

Longwood Public Library January/February 2020 Newsletter

Winter Reading Clubs
Registration begins January 6

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Budget Vote and Trustee Election Info

The **Annual Budget Vote for 2020-2021** will take place on **Tuesday, April 7**, in the library's Community Room. The vote will again be conducted using paper ballots. An election for one seat on the Library Board of Trustees will also be held. The term of office is five years. Residents interested in serving as library trustee may obtain a petition from the Director's office, beginning Monday, February 10. Petitions with a minimum of 25 district resident signatures are due by 5:00 pm on **Monday, March 9**. Residents interested in the trustee position are encouraged to contact Lisa Jacobs, Library Director, at **(631) 924-6400 x275** or lisa@longwoodlibrary.org for more information.

Información de la Votación sobre el

Presupuesto y Elección de Miembro del Consejo

La **Votación sobre el Presupuesto Anual para 2020-2021** se llevará a cabo el **martes 7 de abril** en la Salón Comunitario de la biblioteca. La votación se realizará nuevamente mediante boletas de papel. También se llevará a cabo la elección para un miembro del Consejo Directivo de la Biblioteca. La duración del cargo es de cinco años. Los residentes interesados en servir como miembro del consejo de la biblioteca pueden obtener una petición en la oficina de la Directora, a partir del lunes 10 de febrero. Las peticiones con un mínimo de 25 firmas de residentes del distrito deben presentarse antes de las 5:00 pm del lunes 9 de marzo. Se recomienda a los residentes interesados en el cargo de miembro del consejo que se comuniquen con Lisa Jacobs, Directora de la Biblioteca, al **(631) 924-6400 x275** o lisa@longwoodlibrary.org para obtener más información.

The 2020 Census is almost here!

Responses to census questions provide a snapshot of the nation. Our community benefits the most when the census counts everyone. When you respond to the census, you help our community get its fair share of the more than \$675 billion per year in federal funds spent on schools, hospitals, roads, public works, and other vital programs. Look for your invitation to participate in the 2020 Census in the mail. You will have the option to respond to the census questionnaire online, by mail or by phone. Laptops will be available in the Adult Department to complete the questionnaire.

IMPORTANT 2020 CENSUS DATES

On or between	You'll receive
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March 12-20	Households will receive an invitation to respond online to the 2020 Census
March 16-24	Households will receive reminder letters

March 26-April 3	If a household has not responded, a reminder letter and a paper questionnaire will be sent
April 20-April 27	If a household has not responded, a reminder postcard will be sent
July 31	Last day to fill out the 2020 Census questionnaire

The Friends of the Longwood Public Library
Even the best libraries need friends. Please become one!

THE FRIENDS
ENTER TO WIN
\$100 AMAZON GIFT CARD
\$1 for 1 Raffle Ticket **\$5** for 6 Raffle Tickets
\$10 for 14 Raffle Tickets **\$20** for 30 Raffle Tickets
Purchase tickets at the Circulation Desk. Cash only.
Drawing held at the Fiddlers Green concert on March 8.
Winners need not be present.

The Friends of the Library work in cooperation with the library to provide financial support for programs and special projects that enhance library services to the community.

1000K Books Before Kindergarten Winner -- Riley

Library Board Meetings

Wednesday, January 15 at 7:00 pm

Wednesday, February 19 at 7:00 pm

Library Closed

Tuesday, December 31 – New Year’s Eve

Wednesday, January 1 – New Year’s Day

Library Open

Monday, January 20 – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Monday, February 17 – Presidents’ Day

Hours

Monday–Friday: 9:30 am-9:00 pm

Saturday: 9:30 am-5:00 pm

Sunday: 1:00 pm-5:00 pm

The book drop is open 24 hours

Children's Classes

Unless otherwise noted, all classes for children from birth through Pre-K are intended for parents and children together. Classes for children in grades K-6 are intended for children on their own.

Please adhere to all posted age/grade requirements for programs or registration will not be valid. Please note that classes are now broken down by age group. Questions? Contact the Children's Reference Desk.

2020 Winter Reading Club

"Reading Makes Me Feel..."

How does reading make you feel? Happy? Smart? Cool?

Families with children (infant–grade 6) can sign up for our emoji-themed Winter Reading Club for an *emojinal* winter season of reading and fun! Each week we will feature an exciting new prize that your child will receive just for listening to a story or for reading on their own.

Experience all the emotions that reading brings starting January 6!

Make Your Own Emoji

Pick up an emoji face template when you sign up for the Winter Reading Club and take it home to decorate with your family. Bring your decorated emoji back to the library between January 6 – January 19, and not only will we display it around the Children's Department, but your family will be entered into a raffle for a winter treat basket, which will be drawn on January 20.

Emoji Crossword – Come to the library between January 20 – February 2 and see if you can complete our emoji crossword! Return your completed activity sheet to the Children's Department and just for playing you will be entered into a raffle to win a delicious cookie, which will be drawn on February 3.

How Does Reading Make You Feel? – Do books make you feel happy, sleepy, or silly? Visit the library between February 3 – February 23 to vote for your favorite emoji! Everyone who participates will be entered into a raffle for a book basket, which will be drawn on February 24.

WRC Show

Petra Puppets Presents

Saturday, February 22 at 11:00 am

Families who signed up and participated in the Winter Reading Club will be treated to a spectacular performance from Petra Puppets! Join Ultra Duck on a heroic quest for the perfect ravioli. See Eric the mild-mannered sheep transform into super sheep. Valiant volunteers from the audience contend with the villainous Gorgonzilla and his nasty eyebrows.

Invites will be available beginning January 20.

BABY, TODDLER & PRESCHOOL CLASSES

Parent Toddler Workshop

Tuesdays OR Thursdays at 10:00 am

Children (walkers–35 months)

Tuesdays, January 7–February 11 OR Thursdays, January 9–February 13

Registration begins December 20

Tuesdays, March 3–March 31 OR

Thursdays, March 5–April 2

Registration begins February 14

Parents and children will have a chance to spend time together filled with crafts, toys, songs, and games. 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.

Preschool Playtime

Thursdays at 1:00 pm

Children (3 years–Pre K)

Thursdays, January 9–February 13

Registration begins December 20

Thursdays, March 5–April 2

Registration begins February 14

Calling all preschoolers! Join us for this weekly program with friends and fun where your child will have an hour of play and learn time. Each session will start with an extended circle time in which stories and songs are shared followed by a related craft and free play.

PlayTown

Saturday, January 4 at 10:30 am

Children (2 years–Pre K)

Registration begins December 20

Children will use their imaginations as they visit and play in PlayTown's supermarket, animal hospital, library and other community centers.

Babies Boogie

Monday, January 6 at 10:00 am

Children (infant–23 months)

Registration begins December 20

Wednesday, February 19 at 10:00 am

Children (infant–23 months)

Registration begins February 3

Toddlers Tango

Monday, January 6 at 11:00 am

Children (2-4 years)

Registration begins December 20

Wednesday, February 19 at 11:00 am

Children (2-4 years)

Registration begins February 3

Boogie with your little one, sing along and have some fun! Nicole Sparling will be visiting for this wonderful movement class featuring instruments and music from around the world.

Alphabet Fun

Friday, January 10 at 10:30 am

Children (3 years–Pre K)

Registration begins December 27

Children will listen to an alphabet story and then create their alphabet book to take home and read again and again!

Baby Picasso

Monday, January 13 at 10:00 am
Children (12-30 months)
Registration begins December 27

Art Starts

Monday, January 13 at 11:30 am
Children (31 years–Pre K)
Registration begins December 27

Children will develop their fine motor skills as they maneuver items and learn to hold utensils such as paintbrushes and rollers while creating their very own masterpiece! Don't forget to bring your smock!

