

September/October 2025 Newsletter

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KOVARIK AUTHOR TALK



An Afternoon with Bestselling Author Rita Mae Brown

Saturday, October 18 at 2:00 pm Registration begins September 12 Limit 3 registrations per adult LPL cardholder.

Few authors today have proved themselves to be as versatile or prolific as Rita Mae Brown. The author of over 50 books in virtually every genre, Brown is a literary pioneer and prominent social activist who first gained acclaim with her 1973 debut novel, Rubyfruit Jungle. An advocate for human and animal rights for over forty years, she is a hilarious and insightful

speaker who encourages audiences to follow their own paths in writing and in life. Join us for this lively and engaging discussion! Books will be sold at the event.



Food Drive: October 1-31

The library is hosting a food drive to support Long Island Cares during The Great Give Back 2025. We are collecting shelf-stable foods, paper goods, personal hygiene products, pet food, birthday party supplies, and baby care products. The ten most needed items are milk (non-refrigerated and boxed), rice, canned vegetables, cooking oil, cereals, oatmeal, peanut butter, jelly, canned meats, and tomato sauce. No glass jars.

DIY Upcycled Dog Toys (Adults) Monday, October 20 from 10:30-11:45 am See page 3

Tote Bags (Children grades 3-6) Saturday, October 18 at 11:00 am See page 13

Caring Cards (Teens) Saturday, October 18 at 11:00 am See page 15



Congratulations to Our 2025 Battle of the Books Team, Famous Lemon Donut Slugs!

Our team took first place at the August 1 competition and featured Ava Lavery, Eve Lavery, Phoenix Campbell, Lilliana Schuh, Ava Marin, Allie Aguilar and Abbie Aguilar. Battle of the Books is a county-wide trivia competition where teens compete to see who can remember the most details from the same six books. This year Longwood placed first out of 28 participating Suffolk County Libraries.

Brookhaven Town Public Libraries EXPO

Saturday, September 13 from 11:00 am-3:00 pm Brookhaven Town Hall, 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville

Explore and play at Brookhaven Town Hall with a gathering of staff from 13 public libraries across Brookhaven Town, STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math) focused not-for-profit organizations and businesses.

Brookhaven Town Educators will bring hands-on activities Public Libraries and displays to spark your curiosity. **EXPO** All ages are welcome.

Discover what the libraries in Brookhaven have to offer.

Brookhaven Country Fair at Longwood Estate

Saturday and Sunday, September 20 and 21 Visit the library at our tent and in the historic Ridge Schoolhouse!

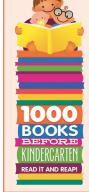


- Crafts
- Lawn Games
- Prizes/Raffles





Peddler's Village and Lunch at the Cock 'n Bull Restaurant See page 7









Hurry before

registration

opens to all on

September 22!













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BAYLES LOCAL HISTORY ROOM

Thomas R. 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

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

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.



Fair at Longwood Estate

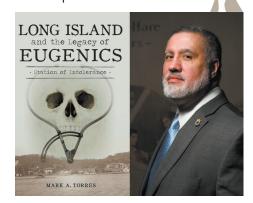
Saturday and Sunday, September 20 and 21 from 10:00 am-5:00 pm

Learn about the history of the Longwood community with Local History Librarians and Archivists Melanie Cardone-Leathers and Georgie O'Neill in the Ridge Schoolhouse with pamphlets, postcards, and photographs from the archives of the Bayles Local History

Genealogy Drop In

Saturday, September 13 from 2:00-3:00 pm No registration

Thinking about tracing your roots, but don't know where to start? Or maybe your search is underway, and you've hit a dead end. Local History Librarian Georgie O'Neill will be on hand to show you how you can access free genealogical resources, including Ancestry, through the library and to offer search tips and advice.



Long Island and the **Legacy of Eugenics: Station of Intolerance** In-person/Zoom

Thursday, October 9 from 6:30-8:00 pm Registration begins September 18

Author Mark Torres will explore the local characters, influences, landmarks, and ghastly consequences that emanated from a small Long Island facility and discuss the history of eugenics on Long Island, as detailed in his new book, Long Island and the Legacy of Eugenics: Station of Intolerance. Eugenics was at the forefront of scientific discourse in the early twentieth century. The origins of the movement can be found within a nondescript administrative building in Cold Spring Harbor, New York, under the direction of Charles Benedict Davenport from 1910 to 1939.



Memento Mori: The History of **Funeral Customs**

Registration begins September 29

Join historic cook Diane Schwindt from Stirring Up History for an exploration of funeral customs throughout American history. From early rites to modern practices, this program delves into the often-profound connection between food, culture, and the remembrance of





Medford Train Station

On April 24, 1834, Yaphank resident James H. Weeks, who would later serve as president of the Long Island Rail Road from 1847 to 1850, signed the charter for the Long Island Rail Road along with 11 other men, and construction began in 1836. Over the next several years, the line was built in stages, and soon the railway had nine stations, including Medford and Yaphank, which opened June 26, 1844. A month later, in July 1844, the Greenport stop opened, and the railroad was complete. The new rail route had a major impact on eastern Long Island, since a three-day trip overland from Greenport to Brooklyn now took about three and a half hours Although the railroad brought benefits, by train.

In the Longwood community, this meant more people from the city established farms and homes in the area. A well-documented example of this is when William Bartlett, a prominent lawyer in New York City at the time, leased a farm in Middle Island, where the Spring Lake Golf Course now stands. Over time, Bartlett expanded the farm's size to 1,000 acres by purchasing additional acreage and even went so far as to build a spur from the railroad to his estate. In his diaries from his time growing up on the farm, William's son Willard often mentions visiting the Yaphank Station to pick up mail, goods, and supplies, as well as to greet visitors. Willard, who would inherit the land from his father. later became a noted lawyer and Judge on the New York Court of Appeals.

With the railroad, commerce now flowed quickly to and from the city, with local general stores receiving goods and supplies and farmers sending produce and cordwood to city markets. In addition, due to the close proximity to the Yaphank, Wading River, and Manorville

Stations, thousands of acres in Ridge were chosen for the establishment of Camp Upton in 1917. Workers and building supplies were brought to the site through a specially built spur in Yaphank. Once the camp was built, soldiers were transported to and from Upton via the LIRR. Even the mules used by the US Army at the time were transported on special train cars. Today, the site is known as Brookhaven National Laboratory.

The railroad also helped to create new communities in our district. Ten years after the construction of Camp Upton, land in Yaphank was purchased by Louis Fife, who subsequently established Gordon Heights. Since the community was closer to the station in Medford, people could travel to and from their homes in the city with ease. Since summers were spent out in Gordon Heights, mail was forwarded to the station where the seasonal residents could pick it up. As a result, parts of Gordon Heights now have the Medford zip code.

it also brought some trouble. Farmers along the line became bitter because sparks from the locomotives set area forests on fire, which threatened the local cordwood industry. Animals were not only killed by the trains, but were startled by the clatter of wheels and shrieking whistles. As a result, local farmers pulled stakes and tore up tracks, and the situation became so severe that the Long Island Rail Road sent handcars ahead of the trains with men to inspect the tracks for damage. Peace was finally restored when the officials began to pay out cash for damages.

While not without its faults, the railroad played a significant role in shaping our community. From its initial charter signed by a Yaphank resident to the establishment of Camp Upton and Gordon Heights as well as other communities in the area, the Long Island Rail Road brought people to and from the city to our towns, first to visit, then to summer, and eventually to stay. Although its impact waned over the years, for a time, the LIRR tied the east end and our district closer to the commerce and communities of New York City and beyond.

Wednesday, October 29 from 6:30-8:00 pm

those who have passed.



Your Children Don't Want It, Here's What to Do

Tuesday, September 16 from 7:00-8:30 pm **Registration ongoing**

You've spent a lifetime accumulating antiques, collectibles, and other household items. Now that it's time to downsize, what do you do with your household "treasures"? Join author, appraiser, and radio show host Mike Ivankovich to learn 15 tips and strategies designed not only to help you deal with your stuff but hopefully help you make some good money when selling it.

Headline News

Wednesdays, September 24 and October 29 from 2:00-3:00 pm

Registration ongoing

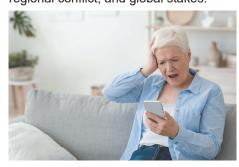
Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

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.

Nuclear Tensions and Shadow Wars: U.S., Iran, and Israel Today

Wednesday, September 24 from 6:30-7:30 pm Registration begins September 5 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join former CIA officer, distinguished professor, and author Lester Paldy for a look at the past, the rising tensions, and the future between the U.S., Iran, and Israel with a focus on nuclear risks, regional conflict, and global stakes.



Protect Yourself from Scams, Fraud, and Identity Theft

Monday, September 29 from 11:00 am-12:00 pm **Registration ongoing**

Scams targeting seniors are on the rise. Criminals often pretend to be from trusted institutions to steal your personal information or money. Learn how to spot and avoid identity theft, insurance fraud, fake emails, calls, and more in this presentation from the Office of the Suffolk County District Attorney in association with the Suffolk County Police Department Financial Crimes Unit, Assemblyman Joe DeStefano, and Senator Dean Murray.

Lithium-Ion Battery Fire Safety

Tuesday, September 30 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing

From the first sign of a problem, you could have less than one minute to escape a lithium-ion battery fire! Join local volunteer firefighters to learn about the proper use, storage, charging, and disposal of these batteries, as well as what signs or problems to look for to protect yourself and loved ones in case of fire.



First Time Homebuyers

Wednesday, October 1 from 6:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing

Learn from real estate experts about the home buying process, including building your home buying team, credit counseling, economical mortgages, down payment resources, and more in this seminar presented by Long Island Housing Partnership, Long Island Board of Realtors, and Suffolk County Legislator Chad Lennon.

