#### Longwood Public Library January/February 2022 Newsletter

Winter Reading Club Begins January 10! Children, Teen and Adult Supported by the Friends of the Library

#### Library Update

District residents who are interested in running for the Board of Trustees of the Longwood Public Library are invited to submit petitions to the Director's office no later than 5:00 pm on Monday, March 7, 2022. Petitions may be picked up in the Director's office, beginning Monday, February 7. They must be submitted with a minimum of 25 district resident signatures. The trustee election coincides with the library budget vote which will be conducted by paper ballot at the library on Tuesday, April 5, 2022. The newly-elected trustee will serve a five-year term, beginning July 2022. 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 about the duties and responsibilities of library trustees.

A Valentine's Date with Your Library In-person Monday, February 14 from 2:00-3:30 pm Registration ongoing Join us for an afternoon of sweet trivia and games to help celebrate this lovely holiday!

New! True North the place for teens

Explore collections and services, discover new books, community service opportunities, library programs, research and online test prep especially for teens at **longwoodlibrary.org/teens**.

Take Your Child to the Library Day Saturday, February 5 Visit the library for this free, fun, family-friendly event in the Children's Department.

Show Us Your Library Card

Children who sign up for their first library card get a "Welcome to the Library Bag!" And children who show us their library card get to pick a prize from the treasure chest!

Cardinal Collage Art Class Saturday, February 5 Children (grades K-2) at 10:30 am Children (grades 3-6) at 11:30 am Registration begins January 21 Children will make library friends and get creative during this fun Saturday morning art class with art teacher Kim!

Explore It! Saturday, February 5 from 2:30-4:00 pm Families with children No registration necessary Explore some of the library's Make-It Kits, activities, crafts, and more for families to enjoy in our craft room. Drop-in and explore!

Meet Pete the Cat 2:00-2:30 pm and 3:00-3:30 pm

1000 Books Before Kindergarten Winner is Reily

This national project was created to encourage parent and child bonding through reading with infants, toddlers, and preschoolers. The goal is to read 1,000 books to your child before they enter Kindergarten. Stop by the Children's Department to sign up, get your starter bag, and begin your journey!

Learn more online at **longwoodlibrary.org/1KBK**. *Supported by the Friends of the Library* 

Library Board Meetings Wednesday, January 19 at 7:00 pm Wednesday, February 16 at 7:00 pm Library Closed Saturday, January 1 – New Year's Day Library Open Monday, January 17 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day Monday, February 21 – 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

### **Children's Programs**

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.** 

Wild About Reading

Register online at longwoodlibrary.org

or in the Children's Department beginning January 10.

Earn raffle tickets by reading, attending library programs, and participating in fun activities to enter towards 7 different raffle baskets. Children who read for 3 hours will receive a special "midway" prize and those who complete the challenge by reading for 7 hours will receive a goody bag packed with prizes!

**Earn extra raffle tickets by completing these activities and returning them to the library! Whoooo's Creative?** – Pick up an owl when you sign up for the Winter Reading Club and take it home to decorate. Bring your decorated owl back to the library between January 10 – January 23, and not only will we display your decorated owl around the Children's Department, but you will earn an activity badge and virtual raffle tickets.

**Wild about Books** – Come to the library between January 24 – February 6 and help unscramble these popular children's book titles. Return your completed activity sheet to the Children's Department, and just for playing, you will earn an activity badge and virtual raffle tickets.

**Squirrel Stash**- Come to the library between February 7 – February 20 and guess how many treats Scaredy Squirrel has stashed in his jar. All of those who guess will earn an activity badge and virtual raffle tickets; plus, whoever guesses the correct amount of treats will win the jar!

Winter Reading Club Show: Solo Circus

Families with children

Saturday, February 26 at 10:00 am OR 11:30 am

Families who signed up and participated in the Winter Reading Club will be treated to a spectacular performance from the National Circus Project! This is a fun-filled circus show with juggling, plate-spinning, magic, laughs, and more. Registration will be open for participants beginning January 17. *Supported by the Friends of the Library* 

# **BABY, TODDLER, AND PRESCHOOL CLASSES**

Bouncing Babies Wednesday, January 5 at 10:00 am Children (Infants–23 months) Registration ongoing Bring your babies for a morning of songs, stories, and playtime with library friends!

Toddler Time Wednesdays, January 5, 12, and 19 at 2:00 pm Children (12-35 months) Registration ongoing Children will have fun listening to simple stories, singing songs, and enjoying some playtime with library friends.

1,2,3 Full STEAM Ahead Thursdays, January 6 and 13 at 10:30 am Children (30 months–Pre K) Registration ongoing Join A Time for Kids for this interactive, educational program for children and their grown-ups that stimulates and engages thinking as they explore, play, and build together.

Playful Penguins Children (3 years–Pre K) Monday, January 10 at 6:30 pm OR Tuesday, January 11 at 3:00 pm Children (18-35 months) Tuesday, January 11 at 10:30 am Registration begins December 30 Children will have fun creating a playful penguin craft and a cool penguin-themed art project.

Parent Toddler Workshop Tuesdays, January 18, 25, February 1 and 8 at 10:30 am Children (12-35 months) Registration begins January 4 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 toilet learning, nutrition, child safety, and other parenting questions you may have.

Preschool Playtime Thursdays, January 20, 27, February 3 and 10 at 10:30 am Children (3 years–Pre K) Registration begins January 4 Calling all preschoolers! Join us for this weekly program with friends and fun, where your child will have an hour of play and learning time. Each session starts with an extended circle time in which stories and songs are shared, followed by a related craft and free play.

Mostly Mother Goose Wednesday, January 19 at 11:00 am Children (infant–3 years) Registration begins January 4 Parents and children join in on nursery rhymes and songs led by a children's librarian!

Tinker Tots Wednesday, January 26 at 3:00 pm OR 6:30 pm Children (31 months–Pre K) Registration begins January 12 Join your library friends for fun with manipulatives, puzzles, blocks, and other things to tinker with.