Tots Night Out “Snowman Fun”
Wednesday, January 22 at 6:30 pm
Children (18 months–Pre K)
Registration begins January 2

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

Zumbini

Friday, January 24 at 10:30 am
Children (infant–4 years)
Registration begins January 10
Monday, March 9 at 10:30 am
Children (infant–4 years)
Registration begins February 14

Zumbini is an early childhood education program that uses original music and movement to promote cognitive, social, fine and gross motor skills, and emotional development for young children.

STEAM Team

Monday, January 27
Children (18-35 months) at 10:30 am
Children (3 years–Pre K) at 11:30 am
Registration begins January 10

Listen to a story, make a simple robot craft, and then explore all sorts of age-appropriate STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) centers! Learn to program our Code-a-Pillar toy, engineer with magnetic tiles, and discover patterning and sequencing!

Baby Start

Wednesday, January 29 at 10:30 am
Children (infant–17 months)
Registration begins January 10

Come join A Time for Kids for this program that includes music, movement, finger plays, fine and gross motor development, and circle time.

STEAM Team Drop-In

Thursday, January 30 from 6:00-7:30 pm
Children (18 months–Pre K)
No registration necessary

Can't make it to our daytime session of STEAM Team? Drop-in between 6:00-7:30 pm and make a robot craft and then explore all sorts of age-appropriate STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) centers!

Mostly Mother Goose

Friday, February 7 at 10:30 am OR

Saturday, February 8 at 10:30 am

Children (infant–3 years)

Registration begins January 21

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

Baby Love

Wednesday, February 12

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

Children (18-35 months) at 11:00 am

Registration begins January 21

We love babies and we love books, so bring your little one to the library for some stories, songs, rhymes, and special parent-child time!

Cupid Crafts Drop-In

Friday, February 12

Children (18 months–Pre K)

from 6:30-8:00 pm

No registration necessary

Drop-in between 6:30-8:00 pm and make *love*-ly crafts and art projects with your sweetie!

Foxy in Love

Friday, February 14

Children (18-35 months) at 10:30 am

Children (3 years–Pre K) at 11:30 am

Registration begins February 3

Listen to the story *Foxy in Love* and then make your own adorable fox Valentine's bag that you can use to collect all of your sweets and cards.

Frosty Finger Trees

Tuesday, February 18 at 10:30 am

Children (30 months–Pre K)

Registration begins February 3

Children will use their fingers to create frosty tree pictures using washable finger paints. Dress for a mess!

JumpBunch Soccer

Thursday, February 20

Children (18-35 months) at 10:30 am

Children (3 years–Pre K) at 11:30 am

Registration begins February 3

Are your little ones feeling cooped up this winter? Join JumpBunch for a morning of indoor soccer skills.

Construction Zone

Monday, February 24 at 10:30 am

OR 2:00 pm

Children (18-35 months)

Registration begins February 14

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.

Tinker Tots

Thursday, February 27 at 10:30 am OR 2:00 pm

Children (31 months–Pre K)

Registration begins February 14

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

SCHOOL-AGED CLASSES

STRING ART EXTRAVAGANZA

Friday, January 3 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins December 20

Children will use colorful thumbtacks, string, and cork board to make their own design or they can use one of our templates!

Wings of Peace

Monday, January 6

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

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

Registration begins December 20

In honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, children will learn about his message of peace and equality and then create a "Wings of Peace" painting of a dove (a symbol of peace) using their fingerprints, Q-tips and also by collaborating with other children in the program.

Kiddie Café

"Snowman on a Stick"

Wednesday, January 8 at 4:45 pm

Children (grades K-2)

Registration begins December 20

Children will listen to a snowman story and then make (and eat!) a "Snowman on a Stick" using powdered donuts and chocolate chips. Children will also enjoy their own unique drink at our hot chocolate bar. *Registration is in-person only or over the phone if you have an allergy form already on file. This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies and you must have a food allergy form on file prior to registration.*

Science Fair Help Day

Thursday, January 9 at 6:30 pm

Children (grades K-4 with parent)

Registration begins December 20

Is your child participating in a science fair this year? This class taught by a Mary Riotta, a former science teacher, will explain the scientific method and show how you can help your child through the experiment, produce a result and conclusion, and present it in an attractive way. This is a hands-on workshop; you will be conducting parts of an experiment together.

Stop-Motion Animation Lab

Friday, January 10 at 6:30-8:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins January 2

Children will create their own video using our Stikbot kits, which include posable robot figures and a mini green screen and learn how to use the Stikbot Studio app to edit their video!

Sketch and Stretch Yoga

Saturday, January 11

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

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

Registration begins December 27

Sketch and Stretch Yoga offers a unique program that combines art and yoga for children. The program begins with the yoga lesson to relax and focus the children for their art lesson which is to follow.

Art Smarts

Monday, January 13 at 4:45 pm

Children (grades K-2)

Registration begins December 27

Children will be introduced to a variety of art materials that are guaranteed to stimulate their creative abilities. Don't forget to bring your smock!

Let it Snow!

Tuesday, January 14 at 6:30 pm

Children (grades K-2)

Registration begins December 27

Winter is here, so let's get ready for the snow by making a snowman snow measuring stick, listen to snowy stories, and then play a fun game of snowball toss!

Paws for Reading

Wednesday, January 15 and Wednesday, February 12 starting at 4:30 pm

Children (readers–grade 6)

Registration begins January 2

Meet with a certified therapy dog and their owner for a 15-minute reading session.

Learn About Chinese New Year

Saturday, January 18 at 11:00 am

Children (4 years–grade 2) with parent

Registration begins January 2

Learn about Chinese New Year through stories and a craft! Listen to the story, and then learn about Chinese New Year traditions from our guest Mrs. Wong. Children will create their own dragon banner to take home.

Cereal Taste Test Challenge

Thursday, January 23 at 6:00 pm

Children (grades K-2)

Registration begins January 2

Children will taste all different types of cereals and then guess to see if they know which flavor they have tasted! *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Oreo Taste Test Challenge

Thursday, January 23 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins January 2

From cupcake to mint, Oreos have evolved to include so many interesting flavors! Kids will taste several flavors of Oreo and then see if they can guess the flavor. *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Minecraft Junior

Friday, January 24 at 6:00 pm
Children (grades K-2)

Minecraft Club

Friday, January 24 at 7:00 pm
Children (grades 3-6)
Registration begins January 10

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

Flower Fun

Monday, January 27
Children (grades K-2) at 6:00 pm
Children (grades 3-6) at 7:00 pm
Registration begins January 10

Join florist Christine from Little White Florist and create a wintery flower creation using real flowers!

Games & Goodies Junior

Friday, January 31 at 6:00 pm
Children (grades K-2)

Games & Goodies

Friday, January 31 at 7:00 pm
Children (grades 3-6)
Registration begins January 10

We will have assorted board games for you to play as well as our Nintendo Switch! Goodies may include pretzels, cookies, apple juice, veggie sticks, brownies or fruit snacks. *Snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Kiddie Café

“Mini Pie Bar and Cupid Floats”

Wednesday, February 5 at 4:45 pm
Children (grades K-2)
Registration begins January 21

Children will listen to Valentine's Day story and then make (and eat!) their own mini pie created with pudding, sprinkles, whipped cream, and other treats. Children will also enjoy a cupid float made with ice cream! *Registration is in-person only or over the phone if you have an allergy form already on file. This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies and you must have a food allergy form on file prior to registration.*

Kindness Kids

“Be My Valentine”

Thursday, February 6 at 7:00 pm
Children (grades 3-6)
Registration begins January 21

Earn one hour of community service, while bringing joy to others and having fun! This month we will make Valentines which will brighten someone's day.