Beginner Sign Language

Saturdays, October 4, 11, and 25 from 10:30 am-12:00 pm Registration begins September 10 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Learn sign language with Jennie Sardone. This class is perfect for beginners or those wanting to brush up on their sign language skills.

Gotham's Ghosts

Monday, October 6 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration ongoing

Take a journey through the haunted history of New York City with Eco-Photo Explorers as they visit notorious mansions, taverns, churches, parks, and more to reveal the paranormal side of The Big Apple. New York City is known as "the city that never sleeps," and you may not either after seeing this program!

Paranormal Occurrences and Spirit Phenomena

Friday, October 10 from 6:30-8:00 pm Registration ongoing

Dr. Gary Truce, a retired SUNY Binghamton professor and author of Shelly and Rhoda: A Most Extraordinary Spirit Encounter, will speak about his experiences as an investigator and researcher with physicists and parapsychologists studying paranormal phenomena at Kent State University and Eisenhower College. He will also discuss paranormal topics including ESP, mental telepathy, levitation, spirit or ghost phenomena, the potential of life after death, and more.

ARTS & CRAFTS



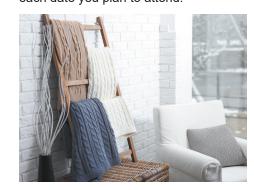
Painted Ceramic Mushroom Planters

Tuesday, September 16 from 7:00-8:00 pm **Registration begins August 26** Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder Paint a whimsical mushroom-shaped ceramic planter using acrylic paints! All supplies are included.

Color Your Cares Away

Fridays, September 19 and October 10 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. Please register for each date you plan to attend.



Woodworking Workshop: Blanket Ladder

Tuesday, September 23 from 6:30-7:30 pm Registration begins September 2 Non-refundable materials fee: \$15 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration. Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join Little Miss Workbench for a woodworking workshop and build a blanket ladder to display and organize your cozy throws. Simple, functional, and a great addition to any room. Beginners welcome. All tools and materials are supplied.

A Knitting and Crochet **Circle of Friends**

Thursdays, September 25 and October 23 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. Please register for each date you plan to attend.

Beginner Calligraphy

Wednesday, October 8 from 7:00-8:00 pm **Registration begins September 17** Non-refundable materials fee: \$11 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration. Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder Learn how to create the beautiful calligraphy cursive alphabet with artist Susan. A set of calligraphy pens will be



The Great Give Back: DIY Upcycle Dog Toys

Monday, October 20 from 10:30-11:45 am **Registration ongoing**

IGREAT Transform your old t-shirts into braided

dog tug toys for our furry friends at a local animal shelter. Please bring a tee shirt to cut and braid.

Jack-O'-Lantern **Paint Night**

Wednesday, October 22 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration begins October 1 Non-refundable materials fee: \$12 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration. Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder Follow along with Pamela to paint a fun and spooky jack-o'-lantern scene on canvas. Beginners welcome. All



Crochet a Dragon

Fridays, October 24, November 7, 14, and 21 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration begins October 3 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Learn how to make an adorable 28-inch dragon amigurumi with Aimee. You will need to bring six skeins of bulky yarn in colors of your choice (yarn weight 6). You will use two skeins for the body. Then one skein each in a light, medium, and dark color for the wings, and one skein in a brown color for the horns. You will also need to bring Poly-fil stuffing. Advanced beginners are welcome. Must know how to single crochet.

BOOKS & WRITING



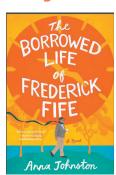
Quiet Company

Tuesdays, September 23 and October 28 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration ongoing. Please register for each date you plan to attend.

Picture it, a room of readers. It's quiet, the lights are low, you're in your comfiest ensemble with your favorite blanket, sipping on warm

tea while a crackling fire plays in the background, all while you are engrossed in a book you become lost in. If this reads like a scene you would like to be a part of, join us for a night of quiet reading with good company. Tea will be provided, cozy ensemble and favorite blankets provided by you.

Daytime Book Discussion



The Borrowed Life of Frederick Fife

by Anna Johnston

In-person/Zoom

Thursday, September 18 from 3:00-4:00 pm Registration is ongoing

Eighty-two-year-old Frederick Fife, kind at heart, is desperately lonely, broke, and on the brink

of homelessness until a case of mistaken identity lands him in a nursing home where he learns about a man's past and how he can return to a life in a better condition than he found it.

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



Time Will Tell

by Rita Mae Brown

In-person/Zoom

Thursday, October 16 from 3:00-4:00 pm Registration ongoing

Amidst managing her busy fox hunting season and caring for her hounds, Jane Arnold stumbles upon an expensive

watch, leading her into a murder investigation where she must connect the clues and confront a clever adversary before more blood is shed.

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

Fall Writing Workshop

Mondays, September 15, 22, 29, and October 6 from 2:00-4:00 pm **Registration begins September 3**

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, September 30 and October 28 from 2:30-3:30 pm Registration ongoing

Come and hear about interesting forthcoming books, as well as our favorites and classics. You are welcome to share your favorite titles with the group, or just sit back, relax, and enjoy interesting book chats and treats!

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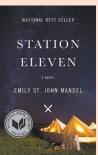
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Evening Book Discussion



Station Eleven

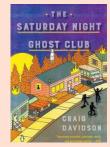
by Emily St. John Mandel

Friday, September 26 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing

The spellbinding story of a Hollywood star, his would-be savior, and a nomadic group of actors roaming the scattered

outposts of the Great Lakes region, risking everything for art and humanity.

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



The Saturday Night **Ghost Club**

by Craig Davidson Friday, October 24 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing

An irresistible and bittersweet coming-of-age story in the vein

of Stranger Things and Stand by Me about a group of misfit kids who spend an unforgettable summer investigating local ghost stories and urban legends.

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

COMPUTER **CLASSES**

The Age of Al: Spotting Al **Misinformation on Social Media**

Thursday, October 30 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration ongoing

Join our librarians and learn how to recognize Al-generated scams, fake images, and misleading posts on platforms like Facebook. Also, pick up some practical tips to protect yourself and others online!

Introduction to **Computers**

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Got a new computer? Need to brush up on the basics? Join Sharper Training for this collection of computer courses!

Tuesday, September 9 from 2:00-3:30 pm Registration begins September 2

For the computer novice, this class will get you started. Learn the basics right from the beginning: turning the computer on, using the desktop, working with the mouse, opening and closing programs, understanding windows elements, getting out of trouble, and turning the computer off.

Word Processing

Tuesday, September 23 from 2:00-3:30 pm Registration begins September 9

Learn how to work with text, files, and basic word processing skills.

Navigation and Photos

Tuesday, September 30 from 2:00-3:30 pm Registration begins September 9

This hands-on class covers multitasking, working with graphics, using Windows drawing and painting tools, using copy, cut, and paste.

File Management

Tuesday, October 7 from 2:00-3:30 pm Registration begins September 16

Organize your computer! This class provides an understanding of the Windows file management structure, including drives, folders, and files. Create folders, copy and move files, and delete folders and files.

Internet Basics

Tuesday, October 28 from 2:00-3:30 pm Registration begins October 7

Learn how to get online, find information, understand the jargon of the internet, and much more.

Email Basics

Tuesday, November 4 from 2:00-3:30 pm Registration begins October 14

In this hands-on lecture and demo class, learn how to send, receive, forward, and reply to email. After you have mastered the basics, learn how to attach and download files.

CONCERTS & PERFORMANCES

A World of Song and Dance

OPEN TO ALL

Sol y Sombra Tango Performance

Wednesday, September 17 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration ongoing

Enjoy this exciting and passionate Tango dance performance by Sol y Sombra and championship Tango dancers Carolina Juarena and Andres Bravo, while learning about the history of this beautiful dance art form.

Trio Ardiente: Tango and Beyond

Friday, October 3 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing

Enjoy an evening of tango music performed by Trio Ardiente.
Clarinetist Joseph Rutkowski, cellist Susanne Mueller, and pianist/tanguera Claudine Robins will delight you with their tangos and other music of passion by composers Astor Piazzolla, Richard Rodney Bennett, Paquito D'Rivera, Sergei Rachmaninoff, and more.

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

Cambiata Cello Duo

Sunday, September 7 from 2:00-3:30 pm Registration ongoing

The Cambiata Cello Duo, formed by Suzanne Mueller and Paul Lawrence Finkelstein, brings together a rich and diverse repertoire that spans centuries, continents, and genres. Featuring works from iconic composers like Bach and Beethoven, as well as pieces inspired by tangos, Catalan music, Jobim, and Danzas Latinoamericanas. In addition to their performance, the duo adds a distinctive touch by discussing the composers and pieces they play offering a unique musical journey.

The Rustlers

Sunday, October 12 from 2:00-3:30 pm Registration begins September 29

The Rustlers are a powerhouse band with a great mix of country and rock n' roll! Their shows are full of energy, with a solid rhythm section and killer harmonies!

Panic

Sunday, November 16 from 2:00-3:30 pm Registration begins November 1

Experience the ultimate live music event as Panic brings your favorite rock, dance, and country hits from the '60s to today straight to the stage! With their authentic sound, powerful vocals, and a high-energy, interactive performance, this band knows how to get you moving.

COOKING

Chicken Fajita Penne Pasta Skillet

Monday, September 15 from 4:00-5:00 pm OR 6:30-7:30 pm

Registration begins September 4
Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Chef Rob demonstrates how to make this very popular one-skillet meal in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month. Enjoy this delicious skillet, mild or spicy. Tasting to follow. *This program may not* be suitable for those with food allergies.



