scientists with close-up views of spectacular marine animals in their natural environment. Join Dr. Marianne McNamara, CRESLI naturalist and Professor of Biology and Marine Biology at SCCC, for this lecture as she shares stunning photography of whales, dolphins, sharks, pelagic birds, and more encountered on these cruises. Discover which species of marine life are commonly found off Long Island and learn what these encounters are teaching us about their habitat usage and population dynamics here and elsewhere in the North Atlantic.

Introduction to ReWilding: Creating a Sustainable Landscape

Monday, August 12 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Interested in creating a sustainable landscape but don't know where to start? Join ReWild Long Island as they introduce the practical elements of a sustainable landscape including composting, recycling, organic practices, and the use of water and native plants. If weather and time allows, we'll tour the library's gardens to see native plants in bloom.

Recycling in Brookhaven: Your Questions Answered!

Tuesday, August 20 from 2:00-3:00 pm

Registration begins July 2

Learn how reducing, reusing, and recycling can help you, our community, and the environment. Also, learn which household items can be recycled and what happens to what we put in our recycling bins. Presented by the Town of Brookhaven Department of Recycling and Sustainable Materials Management.

One-on-One Appointments

Ask a Librarian

Call (631) 924-6400 x250 or email askus@longwoodlibrary.org for appointment dates and times.

Limited to LPL cardholders

Need help downloading apps, accessing library services, or navigating a website?

Sign up for an Ask-A-Librarian 30-minute appointment and a librarian will be available to assist you!

Citizenship One-On-One

Call (631) 924-6400 x250 or email askus@longwoodlibrary.org to schedule an appointment.

The library offers free one-on-one assistance to help you prepare for the United States Naturalization Test.

Family Service League Social Worker

Mondays from 4:30-8:30 pm

Call (631) 924-6400 x250 or email askus@longwoodlibrary.org to schedule an appointment.

Walk-ins welcome.

A social worker can help find resources for those seeking shelter, suffering addiction, facing the challenges of mental illness, seniors seeking help, and more.

Career Coaching

Call the Adult Reference Desk at (631) 924-6400 x250 or email askus@longwoodlibrary.org to request an appointment. No walk-ins. Limited to LPL cardholders.

Career advisor Richard Gluck will assist you one-on-one with your resume, give direction on a new career path, and help you navigate the ever-changing world of job searching. This program is only available virtually in July and August.

Medicaid Enrollment Assistance for the Aged, Blind, and Disabled

Tuesdays, July 2, 23, August 6, and 27 from 12:00-4:00 pm

First come, first served. No registration.

Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council's facilitated enrollers will assist the aged, blind, and disabled populations to enroll in the following programs: Medicaid, Medicaid Buy-In for Working People with Disabilities (MBI-WPD), Medicaid Spend-Down, Medicare Savings (MSP), and Medicaid for Institutional Care in a Nursing Home. For more information, please call the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council at (631) 435-3000.

HIICAP Medicare Assistance

Wednesday, July 10 and Thursday, August 15 from 10:00 am-2:30 pm

Call (631) 924-6400 x250 for an appointment. No walk-ins.

This free, confidential counseling service is available to assist you with your entitlement benefits and answer your questions.

SCORE Business Mentoring

Wednesdays, July 24 and August 28 from 5:30-8:30 pm

Call (631) 924-6400 x250 or register in-person for an appointment.

Marketing Specialist Ron Greenstone of SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) will assist with free business mentoring.

Office for the Aging Advocate

Friday, August 16 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

First come, first served. No registration.

A Suffolk County Office for the Aging representative will assist seniors in filling out forms, learning about various county-wide programs and services, and other appropriate agencies.

SmileAwhile

SmileAwhile is geared towards adult patrons with sensory issues, those on the autism spectrum, or those who have other specific needs.

SmileAwhile with Summer Fun JINGO and Parfaits

Friday, July 12 from 10:30-11:30 am

Registration begins July 5

Join us for a fun game of JINGO and make the easy no-bake dessert: Red, White, and Blue Parfaits. *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

SmileAwhile with the Magic of Amore

Thursday, August 22 from 11:00-11:45 am

Registration begins July 10

From the moment the show begins until the grand finale, Amore will have you on the edge of your seat with laughter and amazement. Join us for this mesmerizing, mystifying, and unforgettable show!

SmileAwhile with a Movie

Mary Poppins Returns

Friday, July 19 from 10:30 am-12:45 pm

No registration

Starring Emily Blunt, Emily Mortimer, Meryl Streep, and Lin-Manuel Miranda

Decades after her original visit, the magical nanny returns to help Michael's three children, along with grown-up Jane and Michael Banks, through a difficult period in their lives.

(2018, Family-Fantasy, PG, 2 hours 10 minutes)

The Secret Life of Pets

Friday, August 9 from 10:30 am-12:00 pm

No registration

Starring Voices: Louis C.K., Eric Stonestreet, Kevin Hart, Jenny Slate, and Ellie Kemper

A hilarious comedy about the lives our pets lead after we leave for work or school each day. Max, a terrier, has his favorite pet status turned upside-down when his owner takes in a stray named Duke.

(2016, Animated Family/Comedy, PG, 1 hour 30 minutes)

Equipment & Gadgets

BORROW LAWN GAMES

- Badminton
- Bean Bag Bucketz
- Bocce
- BocceRoll
- Bucketball
- BucketGolf
- Cornhole Ladder
Toss Game
- Croquet Set
- Giant Left Center Right
- Golf Putting Mat
- Horseshoes
- Jazzminton
- Kubb
- Lawn Bowling
- LED Frisbee
- Outdoor Carnival Games
- PaddleSmash
- Pickleball Training Tool
- Play Parachute
- Rollers
- Speedminton
- Spikeball

- Yardzee and Farkle

Browse and reserve on longwoodlibrary.org

Art Exhibit

Throughout July and August, all are welcome to stop in and view some truly eye-catching works created by local artist, Alan Meschkow. Having worked with various artists in the advertising business for many years, Mr. Meschkow decided to start creating on his own and has focused his attention on man's best friend, with an ambitious goal to draw all the dog breeds listed with the American Kennel Club. So, make sure you stop in and see if you spot any of your favorites!