Wild Animation

Friday, February 7

Children (grades K-2) at 5:45 pm

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

Registration begins January 21

Children will design a storyboard with an educator from Imagine Arts Academy to spread the word about protecting the forest ecosystem! They will also make a flipbook to see how film animators connect images to create moving pictures.

Book Bistro

Tuesdays, February 11, March 10, April 21, and May 19 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins January 21

Cooking club members will meet once a month February-May to explore a book and create and enjoy a culinary delight based on the book. Limited spots are available for this four-session (once a month) club. In-person or phone registration only. *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Candy Bar Valentine

Thursday, February 13

Children (grades K-2) at 6:00

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

Registration begins January 21

Children will create their own candy bars with The Baking Coach that they can give as a gift or keep to enjoy! *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Crispy Noodle Salad with Chef Rob

Monday, February 17

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

Children (grades 3-6) at 11:30 am

Registration begins February 3

Children will use fresh greens and assorted vegetables with crispy Asian noodles to make this yummy salad and then make their own sweet n' sour dressing. *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Unicorns 101

Tuesday, February 18 at 6:30 pm

Children (grades K-2)

Registration begins February 3

Children will learn about their favorite mythical creatures through some hilarious new children's books all about unicorns and create a unicorn headband and windsock.

Monster Bash

Wednesday, February 19 at 2:00 pm

Children (grades K-2)

Registration begins February 3

Create some not so scary monsters and have monstrously good fun decorating a monster cookie and making a monster puppet. *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Winter Wooden Sign

Wednesday, February 19 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins February 3

Susan from Enchanted Treasures will be here to help tweens create a winter-themed wood sign.

Crazy Craters

Thursday, February 20 at 2:00 pm

Children (grades K-2)

Registration begins February 3

In this program children will take a closer look at our nearest space neighbor by using the moon's movement activities, songs and games to uncover mysteries. They will create a realistic take home crater filled moonscape.

Oh, My a Moon Pie!

Thursday, February 20 at 3:15 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins February 3

The recipe for creating our moon pies consists of sifting out lunar fallacies from facts as young astronomers craft a Moon Pie to take home that illustrates its changes.

Mosaic Owl

Friday, February 21

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

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

Registration begins February 3

Kids will enjoy creating this whimsical owl project with Doris from Library Arts using mosaics, gems, paints, and glue!

Silly Science "Snow Bunnies"

Thursday, February 27 at 6:30 pm

Children (grades K-3)

Registration begins February 14

Hop to the library and learn about bunnies and their animal adaptations. Science activities will also include other facts about animal adaptations such as camouflage, locomotion and diet. There will be some adorable bunnies to help demonstrate their amazing adaptations!

Family Programs

Take Your Child to the Library Day

Saturday, February 1

Join the Longwood Public Library as we celebrate *Take Your Child to the Library Day* on Saturday, February 1. There will be a *Jester Jim Family Show* at 11:00 am as well as drop-in craft stations that you can visit throughout the day. Children who sign up for their first library card will get a "Welcome to the library bag" and children who show us their card can pick a prize from the treasure chest. A balloon artist and magician will be here from 1:00-3:00 pm to entertain you and a special book character will be visiting the library throughout the day, so be sure to stop by and say hello. This is sure to be a fun-filled day for the whole family!

Jester Jim Family Show

Saturday, February 1 at 11:00 am

Families with children

Registration begins January 21

Celebrate Take Your Child to the Library Day with this great show! With no laces in his shoes, Jester Jim takes to the stage to start his show. Young and old are glued to his every sound as he performs his amazing beat box intro. His show, filled with juggling, magic, audience participation, balancing and

tons of comedy, is entertaining and fun for the whole family.
Don't miss out on this fun family show!

Messy Monday

Monday, January 13 from 6:30-8:00 pm

Families with children

No registration necessary

Can't make it to any of our daytime art programs? Drop-in anytime between 6:30-8:00 pm to explore our art stations and create some open-ended masterpieces with your children! Dress for a mess!

Emoji Bingo

Friday, January 17 at 7:00 pm

Families with (children 4 years–grade 6)

Registration begins January 2

Emojis run wild during an exciting game of family bingo! Can you get five in a row and yell "Emoji" and choose from our treasure chest of prizes? Come and LOL with us!

Fire and Ice Show with Mad Science

Monday, January 20 at 11:00 am

Families with (children ages 3 years–grade 6)

Registration begins January 2

Mad Science presents this spectacular show that thrills audiences with impressive science experiments. The event includes foggy dry ice storms and demonstrates how giant beach balls can float in the air. Families will be amazed by sizzling, shivering scissors and special bubbly showers!

Family Build It Drop-In

Monday, February 24 from 6:30-8:00 pm

Families with children

No registration necessary

Can't make it to our daytime block programs? Drop-in between 6:30-8:00 pm and build with all types of blocks! There will be building sets for various age groups, but this program is best suited for children 12 months–grade 4.

Plaza Theatrical Presents

"Rainbow Fish the Musical"

Monday, February 17 at 2:00 pm

Families with (children 3 year–grade 6)

Registration begins February 3

This classical, beloved children's book comes to life in this musical production presented by Plaza Theatrical Productions. *Please be aware that this is a live action show and will be at least an hour in length and is most suitable for children who can sit, listen, and enjoy the show for that length of time.*

Stop, Drop and Create!

Friday, February 21 at 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Families with children • No registration necessary

Stop, drop-in, and create! Drop-in between 10:00 am and 12:00 pm and visit a variety of art and craft stations guaranteed to stimulate your child's creative abilities in this open-ended program. Don't forget to dress for a mess!

Leap Day at Your Library

Saturday, February 29 at 11:00 am

Families with (children grades K-6)

Registration begins February 14

Leap Day only happens once every four years, so don't miss out on this program! Decorate and embellish a time capsule box that you can use to keep photos or special items from a family member and open it in the future or the next Leap Day! Our Local History librarian will join us to give tips on how to save your family's history and answer any questions you might have, plus she'll bring along interesting things from the collection. Leap to it!

PROGRAMS FOR PARENTS

Connecting with Kids through the Power of Perception

Tuesday, January 7 at 6:30 pm

Parents with (children grades K-4)

Registration begins December 20

Join Lisa Navarra who is a behavior consultant with an M.S. in Special Education as she talks about the power of perception. Participants will learn to identify, model, and teach the cognitive skills of managing one's own perception. When used by children and their parents, these skills become life-long strategies to build deep connections and resiliency during challenging times.

This one-hour collaborative workshop will help adults and children learn the impact and influence that perception has on their child at home and in school. Children and adults will make a simple take home project.

Learning to Launch

"Active Listening"

Monday, February 3 at 6:30 pm

Parents with (children grades K-4)

Registration begins January 21

Want to stop repeating yourself and help your child focus? During this workshop author and behavior specialist, Lisa Navarra reads the book *Henry Helps a Friend*. This whimsical story will have you and your child laughing while learning why it's important to work together as a team. After reading the story, you and your child will participate in an activity to practice active listening and together you will complete a small project to take home as a reminder of how to listen to one another.

*Check our January calendar online or in-house for early January programs that you may register for in late December

Teen Programs

Teen Services programs are open to students in grades 7-12

Students who have not yet completed 6th grade are welcome to register for programs in our

Children's Department. Everyone who registers for a Teen Services program needs a valid LPL card

Signed by the Author Raffle

Every time you visit True North throughout January and February, fill out a raffle ticket to win a book signed by the author. Winners will be drawn each Friday beginning January 10.