Dubai Chocolate Brownies

Thursday, October 2 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins September 12 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join A. Mano Baking Company to learn how to make their mouthwatering brownies inspired by the latest trend —Dubai Chocolate! These indulgent treats are packed with rich, decadent flavors that are simply irresistible. You must bring your own mixing bowl and utensil of your choice. 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, Mahjong sets, and other favorites. We provide the tables and the room; you provide the fund

Dungeons & Dragons: Fall Campaign

Mondays, October 6, 13, 20, 27, November 3, 10, and 17 from 6:00-8:30 pm
Registration begins September 15
Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Ready to level up? Join expert DM Jimmy for this seven-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!

HEALTH & FITNESS

Catholic Health Services Mobile Clinic

Friday, September 12 from 10:00 am-2:00 pm No registration

The Catholic Health Community
Outreach Mobile Clinic will be located in
the library parking lot to offer free health
screenings, including flu shots, a brief
cardiac history, blood pressure checks,
a simple blood test for cholesterol,
and diabetes screenings, along with
appropriate patient education and
referrals for patrons aged 18 and above.
This service is provided free of charge,
and you do not need to have health
insurance to participate.



Meditation: A Priority in Today's World

Friday, September 12 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing

Join John Bednarik for this engaging workshop on how meditation can provide numerous benefits, including significant stress reduction, improved focus, emotional balance, better health, increased calmness, and greater peace within. Meditation is an effective tool for coping in today's challenging times and promoting overall wellness. There will be an opportunity to practice this timetested technique and a chance to ask and answer informative questions.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING

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

General Defensive Driving

Saturday, September 13 from 10:00 am-4:30 pm OR
Wednesday and Thursday, September 24 and 25 from 5:30-8:30 pm OR
Saturday, October 4 from 10:00 am-4:30 pm OR
Wednesday and Thursday, October 22 and 23 from 5:30-8:30 pm
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.

AARP Smart Driver Course

Monday and Tuesday, September 15 and 16 from 10:00 am-1:30 pm OR Monday and Tuesday, October 6 and 7 from 10:00 am-1:30 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

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.

ROAD

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Narcan Training

Monday, September 22 from 6:30-8:00 pm Registration ongoing

Learn how to recognize and respond to opioid overdoses. All attendees will receive a free Narcan Kit. Presented by the Suffolk County Sheriff's Office in collaboration with Suffolk County EMS and hosted by Assemblyman Joe DeStefano and Senator Dean Murray.



What to Expect in the ER

Thursday, September 25 from 12:00-1:00 pm Registration ongoing

Discover what to expect when visiting the Emergency Room in this virtual lunch and learn session with medical staff from Mather Hospital.

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Introduction to Tap Dancing

Fridays, September 26, October 3, 10, and 24 from 10:30-11:30 am Registration begins September 5 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join Joyce to learn basic beginner tap dance steps in this fun workshop! Wear soft leather shoes (no sneakers) and dress comfortably.

Unlocking Joyful Memories: Innovative Activities for Dementia Patients

Saturday, September 27 from 11:00 am-12:00 pm Registration ongoing

Dementia is a debilitating condition that robs patients of their memories and leaves them feeling lost and alone. Learn about innovative activities that offer a ray of hope for dementia patients, allowing them to rediscover joy and connection. Presented by FCA through the Parker Jewish Institute's Willing Hearts Helpful Hands program.

Flu Shot Clinic

Wednesday. October 1 from 10:00 am-2:00 pm No registration

Pharmacists from Walgreens will be here to administer the flu shot. Bring your insurance card. Those without insurance will be eligible to receive a free flu shot. Flu shots are available to anyone aged four years and older; children under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. No appointment is necessary; first-come, first-served.



Neck Pain Workshop

Tuesday, October 14 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing

Join physical therapist and chiropractor Dr. David Stern to learn the common causes of neck pain, basic neck anatomy, and the best conservative methods to treat neck pain.



Learn to Be Tobacco Free

Mondays, October 20, 27, November 3, 10, 17, 24, and December 15 from 6:00-7:15 pm To register call (631) 853-2928 or email debora.rippel@suffolkcountyny.gov

This free, multi-session program offered by the Suffolk County Department of Health Services is based on the CDC's Clinical Practice Guidelines for treating nicotine dependence, focusing on the physical, behavioral, and psychological aspects of nicotine dependence. Nicotine Replacement Therapies are available for a nominal fee. Those who use all forms of tobacco, including cigarettes, chew, cigars, and electronic cigarettes, are welcome



Memory Loss, Dementia, and Alzheimer's Disease

Zoom

Tuesday, October 21 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing

Concerned about dementia? Are you unsure where to find answers about the facts and myths surrounding memory loss? This session provides an understanding of the causes and types of dementia, as well as when to consult with your doctor. Presented by FCA through the Parker Jewish Institute's Willing Hearts Helpful Hands program.



End-of-Life Care

Zoom

Wednesday, October 22 from 12:00-1:00 pm Registration ongoing

Learn about support services available for those facing end-of-life decisions in this virtual lunch and learn with medical staff from Mather Hospital.

The Healing Power of Meditation

Zoom

Wednesday, October 22 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing

Many of us worry about the future or dwell upon the past. Our minds are constantly in turmoil. Join long-time meditator Ajili Hodari, Esq as he explores the healing power of meditation and shares techniques on how to unlock the door to a life of improved emotional and physical wellbeing. This virtual workshop will also include a short meditation session.

LANGUAGE CLASSES



English Online

Zoom

Tuesdays, September 9 through October 28 from 5:00-6:30 pm
Registration ongoing

This 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 discussions and reading.

MOVIES

Saturday Afternoon Movie



A Minecraft Movie
Saturday, September 6
at 2:15 pm
No registration
Starring Jack Black

Starring Jack Black, Jason Momoa, and Jennifer Coolidge

(Family/Adventure, 2025, PG, 101 mins.)



Thunderbolts
Saturday, October 4
at 2:15 pm
No registration

Starring Florence Pugh, Sebastian Stan, and David Harbour

(Action/Adventure, 2025, PG-13, 126 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!

September/October Selections...

SEPTEMBER 3

Contact (Sci-fi, 1997, PG, 150 mins.)

Starring Jodie Foster & Matthew McConaughey

SEPTEMBER 10

The Penguin Lessons (Comedy, 2025, PG-13, 111 mins.) Starring Steve Coogan & Vivian El Jaber

SEPTEMBER 17

Space Cowboys (Action/Adventure, 2000, PG-13, 130 mins.)

Starring Clint Eastwood & James Garner

SEPTEMBER 24

The Amateur

(Suspense/Thriller, 2025, PG-13, 122 mins.) Starring Rami Malek & Laurence Fishburne

> Watch-a-Movie Wednesday!

OCTOBER 1

Peggy Sue Got Married (Romance/Comedy, 1986, PG-13, 103 mins.) Starring Kathleen Turner & Nicholas Cage

OCTOBER 8

The Woman in the Yard (Thriller/Horror, 2025, PG-13, 88 mins) Starring Danielle Deadwyler & Russell Hornsby

OCTOBER 15

Tommy Boy (Comedy, 1995, PG-13, 97 mins.) Starring Chris Farley & David Spade

OCTOBER 22
The Phoenician Scheme
(Comedy/Adventure, 2025, PG-13, 101 mins.)
Starring Tom Hanks & Benicio Del Toro

OCTOBER 29

Poltergeist
(Horror, 1982, PG, 114 mins.)
Starring Craig T. Nelson & JoBeth Williams



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NATURE & ENVIRONMENT



Curb Appeal Zoom

Tuesday, September 9 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing

Learn how to make your front yard more attractive and inviting in this virtual presentation with a master gardener from Cornell Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County.



Duck, Duck, Goose! Long Island Waterfowl

Tuesday, October 14 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing

It's a fun time for ducks and geese on Long Island! Winter is courtship season and we can see over 40 different species, including geese, strutting their stuff in winter. Dianne Taggart, a longtime LI birder, will share photos and fun facts about these beautiful birds.



The History of Native Plants

Tuesday, October 21 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing

Join Kim from KMS Native Plants to learn about the history of native plants, their use by Native Americans and early settlers of Long Island, and how they are used today.

Guided Nature Hike at Connetquot River State Park Preserve

Thursday, October 30 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm Registration begins October 9 Limit 2 registrations per LPL cardholder

Join us for a 2.5-mile hike in the beautiful historic Connetquot River State Park Preserve led by Lee McAllister, author of *Hiking Long Island*. We will traverse along the Connetquot River past historic sites and learn about the flora and fauna around us. There will be a break at the fish hatchery (with bathrooms available) before returning through dry classic pine barrens terrain. **Meet at the main parking lot off Sunrise Highway before the 10 am start.** Dress warmly. Weather permitting.

SMILEAWHILE

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

SmileAwhile with a Decorative Apple Plate

Friday, September 19 from 10:30-11:30 am Registration begins September 3

Make a pretty apple-themed plate to decorate your home for the fall.

SmileAwhile with a Day of the Dead Wreath

Friday, October 17 from 10:30-11:30 am Registration begins September 26

Make a colorful wreath perfect for the Halloween season.