Baby Games Wednesday, February 2 at 10:30 am Children (infant–17 months) Registration begins January 21 Bring your baby to the library for a morning of songs, rhymes, and baby games!

Groundhog's Day Fun! Wednesday, February 2 at 3:00 pm OR 6:30 pm Children (2 years–Pre K) Registration begins January 21 Groundhog, groundhog, what do you see? I see the sunshine looking at me! Do I see my shadow? Will there be more snow? Come for some fun as we learn about our little friend through art and story.

Sweethearts and Valentines Wednesday, February 9 Children (18-35 months) at 10:00 am Children (3 years–Pre K) at 11:30 am OR 3:00 pm Registration begins February 1 Children will listen to sweet tales and create a heartwarming craft to give to their Valentine.

Baby Love Monday, February 14 Children (infant–17 months) at 10:30 am Registration begins February 1 We love babies, and we love books, so bring your little one to the library on Valentine's Day for loveable stories, songs, rhymes, and special parent/child time!

Construction Zone Tuesday, February 15 at 10:30 am Children (18-35 months) Registration begins February 1 Put on your hard hats, and let's build with all types of blocks in this imaginative play session sure to enhance your child's gross motor skills along with socialization skills.

Snowflake Stories Wednesday, February 16 at 3:00 pm Children (3 years–Pre K) Registration begins February 1 Cozy up in our story room with your child for some snowflake stories and silly songs to warm up your afternoon.

Baby Picasso Monday, February 21 at 10:00 am Children (12-30 months) Registration begins February 8 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! Through our exploration we will focus on the process and not the final product. Dress for a mess! Monday, February 21 at 11:30 am Children (31 months–Pre K) Registration begins February 8 Little ones can experience some messy fun in this in-person open-ended art class.

Babies n' Books Thursday, February 24 at 10:00 am Children (Infant–17 months) Registration begins February 8 Join us for an early literacy experience with your little ones that includes reading board books, simple songs, and nursery rhymes.

Get Up and Go Monday, February 28 at 10:30 OR 3:00 pm Children (12 months–3 years) Registration begins February 14 Children will have fun dancing and shaking all the instruments in their basket to a variety of music.

### **Monthly Family Storytime Kits**

Families with children (18 months–Pre K)

Each month we release a new themed Family Storytime Kit that includes a craft, activity sheets, and a QR code to our digital storytime guide with links to eBooks and more extension activities for you to do at home.

Call the Children's Department to reserve your Family Storytime Kit today and set up a pickup time, or stop in and ask for a kit for your little one! No registration is necessary.

Winter Wonderland January, we will learn about the winter season. Available for pick up between Friday, January 7 – Friday, January 21.

Kindness Counts February, we will explore love, peace, and kindness. Available for pick up between Friday, February 4 – Friday, February 18.

# SCHOOL-AGED CLASSES

Sculpey Clay Creations Monday, January 3 Children (grades K-2) "Toucan" at 6:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) "Jaguar" at 7:00 pm Registration ongoing Children will have a great time learning to sculpt a creature creation with Sculpey clay and Art Teacher Amy!

Beginner Ukulele Tuesdays, January 4, 11, 18 and 25 at 6:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration ongoing Children will learn the basics of playing the ukulele with music teacher Adam King! During this fourweek workshop, you'll learn about tuning, scales, and chords. Attendees will be provided a ukulele to use for the duration of the program, or they can bring their own. Space is limited, so attendees must be able to commit to all four classes.

Dungeons & Dragons Tween Edition with Quest Masters Guild Children (grades 4-6) Friday, January 7 from 6:00-7:30 pm Registration begins December 30 Tuesday, February 22 from 6:00-7:30 pm Registration begins February 8 Join the Quest Masters Guild for our first 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 players.

Big Mouthed Fish Art Project Friday, January 14 Children (grades K-2) at 6:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) at 7:00 pm Registration begins January 4 Children will love creating this mixed media Big Mouthed Fish Art Project with art teacher Kim.

Kindness Kids: Little Free Library Bookmarks Saturday, January 15 at 11:00 am Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins January 4 Earn one hour of community service while bringing joy to others and having fun! Decorate bookmarks for Little Free Libraries in the Longwood community.

Doves of Peace Monday, January 17 at 11:00 am Children (grades K-2) Registration begins January 4 Listen to the inspiring life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and then create a dove painting to represent the international sign of peace.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service Project Monday, January 17 at 2:00 pm Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins January 4

We will honor Dr. King Jr. and his message of peace and justice through a service project for our community. Children will color and pack school supply kits which we will donate to local organizations for students in our community.

Snowy Shadow Box Friday, January 21 at 7:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins January 4 Children will use a premade Cricut design to create a 3D snowy scene inside of a shadow box that they can display in their room or give as a gift.

Paws for Reading Children (grades K-6) Monday, January 24 at 5:00, 5:15, 5:30 OR 5:45 pm Registration begins January 12 February 28 at 5:00, 5:15, 5:30 OR 5:45 pm Registration begins February 14 Join therapy dog Ana and her owner Karen Maier for a 15-minute reading session where children can practice their reading by reading to a dog in a relaxed and "paw-sative" environment. *Children must wear a mask to attend this program.* 

Game On! Friday, January 28 Children (grades K-2) at 6:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) at 7:00 pm Registration begins January 12 Come down to the library and play some fun games with your friends. We will have assorted board games for you to explore as well as our Nintendo Switch!

Year of the Tiger Saturday, January 29 at 11:00 am Children (grades K-3) Registration begins January 12 Celebrate and learn about the Chinese New Year through stories and crafts. Our special guest, Mrs. Wong, will share her New Year's traditions and demonstrate how to write Chinese characters.

Squishy Circuits Friday, February 4 at 7:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins January 21 Children will learn about electric circuits while also sculpting a clay insect that will light up the night!