ADB: Advanced Division Battle of the Books

Fridays, January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31,

February 7, 14 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

ADB combines reading three books, lots of snacks, and elaborate costumes into a program that is fun, entertaining, and challenging! We'll read *Warcross* by Marie Lu, *Miss Peregrine's Home for*

Peculiar Children by Ransom Riggs, and *Kat and Meg Conquer the World* by Anna Priemaza. Pick up the books in True North and read them in preparation for our practice dates, which begin in January. On **Friday, February 28 from 6-9 pm**, we'll compete against 21 other libraries in the 15th Annual ADB at the Connetquot High School. *The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Beginner Sign Language

Wednesdays, January 8, 15, 22 AND 29 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Join Jennie Sardone to learn the basics in this class perfect for beginners. You must be able to attend all four sessions to participate.

Paint Night

Friday January 10 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

Join painting instructor Emily Hertzberg for a paint party as she walks you through the steps to paint your very own lighthouse masterpiece on canvas!

Games & Goodies

Friday, January 24 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins January 7

Join us to play board games, video games on our Switch, and to enjoy delicious snacks! *The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Registration is limited to either the Friday OR Saturday sessions.

Dungeons & Dragons

Friday, January 17 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins January 2

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

Registration begins January 22

Friday, March 13 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins February 26

In this classic role-playing game, you create your character, choose how they interact with the story, and use dice to decide the outcomes of your actions. Perfect for beginners, this campaign will introduce you to the game and its rules while you play! If you've never joined us for Dungeons and Dragons before, you must call (631) 924-6400 x249 to set up an appointment with Dungeon Master Ms. Sukhu to create your character before you attend the program. As this is a group game, latecomers will not be admitted. *The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Saturday Dungeons & Dragons

Saturdays, January 11, 25,

February 8, 22, March 14 & 28 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Registration begins January 2

Join us for a short campaign of Dungeons and Dragons! In this six-session program, explore a continuous story in which every decision matters. This series is designed for players with prior playing experience. These sessions will move at a faster pace as players should understand the basic rules. As this is a group game, latecomers will not be admitted. *The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Valentine's Day Party

Friday, February 14 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins January 29

Join Teen Services Librarian Ms. Broderick to enjoy some sweet Valentine's Day treats and watch a movie while playing games and crafting with Perler beads, origami paper, and coloring bookmarks. *The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Penguin Cake

Wednesday, February 19 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration begins February 3

Join The Baking Coach during the school break to make a wintry penguin cake to take home. *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Taste Test Challenge: International Snacks

Friday, February 21 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins February 5

Put your taste buds to the test and try snacks from all around the world with Teen Services Librarian Ms. Broderick! *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Irish Soda Bread

Friday, March 6 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins February 19

Join The Baking Coach to make a classic Irish favorite to take home and enjoy! *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

5-Hour Pre-Licensing Class

Saturday, January 11 from 10:00 am-2:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

OR Saturday, April 18 from 10:00 am-2:30 pm

Registration begins February 1

Cost: \$40 to be made on day of class

Cash (*exact change*)

Phone and in-person registration only, no online registration

The five-hour pre-licensing class is required by the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles for all applicants who would like to schedule a road test. The class is open to both district and non-district residents ages 16 and up. You must bring your picture NY State Learner's Permit to class (temporary paper permits will not be accepted). Please also bring your lunch with you – you will not have time to leave for lunch.

Bookstormers:

After-School Book Club for 7th & 8th Graders

Come READ UP A STORM!

January – *Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus*

by Dusti Bowling

Wednesday, January 8 from 2:45-4:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Although thirteen-year-old Aven was born without arms due to a rare genetic disorder, she has never let her "lack of armage" slow her down. When her adoptive parents get the opportunity of a lifetime, to run an Old West theme park in Arizona, Aven must adjust to life in a new home and a new school. In the midst of navigating her new surroundings, Aven and her new friends, Connor and Zion, get pulled into a mystery involving the theme park's secretive owner.

February – *Stargirl* by Jerry Spinelli
Wednesday, February 12 from 2:45-4:00 pm
Registration begins January 8

New student Stargirl begins the school year at Mica Area High School by serenading students with her ukulele in the cafeteria and walking the halls with her pet rat on her shoulder. Leo is mesmerized by Stargirl's carefree spirit, but when she becomes a pariah at school, Leo and Stargirl will both have to decide if being accepted is more important than being yourself.

March – *Ghost* by Jason Reynolds
Wednesday, March 11 from 2:45-4:00 pm
Registration begins February 12

Running is something that Ghost knows well, and he proves it by challenging the best sprinter on the elite Defenders track team to a race. When he wins, he's chosen to run on the team. Ghost could be the best sprinter in the city, if he manages to get along with his new teammates and outrun his past.

Register and pick up a copy of the book in the Teen Services Department of the Longwood Public Library. Our book discussion will take place after school in the library at the **Longwood Junior High School**. Attendees who read the book and participate in the group book review at the program will receive 3 hours of community service. *The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

This program will take place in the library at the Longwood Junior High School.
A late bus will be provided at 4:00 pm, but you must be registered to attend.

**SAT Preparation Class*

Tuesdays, March 31, April 7, 21, AND 28 from 6:00-8:00 pm
Cost: \$75 due at time of registration
Cash only in exact change, or debit or credit card
In-person registration begins January 7

Uncover the secrets of the SAT! Teacher Gregg Zehentner will teach you tips and tricks, and get you ready to take the test. All teaching materials will be provided. Bring a notebook, pen and calculator to class with you. In-person registration only.

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:

Baking to Donate: Polar Bear Cupcakes

Tuesday, January 7 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Join The Baking Coach to decorate wintry polar bear cupcakes that will be donated to a local soup kitchen. This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Baking to Donate: Valentine's Day Donuts

Wednesday, February 12
from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins January 27

Join the Baking Coach to decorate donuts for Valentine's Day that will be donated to a local soup kitchen. This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Baking to Donate: Shamrock Cupcakes

Monday, March 16 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins February 27

Join the Baking Coach to decorate shamrock cupcakes that will be donated to a local soup kitchen. This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Gift Bags for Our Troops

Thursday, February 20 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins February 3

Decorate a drawstring sack with appliques and fabric paint that will be stuffed with goodies and mailed to troops serving overseas.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Operation Gratitude Bracelets

Wednesday, February 26 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins February 10

Design paracord bracelets that will be sent to soldiers through Operation Gratitude! Paracord bracelets can be used by soldiers in the field to build shelters and aid in rescue missions.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

*Book Review

Read a newly, published teen novel and write a brief review, based on our guidelines to earn community service hours. Stop by True North to pick up a Community Service Book Review packet and a book from our New Fiction section.

Certificates for 3 hours of community service for each submitted review that meets our Teen Book Review Requirements

Drop-In Community Service

Looking for some extra community service? Spend some time in True North working on a variety of projects to help make a difference in our community! Call the True North Reference Desk at 924-6400 x249 to schedule a one hour time slot. Teens entering grades 7-12 may schedule one time slot per day and up to two time slots per month.

Craft Kits for Donation

Monday, January 6 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR

Thursday, January 9 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Monday, February 3 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR

Thursday, February 6 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins January 17

Monday, March 9 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR

Thursday, March 12 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins February 21

Limited to one session per person per month

Help us prepare some simple crafts and activities that will be donated to service agencies in our community!

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Bookstormers:

After-School Book Club for 7th & 8th Graders

Wednesday, January 8 from 2:45-4:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Wednesday, February 12 from 2:45-4:00 pm

Registration begins January 8

Attendees who read the book and participate in the group book review at the program will receive 3 hours of community service. See page 5 for details.