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Library Board Meetings

Board/Reorganizational
Meeting for 2024/25
Wednesday, July 17 at 5:00 pm
Board Meeting (tentative)
Wednesday, August 21 at 7:00 pm

Library Closed

Thursday, July 4 –Independence Day

The book drop is open 24 hours

Hours

Monday–Friday: 9:30 am-9:00 pm
Saturday: 9:30 am-5:00 pm
Sunday: CLOSED (Jul/Aug)

Opinions presented by speakers and organizations do not reflect an endorsement by the library.

CHILDREN'S CLASSES & EVENTS

Unless otherwise noted, all classes for children from birth through Pre-K are intended for parents and children together. Classes for children in grades K-6 are intended for children on their own. Please adhere to all posted age/grade requirements for programs or registration will not be valid.

2024 Summer Reading Club

Children (infant–completed grade 6)

Registration ongoing

Earn raffle tickets throughout the summer for every hour you read during our Summer Reading Challenge on Beanstack – “Adventure Begins at Your Library!” You can make friends at the library and earn even more tickets when you attend our

fun programs. Use your tickets to enter raffles for awesome prizes! All participants that complete the challenge will earn a water bottle or a drawstring backpack and a book donated by the Friends of the Library.

If your child needs any special accommodations, please contact Kim@longwoodlibrary.org.

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Monthly Family Storytime Kits

Each month, we release a new themed kit that includes a craft, activity sheets, and a QR code that will take you to our digital storytime guide with links to eBooks and more extension activities for you to do at home. These kits are most appropriate for children 18 months to Pre-K and will be available for the first two weeks each month.

JULY: One in a Melon

AUGUST: Aye, Aye, Captain!

Baby, Toddler, and Preschool Classes & Events

Kidnastics

Tuesday, July 2

Children (12-35 months) at 10:00 am

Children (3 years–Pre-K) at 11:00 am

Registration begins June 18

Join Kidnastics for a morning of musical warm-ups, obstacle courses, fun activities, and so much more! *Please wear comfortable clothing and sneakers, and be ready to move!*

Star Spangled Celebration

Wednesday, July 3

Children (2 years–Pre-K) at 10:00 am

Children (completed grades K-2) at 11:00 am

Registration begins June 18

Celebrate the birthday of the USA with crafts, a fun story, and patriotic tunes!

Baby Picasso

Monday, July 8 at 10:00 am

Children (12–30 months)

Registration begins June 18

Monday, August 12 at 10:00 am

Children (12-30 months)

Registration begins August 2

Art Starts

Monday, July 8 at 11:00 am

Children (31 months–Pre-K)

Registration begins June 18

Monday, August 12 at 11:00 am

Children (31 months–Pre-K)

Registration begins August 2

Children will develop their fine motor skills as they maneuver items and learn to hold utensils such as paintbrushes and rollers. Through our exploration we will focus on the process and not the final product. Don't forget to bring your smock!

Seashore Safari

Tuesday, July 9 at 10:00 am OR 11:00 am

Children (3 years–Pre-K)

Registration begins June 18

An educator from Cornell Cooperative's Marine Program will bring the beach to the library! This hands-on presentation will introduce children to local marine life, including sea stars, shellfish, hermit crabs, snails, and a horseshoe crab!

Bluey Music Time

Wednesday, July 10

Children (3 years–Pre-K) at 1:30 pm

Children (completed K to 2) at 2:15 pm

Registration begins June 18

Adam from Reprise Music will help us make family portraits, learn the Bluey theme song, dance with the magic xylophone, and even play Keepy Uppiey! **Please note that Bluey will not be in this program.**

Storytime Yoga

Monday, July 15 at 10:00 am

Children (3-5 years)

Registration begins June 27

Join Miss Mary to bend, stretch, sing, laugh, and read, allowing children to experience storytime in a whole new way. We'll bring characters to life with yoga poses while learning to look at books in a new and exciting way.

Tots Night Out

Monday, July 15 at 6:00 pm

Children (18 months–Pre-K)

Registration begins June 27

Wednesday, August 14 at 6:00 pm

Children (18 months–Pre-K)

Registration begins August 2

Have some fun before bedtime with A Time for Kids! There will be songs to sing to, time to move and dance, and a craft to do together!

Safari Adventure

Tuesday, July 16

Children (2 years–Pre-K) at 10:00 am

OR 11:30 am

Registration begins June 27

Explore the world of books as we embark on an exciting library safari! Children will listen to stories, make a craft, and go on their very own safari adventure!

Shiver Me Timbers

Wednesday, July 17

Children (ages 3-5) at 10 am OR 11:00 am

Registration begins July 2

Avast ye, mateys! Join us for a seafaring good time as we read stories, make pirate crafts, and walk the plank!

Baby Sign

Friday, July 19 at 10:00 am

Children (infant–17 months)

Registration begins July 2

Toddler Sign

Friday, July 19 at 11:00 am

Children (18–35 months)

Registration begins July 2

This highly interactive communication-centered class features gestures, spoken word, sign language, music, and literature. This class deepens child-caregiver bonds, promotes the use of spoken language, reduces frustration, and fosters a love of reading!

Library Play Date

Monday, July 22 at 10:00 am

Children (infant–17 months)

Registration begins July 10

Come down to the library for some open playtime. Make new friends and socialize with your little one.

Camping Craze

Tuesday, July 23 at 10:00 am OR 11:00 am

Children (3 years–Pre-K)

Registration begins July 10

Join Miss Laura for a camping adventure! Listen to a camping story, sing camping songs, make a craft, and make s'mores! *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

All Aboard the Adventure Train

Wednesday, July 24 at 10:00 am OR 11:00 am

Children (3 years–Pre-K)

Registration begins July 10

Toot, toot! All aboard the adventure train for some fun stories and songs with A Time for Kids!