You and Me Jewelry Monday, February 7 at 7:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) with an adult

Registration begins February 1

Enjoy an evening making jewelry with your child. While listening to music, you will each fashion a matching stretch bracelet and earrings. Choose from a huge selection of colorful beads in a variety of shapes, sizes, and materials. Learn techniques and design concepts to make unique theme-based jewelry. Keep your jewelry for yourself or give it as a gift to someone special. *Unfortunately, younger siblings are not permitted.* 

Crafty Cupid Friday, February 11 at 7:00 pm Children (grades K-2) Registration begins February 1 Children will love crafting this special Valentine's Day project that they can keep for themselves or give as a gift to their special someone.

Kindness Kids: Colorful Placemats Thursday, February 17 at 7:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins February 1 Earn one hour of community service while bringing joy to others and having fun by making colorful placemats for local food pantries.

Whalers Wanted Tuesday, February 22 at 11:00 am Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins February 8 Whaling was the first integrated industry in America. Celebrate Black History Month by learning about the contributions of African Americans in whaling and create your own wooden ship craft.

Mo Fun with Elephant and Piggie Tuesday, February 22 at 2:30 pm Children (grades K-2) Registration begins February 8 Have "Mo" fun with Elephant, Piggie, Pigeon, and other Mo Willems characters at the library through crafts, activities, and stories!

Masquerade! Wednesday, February 23 at 2:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins February 8 From princess and frogs to bears and wizards, join us as we use colored paper, cardstock, and poster board to create unique masks! It will be our own masquerade!

Amazing Animation Thursday, February 24 at 2:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins February 8 Children will join Miss Danielle for an afternoon of animation fun.

Create Your Own Trifle with Chef Rob Friday, February 25 Children (grades K-2) at 2:00 pm

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

Registration begins February 8

Create your own trifle and play a fun game with Chef Rob! Children will choose from assorted fruits, Bavarian cream, and other toppings to make a layered treat that they can enjoy at home.

# **Family Programs**

Messy Monday Monday, February 21 from 6:30-8:00 pm Families with children No registration necessary Drop in anytime between 6:30-8:00 pm and visit our messy stations and create a masterpiece. There will be paint, Play-Doh, collage, and more art mediums for all ages during this family program.

Whimsical Wednesday Wednesday, February 23 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm Families with children No registration necessary Drop in anytime between 10:00 am -12:00 pm and explore fairy, unicorn, mermaid, pirate, and other whimsical-themed activities for a variety of ages!

Galactic Bingo Thursday, February 24 at 7:00 pm Families with children (4 years–grade 6) Registration begins February 8 Families will gravitate towards this far-out game night with Miss Laura. She will read clues themed all around space as you try and spot the answers on your bingo board. Winners will pick an out of this world prize from our treasure chest!

### **Teen Programs**

Teen Services programs are open to teens entering grades 7 through completed grade 12 (2021 graduates). You must have a valid LPL Young Adult card to register.

# **Teen Winter Reading Club**

Register online at longwoodlibrary.org beginning January 10.

Planning on curling up with a good book this winter when the weather gets chilly? Join the Teen Winter Reading Club for a chance to be rewarded for your reading. Earn digital raffle tickets by logging your reading and participating in eligible activities. Enter your tickets to win a Chromebook or a Yogibo bean bag chair!

# Winners will be drawn on February 28. You can find the link to register on the library's homepage.

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Teen Title Talk Book Club for 9th-12th Graders Friday, February 4 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration begins December 17 Join the Teen Services Librarians for a book discussion especially for teens in grades 9-12! This month, we will read:

Only Mostly Devastated by Sophie Gonzales

In this modern spin on Grease, Ollie thinks he's finally found his fairytale ending after a perfect summer with Will Tavares--that is, until vacation ends and Will ghosts him, leaving Ollie one prince short of a happily ever after. What's worse, a family emergency sees Ollie uprooted and sent across the country to a brand new school, where he unexpectedly meets a new version of Will: a closeted, jock-y class clown (and, to be honest, a bit of a jerk). Though Ollie tries to move on, Will continues to "coincidentally" reappear, and Ollie finds his resolve weakening. His summer with Will left his heart trampled and battered. Ollie would have to be an idiot to trust him again...right? Attendees who read the book and participate in the discussion will receive 3 hours of community service.

Dungeons & Dragons Dungeons & Dragons with the Quest Masters Guild Friday, January 21 from 5:30-8:30 pm Registration begins January 7 Friday, February 18 from 5:30-8:30 pm Registration begins February 4 Join the Quest Masters Guild for a round of Dungeons & Dragons at the library.

Advanced Dungeons & Dragons with Ms. Sukhu Saturday, January 8 from 10:00 am-1:00 pm Registration ongoing Saturday, February 12 from 10:00 am-1:00 pm Registration begins January 29 Join Teen Services Librarian and Dungeon Master Ms. Sukhu for Dungeons & Dragons at the library. These sessions are designed for players with prior playing experience. They will move at a faster pace as players should understand the basic rules. **Registration ongoing** 

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

Northern Lights Terrarium Suncatcher Friday, January 14 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins December 27 Create a winter scene in a paper terrarium that serves as a rainbow making suncatcher!

Valentine's Day Party Friday, February 11 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration begins January 28 Join Teen Services Librarian Ms. Broderick for a night of Valentine's Day crafting, games, and treats! The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Spa Night Monday, February 21 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins February 7 Join Teen Services Librarian Mrs. Rizzo for a relaxing spa night at the library. Make your own sleep mask and more!

Gemstone Tree Thursday, February 24 from 2:00-3:00 pm Registration begins February 10 Create a gemstone tree using wire and stones with Teen Services Librarian Ms. Karaptis.