Community Service Stations

Monday, January 20 from 2:00-4:00 pm

Registration begins January 3

Join the Teen Services Librarians on your day off from school for an afternoon of community service projects. We will be working on a variety of activities including weaving paper placemats for meal services organizations and making cat toys to be donated to the local animal shelter.

Certificate for 2 hours of community service

DIY Dog Toys

Tuesday, January 21 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR

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

Registration begins January 2

Thursday, February 27 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins February 11

Limited to one session per person per month

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

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Cards for Hospitalized Kids

Thursday, January 23 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins January 6

Wednesday, February 5 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins January 18

Brighten up someone's day with a handmade card and a friendly message!

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Game Buddies

Friday, January 31 from 6:00-7:00 pm

Registration begins January 15

Buddy up with the younger members of our Children's Department for some board game fun!

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Felt Napkin Rings

Tuesday, February 4 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins January 17

Create festive napkin rings that we'll wrap around utensils and donate to our local nursing homes and service agencies.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Talking Newsletter

Thursday, February 13 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins January 18

Narrate the audio version of the newsletter for the library's website for the visually impaired.

Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service

Placemats for Meal Services

Thursday, February 13 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins January 28

Thursday, March 5 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins February 17

Weave paper placemats that will be donated to meal services organizations to distribute with their meals!

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

No-Sew Fleece Blanket

Monday, February 17 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration begins January 30

Kick off your school break by helping someone stay warm this winter! Make a no-sew fleece blanket that we'll donate to local families in need.

Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service

Dog Biscuits to Donate

Tuesday, February 18 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins February 1

Join The Baking Coach to prepare dog biscuits that will be donated to a local animal shelter! You will be mixing and cutting out the treats, then taking the dog biscuits home to bake them. Community service certificates will be awarded after the dog treats are baked and returned to the library. Dog treats must be returned to the library by Thursday, February 20.

This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Certificate for 2.5 hours of community service

Teens & Adults Book Discussion

Thursday, February 20 from 3:15-4:15 pm

Grades 9-12 only

Registration begins January 6

Come and be part of our book discussion that combines teens and adults! We'll be reading *Looking for Alaska* by John Green. We invite teens in grades 9-12 to participate. You may pick up a copy of the book at the Circulation Desk beginning January 6. See the Daytime Book Discussion for complete book summary.

Certificate for 3 hours of community service

Seed Spree

Monday, February 24 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins February 6

Monday, March 2 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins February 14

Help us sort peas, beans, flowers, and other seeds that will be available to our community's gardeners as part of our seed library!
Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Cat's Meow

Tuesday, February 25 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins February 8

Make some cat toys for the furry friends of our community to be donated to a local animal shelter!
Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Decorating to Donate

Wednesday, March 4 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins February 15

Join us to make some spring themed decorations to donate to our local nursing home.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Earth Day Totes

Monday, January 13 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR

Tuesday, January 14 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Limited to one session per person

Help the library create environmental goodie bags for the families who attend our Earth Day program in April by decorating tote bags that families can use instead of plastic bags.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Upcycled Bird Feeders

Tuesday, February 11 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins January 25

Tuesday, March 3 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins February 15

Help the library create environmental goodie bags for the families who attend our Earth Day program in April by designing and building colorful bird feeders using recycled plastic bottles, paints, and other materials.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Adult Programs

Join us for this year's
Adult Winter Reading Club!
The official library forecast predicts a
"Book Blizzard"
at the Longwood Public Library!
Register online or in-person
beginning January 6

For every book you read or listen to, and every program you attend, you will earn a point which counts as one raffle ticket. Weekly raffle winners will receive a snowflake mug, hot chocolate packet, and a choice of a bestselling book.

At the end of our "Book Blizzard," we will award two lucky winners a \$100 Amazon Gift Card. So get your milk, and your bread, and don't forget your books and sign up for our annual winter reading club!

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library

Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service Project

No-Sew Fleece Blankets for Neighbors in Need

Monday, January 20 from 2:00-4:00 pm

Registration begins January 8

For this day of service you are invited to come in and help create no-sew fleece blankets to be donated to our neighbors in need. Please bring fabric scissors if you have them.

"Everybody can be great ... because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love." Martin Luther King, Jr.

Winter Writing Workshop

Mondays, February 3, 10, 17 and 24 from 2:00-4:00 pm

Registration begins January 6

Break out of the winter doldrums and get creative with fellow budding authors in this winter writing series led by Join Anne Kelly-Edmunds.

Film Screening

Gone: A Death on the North Fork

Thursday, February 6 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

Louise Pietrewicz, a 38-year-old mother from Cutchogue, vanished after leaving her parents' home in Sagaponack in October 1966? Her disappearance was mishandled by the police and ignored by the media. Fifty years later, journalists Steve Wick and Grant Parpan, along with colleague Krysten Massa, investigated. The result is the award-winning documentary *Gone* heralded nationally as a triumph of community journalism. The victim's daughter said, "My mother was murdered; people knew about it and did nothing, these journalists did." Following the screening, Parpan and Wick will be on hand for a Q&A.

PSEG Advocacy and Information Session

Tuesday, February 4 from 2:00-3:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Representatives from PSEG will be at LPL to discuss a variety of programs available to the consumer. These programs include Consumer Advocacy, Household Assistance Rate (HAR), Residential Energy Affordability Partnership Program (REAP), Special Protections for Medical Emergencies, Critical Care Program, Friendly Follow-Up Program, Peace of Mind Program, Large Print, Braille and Spanish Bills, Hearing/Speech Impaired -TDD Services, Spanish Speaking Customer Service Representatives/Language Line, Balanced Billing, Direct Pay Program. All questions welcome!

A Valentine's Day Date with your Library

Friday, February 14 from 12:30-4:30 pm

Registration begins January 3

Join us on Valentine's Day for pizza and a movie; beverages and dessert will also be served. When registering, please indicate from the choices below, what movie you would like to watch. The movie with the most votes will be shown.

CHOICE 1

African Queen

with Katharine Hepburn and Humphrey Bogart

CHOICE 2

Bridges of Madison County

with Meryl Streep and Clint Eastwood.

CHOICE 3

Chocolat

with Juliette Binoche, Alfred Molina and Judi Dench.

Career Coaching

Tuesdays, January 14 OR February 11 from 4:00-7:00 pm OR

Saturdays, January 11 OR February 15 from 10:00 am-1:00 pm

Career advisor Richard Gluck, will assist you one-on-one with your resume, give direction on a new career path, and help you navigate the ever-changing world of job searching. Call the Adult Reference Desk at **(631) 924-6400 x250** or register in-person for appointments. No walk-ins.

Saturday Afternoon Movie

No registration All ages welcome

The Art of Racing in the Rain

Saturday, January 4 at 2:15 pm

Starring Milo Ventimiglia, Gary Cole, and Kathy Baker. Based on the bestselling novel by Garth Stein, this is a heartfelt tale narrated by a witty and philosophical dog named Enzo. Through his bond with his owner Denny, an aspiring Formula One racecar driver, Enzo has gained tremendous insight into the human condition and understands that the techniques needed on the racetrack can also be used to successfully navigate the journey of life.

(Drama, PG, 109 mins.)

Blinded by the Light

Saturday, February 1 at 2:15 pm

Starring Viveik Kalra, Haylee Atwell, and Rob Brydon. Javed, a British teen of Pakistani descent, is growing up in England in 1987. Amidst the racial and economic turmoil of the times, he writes poetry as a means to escape the intolerance of his hometown and the inflexibility of his traditional father. But when he is introduced to the music of "The Boss," Javed sees parallels to his working-class life in Springsteen's powerful lyrics.