Tiny Songbirds

Thursday, July 25

Children (infant–17 months) at 10:00 am

Children (18 months–Pre-K) at 11:00 am

Registration begins July 10

Tiny Songbirds is a fun and educational live music experience packed with instrument experimentation, intentional and guided movement and dance, and musical storytime with props, puppets, parachutes, scarves, and more.

Superhero Training with Spider-Hero

Thursday, July 25

Children (3 years–Pre-K) at 5:00 pm

Children (completed grades K-2) at 6:00 pm

Registration begins July 10

Children will listen to a Spider-Man story and then receive superhero training from a Spider-Hero from Royal Princess Prep.

Sprouts & Friends

Friday, July 26

Children (infant–17 months) at 10:00 am

Children (18 months–Pre-K) at 11:00 am

Registration begins July 10

Children will play, learn, and grow with Sprouts & Friends through educational music using musical props and instruments such as rhythm sticks, egg shakers, castanets, bean bags, lollipop drums, tambourines, maracas, stretchy bands, colorful scarves, and streamers. Class will end with parachute play, a parade, storytime, and a goodbye song.

Tiny Movers

Monday, July 29 at 10:00 am OR 11:00 am

Children (18 months–3 years)

Registration begins July 15

Join an instructor from Happy Feet and meet other parents and toddlers while doing gross motor skill activities, guided movement, and an obstacle course.

Fintastic Adventures Under the Sea

Tuesday, July 30

Children (3 years–Pre-K) at 10:30 am

Registration begins July 15

Join us as we take a deep dive into the ocean! We will have fun “shell-celebrating” summer with stories and crafts. Get ready to party your fins off!

Super Soccer Stars

Wednesdays, July 31, August 7 and August 14

Children (2-3 years) at 10:00 am

Children (4-5 years) at 10:45 am

Registration begins July 15

Children will join coaches for a pre-soccer and movement program where instructors from Super Soccer Stars will teach basic soccer skills, kicking and balance drills in a fun and friendly environment. Please wear sneakers.

Babies & Books

Monday, August 5 at 10:00 am

Children (infant–17 months)

Registration begins July 15

Join us for an early literacy experience with your little ones that includes an introduction to reading the best of board books, simple songs, and nursery rhymes.

Tots & Books

Monday, August 5 at 11:00 am

Children (18-35 months)

Registration begins July 15

Children are invited to take part in an early literacy program consisting of songs, rhymes, fingerplays, and books.

Stuffy Sleepover

Thursday, August 8 at 6:30 pm

Children (3 years–completed K)

Registration begins July 23

Children will enjoy pretending they are at their first sleepover with their favorite stuffed animal. We will listen to bedtime stories, make a craft, and get our stuffies ready for bed. Then, the stuffed animals will have a sleepover at the library! Children can return the next day to pick up their animals and see all the fun they had at the library after hours! Please note stuffed animals will stay at the library overnight, so pick the perfect stuffy that your child is okay without for one night.

Mostly Mother Goose

Saturday, August 10 at 10:30 am

Children (infant–3 years)

Registration begins July 23

Parents and children can join in on nursery rhymes and songs with a children’s librarian.

Adventure Storytime

Tuesday, August 13 at 10:00 am OR 11:00 am

Children (2-4 years)

Registration begins August 2

Come along with Miss Lorraine for an adventure through books!

Let's Move with PlayHooray

Tuesday, August 20 at 10:00 am OR 11:00 am

Children (infant–4 years)

Registration begins August 8

PlayHooray on a sunshine summer day with balls, instruments, drums, and so much more. This lively music and movement class will have you rocking to the beat.

Baby Start

Wednesday, August 21 at 10:00 am

Children (infant–17 months)

Registration begins August 8

Join A Time For Kids for this half-hour program that includes music, movement, fingerplays, fine and gross motor development, and circle time. Early literacy, socialization, early language development, and group play skills are introduced.

Let's Get Ready for Preschool

Wednesday, August 21 at 11:00 am

Children (3-4 years and entering preschool or Pre-K)

Registration begins August 8

Join A Time For Kids for a special program for children entering pre-school or pre-kindergarten. Using fun, interactive educational materials, children will play, explore, and learn side-by-side with their grown-ups about math and reading readiness.

Let's Get Ready for Kindergarten

Thursday, August 22 at 11:00 am

Children entering kindergarten in fall 2024

Registration begins August 8

Calling all Kindergarteners! Join us as we celebrate your big day! Children entering kindergarten are invited with their parents to a special storytime filled with stories and songs to beat those first-day jitters. Families can spend time at several activity stations focusing on kindergarten skills such as cutting, name-writing, recognizing shapes, colors, letters and numbers, and shoe-tying. Children will take home a craft that they can take with them on their first day of school!

School-Aged Classes & EventsGarden Club

Wednesdays, June 26–July 31 at 4:15 pm

Children (completed grades 2-6)

Registration begins June 12

The Children's Department is joining the Longwood Victory Garden at Bartlett Pond Park to get our own garden bed started! We will be growing vegetables that we will donate to our local soup kitchen, and we are looking for children with their grown-ups who are interested in gardening to help us plant, weed, and harvest all summer long! Sign up for one or more weeks of fun in the sun! Please dress appropriately for the weather and working in the garden and bring a water bottle and sunscreen. **Grown-ups must remain at Bartlett Pond Park with their child, whether helping in the garden with us or playing on the playground with younger siblings. Certificates for 1 hour of community service will be awarded at each session if needed.**

Kindness Kids: Cat Mats

Monday, July 1 at 3:00 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6)

Registration begins June 18

Join Miss Laura in decorating placemats for animals at our local animal shelter. Earn an hour of community service.