Anime Night Friday, February 25 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins February 11 Join fellow fans at the library to discuss all things anime, manga, cosplay, and more! Chat, watch anime, create DIY cat ears, and take home a bag of Japanese goodies. Plus, enjoy a brief presentation from Teen Services Librarian Ms. Broderick all about Japan! Feel free to come in cosplay. The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Name That Tune Friday, March 4 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins February 18 Can you guess a song title just by listening to a 10-second clip? Can you fill the lyric to a song without hearing the music? Come put your musical knowledge to the test in this tuneful tournament!

#### **Bookstormers**

After-School Book Club for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Graders COME READ UP A STORM! Join librarians from both the LPL and LJH as we discuss: JANUARY – Wink by Rob Harrell Thursday, January 20 from 2:45-4:00 pm Registration ongoing Seventh grader Ross Maloy gets diagnosed with a rare form of eye cancer during one of his hardest years yet. Can art, music and a wicked sense of humor, be enough to pull him through? Based on the author's real life experience with eye cancer during middle school, Wink is an unforgettable story of survival.

#### FEBRUARY -

*When You Trap a* Tiger by Tae Keller Thursday, February 17 from 2:45-4:00 pm Registration begins January 20

Lily has always been captivated by the Korean folktales her halmoni tells, but she never imagined they could be real until she finds a magical tiger in Halmoni's basement. When Halmoni becomes sick, Lily, desperate to save her, strikes a deal with the tiger: Recover the stories Halmoni bottled up as a young girl and keep her safe...but will the power of storytelling really be enough to heal Halmoni?

SAT Preparation Class Monday, February 14, Wednesday, February 16, Monday, February 28 and Wednesday, and March 2 from 6:30-8:30 pm Fee: \$100 due at time of registration cash, (exact change), or credit card. In-person registration only; registration ongoing An instructor from Top Tier Test Prep will teach you tips and tricks, and get you ready to take the SAT. A copy of the College Board Official SAT Study Guide will be provided. Bring a notebook, pen, and calculator to class with you.

5-Hour Pre-Licensing Class

Saturday, January 15 from 10:00 am-2:30 pm

Fee: \$55 cash (exact change) or credit card, paid on day of class.

Phone and in-person registration only. Registration ongoing.

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 picture NY State Learner's Permit to class (temporary paper permits will not be accepted).

### **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.

#### **Book Review**

We are looking for teens who would be willing to read a newly published teen novel and write a brief review! To become a teen reviewer, stop by True North to pick up a community service book review

packet and a book from our "New Fiction" section that has been published in the current or immediately preceding year. Then, draft a review based on our teen reviewer guidelines. You can select books at any time throughout the year!

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

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 day and up to two time slots per month. 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.

Painted Pencil Cases

**Registration begins January 3** 

Help the library create pencil cases that will be donated to a local shelter and given to students. You'll be painting a design on the pencil case using fabric paint and a stencil.

You can register and begin picking up materials beginning January 3. The craft must be returned to the library no later than February 18.

Everyone who returns a neatly completed pencil case to the library on time will receive a certificate for 1 hour of community service.

Stenciled Tote Bags Monday, January 3 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR Thursday, January 6 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins December 20 Limited to 1 session per person Paint a reusable canvas tote bag that will be given to families in our community. Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Cards for Hospitalized Kids Wednesday, January 5 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins December 22 Tuesday, February 15 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins February 1 Brighten up someone's day with a handmade card and a friendly message! Certificate for 1 hour of community service Craft Kits for Donation Tuesday, January 11 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR Thursday, January 13 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins December 28 Monday, February 7 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR Tuesday, February 8 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins January 24 Monday, March 8 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR Thursday, March 10 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins February 21 Limited to 1 session per person per month Prepare simple crafts that will be donated to service agencies in our community! Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Community Service Stations Monday, January 17 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 work 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

Felt Napkin Rings Tuesday, January 18 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR Thursday, January 20 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins January 10 Limited to 1 session per person 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

Sign a Story

Wednesdays, January 19, 26, February 2, 9 from 6:30-7:30 pm

**Registration begins January 5** 

You'll spend the first three weeks with sign language instructor Jennie Sardone, learning some basic Signs as well as how to sign the text of several children's storybooks. Our fourth session will be an actual Children's Department Storytime, where you will help teach the children the signs for the words while the Librarian reads the stories out loud!

You must be able to commit to all 4 sessions of this program in order to participate, and everyone who does will receive a certificate for 4 hours of community service.

Gift Bags for Our Troops Monday, January 24 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR Tuesday, January 25 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins January 10 Tuesday, March 7 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR Wednesday, March 9 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins February 22 Limited to 1 session per person per month Decorate a drawstring sack, sewn by adult volunteers in our community, with appliques and fabric paint that will be stuffed with goodies and mailed to troops serving overseas. Thanks to all the adult volunteers who donated their time and energy to making this program possible! Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Games Buddies Friday, January 28 from 5:45-7:00 pm Registration begins January 14 Buddy up with the younger members of our Children's Department for some board game fun! Certificate for 1.25 hours of community service

Dog Toys for Donation Monday, January 31 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR Tuesday, February 1 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins January 18 Limited to 1 session per person Design rope toys that will be donated to our local animal shelter! Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Placemats for Meal Services Thursday, February 3 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins January 20 Tuesday, March 1 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR Wednesday, March 2 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins February 15 Limited to 1 session per person per month Weave paper placemats that will be donated to meal services organizations to distribute with their meals! Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Talking Newsletter Thursday, February 10 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration begins January 27 We have a link on our homepage so that visually impaired patrons can click n' listen to our newsletter being read to them. We need teens who are willing to read the Children's and Young Adult sections of our newsletter out loud while we record you. Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service

Operation Gratitude Bracelets Monday, February 14 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR Wednesday, February 16 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins January 31 Limited to 1 session per person Design paracord bracelets that will be sent to soldiers through Operation Gratitude! Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Pom-Pom Rug Wednesday, February 23 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration begins February 9 Create fluffy pom-poms out of yarn, and then tie them together to make a rug to donate! Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service