(Comedy, PG-13, 118 mins.)

Watch-a-Movie Wednesday!

No registration All ages welcome

Every Wednesday at 2:15 pm

Too busy to watch a movie this weekend? If so, why not...**Watch-a-Movie Wednesday?**

Every Wednesday at 2:15 pm, the library shows a newly released film for all to enjoy.

Come on in, sit back, and relax to a great film every week... without filling up your weekends!

JANUARY/FEBRUARY SELECTIONS

JANUARY 8 *Armstrong*

(Documentary, NR, 100 mins.)

Starring Neil Armstrong & Harrison Ford

JANUARY 15 *X-Men: Dark Phoenix*

(Sci-Fi, PG-13, 114 mins.)

Starring Sophie Turner & Jennifer Lawrence

JANUARY 22 *Pavarotti*

(Documentary, PG-13, 115 mins.)

Starring Luciano Pavarotti & Placido Domingo

JANUARY 29 *The Peanut Butter Falcon* (Adventure, PG-13, 97 mins.)

Starring Shia LaBeouf & Dakota Johnson

FEBRUARY 5 *Echo in the Canyon* (Documentary, PG-13, 83 mins.)

Starring Tom Petty & Brian Wilson

FEBRUARY 12 *Brian Banks*

(Drama, PG-13, 99 mins.)

Starring Aldis Hodge & Greg Kinnear

FEBRUARY 19 *The Farewell*

(Comedy, PG, 98 mins.)

Starring Awkwafina & Tzi Ma

FEBRUARY 26 *Maiden*

(Documentary, PG, 97)

Starring Tracy Edwards

Please note that films may be rated PG or PG-13.

Book Discussions

Books will be available at the Circulation Desk one month prior to the book discussion.

Registration is ongoing and required for the Daytime and Nighttime book discussions

Daytime Book Discussion

Where the Crawdads Sing

by Delia Owens

Thursday, January 16 at 3:15 pm

For years, rumors of the “Marsh Girl” have haunted Barkley Cove, a quiet town on the North Carolina coast. So, in late 1969, when handsome Chase Andrews is found dead, the locals immediately suspect Kya Clark, the so-called Marsh Girl. But Kya is not what they say. Sensitive and intelligent, she has survived for years alone in the marsh that she calls home, finding friends in the gulls and lessons in the sand. Then the time comes when she yearns to be touched and loved. When two young men from town become intrigued by her wild beauty, Kya opens herself to a new life –until the unthinkable happens.

*Looking for Alaska**

by John Green

Thursday, February 20 at 3:15 pm

*Joint YA/Adult Discussion

Miles Halter is fascinated by famous last words—and tired of his safe life at home. He leaves for boarding school to seek what the dying poet François Rabelais called the “Great Perhaps.” Much awaits Miles at Culver Creek, including Alaska Young, who will pull Miles into her labyrinth and catapult him into the Great Perhaps. Looking for Alaska brilliantly chronicles the indelible impact one life can have on another. A modern classic, this stunning debut marked #1 bestselling author John Green’s arrival as a groundbreaking new voice in contemporary fiction.

Nighttime Book Discussion

The Inner Circle

By Brad Meltzer

Tuesday, February 4 at 7:00 pm

An adventure of presidential proportions begins when an archivist and his one-time crush find a mysterious dictionary that belonged to the first president, George Washington. They must race against the clock to decipher the meaning of the dictionary, and, once a man ends up dead, hope they don’t end up suffering the same fate.

Top Dog: The Story of

Marine Hero Lucca

By Maria Goodavage

Tuesday, March 3 at 7:00 pm

Here is the incredible, true story of K-9 Marine hero Lucca, and the handlers who fought alongside her through two bloody wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Top Dog is a portrait of modern warfare with a heartwarming and inspiring conclusion that will touch dog lovers and the toughest military readers.

REMINDER: January Nighttime Book Discussion

New Year, New Books, New Ideas – Tuesday, January 7 at 7:00 pm

Music & Entertainment

Jamory

Fridays, January 10 & February 14 from 6:30-8:00 pm

No registration required

This community music session incorporates a mix of jam and open mic, featuring composers and songs in celebration of famous musicians’ birthdays or musical themes. Open to all.

Our Generation

Sunday, January 19 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration begins December 14

Musical tribute 60s band covering various artists.

Celebrating Black History Month

with Sympatico

Sunday, February 9 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration begins January 11

Sympatico is a group of four like-minded musicians whose repertoire is a mixture of popular jazz and blues both nostalgic and current, from Nina Simone to Etta James and Sergio Mendes to Diana Krall.

Fiddlers Green

Sunday, March 8 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration begins January 24

Fiddlers Green's Irish music concerts are known for a wide variety of music and for engaging audiences with humorous banter and songs with easy choruses.

Compass

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

Registration begins February 1

This unique ensemble explores musical genres from all points of the compass performing original arrangements, beautiful interpretations and improvisations of the works by composers such as Marcel Khalife, Rafael Landestoy, Mohammed Abdel Wahab, Chick Corea and more!

2nd Annual Jamory Concert

Sunday, March 29 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration begins February 8

Local musicians will perform impromptu arrangements of blues, rock, rockabilly, folk, and jazz favorites. Audience members are invited to play or sing along on more familiar tunes. Open to all!

The Common Good

Sunday, April 5 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration begins February 22

The Common Good is the culmination of band leader Dean Steiding's decade's long love affair with American roots music. It is a genre that is broad enough to include old-time string band music to modern jazz-influenced blues.

Local History

Ask an Archivist

Call (631) 924-6400 x246 for an appointment.

Did you bring home family photos from the holidays? Have old letters been uncovered during your winter cleaning? Local History Librarian and Certified Archivist Melanie Cardone-Leathers can help you sort through your items and create a plan to preserve them. Reserve a one-hour time slot to start preserving your family's history.

Titles & Treats

Tuesdays, January 21 and February 18 from 2:30-3:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

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

Staff Recognition Brunch

On **October 20**, the Friends of the Library hosted their annual Staff Recognition Brunch for library employees.

Employees were presented with pins honoring years of service ranging from five to thirty five years.

Arts & Crafts

Block of the Month

**Monday, January 13 and February 10
from 7:00-9:00 pm**

Registration is ongoing

Jean Lamberti will show you how to create a beautiful quilt in this monthly series that features a different square each program.

Coloring Experience

Friday, January 17 from 6:30-8:00 pm

Wednesday, February 12 from 2:30-4:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

What to do on a cold winter day? Join us for coloring, cocoa, cookies, and relaxing music.

The Art of Weaving

Wednesday, January 22 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration begins January 2

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Work a weaving with yarns of different thicknesses and colors; then decide what you would like it to be: a mug rug, stick hanging, bookmark or even an owl! Learn how to make a cardboard loom.

Creativebug

Learn and Create

Wednesday, January 29 at 2:00 pm OR Saturday, February 8 at 10:00 am

Registration begins January 4

In this class, we'll be looking at Creativebug, a new crafting database available for free with your library card. We'll show you how to access the tutorials and we'll practice following along by making an origami paper crane craft!

Chevron and Baroque Bracelet

Thursday, February 13 from 6:30-8:00 pm

Materials fee: \$15 due upon registration

Cash (exact change) or credit card

In-person only registration begins January 13

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Maryanne Esteves will help you create this beautiful "X's and O's" chevron and baroque beaded bracelet just in time for a Valentine's Day gift or keep it for yourself! No special skills required.