Pokemon Shrinky Art

Tuesday, July 2

Children (completed grades K-2) at 4:30 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6) at 5:45 pm

Registration begins June 18

Join artist Chris Vivas to make some incredible Shrinky Pokemon Art!

Star Spangled Celebration

Wednesday, July 3

Children (2 years–Pre-K) at 10:00 am

Children (completed grades K-2) at 11:00 am

Registration begins June 18

Celebrate the birthday of the USA with crafts, a fun story, and patriotic tunes!

Squirrel Stuffies

Friday, July 5 at 6:30 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6)

Registration begins June 18

Join Miss Laura in sewing a squirrel stuffed animal to take on your summer adventures.

Living with Wildlife

Monday, July 8

Children (completed grades K-2) at 2:00 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6) at 3:00 pm

Registration begins June 18

Join the Wildlife Center of Long Island to meet some animal friends that live in our own backyards! Meet reptiles, birds, and mammals that call Long Island home and explore their roles in our ecosystem. Learn how you can help our animal friends.

Let's Shell-ebrate Summer

Monday, July 8 at 6:30 pm

Children (completed grades K-2)

Registration begins June 18

Let's "shell-ebrate" summer with a shell story, craft, snack, and more! Snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Mandala Magic

Tuesday, July 9 at 2:00 OR 3:30 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6)

Registration begins June 18

Join us as we make a 3D-layered paper mandala! Explore colors, layers, and designs using the Cricut!

Dungeons & Dragons Tween Edition

Children (grades 4-6)

Tuesday, July 9 from 6:00-7:30 pm

Registration begins June 18

Tuesday, August 6 from 6:00-7:30 pm

Registration begins July 15

Join the Quest Master's Guild for a "Tween Edition" of Dungeons & Dragons at the library. All levels of players are welcome as new players will learn how to play this interactive role-playing game while having fun and learning from more experienced players.

Music Olympics

Wednesday, July 10 at 3:00 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6)

Registration begins June 18

Combine music, movement, and friendly competition in a series of music-based challenges and games such as musical chairs, freeze dance, and rhythmic hopping races to earn points and medals.

Light it Up

Thursday, July 11

Children (completed grades 1-3) at 2:00 pm

Children (completed grades 4-6) at 3:30 pm

Registration begins June 27

With the help of the Long Island Explorium, children become “makers” and electrical engineers as they design and construct a working lighthouse.

Color Changing Beach Totes

Friday, July 12 at 2:00 pm

OR 3:30 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6)

Registration begins June 27

Head to the makerLAB to make a color-changing beach tote to carry your stuff to the beach this summer!

Camping Fun

Friday, July 12 at 6:30 pm

Children (completed grades K-2)

Registration begins June 27

Gather around the campfire to learn some campfire songs, make a camping craft, and make a camping dessert. This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Adventure Yoga

Monday, July 15

Children (completed grades K-2) at 11:00 am

Children (completed grades 3-6) at 12:00 pm

Registration begins June 27

Join us while we go on an adventure through yoga poses, games, and breathing exercises.

Adventure Awaits

Tuesday, July 16

Children (completed grades K-2) at 2:00 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6) at 3:00 pm

Registration begins June 27

Go up, up, and away on an artistic journey with Miss Laura to create a mixed media canvas inspired by the movie Up.

Summer Sparks with the Long Island Explorium

Thursday, July 18 at 10:30 am OR 2:30 pm

Children (completed grades 4-8)

Registration begins July 2

Calling all young scientists and engineers! Join the Long Island Explorium as we dive into the world of STEM with our hands-on workshops designed just for kids. Get ready for exciting challenges, experiments, and discoveries that will spark your curiosity and ignite your passion for science, technology, engineering, and math. Join us for an unforgettable adventure into the wonders of STEM and discover how you can turn your interests into amazing careers that change the world.

Henna Magic

Thursday, July 18 at 6:00 pm or 7:15 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6)

Registration begins July 2

Join us to learn about the beautiful art of henna! An instructor will be here to do henna art on your hands, and you can take a turn at doing henna on your friends!

Bejeweled Birds

Friday, July 19

Children (completed grades K-2) at 6:00 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6) at 7:00 pm

Registration begins July 2

Join art teacher Kim to make some beautiful, bejeweled birds.

Sculpey Clay Tigers

Monday, July 22

Children (completed grades K-2) at 2:00 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6) at 3:00 pm

Registration begins July 10

Art Teacher Amy is back, and this time we're making ferocious Sculpey Clay Tigers!

Once Upon a Melody: A Fairy Tale Musical

Children (completed grades 3-6)

Registration begins July 10

Practices: Monday, July 22, Thursday, July 25, Monday, July 29

and Thursday, August 1 from 2:30-4:00 pm

Performance: Friday, August 2 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Do you like to act, sing, and dance? Join us this summer to star in our production of Once Upon a Melody: A Fairy Tale Musical! Over the course of two weeks, we'll practice on Monday and Thursday afternoons. Our practices will culminate in a performance on Friday, August 2 where your friends and family can watch you shine! Everyone who registers will get to be a part of our performance, but space is limited.

Campfire Cookies

Tuesday, July 23

Children (completed grades K-2) at 3:00 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6) at 4:00 pm

Registration begins July 10

Join Chef Rob to make some delicious campfire cookies, perfect for any adventure.

Balloon Twisters

Wednesday, July 24 at 2:00 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6)

Registration begins July 10

Thoroughly Modern Lilly will be here to show kids how to expertly twist balloons into all kinds of fun shapes!

Superhero Training with Spider-Hero

Thursday, July 25

Children (3 years–Pre-K) at 5:00 pm

Children (completed grades K-2) at 6:00 pm

Registration begins July 10

Children will listen to a Spider-Man story and then receive superhero training from a Spider-Hero

from Royal Princess Prep.