SmileAwhile with a Movie

The Game Plan

Friday, September 12 from 10:30 am-12:30 pm No registration

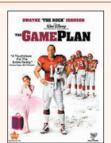
Starring Dwayne Johnson, Madison Pettis, Kyra Sedgwick (2007, Family Comedy, PG, 1 hour 50 minutes)

Scooby-Doo

Thursday, October 9 from 10:30 am-12:00 pm No registration

Starring Matthew Lillard, Freddie Prinze Jr, Sarah Michelle Gellar

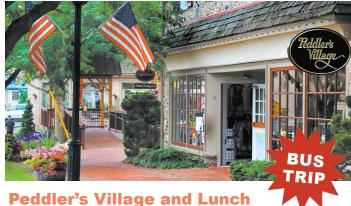
(2002, Comedy Adventure, PG, 1 hour 26 minutes)







TRIPS



at the Cock 'n Bull Restaurant

Tuesday, October 7 from 7:45 am-7:15 pm approximately Non-refundable fee: \$110 per person, cash (exact change) OR major credit card (can pay online) due at registration Registration begins September 4

Join us for a relaxing and memorable day in one of Bucks County's most enchanting destinations! Enjoy a delightful visit to Peddler's Village, where you will have free time to explore more than 65 charming shops and specialty boutiques at your own pace. Discover unique finds, handcrafted goods, and seasonal treasures throughout this storybook village. Savor a delicious lunch at the Cock 'n Bull Restaurant, a beloved Village landmark since 1962. Dine in a warm, colonial-style setting with lovely views of the picturesque Village Green. Trip includes round-trip transportation (gratuity for the driver not included), lunch at the Cock 'n Bull Restaurant (includes tax and gratuity). Lunch includes garden salad, a choice of chicken marsala OR potato-crusted salmon, apple cake, bread, butter, soft drink, coffee, and tea service.

Departing location: in front of Meltology (formerly Friendly's) at 7:45 am.



Train Trip to NYC

Saturday, October 11, on the 9:32 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, September 8 at 9:30 am at the Circulation Desk.

There is a 4-ticket limit per adult LPL cardholder (cardholders must be present)
Tickets are valid for this 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 ticket for any other train that day and may sit wherever you like.

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

Museum Passes

Visit museums for free with passes provided by the library. There are more than 40 museums to choose from!

- 9/11 Memorial & Museum
- AKC Museum of the Dog
- American Air Power Museum
- Brooklyn Botanic Garden
- Children's Museum of the East End
- Cooper Hewitt
- Cradle of Aviation
- The Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art
- Fire Island Lighthouse
- Guggenheim
- Holocaust Memorial & Tolerance Center
- Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum
- Long Island Children's Museum
- Long Island Museum of American Art, History & Carriages And many more!

Reserve passes on **longwoodlibrary.org** with your Longwood Public Library adult card in good standing, and either print the pass or pick it up at the Children's

Reference Desk before your visit. If you have questions, call the Children's Department at (631) 924-6400 x236.





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SEPTEMBER 2025 PROGRAM CALENDAR

(C) Children's Program (T) Teen Program (A) Adult Program

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Closed	Labor Day Library Closed	2 12-3:30 PM (A) Medicaid Enrollment Assistance for the Aged, Blind and Disabled	10:30 AM (C) Apples All Around 2:15 PM (A) Watch-A-Movie Wednesday! Contact 7 PM (A) Salsa, Merengue, and Bachata Dancing	10 AM (C) Bouncing Babies 4-6 PM (A) NYS Assemblywoman Rebecca Kassay Mobile Office 6 PM (C) Playtown 7 PM (T) Stenciled Tote Bags	10 AM (A) Hey! Let's Play! 10 AM (C) Playtown 6 PM (C) Sunny Sketches 7 PM (T) Mug Cake Creations 7 PM (C) Sunny Sketches	10 AM (C) Nature Walk at the Rocky Point Natural Resource Management Area (Offsite) 11 AM (C) Morning at the Movies: How to Train Your Dragon 2:15 PM (A) Saturday Afternoon Movie: A Minecraft Movie
2 PM (A) Cambiata Cello Duo	10 AM-12 PM (A) Office for the Aging Advocate 10 AM (C) Let's Move with PlayHooray! 11 AM (C) Let's Move with PlayHooray! 4:30-8:30 PM (A) Family Service League Social Worker 6:30 PM (A) Cyanotype Printed Notecards	9:45 AM (C) Parent Toddler Workshop 10 AM-5 PM (A) Health Insurance Enrollment Assistance for NY State of Health 11 AM (C) Parent Toddler Workshop 2 PM (A) Intro to Computers: Basics 4 PM (T) Sustainability Club: Mission Monarch 5 PM (A) English Online (Zoom) 5:30 PM Family Maker Night: Sublimation Wind Spinners 6 PM (A) Intermediate English with LIEOC 7 PM (C) Family Maker Night: Sublimation Wind Spinners 7 PM (A) Curb Appeal (Zoom)	10 AM-2:30 PM (A) HIICAP Medicare Counseling 10 AM (C) Sunny Stories 11 AM-12 PM (A) Long Island Cares Mobile Food Pantry 11 AM (C) Sunny Stories 2-3 PM (A) ADRC Caregiver Support Group 2:15 PM (A) Watch-A-Movie Wednesday! The Penguin Lessons 6 PM (C) Sculpey Clay 7 PM (T) Cards for Veterans 7 PM (A) Salsa, Merengue, and Bachata Dancing 7 PM (C) Sculpey Clay	10 AM (C) Preschool Playtime 6 PM (A) Intermediate English with LIEOC 6 PM (C) Minecraft Junior 7 PM (A) 3D Printing Pioneers 7 PM (C) Minecraft Club	10 AM-2 PM (A) Catholic Health Services Mobile Clinic 10 AM (A) Hey! Let's Play! 10:30 AM (A) SmileAwhile with a Movie: <i>The Game Plan</i> 5:45 PM (T) Dungeons & Dragons with the Quest Masters Guild 6 PM (C) Fall Door Decorations 7 PM (A) Meditation: A Priority in Today's World 7:15 PM (C) Fall Door Decorations	10 AM (A) General Defensive Driving 11 AM-3 PM (A,T,C) Brookhaven Town Public Libraries EXPO (Offsite) 2-3 PM (A) Genealogy Drop-In
14	10 AM (A) AARP Smart Driver Course 10:30 AM (C) Nursery Rhyme Sing Along 2 PM (A) Fall Writing Workshop 4 PM (A) Chicken Fajita Penne Pasta Skillet 4:30-8:30 PM (A) family Service League Social Worker 6:30 PM (A) Chicken Fajita Penne Pasta Skillet 7 PM (T) Pencil Pals	9:45 AM (C) Parent Toddler Workshop 10 AM-5 PM (A) Health Insurance Enrollment Assistance for NY State of Health 10 AM (A) AARP Smart Driver Course 11 AM (C) Parent Toddler Workshop 4-7 PM (A) Career Coaching 4-6 PM National Voter Registration Day 5 PM (A) English Online (Zoom) 6 PM (A) Intermediate English with LIEOC 6 PM (C) Tots Night Out 7 PM (T) Community Service 101 7 PM (A) Painted Ceramic Mushroom Planters 7 PM (A) Your Children Don't Want It (Zoom)	2:15 PM (A) Watch-A-Movie Wednesday! Space Cowboys 6 PM (C) Adopt-a-Puppy Stuffie 7 PM (A) Sol y Sombra Tango Performance 7 PM (A) Library Board of Trustees Meeting	10 AM (C) Preschool Playtime 3 PM (A) Daytime Book Discussion: The Borrowed Life of Frederick Fife (In-person/Zoom) 6 PM (A) Intermediate English with LIEOC 6 PM (C) Dungeons & Dragons Tween Edition 6:30 PM (A) Light It Up: Sublimation Keychains 7 PM (T) Placemats for Meal Services	10 AM (A) Hey! Let's Play! 10:30 AM (A) SmileAwhile with a Decorative Apple Plate 2:30 PM (A) Light It Up: Sublimation Keychains 5:30 PM (C) Hoedown Throwdown 7 PM (T) Autumn S'mores Trays 7 PM (A) Color Your Cares Away	20 10 AM-5 PM (A,T,C) Brookhaven Country Fair at Longwood Estate (Offsite)
21 10 AM-5 PM (A,T,C) Brookhaven Country Fair at Longwood Estate (Offsite)	10 AM (C) Mostly Mother Goose 2 PM (A) Fall Writing Workshop 4:30-8:30 PM (A) Family Service League Social Worker 6:30 PM (A) Narcan Training 6:30 PM (A) Cyanotype Printed Notecards 6:30 PM (C) Book Bunch & Munch	23 12-3:30 PM (A) Medicaid Enrollment Assistance for the Aged, Blind and Disabled 2 PM (A) Intro to Computers: Word Processing 5 PM (A) English Online (Zoom) 6 PM (A) Intermediate English with LIEOC 6:30 PM (A) Woodworking Workshop: Blanket Ladder 7 PM (A) Quiet Company	24 2 PM (A) Headline News Discussion 2:15 PM (A) Watch-A-Movie Wednesday! The Amateur 4:30 PM (T) Coding Buddies 5 PM (C) Coding Buddies 5:30 PM (A) General Defensive Driving 5:30 PM (A) SCORE Business Mentoring 6:30 PM (A) Nuclear Tensions and Shadow Wars: U.S., Iran, and Israel Today	25 10 AM (C) Preschool Playtime 10:30 AM (A) A Knitting and Crochet Circle of Friends 12 PM (A) What to Expect in the ER (Zoom) 5:30 PM (A) General Defensive Driving 6 PM (A) Intermediate English with LIEOC 6 PM (C) Autumn Sand Art 7 PM (T) Fall Pumpkin Tower 7 PM (C) Snack Attack: Tween Taste Challenge 7 PM (A) Cricut Fundamentals (Zoom)	10 AM (A) Hey! Let's Play! 10:30 AM (A) Introduction to Tap Dancing 6 PM (T) Code a Video Game: Pac-Man 6 PM (C) Book Chat: Bunnicula 7 PM (A) Evening Book Discussion: Station Eleven	27 10 AM (C) Be Inspired: Hispanic Heritage Month 11 AM (A) Unlocking Joyful Memories: Innovative Activities for Dementia Patients 2 PM (C) Be Inspired: Hispanic Heritage Month
28	29	9:45 AM (C) Parent Toddler Workshop 11 AM (C) Parent Toddler Workshop			Art Exhibit	

11 AM (A) Protect Yourself from Scams, Fraud, and Identity Theft 2 PM (A) Fall Writing Workshop 4:30-8:30 PM (A) Family Service League Social Worker 5 PM (C) Paws For Reading 5:15 PM (C) Paws For Reading 5:30 PM (C) Paws For Reading 5:45 PM (C) Paws For Reading 7 PM (T) Paracord Lanyards

11 AM (C) Parent Toddler Workshop 2 PM (A) Intro to Computers: Navigation and Photos 2:30 PM (A) Titles and Treats 3:30 PM (T) After-School Art: DIY Leather Pouches 5:30 PM (C) DIY Customized Water Bottles 5 PM (A) English Online (Zoom) 6 PM (A) Intermediate English with LIEOC 7 PM (A) Lithium-Ion Battery Fire Safety
7 PM (C) DIY Customized Water Bottles



In the library's gallery throughout September and October, make sure you stop by and take in the eye-catching works of local artist, Aisha Akmal. After nurturing her love for artwork over the last few years, Ms. Akmal is pleased to share some of her fantastically colorful oil paintings as well as some of her colorful and textured resin-based works too.