### **ADULT CLASSES**

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service Project

#### Please choose one.

Grab & Go/Prerecorded Video

No-Sew Fleece Blankets

Monday, January 17

**Registration begins January 3** 

1 registration per LPL cardholder

For this day of service, you are invited to pick up a kit and help create a no-sew fleece blanket to donate to our neighbors in need. All you need is a desire to help others and a pair of scissors. We will provide an easy-to-make fleece blanket kit along with a prerecorded tutorial. Kits will be ready to pick up on Monday, January 17. Please return your finished blanket by Friday, January 28. OR

In-person No-Sew Fleece Blankets Monday, January 17 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm Registration begins January 3 1 registration per LPL cardholder

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

# History

The True Story of the Culper Spy Ring

Zoom

Wednesday, January 19 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration ongoing

Learn the true story of the Culper Spy Ring from former Newsday reporter Bill Bleyer. History buffs have long been fascinated by the operation of the Long Island-based Culper Spy Ring during the American Revolution, especially since the airing of the AMC series "Turn." Over the years, there have been many legends, such as the role played by Anna Strong's clothesline, and suppositions about how the spies operated to support George Washington's Continental Army. The lecture separates

facts from fiction and details the ingenious operation of the intelligence network that helped the Patriots win the war.

Unsung Heroes Military Units Zoom Thursday, February 3 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing You have heard of the Tuskegee Airmen, but did you know other segregated African-American units bravely served their country in the face of discrimination? Historian and educator Howard Rosenberg will discuss the Triple Nickels (WWII Army Smokejumpers), the 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion, and more in his fascinating lecture on the unsung heroes of our past.

Abraham Lincoln: From Rail Splitter to President

Zoom

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

**Registration ongoing** 

In this interactive dramatic program, actor-storyteller Lou Del Bianco portrays Lincoln as Civil War President, frontiersman, and storyteller. Lincoln's values of honesty, love of family, thirst for education, sense of justice, and perseverance shine through this dynamic new presentation. Audiences will learn about Lincoln's struggles as President, from his suspension of the writ of Habeas Corpus to his stand on slavery. A question and answer period will follow the program. This show was endorsed by the Lincoln Bicentennial Commission.

The Harlem Hellfighters: Bigotry, Bravery, and Jazz

Zoom

Wednesday, February 23 from 7:00-8:30 pm

**Registration ongoing** 

Dubbed by the Germans the "Harlem Hellfighters" because of their courage and tenacity in battle, the men of the 369th distinguished themselves on the battlefield. However, when they returned home, they again confronted a battleground in the quest for equal rights. Join Dr. Richard Harris to learn more about this exemplary military unit.

# Cooking

The Baking Coach: Red Velvet Cupcakes Kits

Grab & Go/YouTube

Thursday, February 10

**Registration begins January 18** 

1 registration per LPL household

Learn how to make these delicious cupcakes and cream cheese frosting from scratch. The kits will contain all of the non-perishable ingredients, recipe card, and a YouTube link so you can bake along with the Baking Coach. You will need to have the following ingredients on hand to complete the recipe: eggs, milk, butter, and white vinegar.

Chef Rob: Traditional Irish Soda Bread

In-person Friday, March 11 from 4:00-5:00 pm OR 6:30-7:30 pm Registration begins February 8 1 registration per LPL household Chef Rob is back in person! He will show us how to make traditional Irish Soda Bread. Everyone will make a large loaf ready to take home and bake. You will need to bring a large bowl, wooden spoon,

### **Cooking with Chef Rob**

cookie sheet, parchment paper, and aluminum foil.

Facebook

Cooking with Chef Rob premieres on Facebook at 2:00 pm on the dates listed. Be sure to refresh the Facebook page at 2:00 pm to see the program.

Chocolate Chip Scones January 4

Little Italy Pizza Dough January 11

Russet Potato, Celery and Leek Soup January 18

Buffalo Chicken Penne Pasta Casserole January 25

Take-Out General Tso's Chicken and Broccoli February 1

Valentine's Day Sweet and Salty Chocolate Chip Cookies February 8

Valentine's Day Sweet Strawberry Bread February 15

Mardi Gras Bowtie Pasta with Chicken February 22

### **General Defensive Driving**

Fee: \$40. Seniors ages 62+ and veterans pay \$30. Cash (exact change) or credit card required at first class. Registration begins January 5 Limited to LPL cardholders Completing this course taught by USA Training helps those who attend become better, safer drivers. In addition, it may reduce violation points on your license and discount your automobile insurance. **For driving courses that have two sessions, you MUST attend both to obtain your certificate.** 

Tuesday, January 11 AND Wednesday, January 12 from 2:00 – 5:00 pm Wednesday, January 19 AND Thursday, January 20 from 5:30 – 8:30 pm Saturday, January 29 from 10:00 am – 4:30 pm Tuesday, February 8 AND Thursday, February 10 from 2:00 – 5:00 pm Saturday, February 12 from 10:00 am – 4:30 pm Wednesday, February 23 AND Thursday, February 24 from 5:30 – 8:30 pm

A snowy day or a snowy night – a book in hand feels just right! **The Gift of Reading** 

Supported by the Friends of the Library

Join us for this year's ADULT WINTER READING CLUB! "The Gift of Reading" **Registration begins on January 10** Earn a virtual raffle ticket for every book you read or listen to and every program you attend. Weekly raffle winners will receive a mug with hot chocolate, a peppermint spoon, and your choice of a

Book Discussions:

### **Daytime Book Discussion**

card. Register online at longwoodlibrary.org

#### The Splendid and the Vile

by Erik Larsen In-person Thursday, January 20 from 3:00-4:00 pm Registration ongoing Open to all The best-selling author of *Dead Wake* draws on personal diaries, archival documents, and declassified intelligence in a portrait of Winston Churchill that explores his day-to-day experiences during the Blitz and his role in uniting England.

bestselling book. At the end of the reading club, we will award two lucky winners a \$100 Visa gift

This title is available in eBook and audiobook formats on Overdrive. You may also pick up a hard copy at the library beginning December 16.