Library Llamas

Friday, July 26

Children (completed grades K-2) at 2:00 OR 3:00 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6) at 4:00 pm

Registration begins July 10

Learn all about llamas from an educator from the Suffolk County Farm. Then, meet a llama up close on our Terrace!

Minecraft Junior

Tuesday, July 30 at 2:00 pm

Children (completed grades K-2)

Registration begins July 15

Monday, August 19 at 3:00 pm

Children (completed grades K-2)

Registration begins August 8

Minecraft Club

Tuesday, July 30 at 3:00 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6)

Registration begins July 15

Monday, August 19 at 4:00 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6)

Registration begins August 8

Children will join library friends for a fun game of Minecraft! Build your own castle, fight the Ender Dragon, or explore the Nether – the possibilities are endless! We'll be playing the Minecraft.edu version of the game, so you do not need to have a personal account to play.

Ice Cream Diamond Art Magnets

Wednesday, July 31 at 6:30 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6)

Registration begins July 15

Cool off from the summer heat by making some ice cream diamond art magnets!

Children's Talent Show

Children (completed grades 2-6)

Each child/duet/group can perform one talent for a total of up to three minutes and must be able to attend one audition time and at least one rehearsal.

AUDITIONS

Thursday, August 1 at 6:00-7:00 pm, OR Tuesday, August 6 at 11:00 am-12:00 pm

OR Thursday, August 8 at 2:00-3:00 pm

Registration for auditions begins July 15

Each child/duet/group will register for one 15-minute time slot and will be seen on a first come, first served basis.

REHEARSAL

Tuesday, August 20 at 7:00 pm

Performers must be able to attend the rehearsal.

TALENT SHOW

Friday, August 23 at 7:00 pm

Registration to attend the talent show begins July 15

We Sign Together

Tuesdays, August 6, 13, 20 at 1:00 pm

Children (completed grades K-2)

Registration begins July 23

Signing Stars

Tuesdays, August 6, 13, 20 at 2:00 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6)

Registration begins July 23

Learn basic sign language with Miss Jennie at the library. Make new friends and learn new skills in this fun and informative class!

Melted Ice Cream Cone Cupcakes

Wednesday, August 7

Children (completed grades K-2) at 2:00 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6) at 3:00 pm

Registration begins July 23

Join Chef Rob to make a whimsical Melted Ice Cream Cone Cupcake!

Sketch & Stretch

Thursday, August 8

Children (completed grades K-2) at 10:30 am

Children (completed grades 3-6) at 12:00 pm

Registration begins July 23

Sketch & Stretch is an exciting program that combines art and yoga for children. Children will stretch their bodies with some yoga and then create an art project.

Fantastical Sea Beasts & Where to Find Them

Friday, August 9 at 1:00 pm

Children (completed grades K-6)

Registration begins July 23

Fire-breathing beasts! Galloping unicorns! Did you know the adventures of many mythic creatures throughout the world started their stories in the sea? Discover the myths and legends surrounding these fantastical creatures and create your own dragon egg with gilded seashells!

Mystical Sea Serpents

Friday, August 9

Children (completed grades K-2) at 6:00 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6) at 7:00 pm

Registration begins July 23

Art teacher Kim will show us how to design artwork featuring mystical sea serpents of the high seas!

Back to School Pencil Pouches

Monday, August 12 at 2:00 pm OR 3:30 pm

Children (completed grades 3-6)

Registration begins August 2

Head back to school with a personalized pencil pouch to hold all your new supplies!

Super Smash Bros

Tuesday, August 13 at 6:30 pm

Children (completed grades 4-6)

Registration begins August 2

Join us for a Super Smash Bros gaming night. Learn how to play and battle your friends to see who comes out on top.

Adventure Animal Puppets

Thursday, August 15 at 11:00 am

Children (completed grades K-2)

Registration begins August 2

Miss Laura will teach us how to sew cute adventure animal puppets!

Family Programs Frogs, Bugs & Animals

Monday, July 1 at 10:00 am OR 11:30 am

Families with children (completed grade 6)

Registration begins June 18

Green Meadows Farm is visiting and will bring lots of animals to help us learn all about nature during this hands-on program! They will bring frogs, bugs, reptiles, hedgehogs, bunnies, and adorable baby animals.

Go for the Gold

Friday, July 5 at 10:00 am OR 2:30 pm

Families with children

No registration

Are you ready to watch the Summer Olympics? Stop by and make some Olympic-themed crafts to get ready for the biggest competition in sports.

Morning at the Movies

Saturday, July 6 at 11:00 am

Saturday, August 3 at 11:00 am

Families with children

No registration

Cool off by heading to the library for a morning at the movies on our big screen!

Child ID Event

Tuesday, July 9 from 3:00 pm-6:00 pm

Families with children

No registration

Legislator Chad Lennon is teaming up with the Suffolk County Sheriff's office to offer free child ID cards to library patrons. Stop by any time between 3:00 pm and 6:00 pm to get one for your child.

Awesome Adventures

Thursday, July 11 at 10:00 am OR 6:00 pm

Families with children

No registration

Stop by our craft room to make crafts that will take you on all kinds of awesome adventures.

Mister Boom Boom

Friday, July 12 at 10:30 am

Families with children

Registration begins June 27

Join YouTube's Mister Boom Boom for fun musical storytelling! Mister Boom Boom will perform fun songs to get you up and moving and then read an interactive version of his book, There's Something in My Closet.

Messy Saturday Morning

Saturday, July 13 at 10:30 am

Families with children

Registration begins June 27

It's the weekend; it's time to get messy! Join us for a morning of fun exploring different art stations.

Dress for a mess!

Empowering Futures in STEM with Long Island Explorium

Thursday, July 18 from 10:00 am-4:00 pm

No registration • All ages

Join the Long Island Explorium at our library! Dive into the exciting world of STEM with hands-on exhibits and activities designed to ignite your curiosity and passion! Discover how your interests can lead to amazing careers that change the world. Explore pop-up exhibits, tackle interactive challenges, and solve problems like a scientist or engineer. Plus, take home a STEM learning kit filled with fun activities and resources to continue your exploration at home—while supplies last.