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OCTOBER 2025 PROGRAM CALENDAR

(C) Children's Program (T) Teen Program (A) Adult Program

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY		
Food Drive: October 1-31 The library is hosting a food drive to support Long Island Cares during The Great Give Back 2025. We are collecting shelf-stable foods, paper goods, personal hygiene products, pet food, birthday party supplies, and baby care products. No glass jars.			10 AM-2 PM (A) Flu Shot Clinic 10 AM-12:30 PM (A) Resources for Dementia Caregivers 10:30 AM (C) Tea Towel Stamping Fun 2:15 PM (A) Watch-A-Movie Wednesday! <i>Peggy Sue Got Married</i> 6 PM (A) First Time Homebuyers Seminar	6 PM (A) Intermediate English with LIEOC 6:30 PM (A) Cricut Fundamentals: Spooky Shopping Totes for Beginners 7 PM (A) Dubai Chocolate Brownies	10 AM (A) Hey! Let's Play! 10 AM, 11 AM (C) Construction Zone 10:30 AM (A) Intro to Tap Dancing 2:30 PM (A) Cricut Fundamentals: Spooky Shopping Totes for Beginners 6 PM (C) Nuts About Fall 7 PM (A) Trio Ardiente: Tangos and Beyond 7 PM (T) Sublimation Tote Bags 7 PM (T) Taco Pinata Assistants 7:15 PM (C) Taco Pinatas	10 AM (A) General Defensive Driving 10:30 AM (A) Beginner Sign Language 11 AM (C) Morning at the Movies: Lilo & Stitch 2:15 PM (A) Saturday Afternoon Movie: Thunderbolts		
5	10 AM (A) AARP Smart Driver Course 10 AM-12 PM (A) Office for the Aging Advocate 10:30 AM (C) Scarecrow Sand Art 2 PM (A) Fall Writing Workshop 4:30-8:30 PM (A) Family Service League Social Worker 5:30 PM (C) Family Maker Night: Window Clings 6 PM (A) Dungeons & Dragons: Fall Campaign 7 PM (T) Bookstormers 7 PM (A) Gotham's Ghost 7 PM (C) Family Maker Night: Window Clings	7:45 AM (A) Peddler's Village & lunch at the Cock 'n Bull Restaurant (Offsite) 9:45 AM (C) Parent Toddler Workshop 10 AM (A) AARP Smart Driver Course 11 AM (C) Parent Toddler Workshop 12-3:30 PM (A) Medicaid Enrollment Assistance for the Aged, Blind and Disabled 2 PM (A) Intro to Computers: File Management 5 PM (A) English Online (Zoom) 6 PM (A) Intermediate English with LIEOC 6 PM, 7 PM (C) Monster Book Backpack Charms 7 PM (T) Pumpkin Spice Body Scrub	10 AM-2:30 PM (A) HIICAP Medicare Counseling 2-3 PM (A) ADRC Caregiver Support Program 2:15 PM (A) Watch-A-Movie Wednesday! The Woman in the Yard 5 PM (C) Fire Safety with Hook & Ladder 5:30 PM (A) Friends of the Library Board Meeting 6 PM (C) Fire Safety with Hook & Ladder 7 PM (A) Beginner Calligraphy	10 AM (C) Preschool Playtime 10:30 AM (A) SmileAwhile with a Movie: Scooby-Doo 6 PM (A) Intermediate English with LIEOC 6 PM (C) Moonlight & Meows 6:30 PM (A) Pumpkin Spice & Personalized: HTV Plush Pumpkins 6:30 PM (A) Long Island and the Legacy of Eugenics: Station of Intolerance (In-person/Zoom) 7 PM (T) Talking Newsletter 7 PM (C) Moonlight & Meows	10 AM (A) Hey! Let's Play! 10:30 AM (A) Intro to Tap Dancing 2:30 PM (A) Pumpkin Spice & Personalized: HTV Plush Pumpkins 5:45 PM (T) Dungeons & Dragons with the Quest Masters Guild 6 PM (C) Mummy Brownies 6:30 PM (A) Paranormal Occurrences and Spirit Phenomena 7 PM (A) Color Your Cares Away 7:15 PM (C) Spiderweb Cookies	9:32 AM (A) Train Trip To NYC (Offsite) 10:30 AM (A) Beginner Sign Language 11 AM (C) Halloween Costume Swap		
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COMMUNITY OUTREACH

NYS Assemblywoman Rebecca Kassay Mobile Office

Thursday, September 4 from 4:00-6:00 pm No registration

Stop by the library to meet
Assemblywoman Rebecca Kassay
and discuss your issues or concerns.
Her office can assist with a variety
of services including state agency
issues, local community programs and
emergency services, applying for state
grants, resolving tax or public benefit
issues, accessing educational programs
and scholarships, free notary services,
understanding and engaging in state
legislation, as well as services for seniors,
people with disabilities, veterans, and
much more!

Health Insurance Enrollment Assistance for NY State of Health

Tuesdays, September 9, 16, October 14, and 21 from 10:00 am-5:00 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.

Long Island Cares Mobile Food Pantry

Wednesday, September 10 from 11:00 am-12:00 pm No registration

Long Island Cares Mobile Food Pantry will be in our parking lot to distribute FREE bags with a 3-day supply of food for you and your family (while supplies last). In the event of inclement weather, please call the Adult Reference Desk at (631) 924-6400 x250, before visiting.



ADRC Caregiver Support Group

Wednesdays, September 10 and October 8 from 2:00-3:00 pm Registration ongoing

Join the Alzheimer's Disease Resource Center (ADRC) for their monthly caregiver support group. Find emotional support, discuss challenges, share experiences, and get practical advice. Please register separately for each date you plan to attend.



National Voter Registration Day

Tuesday, September 16 from 4:00-6:00 pm No registration

Not sure how to vote or when to register? Stop by the library for information about voter registration, absentee ballots, deadlines to register to vote in this year's local election, early voting dates and locations, applications to register to vote, and the current Directory of Elected Officials provided by the League of Women Voters.

Resources for Dementia Caregivers

Wednesday, October 1 from 10:00 am-12:30 pm No registration

Attention caregivers and community enthusiasts! Stop by the gallery to meet representatives from The Willing Hearts, Helpful Hands Caregiver Grant to learn about their free services, support, and funds for caregivers of someone with dementia. Looking to give back to your community? Learn about volunteer opportunities available with Willing Hearts, Helpful Hands.

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! NOTE: Please call or email to cancel an appointment you are unable to keep before the starting time of your appointment. A "noshow" will be marked on your account. Two "no-shows" within 60 days will result in appointment privileges being revoked for the next 60 days.

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 from addiction, facing the challenges of mental illness, seniors seeking help, and more. Please note, there are no appointments on September 1.

Medicaid Enrollment Assistance for the Aged, Blind, and Disabled

Tuesdays, September 2, 23, October 7, and 28 from 12:00-3:30 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



Office for the Aging Advocate

Mondays, September 8 and October 6 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 countywide programs and services, and other appropriate agencies.

HIICAP Medicare Counseling

Wednesdays, September 10 and October 8 from 10:00 am-2:30 pm Call (631) 924-6400 x250 for an appointment. No walk-ins.

A trained counselor from the Health Insurance Information Counseling Assistance Program (HIICAP) provides guidance about Medicare coverage choices and low-income subsidy programs. HIICAP counselors are not affiliated with any commercial healthcare insurers or providers.

Career Coaching

Tuesdays, September 16 OR October 14 from 4:00-7:00 pm
Call (631) 924-6400 x250 or register in-person for appointments.
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

SCORE Business Mentoring

job searching.

Wednesdays, September 24 OR October 29 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.



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 designed for children to attend independently, but a parent or guardian must stay in the building.

Please adhere to all posted age/grade requirements for programs or registration will not be valid.

BABY, TODDLER, AND PRESCHOOL CLASSES & EVENTS



Apples All Around

Wednesday, September 3 at 10:30 am Children (3 years-Pre-K) **Registration begins August 18**

Join us for a bushel of fun! We'll enjoy apple-themed stories, create a sweet craft, and even taste a yummy apple snack. The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Bouncing Babies

Thursday, September 4 at 10:00 am Children (birth-23 months) **Registration begins August 18**

Bring your babies for a morning of songs, stories, and playtime with library friends!