All American Boys by Jason Reynolds In-person Thursday, February 17 from 3:00-4:00 pm Registration ongoing Open to all When 16-year-old Rashad is mistakenly accused of stealing, classmate Quinn witnesses his brutal beating at the hands of a police officer who happens to be the older brother of his best friend. **This title is available in both eBook and audiobook formats on Overdrive. You may also pick up a hard copy at the library beginning January 20.** 

### **Book Talk**

Gods of Jade and Shadow by Sylvia Moreno-Garcia In-person Friday, January 28 from 7:30-8:30 pm Registration ongoing Open to All The Mayan God of Death sends a young woman on a harrowing, life-changing journey in this dark fairy tale inspired by Mexican folklore. This title is available in eBook and audiobook formats on Overdrive. You may also pick up a hard copy at the library beginning December 17.

#### Honey Girl

by Morgan Rogers In-person Friday, February 25 from 7:30-8:30 pm Registration ongoing Open to All With her newly completed Ph.D. in astro

With her newly completed Ph.D. in astronomy in hand, 28-year-old Grace Porter goes on a girls' trip to Vegas to celebrate. She is not the kind of person who goes to Vegas and gets drunkenly married to a woman whose name she doesn't know until she does exactly that.

This title is available in eBook and audiobook formats on Overdrive and on Hoopla.You may also pick up a hard copy at the library beginning January 28.

### **Titles and Treats**

In-person

Tuesdays, January 25 and February 15 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.

Afternoon Movie - Big Read *The Cherokee Word for Water* 

In-person Saturday, February 5 from 2:15-4:00 pm Registration ongoing (PG, 1hr 38 mins.). *The Cherokee Word for Water is b*ased on the true story of the Bell Waterline Project. It shares the struggle for, opposition to, and ultimate success of a rural Cherokee community to bring running water to their families by using the traditional concept of "gadugi "- working together to solve a problem.

# **Creative Writing**

Write Like the Wind! Virtual Writing Sprints Zoom Thursdays, January 20 and February 4 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing Are you struggling to motivate yourself to write? Try a writing sprint! We'll set the timer for twenty minutes – you write as fast as you can! In between sprints, we'll chat about writing and root each other on. Bring your current writing project or write stream of consciousness and see what happens – the choice is up to you!

Winter Writing Workshop Zoom Mondays, January 24, 31, February 7 and 14 from 2:00-4:00 pm Registration begins January 4 Limited to LPL Cardholders Chase away the winter blues with this supportivewriting group run by Anne Kelly-Edmunds. New and experienced writers are welcome! No experience is required.

# **Everyone Loves a Story**

Zoom Registration ongoing Open to All Join librarians Denise Wolf and Carl Welch for a live reading.

Ray Bradbury Wednesday, January 26 from 3:00-4:00 pm

For this live reading enjoy some short stories by one of the most celebrated 20th-century American writers, Ray Bradbury.

*Invaders* by Jacob Weisman Wednesday, February 16 from 3:00-4:00 pm Join us for a live, one-hour reading of some out of this world science fiction from Invaders, edited by Jacob Weisman. What better way to start the year off with some exciting and incredible stories of space and time!

# **Talkin' Movies & Film Discussion**

#### Zoom

#### Registration ongoing

Join Adult Reference librarian Carlton Welch on Zoom for a discussion of some of the entertainment available from the library. You are encouraged to watch the films before attending the discussion sessions and will have an opportunity to share what you have been watching and hopefully learn about other media you can watch in the future.

#### Rewind This! (NR, 90 mins.)

Wednesday, January 19 from 3:00-4:00 pm

This 2013 SXSW Festival hit film traces the many ways home video altered the cultural landscape. Offering a wealth of weird and wild titles, home video transformed the viewing habits and tastes of a generation of audiences. The documentary's take on the home video revolution is enlightening, funny, and totally entertaining.

#### The Immortalists (NR, 80 mins.)

Wednesday, February 9 from 3:00-4:00 pm

*The Immortalists* is the story of two eccentric scientists struggling to create eternal youth with medical breakthroughs in a world they call "blind to the tragedy of old age."

#### Access Hoopla & Kanopy at longwoodlibrary.org/ebooks

# Arts & Crafts

Knitting Circle of Friends In-person Thursdays, January 27 and February 24 from 10:30 am-12:30 pm Registration ongoing Calling all fiber friends! Join us for Longwood's knitting group. Bring any project you are working on and take this opportunity to meet other knitters in our area. Experienced fiber artist, Aimee Saccio, will facilitate the group. She can help you with questions you may have and offer unique patterns for you to try. All levels are welcome to join us.

Crochet Series: Valentine's Heart Table Runner In-person Thursdays, January 27, February 3 and 10 from 6:30-8:00 pm Registration begins January 3 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join us for this three-part crochet class and make a beautiful table runner just in time for Valentine's Day! We will use the corner to corner method to complete this project. Please bring one skein each of red, pink, and white yarn, along with a size H crochet hook, tapestry needle, and scissors. Basic knowledge of crochet stitches (chaining, single and double crochet) is needed for this project.

Zentangle Art Snowflakes In-person Wednesday, February 9 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins January 11 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder Learn the meditative art of Zentangle while drawing a winter snowflake. Aimee Saccio will show you how to turn simple pen strokes into beautiful images. All supplies are included.

Coloring Experience In-person Friday, January 28 and February 25 from 6:00-7:00 pm Registration ongoing Open to all Join us at the library for an evening of relaxing music and coloring.