Play Date Band

Saturday, July 27 at 11:00 am

Families with children

Registration begins July 10

This fun, interactive music performance encourages children and their families to explore their imaginations through song and participate in a positive, creative, and empowering live musical experience together.

Family Bingo Night

Monday, July 29 at 6:30 pm

Families with children

Registration begins July 15

Bring the whole family to the library for a fun evening of Bingo! Straight line, diagonal, or four corners, we'll play them all and have a great time as a family.

Magic of Amore

Tuesday, July 30 at 7:00 pm

Families with children

(4 years—completed grade 6)

Registration begins July 15

You never know what Amore might have up his sleeve, but be assured he will have you on the edge of your seat in astonishment and laughing at his silly and goofy comedy. From the moment the show begins until the grand finale, the audience will be mesmerized and mystified by Amore's unforgettable show!

Sing Your Sillies Out

Thursday, August 1 at 10:30 am

Families with children

(2 years—completed grade 2)

Registration begins July 15

Prepare to sing yourself silly during this adorable 30 minute puppet show! A musical adventure like no other, this show will include puppet appearances from Mickey Mouse and his Clubhouse Friends, Blippi, Sesame Street, Cocomellon, and many more!

Princess Sing-Along

Friday, August 2 at 11:00 am

Families with children

Registration begins July 15

Families will enjoy a morning of songs and smiles with princesses from Royal Princess Prep. Come sing along with your favorite princesses!

Build It!

Monday, August 5 at 2:00 pm OR 6:30 pm

Families with children (completed grades K-6)

No registration

Families are invited to drop in and let their imaginations run wild with Legos and other building materials like Kinex, MAGNA-TILES, and Playstix!

Messy Monday

Monday, August 12 at 6:00 pm

Families with children

No registration

Can't make it to our daytime art programs? Drop in any time between 6:00-7:30 pm to explore our art stations and create some open-ended artwork with your children. Dress for a mess!

Perler Party

Thursday, August 15 at 6:30 pm

Families with children

Registration begins August 2

Choose your own colors and shapes as you make Perler Bead creations together as a family!

Reading Adventures with Local Authors

Thursday, August 22 at 7:00 pm

Families with children (3 years–completed grade 6)

Registration ongoing

Come meet local authors and get their autographs! We'll provide an autograph book that you can take with you to each author's special table. There will be some crafts related to their books, plus a chance to hear the authors read their books and a raffle to win some books. Further details and a list of visiting authors will be available in the Children's Department in mid-June.

Craft Closet Clean Out

Friday, August 23 at 2:00 pm

Families with children

No registration

Did you miss any of our crafts this summer? Now is your chance to make them! Drop in and help us clean out our craft closet.

Summer Reading Celebration!

Friday, August 16

Join us to celebrate a great summer of reading, books, and library fun! Beginning July 23, families can register to see a show and visit centers around the library filled with crafts, games, activities, and an Italian ice treat to eat on the Terrace! Children from birth through Pre-K are invited to our dance party with DJ Daddy-O and a special character meet-and-greet at 2:00 pm, and then they can have fun at our stations from 2:45-3:45 pm. DJ Daddy-O will play all your family's favorite tunes as we dance and have fun with Chase and Marshall from Paw Patrol. Get ready to dance!

Children who have completed grades K-6 are invited to see The National Circus Project at 6:30 pm and have fun at our stations from 7:15-8:15 pm.

The National Circus Project is a panoramic presentation of circus skills into a sensational comedy-variety show. Each show features circus arts from around the world – juggling, unicycling, balancing, object manipulations, and clowning – and lots of audience participation!

TEEN CLASSES & EVENTS

Teen Services programs are open to teens entering grade 7 through completed grade 12 (2024 graduates). You must have a valid LPL young adult card to register.

Teen Summer Reading Club 2024: Adventure Begins at Your Library!

For teens entering grade 7 through completed grade 12 (2024 graduates)

Registration ongoing

Join us for another summer of great reads, fun programs, and fabulous prizes! Register with Beanstack and receive one virtual raffle ticket for every 30 minutes spent reading and for each LPL teen program attended. Sign up beginning June 3 and visit Teen Services by June 29 to enter our signup raffle drawing for a chance to win free tickets to LI Aquarium or Adventureland!

Supported by Friends of the Library

Teen Surprise Boxes

Introducing our exclusive Teen Surprise

Box Program – the ultimate thrill for book-loving teens! Each themed box contains not one, but TWO carefully curated books based on a questionnaire you answer for a blind-box style selection. From there we'll add snacks and mystery goodies to your box chosen just for YOU! Unbox at home to see what fun surprises await you! Only return the books when they are due. The rest is yours to keep! Anticipation is half the fun; our Teen Surprise Box Program is a celebration of discovering new books you may have overlooked, and the joy of surprises. Don't miss out on the chance to elevate your reading experience and add a touch of mystery to your life!

Register online, in-person, or by phone between July 1 and July 12. You may pick up your surprise box beginning July 19.

Movie Mondays

Join us in True North every Monday in July and August at 2:00 pm for a movie and snacks!

There is no registration, but only teens entering grade 7 through completed grade 12 (2024 graduates) will be admitted.

The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Arcade Afternoons

Join us in True North every Friday afternoon in July and August from 2:00-6:00 pm for games and snacks! There is no registration, but only teens entering grade 7 through completed grade 12 (2024 graduates) will be admitted. The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

5-Hour Pre-Licensing Class

Saturday, July 20 from 10:00 am-2:30 pm

Fee: \$55 (payment in cash, exact change, to be made on day of class)

Registration ongoing

Phone and in-person registration only, no online registration

The five-hour pre-licensing class is required by the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles for applicants who would like to schedule a road test. The class will be taught by an instructor from a local driving school and is open to both district and non-district residents ages 16 and up. You must bring your picture NY State Learner Permit to class. Please also bring your lunch with you – you will not have time to leave for lunch. Call the Teen Services Department at (631) 924-6400 x249 to register. For more information about New York State driver's license requirements, please visit dmv.ny.gov.