Playtown

Thursday, September 4 at 6:00 pm OR Friday, September 5 at 10:00 am Children (2 years-Pre-K) **Registration begins August 18**

Children will use their imaginations as they visit and play in Playtown's supermarket, animal hospital, library, and other community centers. Children will develop essential social and emotional skills by participating in dramatic play with costumes and acting out behaviors of community helpers.

Let's Move with PlayHooray!

Monday, September 8 at 10:00 am OR 11:00 am Children (infant-4 years) **Registration begins August 18**

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

Parent Toddler Workshop

Tuesdays, September 9, 16, 30, October 7, 14, 21 at 9:45 am OR 11:00 am Children (12 months-35 months) Registration begins August 26

Parents and children will spend time together playing at various centers, including imaginative play, blocks, books, toys, and puzzles. Children can experience Play-Doh, dot paint, stampers, and more at our art table each week. We will conclude our fun with a circle time of songs, rhymes, and parachute play. This weekly program also includes a resource person who will discuss issues such as toilet learning, nutrition, child safety, and other parenting questions you may have.

Sunny Stories

Wednesday, September 10 Children (18-35 months) at 10:00 am Children (3 years-Pre-K) at 11:00 am Registration begins August 26

Create your own burst of sunshine with this fun sunflower craft after listening to

Preschool Playtime

Thursdays, September 11, 18, 25, October 9, 16, 23 at 10:00 am Children (3 years-Pre-K) Registration begins August 26

Calling all preschoolers! Join us for this weekly program, featuring friends and fun, where your child will enjoy an hour of play and learning time. Each session will begin with an extended circle time. during which stories and songs are shared, followed by a related craft activity and free play.

Nursery Rhyme Sing Along

Monday, September 15 at 10:30 am Children (infant-Pre-K) Registration begins September 4

Join Meghan VK to sing, clap, and dance along to all your favorite classic rhymes! This fun-filled class encourages early language skills, rhythm, and social interaction in a warm and welcoming



Tots Night Out

Tuesday, September 16 at 6:00 pm Children (18 months-Pre-K) Registration begins September 4 Wednesday, October 15 at 6:00 pm Children (18 months-Pre-K) Registration begins October 3

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

Adopt-a-Puppy Stuffie

Wednesday, September 17 at 6:00 pm Children (3 years-Pre-K) Registration begins September 4

Adopt a new stuffed puppy to take home from the library! Wash them, name them, decorate a carrier, and even get a birth certificate!

Hoedown Throwdown

Friday, September 19 at 5:30 pm Children (3 years-Pre-K) Registration begins September 4

Grab your hats and boots for a Wild West adventure just for tots, full of rootin'-tootin' crafts, games, and exciting activities

Mostly Mother Goose

Monday, September 22 at 10:00 am Children (infant-3 years) Registration begins September 4

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

Tea Towel Stamping Fun

Wednesday, October 1 at 10:30 am Children (3 years-Pre-K) Registration begins September 17

Roll up your sleeves and get stamping! Join us for a fun storytime, then create your own colorful, one-of-a-kind tea towel with fruit!



Construction Zone

Friday, October 3 at 10:00 am OR 11:00 am Children (18 months-Pre-K) Registration begins September 17

Put on your hard hats and let's build with all types of blocks! Imaginative play helps to enhance your child's gross motor skills, along with socialization.

Scarecrow Sand Art

Monday, October 6 at 10:30 Children (3 years-Pre-K) Registration begins September 17

Your little one will enhance their fine motor skills and color recognition while tracing a scarecrow pattern with glue and a shake of sand!

Fire Safety with Hook & Ladder

Wednesday, October 8 Children (3 years-Pre-K) at 5:00 pm Registration begins September 22

Join Hook & Ladder for this hands-on fire prevention and safety program. Learn all about fire safety and try the firefighter obstacle course challenge modeled after real firefighter training!

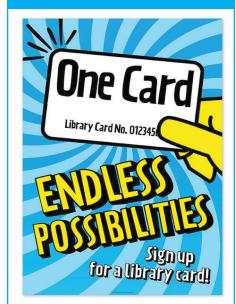


Spooky Storytime

Wednesday, October 15 at 10:00 am Children (3 years-Pre-K) Registration begins October 3

Come on down to the library to listen to spooky stories, sing songs, make batty crafts, and play fun games!

Library Card Sign-Up Month



September is Library Card Sign-Up Month and the Longwood Children's Department wants to ensure that your child is among the two-thirds of Americans who carry the smartest card of all - a library card. Studies show that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifetime learning.

So, sign up for a library card!

Every child who signs up for their first library card will receive a "Welcome to the Library" bag filled with a special treat. For those children who already have library cards - show us your card and enter into a raffle.

Monthly Family Storytime Kits



In addition to our in-person programs for little ones, we offer Family Storytime Kits every month. Each themed kit includes a craft, activity sheets, and a OR code that will take you to our digital storytime guide with links to eBooks and extension activities to do at home. These kits are most appropriate for children 18 months to Pre-K and will be available starting the first of the month, while supplies last.

September: Apple of My Eye **October: Fire Safety Fun**

BABY, TODDLER, AND PRESCHOOL CLASSES & EVENTS

Shake 'N Make Music

Saturday, October 25 Children (infant-17 months) at 10:00 am Children (18-35 months) at 11:00 am **Registration begins October 8**

Let's have a party with Heather from Shake 'N Make Music! This music and movement program incorporates instruments, bean bags, bubbles, and more for little ones and their caregivers.

Nursery Rhyme Sing Along

Monday, October 27 at 10:30 am Children (infant-Pre-K) Registration begins October 8

Join Meghan VK to sing, clap, and dance along to all your favorite classic rhymes! This fun-filled class encourages early language skills, rhythm, and social interaction in a warm and welcoming environment.

Tinker Tots

Tuesday, October 28 at 10:00 am OR 11:00 am Children (31 months-Pre-K) **Registration begins October 8**

Join your library friends for fun with manipulatives, puzzles, blocks, and other things to tinker with.

Monster Mash

Wednesday, October 29 Children (18-35 months) at 10:00 am Children (3 years-Pre-K) at 11:00 am **Registration begins October 8**

Celebrate spooky season with silly stories, a hands-on craft, and interactive stations designed for little monsters.



Peek-a-Boo with You!

Thursday, October 30 at 10:00 am Children (infant-11 months) Registration begins October 8

Join us for this Halloween celebration! We will sing silly songs, have some rhyming fun, and make a BOO-tiful craft! Afterwards, we will have a costume parade around the library. Dressing up is encouraged.



Trick or Treat, **Crafts & Sweets**

Friday, October 31 at 10:00 am OR 11:00 am OR 3:00 pm Children (12 months-Pre-K) Registration begins October 8

Have a frightfully fun time as we celebrate Halloween with stories, games, prizes, snacks, and fun galore! Then, trick or treat around the library! Don't forget to wear your costume. The snack provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

SCHOOL-AGED CLASSES & EVENTS



Sunny Sketches

Friday, September 5 Children (grades K-2) at 6:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) at 7:00 pm Registration began August 18

Join art teacher Kim to create a beautiful sunflower masterpiece.

Family Maker Night: Sublimation Wind Spinners



Registration began August 26

Join us in the makerLAB to learn how to sublimate onto a wind spinner.

Sculpey Clay Red Pandas

Wednesday, September 10 Children (grades K-2) at 6:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) at 7:00 pm Registration began August 26

Join Art Teacher Amy to create a beautiful craft from clay.

Minecraft Junior

Thursday, September 11 at 6:00 pm Children (grades K-2) Registration began August 26

Minecraft Club

Thursday, September 11 at 7:00 pm Children (grades 3-6)

Registration began August 26

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 don't need a personal account to play.



Fall Door Decorations

Friday, September 12 Children (grades K-2) at 6:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) at 7:15 pm Registration began August 26

Join Miss Laura to create door decorations perfect for the fall season.

SCHOOL-AGED CLASSES & EVENTS

Dungeons & Dragons Tween Edition

Children (grades 4-6) Thursday, September 18 at 6:00 pm Registration begins September 4

Thursday, October 16 at 6:00 pm Registration begins October 3

Join the Quest Masters Guild for our "Tween Edition" round 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

Book Bunch & Munch

Monday, September 22 at 6:30 pm Children (grades K-2) Registration begins September 4

Children will listen to a story or two, chat about its amazing qualities during our book discussion, and then make a craft while enjoying a snack based on the book! The snack provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.



Coding Buddies

Wednesday, September 24 at 5:00 pm Children (grades K-2) Registration begins September 12

Interested in learning to code? Join teen buddies as they teach you how to use Fiero Code, a coding software that will help you begin your coding journey.

Autumn Sand Art

Thursday, September 25 at 6:00 pm Children (grades K-2) **Registration begins September 12**

Create an autumn-themed art project using colored sand to fill in shapes and patterns. Children will use peel-andstick sand art boards and listen to some autumn-themed stories.



Snack Attack: Tween Taste Challenge

Thursday, September 25 at 7:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins September 12

Welcome to the ultimate flavor-filled showdown designed for adventurous tweens with bold taste buds and big opinions. This program invites kids to become snack critics, sampling a variety of treats and debating with their fellow tweens to decide which snack reigns supreme. The snack provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Book Chat: Bunnicula

Friday, September 26 at 6:00 pm Children (grades 4-6) Registration and book pickup begin September 4

Join us to discuss Bunnicula by Deborah and James Howe. Everyone will make a Bunnicula bunny bucket craft. We'll play a few frightening rounds of Bunnicula Bingo and sew small fluffy bats



while sinking our teeth into chocolate cupcakes. The snack provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Paws for Reading

Monday, September 29 starting at 5:00 pm Children (readers-grade 6) Registration begins September 12

Monday, October 20 starting at 5:00 pm Children (readers-grade 6) Registration begins October 8

Register for a 15-minute reading session to read to certified therapy dogs and their owners. Research suggests that reading to dogs can help children practice their skills by providing a nonjudgmental listener. Please note that this program is intended for children who read independently.