### **Crafty Wednesdays**

Facebook/YouTube

Join Adult Services librarians Denise or Elma as they show you step-by-step how to create some wonderful crafts. Crafty Wednesdays will premiere on the library's Facebook page on Wednesdays at 10 am. If you don't have Facebook or miss the premiere, don't worry, you can watch Crafty Wednesdays on our YouTube channel.

Cricut Mug Press Demonstration Wednesday, January 5 at 10:00 am

Handmade Donut Cat Toy Wednesday, February 9 at 10:00 am

# **Music Concerts**

4 Ways from Sunday
In-person
Sunday, January 16 from 2:00-3:30 pm
Registration begins January 3
4 Ways from Sunday is a group of musicians who present a lively program of time-tested hits from the 60s, 70s, and 80s. Join them as they recreate many memorable tunes, making each song their own through a combination of unique vocal styles, terrific harmonies, and great music.

Celebrating Black History Month with the Cody Childs Duo In-person Sunday, February 6 from 2:00-3:30 pm Registration begins January 17 Enjoy an afternoon of pop, jazz, and soul with vocalist Cody Childs and guitarist Gai P. as they perform hits from the 1960s to the present. This performance will include award-winning songs by Stevie Wonder, Roberta Flack, Bill Withers, Lou Rawls, Carole King, Curtis Mayfield, Bill Withers, Amy Winehouse, and others.

### **SmileAwhile**

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

SmileAwhile at the Movies: 12 Mighty Orphans In-person Wednesday, January 19 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm Registration ongoing 12 Mighty Orphans tells the true story of the Mighty Mites, the football team of a Fort Worth orphanage who, during the Great Depression, went from playing without shoes – or even a football – to playing for the Texas state championships. Over the course of their winning season, these underdogs and their resilient spirit became an inspiration to their city, state, and an entire nation in need of a rebound, even catching the attention of President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Valentine's Day Cookie Craft In-person Friday, February 11 from 10:30-11:30 am Registration begins January 7 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder Decorate large heart-shaped cookies and pipe a special message on each with a thick sugar glaze

Decorate large heart-shaped cookies and pipe a special message on each with a thick sugar glaze with the Baking Coach. Masks must be worn by all in this program.

### Games

Hey! Let's Play! In-person Fridays from 10:00 am-12:00 pm No registration required Our weekly "Hey! Let's Play!" is back! 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. We provide the tables and the room; you provide the fun!

Intro to Canasta In-person Tuesdays, January 18, 25 and February 1 from 10:00-12:00pm Registration ongoing Learn to play the modern game of Canasta. This class is for beginners who have never played or those who have just learned and want to sharpen their game. This class is fun, rewarding, and great for your memory!

Dungeons & Dragons In-person Thursday, March 3 from 6:00-8:30 pm Registration ongoing Join Adult Services Librarian Alison for a session of Dungeons & Dragons! This one-shot will use premade character sheets and is very beginner-friendly, although more advanced players are welcome to join us.

# Game Guild

In-person Registration ongoing Join Adult Service Librarians Denise and Alison for this monthly board game group! Every month we'll pick a new game to play.

Settlers of Catan In-person Friday, January 21 from 6:30-8:30 pm

Betrayal at House on the Hill In-person Friday, February 18 from 6:30-8:30 pm

### **Health & Fitness**

Learn to be Tobacco Free In-person Thursdays, January 20, 27, February 3, 10, 17, 24 and March 3, 10, 17, and 24 from 6:00-7:30 pm Please call Debora Rippel to register at (631) 853-2928 Learn to be Tobacco Free, offered by the Suffolk County Office of Health Education, is based on the CDC's Clinical Practice Guidelines for treating nicotine dependence. The cessation program provides important information about the three aspects of nicotine dependence: biological, psychological, and behavioral. The emphasis is on preparing to quit. Those who use tobacco products including cigars, pipes, e-cigarettes, and chewing tobacco are welcome.

Chair Yoga In-person Thursdays, January 20, 27 and February 3 from 2:00-3:00 pm Registration ongoing 1 registration per LPL cardholder Chair yoga is great for anyone who needs more support, may have mobility issues, is managing an

injury, or wants a more therapeutic approach to the practice. Join us for this gentle, mellow, and restorative movement practice. Please bring a water bottle and wear comfortable clothing.

Start the New Year with Meditation Zoom Monday, January 24 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing Join longtime meditator, John Bednarik, for this powerful workshop. Bring joy, peace, positivity, and relaxation into your daily life and begin the New Year with a fresh start.

Healthy Libraries/Free Blood Pressure Screening In-person Tuesdays, February 1, 15, March 1 and 22 from 10:30 am-1:00 pm No registration required The Healthy Libraries Program (HeLP) consists of students who are currently training in the fields of social work, public health, and nursing, which are available at the library to provide blood pressure screenings and to answer questions and provide reliable, evidence-based information on a wide variety of health topics such as heart disease, diabetes, understanding medications, and much more. Students are also available to direct patrons to community resources, help fill out paperwork for social services, find housing, assist with finding a healthcare provider, and schedule appointments.

Senior Stretch In-person Mondays, February 7, 14 and 21 from 10:00 am-11:00 am Registration begins January 13 1 registration per LPL cardholder Stretching allows for greater movement in joints and improves posture. It also helps to release muscle tension and soreness and reduces the risk of injury. Join instructor Juliana Podd to help improve your

Filling Our Hearts with Love through Meditation Zoom Monday, February 7 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing Join long-time meditator Arlene Samsel as she offers this engaging workshop on how to use the practice of meditation to transform the heart and to include how to incorporate more love and peace in your life.

flexibility. Please bring a yoga mat and water bottle to class. Dress comfortably.

Mindfulness In-person Fridays, February 4, 11, 18, and 25 from 2:30-3:30 pm Registration begins on January 3 Limited to LPL Cardholders This class will discuss the benefits of being mindful and teach techniques to help the body and mind relax and reduce stress. This class is facilitated by a social work intern from Stony Brook University.