Jane's Craft Corner

Valentine Shaker Card and Bookmarks

Saturday, February 1 from 10:00-11:30 am

Friday, February 7 from 10:30 am-12:00 pm

Materials fee: \$5 due upon registration

Cash (exact change) or credit card

In-person registration begins Saturday, January 4

Limit 1 registration per adult LPL cardholder

Wish someone special a Happy Valentine's Day with this fun shaker card. We'll also make some Valentine bookmarks so cute that you might want to keep one for yourself.

Spring Carrot Wreath

Friday, March 13 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Monday, March 16 from 2:30-4:30 pm

Materials fee: \$15 due upon registration

Cash (exact change) or credit card

In-person registration begins

Saturday, February 1

Limit 1 registration per adult LPL cardholder

Show the world that spring has sprung with this charming carrot wreath crafted from deco mesh and other fun stuff. Please bring a glue gun and sticks, all other materials will be provided.

*All programs with a material fee require exact change or major credit card unless otherwise noted
The library will try to accommodate refund requests made one week prior to the scheduled program - date, unless advertised as "Non-refundable." Requests can be made at the Adult Department Desk.

SmileAwhile

SmileAwhile is geared towards patrons with sensory issues, those on the autism spectrum, or those who have other specific needs. *As with all of our programs, everybody is welcome to attend.*

SmileAwhile with Turtle Dance Music

Friday, January 24 from 10:30-11:30 am

Registration is ongoing

Rock in the New Year with Turtle Dance Music. A multimedia presentation of music, entertainment, singing and lots of fun for all!

SmileAwhile with Coloring Fun

Friday, February 21 from 10:30-11:30 am

Registration begins January 24

Join us for a morning of coloring your favorite characters and winter scenes. We will have a hot chocolate bar with treats for you to enjoy as well.

If there are any accommodations you need to make this program more accessible to you, please let us know.

Food & Cooking

Chinese New Year Cooking Demo

Tuesday, January 14 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins December 20

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Penn Hongthong will demonstrate how to make vegetable wonton for wonton soup. A hands-on wonton making workshop will follow the tasting; each participant will make six wontons. They can be put in soup, fried or steamed.

Chef Rob Presents

"Baby It's Cold Outside"

Friday, February 7

from 4:30-5:30 pm OR 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins January 13

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Come in and warm up with Chef Rob's tomato basil rice soup and freshly baked scallion biscuits. Recipes and tastings included.

Driving Safety

General Defensive Driving

Saturdays, January 11 OR February 8

from 10:00 am-4:00 pm OR

Wednesday AND Thursday evenings

January 29 and 30 OR February 26 and 27 from 6:00-9:00 pm

You MUST attend both evenings to obtain your certificate

Fee: \$35 required at first class

Cash (exact change) or credit card

Seniors ages 62+ and veterans pay \$30

Registration is ongoing

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

AARP Smart Driver Course

Saturday, January 18 OR Monday, February 10 from 10:00 am-4:30 pm

Fee: \$25 fee AARP members or \$30 non-members

Check or money order, payable to AARP, due at first class.

Registration is ongoing

1 registration per LPL cardholder

AARP's program is a refresher driving course designed for motorists age 50 and over.

Members must bring AARP card day of class to get member discount.

Games

Hey! Let's Play!

Fridays from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

No registration required

Chess? Checkers? Bridge? Canasta?

Want to play? Bring along your friends or find others to share a game on Friday mornings. Bring your playing cards, your Mah Jongg sets, and your other favorites.

Beginner Mah Jongg

Thursdays, January 16, 23 AND 30

from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Registration begins December 27

Join instructor Jacqui Palatnik to learn the game that has fascinated people for so many years with its strategies, sequences, and combinations. This class will introduce you to the tiles, and basic moves of this ancient game.

Intermediate Mah Jongg

Thursdays, February 13, 20 AND 27

from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Registration begins January 16

Join instructor Jacqui Palatnik as she helps you to improve your Mah Jongg skills. This program will teach you to bring your game to the next level. You will learn important techniques and strategies that will make you become a more advanced player.

Siamese Mah Jongg

Thursday, March 12 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Registration begins February 13

Join us for a new version of your favorite Mah Jongg game. Players must have previous Mah Jongg experience. You will find this version stimulating, challenging, and lots of fun! Please bring your Mah Jongg sets if you own one.

Health & Fitness

Blood Pressure Screening

Friday, January 3 from 10:30-11:30 am

First-come, first-served, no appointment necessary

A representative from St. Charles Hospital will offer free blood pressure screenings for adult patrons upstairs in a study room.

Medicaid Enrollment

Assistance for the Aged, Blind and Disabled

Tuesday, January 7, 28, February 4, 25 and March 3 from 12:00-4:00 pm

First-come, first-served, no appointment necessary

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

HICAP Medicare/Medicaid Assistance

**Tuesdays, January 7 and February 4
and March 3 from 10:00 am-12:30 pm**

Call (631) 924-6400 x250 for appointment, no walk-ins

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

How to Achieve Your Goal of Eating Healthier in the New Year

Wednesday, January 29 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

It's that time of year again! Do you feel fully satisfied but also a little guilty of having too many of your favorite cookies and desserts? You don't have to feel guilty or deprived of your favorite foods. Join us as Stony Brook Medicine Nutritionist Chrisa Arcan, Ph.D., MHS, MBA, RD shares strategies to help you eat healthily and feel well in the New Year!

Mindfulness

Thursdays, January 23–February 27 from 3:00-4:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

This class will discuss the benefits of being mindful and teach techniques to help the body and mind relax and reduce stress. Through mindfulness you can focus on being aware of your surroundings, feelings and senses. Taking the time to slow down and connect with what is around you may help you enjoy life a little more. This class is facilitated by a social work intern from Stony Brook University. Attend as many sessions as you wish.

Healthy Libraries

Blood Pressure

Tuesday, February 4 from 10:00 am-1:00 pm

No registration needed

As part of the Healthy Libraries program, supervised students from the Stony Brook School of Nursing will be on hand to perform blood pressure screenings on a first-come, first-served, one-on-one basis.

Healthy Libraries

Wound Care/Diabetes

Tuesday, February 18 from 10:00 am-1:00 pm

No registration needed

As part of the Healthy Libraries program, supervised students from the Stony Brook School of Nursing will share information on wound care, skin care and diabetes on a first-come, first-served, one-on-one basis.

The Power of Meditation

Tuesday, February 25 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Take control of your life! Meditation is a simple way to deal with the daily stress we all encounter. By incorporating a simple technique into your busy schedule, you can make it work for you. It will connect you with the source of peace and joy already within you. Join John Bednarik for this engaging program which includes a brief meditation.

Nature & Environment

Bobwhite Quail Incubation: The Natural Solution to Ticks

Saturday, January 18 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

To help cut down on the number of ticks present in parks, backyards, and other natural areas towns on Long Island are turning to the bobwhite quail for assistance. The bobwhite quail is a ground hunter with a large appetite, and its daily menu consists of insects such as beetles, grasshoppers, caterpillars, spiders, and ticks. This makes it the perfect weapon for towns, parks, and communities to use in the fight against tick infestations. The quail is a way to deal with insects that carry diseases that could harm our residents and our pets in a way that would not add toxins to the environment. Join us for this very informative presented by wildlife biologist Eric Powers.

Winter Seed Sowing

Saturday, January 18 from 12:30-1:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

Winter is the time to start seeding, but NOT indoors. Learn how to successfully start seeds OUTSIDE in the winter. No greenhouse needed.

Seal Watch Walk at Cupsogue Beach

Saturday, February 15 from 11:00 am-12:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

Please join us on a tour hosted by biologist Eric Powers. Ranger Eric will teach us about the variety of seals around Long Island and will take us to observe a variety of species of seals.