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DIY Customized Water Bottles

Tuesday, September 30 at 5:30 pm OR 7:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins September 12

Learn how to use our Cricut to design and cut out a custom vinyl decal with your name! Use this to create a personalized, reusable water bottle.

Nuts About Fall

Friday, October 3 at 6:00 pm Children (grades K-2) **Registration begins September 17**

Get crafty this autumn with a whimsical wreath-making craft inspired by the season's cutest foragers - squirrels!

Taco Piñatas

Friday, October 3 at 7:15 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins September 17

Join Miss Laura in making taco piñatas for National Taco Day.

Family Maker Night: Window Clings

Monday, October 6 at 5:30 pm OR 7:00 pm Families with children (grades 2-6) Registration begins September 17

Practice your Cricut skills by designing and cutting window clings!



SCHOOL-AGED CLASSES & EVENTS

Monster Book Backpack Charms

Tuesday, October 7 Children (grades K-2) at 6:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) at 7:00 pm Registration begins September 17

Join Ms. Doris from Library Arts to create these unique spooky monster book backpack charms!

Fire Safety with **Hook & Ladder**

Wednesday, October 8 Children (grades K-2) at 6:00 pm **Registration begins September 22**

Join Hook & Ladder for this hands-on fire prevention and safety program. Learn all about fire safety and try the firefighter obstacle course challenge modeled after real firefighter training!

Moonlight & Meows

Thursday, October 9 Children (grades K-2) at 6:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) at 7:00 pm Registration begins September 22

Join art teacher Kim to create a stunning silhouette masterpiece of a curious cat perched on a tree branch under a glowing moon.



Mummy Brownies

Friday, October 10 at 6:00 pm Children (grades K-2) **Registration begins September 22**

Come to the library to make and decorate frighteningly delicious mummy brownies and play some spooktacular games. This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Spider Web Cookies

Friday, October 10 at 7:15 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins September 22

Head to the library to make and decorate spider web cookies and play some spooktacular games. This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Glow in the Dark **Tote Bags**

Tuesday, October 14 at 5:30 pm OR 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins October 3

Join Miss Danielle in the makerLAB to make a custom tote with glow-inthe-dark vinyl, perfect for collecting Halloween candy.

Harvest Pumpkin Patch Cookies

Friday, October 17 Children (Grades K-2) at 6:00 pm Children (Grades 3-6) at 7:00 pm **Registration begins October 3**

Join Chef Rob to make a delicious treat! This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.



The Great Give Back: **Tote Bags**

Saturday, October 18 at 11:00 am Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins October 3

Earn one hour of community service while bringing joy to others and having fun! This month, we will celebrate The Great Give Back, a community service initiative, by decorating canvas grocery bags, which will then be donated to Long Island Cares food pantry for use in distributing groceries.

Spooky Light Up **Bracelets**

Tuesday, October 21 at 6:30 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins October 3

Flex your STEAM muscles as you learn about circuits! Children will learn how to make a spooky light-up bracelet using felt, LED lights, batteries, and a special conductive tape.

Lego Buddies

Thursday, October 23 at 6:00 pm Children (grades K-2) Registration begins October 8

Join teen volunteers to buddy up and build some awesome LEGO creations!



The Great Pumpkin Volcano

Friday, October 24 at 6:00 pm Children (grades K-2) Registration begins October 8

Turn a pumpkin into an erupting volcano with some simple science!

Comics & Candy: All the Lovely Bad Ones

Friday, October 24 at 7:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration and book pickup begins October 8

Join our comic discussion to talk about All the Lovely Bad Ones: A Ghost Story, a graphic novel by Mary Downing Hahn. Then we will enjoy a snack, crafts, and games related to the story. The snacks



provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Games & Goodies

Tuesday, October 28 Children (grades K-2) 6:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) 7:00 pm **Registration begins October 8**

Come down to the library to play fun games with your friends! We will have a variety of board games for you to explore, as well as exciting games on our Nintendo Switch, including Mario Kart and Mario Party. Snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Books & Bites

Wednesday, October 29 at 6:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) **Registration begins October 8**

Join us for a delicious book and a bite to eat. We will read a story and make a fun appetizer inspired by the book. This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.



Here Comes Halloween

Thursday, October 30 at 4:30 pm Children (grades K-6) Registration begins October 8

Children will have a screamin' good time listening to some spooky stories and creating creepy crafts! After, trick or treat around the library! Don't forget to wear your costume! The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

Nature Walk at the Rocky Point **Natural Resource Management Area**

Saturday, September 6 at 10:00 am Families with children Registration began August 18

Join Nature Guide Lee McAllister to explore the local landscape and visit The Giant, a glacial erratic boulder. Please note that this trail is approximately 1.5 miles long and is not stroller-friendly. This program takes place off-site at the Rocky Point Natural Resource Management area. We will meet at the trailhead on Middle Country Road, located between Wading River Hollow Road and Woodlot Road.

Morning at the Movies

Come to the library and enjoy a movie on the big screen.

How to Train Your Dragon

Saturday, September 6 at 11:00 am Families with children No registration

Lilo & Stitch

Saturday, October 4 at 11:00 am Families with children No registration



Be Inspired: Hispanic Heritage Month

Saturday, September 27 at 10:00 am OR 2:00 pm Families with children No registration

Be inspired by our craft room, which will be transformed into a museum-like experience open for exploration for you to drop in and discover. This month, we invite you to explore our stations, designed to celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month and honor the influential people who inspire us.



Halloween **Costume Swap**

Saturday, October 11 at 11:00 am Families with children Registration begins September 22

Trade in your old Halloween costumes and get a new-to-you costume at our Halloween Costume Swap. Donate clean, gently used, or new costumes and accessories between September 22 and October 10 in the children's room. You are welcome to donate without an obligation to swap. Donors will receive first access to the swap. Entrance to the swap is on a firstcome, first-served basis, and all costumes are as is.



Petra Puppets Presents: Animal Games

Monday, October 13 at 11:00 am Families with children (4 years-grade 6) Registration begins September 22

Join Petra Puppets for a unique and hilarious puppet show sure to keep you laughing and on the edge of your seat!

TEEN CLASSES & EVENTS

Teen Services programs are open to teens in grades 7 through 12. You must have a valid LPL Young Adult card to register.







Teen Fall Surprise Boxes

Friday, November 7 Registration begins October 20

Join our Teen Surprise Box Program the ultimate thrill for book-loving teens! Each themed box contains 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. Register online, in person, or by phone between October 20 and October 31. You may pick up your surprise box beginning November 7, with the last day of pick-ups on November 14. The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Mug Cake Creations

Friday, September 5 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins August 22

Whip up delicious single-serve treats in minutes as we mix, bake, and taste our way through a mug recipe perfect for teens! This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Dungeons & Dragons with the Quest Masters Guild

Friday, September 12 from 5:45-8:30 pm Registration begins August 29 Friday, October 10 from 5:45-8:30 pm Registration begins September 26 Join the Quest Masters Guild for a round of Dungeons & Dragons at the library.

Pencil Pals

Monday, September 15 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins August 29

Calling all artists! Join our drawing and sketching club for teens! At each meeting, we'll try new sketching techniques and play drawing games.

Autumn S'mores Trays

Friday, September 19 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins September 5

Join Little Miss Workbench for a woodworking class and build a wooden s'mores tray from scratch. Perfect for cooler fall days and after-school snacking, this impressive project will help foster tool confidence and craftsmanship.

Fall Pumpkin Tower

Thursday, September 25 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins September 11

Join us for a cozy fall crafting session in the makerLAB where you'll create a charming decorative pumpkin tower adorned with Cricut-cut decals.

This project is perfect for adding a touch of autumn magic to your home this September!

Code a Video Game: PAC-MAN

Friday, September 26 from 6:00-8:00 pm Registration begins September 12

Learn how to code the classic arcade game, PAC-MAN, in our makerLAB and test out your game with friends.

After-School Art: DIY Leather Pouches

Tuesday, September 30 from 3:30-4:30 pm Registration begins September 16

Join us after school to learn some of the basics of leatherworking and make your own leather pouch! The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Sublimation Tote Bags

Friday, October 3 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins September 19

Create custom tote bags with sublimation, choosing any of your favorite books, shows, or movie characters to go right on your tote!





Pumpkin Spice Body Scrub

Tuesday, October 7 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins September 23

Kick off fall by making a pumpkin spicescented sugar scrub and diving into some spine-tingling local tales. *This* program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Teen Self-Defense Workshop

Monday, October 13 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins September 29

Learn self-defense techniques in this introductory, hands-on workshop with Sensei Jerry Figgiani. Sensei Figgiani is a 9th Dan Black Belt, the President and Founder of Shorin Ryu Karate-Do International, and the owner of East Coast Black Belt Academy Dojo in Middle Island. He has won numerous awards for the impact of his programs and work in the community, including with the Suffolk Police Athletic League.



No-Bake Apple Cider Doughnut Holes

Wednesday, October 15 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins October 1

Join us for a cozy fall night at the library as you make your own no-bake apple cider doughnut holes. This simple and delicious recipe omits eggs and uses heat-treated flour to make a sweet fall treat; no baking is required! This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Puzzlepalooza: Spooky Edition

Friday, October 17 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins October 3

Think fast and piece your puzzle together faster in this jigsaw construction competition for teens! Compete in teams to see which group can complete a Halloween-themed puzzle to celebrate the season.