Dungeons & Dragons with the Quest Master's Guild

Join the Quest Masters Guild for a round of Dungeons and Dragons at the library.

Tuesday, July 16 from 5:30-8:30 pm

Registration begins July 2

Tuesday, July 30 from 5:30-8:30 pm

Registration begins July 16

Tuesday, August 13 from 5:30-8:30 pm

Registration begins July 30

Tuesday, August 27 from 5:30-8:30 pm

Registration begins August 13

Adventure Fantasy Map

Tuesday, July 2 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins June 18

Create your own world! With pen and paper, delve into the fantasy of your own imagination. Join us as we explore amazing worlds, document hidden treasures, find an elf forest, and map out your own world of adventure!

Hidden History Escape Room

Friday, July 5 from 3:00-4:00 pm OR 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins June 21

Join the Teen Services and Local History Librarians for a Culper Spy Ring-themed escape room! Travel back to the Revolutionary War as a spy to search for clues, solve puzzles, and crack codes in a race against time to turn the tide of the war.

Nailed It!

Tuesday, July 9 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins June 25

Have you ever seen a delicious dessert on Instagram and thought, "Hey, I can make that!" Don't worry, we've all been there. Compete in a baking challenge that celebrates inevitable epic fails. Have fun recreating extravagant sweets that taste good no matter how bad they look! This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Ocean Vibes Clock

Thursday, July 11 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins June 27

Join Teen Services Librarian Ms. Goldstein to create an ocean-inspired clock in our makerLAB!

Woolen Whale Needle Felting

Friday, July 12 from 3:00-4:00 pm

Registration begins June 28

It's time to get felty! Join an instructor from the Whaling Museum & Education Center of Cold Spring Harbor to learn the art of needle felting and make your own woolen whale pal to take home!

Science Olympics

Friday, July 19 from 5:00-7:00 pm

Registration begins July 5

Join Mr. McCoy for a night of science! Work in teams and compete to build the best designs for an aluminum boat, bottle car, and egg drop container. At the end of the program, we will hold a competition to see whose creations worked best!

Custom 3D Printed Gifts

Wednesday, July 24 from 6:30-8:00 pm

Registration begins July 10

Learn the basics of Tinkercad, a free 3D modeling program, while creating your very own 3D printed item. Participants will learn how to create simple and fun pieces like a maze game, mini planting pot, jewelry dish, or keychain.

Giant Games

Friday, July 26 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins July 12

Join the Teen Services Librarians for an afternoon of fun and games! Play oversized versions of classic games like bowling, Jenga, and more! The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Safari Cupcakes

Wednesday, July 31 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins July 17

Make bear, tiger, and monkey cupcakes with the Baking Coach! This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Sculpey Pokémon

Tuesday, August 6 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins July 23

Which is your favorite Pokémon? Let's create it! We will learn hand-building techniques to create your special character using polymer clay.

Loch Ness Monster Cupcakes

Wednesday, August 7 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins July 24

Join the Baking Coach to create adorable Loch Ness Monster cupcakes using cookies, fondant, and frosting. This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Craft Craze

Friday, August 9 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins July 26

Join the Teen Services Librarians for a night of crafts! Create something unique and help us use up our leftover crafting supplies!

Teen Writing

Workshop: Pencil Pals Mashup!

Wednesday, August 14 from 3:00-4:00 pm

Registration begins July 31

Express your creativity in this collaborative program for teens! If you like to write stories, create art, or both, join Teen Services Librarians Ms. Karaptis and Ms. Broderick to work with other teen creatives and make your very own illustrated stories. The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Trivia Night: Teens vs. Adults!

Friday, August 16 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins July 26

Calling all teen and adult trivia buffs! Join the Adult and Teen Services Librarians for a night of pub-style trivia.

Glow-in-the-Dark Robot Relay

Tuesday, August 20 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins August 6

Get ready for an illuminating experience at our Glow-in-the-Dark Robot Relay! Learn the basics of coding as you take control of LED-equipped Sphero robots and team up with your peers to design and construct a mesmerizing maze using glow-in-the-dark materials. Let your robot light the way as you and your team take on others in a thrilling relay race, navigating through the twists and turns you've created.

Cricut Pillows

Thursday, August 22 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins August 8

Join Teen Services Librarian Ms. Goldstein to create a unique design on a pillow using the Cricut machines in our makerLAB!

Craft a Keychain with Tinkercad!

Friday, August 23 from 3:00-4:00 pm

Registration begins August 9

Join Teen Services Librarian Mr. McCoy in the makerLAB and make a custom keychain! We will be using Tinkercad to craft a keychain from scratch, which we will print out using the library's 3D printers.

Community Service by Appointment

Looking for some extra community service outside of our regular programming? You can make an appointment to spend some time in True North working on a variety of projects to help make a difference in our community! Call the Teen Services Desk at (631) 924-6400 x249 to schedule a one-hour time slot. Please schedule your appointment at least 24 hours in advance and be advised that we are unable to accommodate walk-ins. Time slots may be limited. Teens in grades 7-12 may schedule one time slot per week. You will receive a paper community service certificate immediately upon meeting and completing our guidelines for service. Please retain this certificate for your records if you need to show proof of participation in the future.

Musical Assistance

Rehearsals: July 22, 25, 29 & August 1 from 2:30-4:00 pm

Final Performance: Friday, August 2 from 6:30-8:00 pm

Registration begins July 1

This program is open to teens entering grade 8 through completed grade 12 (2024 graduates) only. You must be able to attend every session to participate.