- Check the weather for Westhampton Beach and be prepared for the weather, i.e., wear warm clothing in layers (outerwear should be in muted colors) Hats, gloves, and warm waterproof shoes. Winds will produce wind chill.
- The weather date for hazardous or very rainy conditions is Sunday, February 16
- Drinking water, cameras and binoculars are recommended.
- You will need to provide your own transportation to Cupsogue Beach in Westhampton.
- We will meet at 11:00 am and depart on our walk from the area near the fence at the western end of the parking lot.

Please call the Adult Reference if you have questions.

Gardening with Deer

Monday, March 9 from 2:30-3:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

There are beautiful plants deer don't like to eat! Incorporate these perennials, annuals and shrubs in your landscape to create an attractive yard with three seasons of bloom. Also learn about physical and scent strategies to reduce deer browsing in your yard.

Noticias con Elma Lugo

Literacy & Multicultural Services Librarian

ESOL Conversation

Classes begin Tuesday, January 21 from 6:30-8:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Join the conversation! Practice speaking and reading in a relaxed, welcoming environment while meeting new friends. Students should be fluent in English and be able to read and write. This is a free 10-week class and is open to all.

Clase de Conversación

Martes 21 de Enero de 6:30-8:00 pm

La inscripción está en curso

Únete a la conversación! Practique hablar y leer en un ambiente relajado y acogedor mientras conoce nuevos amigos. Los estudiantes deben ser fluido en inglés y ser capaces de leer y escribir. Esta es una clase gratuita de 10 semanas y está abierta a todos.

ESOL Beginner

Mondays, January 27–March 23 from 6:30-8:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. Book costs \$10.00.

Cash only, payable at registration or due at first class.

This class is for students who are new arrivals, have little previous English training or a very limited vocabulary.

ESOL Para Principiantes

Lunes 27 de enero–23 de marzo de 6:30-8:30 pm

La inscripción está en curso

Esta es una clase de 8 semanas. El libro cuesta \$10.00.

La Biblioteca Pública de Longwood ofrece clases gratuitas de inglés para la población inmigrante que vive en el Distrito Escolar de Longwood para ayudar a los hablantes de otros idiomas a mejorar sus habilidades en el idioma inglés, lograr fluidez y autosuficiencia e integrarse en la sociedad estadounidense. Esta clase es para estudiantes que son recién llegados, tienen poco entrenamiento previo en inglés o un vocabulario muy limitado.

SCORE Business Classes

SCORE is a volunteer team of experienced business mentors dedicated to providing insights and knowledge to small business owners and those wishing to start a business. They are presenting five workshops for you to attend.

Register for one, two or all five sessions.

Registration for all sessions is ongoing.

All are welcome.

Starting and Growing a Successful Business

Tuesday, January 21 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Thinking about starting a new business or already have? This course is for you! Learn all of the basics of setting up a business from the experts at SCORE. Receive top-notch marketing advice and learn about legal entity structures, paying taxes, keeping financial records and insurance.

Writing a Business Plan

Tuesday, January 28 from 7:00-8:30 pm

If you are a business owner looking to create a business plan, this course is a goldmine of knowledge. Learn the best methods for creating the most successful business plan, including advice on start-up costs, preparing budgets, cash flow projections, and how to use a business plan for financing. A detailed exemplar walkthrough will also be conducted. This program is predominantly for those who have already taken the first SCORE class, "Starting and Growing Your Own Business," but all business owners are welcome.

Marketing: The Key to Increasing Sales

Tuesday, February 4 from 7:00-8:30 pm

If no one knows about your product or service, how can they buy it? Awareness is the first principle in marketing. SCORE mentors will identify the basics to market your business and help to determine your target audience. You will learn marketing disciplines, budgeting, and the key elements to write marketing plans to reach your specific audience.

Social Media Marketing for Your Business

Tuesday, February 11 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Social media is a must in today's business world. Whether you are selling to businesses or directly to consumers, social media is an effective marketing tool to reach your buying audience. SCORE eliminates the mystery and provides a valuable and easy to understand overview.

The Power of Successful Email Marketing

Tuesday, February 18 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Learn the five easy steps you need to harness the power of the inbox. From revealing why regular email doesn't work to insider tips and techniques such as automated list building tools and design elements, this seminar will give you the keys to effective email marketing.

AARP Tax Counseling

Tuesdays & Wednesdays, February 4–April 8

Appointments scheduled from 9:30 am-12:30 pm

In-person or phone registration (631) 924-6400 x250 begins Wednesday, January 8 for Longwood Cardholders Only. (You must have a library card in good standing in order to register.)

*****Out of District residents may begin registering on January 22*****

Free personal income tax assistance and preparation for senior citizens is available by appointment, under the auspices of the AARP. This service will be limited based on the availability of volunteers. At the time of your appointment, you **MUST** bring a copy of last year's (2018) tax return, a photo ID, all of your 2019 W-2's, 1099 and/or 1098 forms, and your NYS Driver's license (if you have one). No business filing. If filing a joint return, **BOTH** parties must be present.

Gale Business Plan Builder

A step-by-step online planning tool for starting, managing and optimizing a business or nonprofit.

Gale Business: Plan Builder's guided approach to business planning focuses on five areas: entrepreneur assessment, business ideation, break-even analysis, business plans ,and financial projections.

Available on longwoodlibrary.org

Free Technology Classes

All Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Publisher classes are taught using Microsoft Office 2010 programs. Out-of-district patrons can register a week before the program date.

Microsoft Word Basics

Saturday, January 11 at 2:00 pm

We'll review typing up documents, basic formatting and more.

iPhone/iPad Basics

Tuesdays, January 14 AND 21 at 10:00 am

This two-part class will help you get started and learn all about your iPad/iPhone. Bring your own device and learn how to navigate, change the settings, download apps and much more!

What is 3D Printing?

Thursday, January 16 at 6:30 pm OR

Monday, January 27 at 10:00 am

Want to learn more about 3D printing? This one-hour lecture is an introduction to the history of the technology and its future applications. There will also be a live demonstration!

Introduction to Computers

Saturdays, January 25 at 2:00 pm AND

February 1 at 2:00 pm

For the computer novice, this two-session class will get you started. In the first session you will learn the basics right from the beginning: turning the computer on, the desktop, using the mouse, opening and closing programs, understanding windows elements, getting out of trouble, and turning the computer off. In the second session you will learn how to work with text, files, and basic word processing skills.

iPhone/iPad:

Calendar and Reminders

Tuesday, January 28 at 10:00 am

Thursday, January 30 at 6:30 pm

Learn how to keep track of your schedule, manage important events and create to-do lists with your iPhone or iPad!

Android Basics

Mondays, February 3 at 10:00 am AND

February 10 at 10:00 am

No experience with Android devices? This two-session class is for you! Bring your own phone or tablet and learn how to navigate your device, change the settings, download apps and more!

Microsoft Excel Basics

Saturday, February 15 at 2:00 pm

Learn the basics of Microsoft Excel- Microsoft's popular spreadsheet program! We'll review entering data and formulas, creating tables and more.

Creativebug
Learn and Create

Wednesday, January 29 at 2:00 pm OR

Saturday, February 8 at 10:00 am

In this class, we'll be looking at Creativebug a new crafting database available for free with your library card. We'll show you how to access the tutorials and we'll practice following one along by making an origami paper crane craft!

Tech Thursdays

Open Lab is every Thursday **from 10:00 am-1:00 pm**

Did you attend one of our classes or one-on-one appointments, but you still need to practice the skills you learned? Need help searching the Internet, applying for a job or using Microsoft Word?

Come to the Computer Lab, where we will have an instructor on hand to assist you with whatever you are working on.

No need to register, just drop in!