Ceramic Haunted House

Mondays, October 20 and 27 from 6:00-7:45 pm Registration begins October 6

In this two-part program with professional artist Chris Vivas, teens utilize clay and clay tools with basic hand-building techniques in the first session. Teens will be encouraged to apply techniques to construct their own personalized and unique version of a haunted house. In the second session, the haunted houses are now fired, as ceramic, and returned for decoration! You must be able to attend both sessions to register.

Teen Writing Workshop: Supernatural Stories

Tuesday, October 21 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins October 7

Join Ms. Broderick to practice spinning supernatural stories featuring vampires, witches, werewolves, and more!

Discuss your favorite stories, share tips, and work on writing exercises while enjoying snacks. Sharing original work is welcome. The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Monster Mash Cupcakes

Friday, October 24 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins October 10

Join us for the ultimate cupcake competition combining creativity with delectability. Using icing, candy, and other toppings, teens will turn their cupcakes into creepy creations just in time for the spooky season! This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.



5-hour Pre-licensing Class

Saturday, October 25 from 10:00 am-2:30 pm Fee: Non-refundable \$55 (cash, exact change) payable to the instructor the first day of class Registration begins September 2 (In-person or phone registration only)

The five-hour pre-licensing class is required by the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles for all 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 NY State Learner's Permit to class. 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.

Tabletop Throwdown

Tuesday, October 28 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins October 14

Join us for an exciting board game night where teens can connect, strategize, and compete in a variety of fun games. It's the perfect chance to unwind, make new friends, and showcase your gaming skills!



Teen Halloween Party

Friday, October 31 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration begins October 17

Celebrate the spookiest time of year in this night of festive fun. Play classic party games, eat snacks, make a craft, and have fun! Costumes are encouraged. The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

TEEN COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

If you need community service hours or if you just like the idea of helping others, sign up for a fun program.

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.

Take Home Community Service Kits

Pick up a community service kit to work on at home. Projects will vary, but all instructions and materials will be provided in the kit. Projects will only earn service credit if they are completed in full and all materials are returned. Supplies are limited. Call the Teen Services Desk at (631) 924-6400 x249 for more information.

Stenciled Tote Bags

Thursday, September 4 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins August 21

Paint a reusable canvas tote bag that will be given to families in our community.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Cards for Veterans

Wednesday, September 10 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins August 27

Show your appreciation to our service members with a handmade card and a friendly message! Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Community Service 101

Tuesday, September 16 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins September 2

Do you need Community Service? Join the Teen Services Librarians to learn all about the community service opportunities available at the library. Then, we'll work on some simple community service projects.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Placemats for Meal Services

Thursday, September 18 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins September 4

Weave paper placemats that will be donated to meal service organizations to distribute with their meals! Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Coding Buddies

Wednesday September 24 from 4:30-6:00 pm Registration begins September 10

Earn community service while demonstrating Fiero Code to kids to help them learn how to code! In the first half hour of the program, you will familiarize yourself with this self-paced computer coding software. Next, you will help our younger patrons learn how to code with Fiero for the rest of the session, giving them the tools they need to try on their own at home.

Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service

Paracord Lanyards

Monday, September 29 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins September 15

Thursday, October 16 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins October 2

Design paracord lanyards that will be sent to soldiers through Operation Gratitude!

Certificate for 1 hour of community service



Taco Piñata Assistants

Friday, October 3 from 7:00-8:30 pm **Registration begins September 19**

Assist the children's librarian with helping our younger patrons create a colorful taco piñata in time for National Taco Day, October 7!

Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service

Talking Newsletter

Thursday, October 9 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration begins September 25

We're looking for teens to read aloud the Children's and Teen sections of our newsletter for a recorded audio version on the library's website.

Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service



The Great Giveback: **Caring Cards**

Saturday, October 18 from 11:00-12:00 pm Registration begins October 3

Join us to make cards that will be donated to brighten someone's day in celebration of The Great Giveback! Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Lego Buddies

Thursday, October 23 from 6:00-7:00 pm Registration begins October 9

Exercise your creativity while earning community service credit in this program for Lego enthusiasts! Pair up with a younger buddy to help them with their builds and give them encouragement along the way.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Dog Toys for Donation

Wednesday, October 29 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins October 15

Design rope toys that will be donated to our local animal shelter.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Teen Sustainability Club

Join our monthly club of passionate teens making a difference for the planet! Through hands-on projects, workshops, and guest speakers, TSC will explore environmental issues, take action in the community, and create innovative solutions for a sustainable future.

SEPTEMBER: **Mission Monarch**

Tuesday, September 9 from 4:00-5:00 pm Registration begins August 12

Join us as we take part in a Citizen Science project dedicated to monarch butterfly conservation across North America. There are two populations of migrating monarchs in North America, and both have declined dramatically in the last decades. The TSC will help record data that will be sent to scientists dedicated to helping the Monarchs thrive.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

OCTOBER: **Batty About Bats!**

Tuesday, October 14 from 4:00-5:00 pm Registration begins September 9

For this session of the TSC, we'll be joined by the Center for Environmental Education and Discovery to talk all about bats! Bats are really important members of our ecosystem, yet their diversity and population numbers are declining at an alarming rate. New York has nine species of bats, and recent studies have identified about half of these species on Long Island. Come learn about the fascinating lives of our bats and their unique adaptations as the only flying mammals.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Bookstormers: Book Club for Grades 7-9

Join the Teen Services Librarians for a monthly book club where we play games, eat snacks, and talk about awesome books! Snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Thirteens

by Kate Alice Marshall

Monday, October 6 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins September 2

A dark and twisted story about a sleepy town with a dark

secret-and the three kids brave enough to uncover it.

The First State of Being

by Erin Entrada Kelly

Monday, November 24 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins October 6

It's August 1999. For twelve-

year-old Michael Rosario, life at Fox Run Apartments in Red Knot, Delaware, is as ordinary

as ever-except for the looming Y2K crisis. But when a disoriented teenage boy named Ridge appears out of nowhere, Michael discovers there is more to life than stockpiling supplies and pining over his babysitter, Gibby.

Certificate for 3 hours of community service





MAKERLAB CLASSES & EVENTS



DIY@MAKERLAB APPOINTMENTS

Space is limited to Longwood Public Library cardholders; appointments are required and can be made up to 14 days in advance.

Make one of our makerLAB Kits or work on your own project. Appointments are DIY self-guided experiences.

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 DIY@makerLAB 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





MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

CRICUT FUNDAMENTALS

Limited to LPL cardholders

Everything Cricut

Zoom

Thursday, September 25 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration ongoing

Want to design your own t-shirts, mugs, decals, and more? Cricut is for you! Join our librarians and learn about the Cricut devices/accessories, get some project ideas, and take a tour of Cricut Design Space.

Spooky Shopping Totes for Beginners

Thursday, October 2 from 6:30-8:30 pm Friday, October 3 from 2:30-4:30 pm Registration begins September 11 Non-refundable materials fee: \$5 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Want to learn Cricut with a hands-on craft? Join our librarians and learn how to use Heat Transfer Vinyl to design your go-to tote to bring along to grocery stores and farmers' markets.

3D PRINTING

3D Printing Pioneers

Thursday, September 11 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join our club for 3D printing enthusiasts! This group meets every other month to discuss 3D design software, filament brands, printer models, 3D printing-related news, and much more.

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 PLA filament, a plant-based, biodegradable material.



SUBMIT A REQUEST

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

MAKERLAB CRAFTS

LPL cardholders only; limit 1 registration and 1 session per class



Cyanotype Printed Notecards

Monday, September 8 from 6:30-8:30 pm OR Monday, September 22 from 6:30-8:30 pm Registration begins August 26 Non-refundable materials fee: \$5 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due

Interested in learning an updated twist on one of the oldest forms of early photography printing processes? Join our librarians in designing cyanotype printed notecards just in time for fall!

Light It Up: Sublimation Keychains

at registration

Thursday, September 18 from 6:30-8:30 pm OR
Friday, September 19 from 2:30-4:30 pm
Registration begins September 4
Non-refundable materials fee: \$5 cash (exact change)
or major credit card (can pay online) due
at registration

Use sublimation printing to create your own illuminated keychain and add a little fall magic to your everyday accessories!



Pumpkin Spice & Personalized: HTV Plush Pumpkins

Thursday, October 9 from 6:30-8:30 pm OR
Friday, October 10 from 2:30-4:30 pm
Registration begins September 18
Non-refundable materials fee: \$5 cash (exact change)
or major credit card (can pay online) due
at registration

Use the Cricut and Heat Transfer Vinyl to customize your own plush pumpkin—perfect for festive fall décor or a one-of-a-kind gift!

Cricut Fall Barn Landscape Shadow Box

Monday, October 13 from 6:30-8:30 pm OR Monday, October 27 from 6:30-8:30 pm Registration begins September 22 Non-refundable materials fee: \$5 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration

Join our librarians in crafting a pumpkin-filled fall scene with the amazing details of a Cricut shadow box design.



Magic Mugs: Heat-Activated Sublimation Mugs

Thursday, October 16 from 6:30-8:30 pm OR Friday, October 17 from 2:30-4:30 pm Registration begins September 25 Non-refundable materials fee: \$5 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration

Use sublimation to craft a color-changing mug that reveals your custom spooky artwork with every warm sip!



Sew Stylish: Infinity Scarves

Thursday, October 23 from 6:30-8:30 pm OR Friday, October 24 from 2:30-4:30 pm Registration begins October 2 Non-refundable materials fee: \$5 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration

Learn to sew your own cozy infinity scarf in this beginner-friendly class—perfect for layering up in style this fall!



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