Are you a musical theater fan? Looking for a community service opportunity this summer? Join the Teen Services Librarians as we help the Children's Department prepare for their performance of Once Upon a Melody: A Fairy Tale Musical! We need your help designing sets, creating costumes, and acting as a stage crew for the night of the performance.

Everyone who participates will receive a certificate for 10 hours of community service.

Talking Newsletter

Thursday, August 8 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins July 25

We need teens to read the Children's and Young Adult sections of our newsletter out loud while we record them for our audio version on the library's website.

Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service.

Trex Recycling Assistance

Help us participate in the Trex Recycling Film Challenge! The library is collecting plastic film that will be given new life as sustainable Trex decking. We need your help delivering the plastic film that we collect to local participating retailers. Call the Teen Services Desk at (631) 924-6400 x249 to schedule an appointment to pick up a bundle of plastic film. Then, stop by the Teen Department at the library to pick up your bundle and instructions sheet. You will need to drop your bundle in the Trex receptacle at Stop & Shop in Coram and take a photo at the receptacle. After you complete the drop-off, you'll need to upload your photo and fill in the answers to our questions via email.

You will receive a certificate for 1 hour of community service by email within one week of submitting your photo and information.

Open makerLAB

Appointments are limited to LPL cardholders

Make one of our makerLAB Kits or work on your own project. Open makerLAB is DIY self-guided experience.

A staff member is here to assist with your questions but for more in-depth training take one of our makerLAB classes.

View our makerLAB Kits, check our openLAB schedule, and make an appointment online at longwoodlibrary.org/makerLAB.

- Button Maker
- Cricut Autopress
- Cricut Maker
- Cricut Mug Press
- Embroidery Machine
- Sewing Machine
- Sublimation Printer

Craft & Learn

3D Printing Fundamentals: What is 3D Printing?

Zoom

Thursday, July 11 at 7:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Want to learn more about 3D printing? Join Librarian Alison for a lesson on the history of 3D printing, how it works, and future applications.

Crafting with Canva: Photo Collage Frames

Wednesday, July 17 at 2:30 pm OR 6:30 pm

Registration begins July 8

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join Librarian Alison and learn the basics of Canva in this two-part class! The first half will be a primer on the popular graphic design software, and the second half will provide hands-on learning with an easy Canva craft! Bring your pictures on a USB or your smartphone.

3D Printing Fundamentals: Introduction to Tinkercad

Thursday, July 18 at 6:30 pm OR Friday, July 19 at 2:30 pm

Registration ongoing

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join Librarian Alison and learn the basics of Tinkercad – a free, beginner-friendly 3D modeling software! After the tutorial, get some hands-on practice by creating your own desk sign!

makerLAB Crafts

Sublimation Garden Flags

Friday, July 12 at 5:30 pm OR

Tuesday, July 16 at 2:30 pm

Registration begins July 8

Non-refundable materials fee: \$10 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration.

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Add some brightness to your garden or backyard! Join Librarian Trainee Tova in creating your very own unique image or design to sublimate on a garden flag (both sides!). Flag stand to take home included in class price.

Summer Sublimation Tumblers

Thursday, July 25 at 6:30 pm OR Friday, July 26 at 2:30 pm

Registration begins July 8

Non-refundable materials fee: \$5 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration.

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Stay hydrated in the heat with these stylish tumblers! Join Librarian Alison and make a skinny 20 ounce tumbler with our sublimation printer and the Cricut

Mug Press. Beach Chic Totes

Wednesday, August 7 at 2:30 pm OR 6:30 pm

Registration begins July 8

Non-refundable materials fee: \$5 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration.

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Get ready for the beach with these extra-large beach bags! Join Librarian Alison and learn how to create and transfer HTV designs with the Cricut Maker.

DIY Summer Journals (with Sublimation!)

Friday, August 9 at 5:30 pm

Registration begins July 8

Non-refundable materials fee: \$10 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration.

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Learn how to sublimate journal covers with Librarian Trainee Tova and personalize your journal as an end-of-summer gift to yourself (or to give to a friend!).

Windy Wonders: Sublimation Wind Spinners

Thursday, August 15 at 6:30 pm OR Friday, August 16 at 2:30 pm

Registration begins July 8

Non-refundable materials fee: \$5 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration.

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Create a stunning sublimation wind spinner! Join Librarian Alison to learn the basics of sublimation and how to apply your design to a blank spinner.

Look for the makerLAB logo in the Teen and Children's Classes & Events for more makerLAB crafts.

MAKERLAB KITS

Birthday OR Thinking of You Card Kit Bundle

Supplies to make 3 cards

Non-refundable fee: \$7

Cricut Faux Leather Earring Kit

Supplies to make 2 pairs of earrings

Non-refundable fee: \$6

Embroidered Tea Towel Kit

Supplies to make 1 tea towel

Non-refundable fee: \$5

Make Your Own Mug

Supplies to make 1, 12 oz. mug

Non-refundable fee: \$5

Supplies to make 1, 15 oz. mug

Non-refundable fee: \$6

Make Your Own Tote

Supplies to make 1 tote

Non-refundable fee: \$5

Sticker Printing Kit

Avery Sticker Paper OR Holographic Sticker Paper (1 sheet)

Non-refundable fee: \$1.50

Cricut Printable Vinyl Sticker Paper (1 sheet)

Non-refundable fee: \$2

3D Print Requests

Looking to 3D print an object?

- The library can help! Adult Longwood Public Library cardholders in good standing can submit files to be printed in the color of their choice on one of our 3D printers.
- We will take custom and premade designs from Thingiverse, Yeggi, STLFinder, and more.
- Printing fees are \$1.00 per hour or \$0.50 per 30 minutes.
- Print jobs are printed with Ultimaker PLA filament, a plant-based, biodegradable material.

Submit a request on our website at longwoodlibrary.org/3Dprint