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# Nature & Environment

Winter Woodland Walk at Southaven Park

In-person Saturday, January 15 from 9:30-11:30 am Registration ongoing 1 registration per LPL cardholder Byron Young, President of the Eastern Long Island A

Byron Young, President of the Eastern Long Island Audubon Society, will lead us on a winter walk through Southaven County Park in Yaphank. He will help identify a variety of birds and small animals as we stroll through this scenic, pine-oak forested park. Please dress for the weather. You must provide your own transportation to the park. A rain date is scheduled for January 22.

Seal Watch Walk at Cupsogue Beach In-person

Saturday, February 12 from 1:00-2:30 pm

Registration begins January 10

1 registration per LPL cardholder

Biologist Eric Powers will guide you on a wildlife tour to see over-wintering seals and other wildlife at Cupsogue County Park. Our walk is about two miles round-trip, but winter weather conditions can be very cold so, dress accordingly. You must provide your own transportation to the park. Any questions, please call the Adult Reference Desk at (631) 924-6400 x250.

LI's Power Grid: Storms, Power and the Future Zoom Monday, February 28 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration ongoing Richard Murdocco from Stony Brook University will discuss why the power grids keep failing when the winds blow. How can we rebuild our utilities to be stronger and more resilient? What challenges does Long Island face in the years ahead? Bring your questions!

# Noticias Con Elma Lugo

Literacy & Multicultural Services Librarian

English Conversation Zoom Tuesdays, January 11, 18, February 1, 8, 15 March 1, 8, and 15 from 5:00-6:00 pm Registration ongoing This ESOL conversation class is open to adult English learners who would like to improve their spoken English. You must be able to speak English and willing to participate in discussion and reading. There will be no class on January 25 and February 22.

Beginner English Zoom Tuesdays, January 11, 18, February 1, 8, 15, March 1,8, and 15 from 6:30-7:30 pm Registration ongoing This class is designed for non-native speakers of the English language; it is for beginners just learning how to speak English. There will be no class on January 25 and February 22. Esta clase está diseñada para hablantes no nativos del idioma inglés; es para principiantes que recién están aprendiendo a hablar inglés. No habrá clases el 25 de enero y 22 de febrero. Este programa se presentará como una reunión de Zoom. Puede asistir a este programa en línea o por teléfono. La URL y el número de teléfono de la "reunión" se enviarán por correo electrónico a los inscritos antes del programa.

Beginner Spanish Zoom Fridays, January 14, 21, 28, February 4, 11, 18, and 25 from 4:00-5:00 pm Registration begins on January 2 Open your world to a new language in the new year with this seven-week introduction to basic Spanish.

### **Technology Classes**

Registration is ongoing. Out-of-district patrons can register a week before the program date unless otherwise noted.

What's Your Digital Footprint?

Zoom

Saturday, January 15 at 2:00 pm

In this class taught by Sharper Training, you will learn how to keep track of your internet activity, aka "digital footprint." Discover how easy it is for someone to access your footprint, how you can control the information about you online, and ultimately have it removed from the internet.

Introduction to Computers In-person Wednesdays, January 19, 26, February 2, 9, 16, and 23 at 2:00 pm Learn core computer skills in this six-session series taught by Sharper Training. Topics include how to use the mouse, working with text and files, word processing, how to copy and paste, working with graphics, using the Recycle Bin, installing new programs, and organizing your computer.

iPhone/iPad Basics In-person Mondays, January 24, 31, andFebruary 7 at 2:00 pm Learn all about your iPhone and iPad with Adult Services Librarian Alison in this three-session course covering basic navigation, settings, and apps.

Using Technology for Fitness and Wellness Zoom Thursday, January 28 at 7:00 pm Join Adult Services Librarian Alison for an overview of popular wellness and fitness services. We will discuss wearables, IoT devices, and popular apps such as Headspace, MyFitnessPal, and more. Android Basics In-person Mondays, February 14, 21, and 28 at 2:00 pm Learn all about your Android with Adult Services Librarian Alison in this three-session course covering basic navigation, settings, and apps.

Windows 11 In-person Thursday, February 17 at 7:00 pm Zoom Thursday, February 24 at 7:00 pm Windows 11 is the newest version of Microsoft's popular operating system. Join Adult Services Librarian Alison to discuss new features, updates and take a tour.

Introduction to Cricut Design Space

Zoom

Saturday, February 5 at 2:00 pm

Sharper Training will show you how to create designs using the free Design Space program from Cricut. Learn how to create a unique design or import a premade design from varying formats and how to print your design on the Cricut.

### **One-on-One Appointments**

Ask a Librarian In-person or Zoom Registration ongoing Email askus@longwoodlibrary.org to schedule a 30-minute appointment LPL Cardholder Need one-on-one personal reference assistance? A librarian can help you download an eBook, navigate technology basics, begin an online job search, coach you on how to start searching for an ancestor, and provide an in-depth demonstration of how to use the library's databases. Sessions will be tailored to meet your needs, so let us know if you need help with something else!

Ask an Archivist In-person or Zoom Registration ongoing Call (631) 924-6400 x246 for an appointment. 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.

Career Coaching In-person Tuesdays, January 18 OR February 15 from 4:00-7:00 pm

#### Call the Adult Reference Desk at (631) 924-6400 x250 or register

#### in-person for appointments.

#### No walk-ins. LPL cardholders only.

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.

### **Social Work Intern**

In-person or Zoom

Call the Adult Reference desk at x252 or email askus@longwoodlibrary.org to schedule an appointment.

#### Walk-ins welcome

Sherri, a social work intern from Stony Brook University, is available to help patrons access available resources and to provide other needed assistance.

Meals on a Dime Part I In-person Friday, January 21 from 2:30-3:30 pm Registration ongoing Join Sherri, our Social Work Intern, to learn how to meal plan on a budget. Sherri will discuss where to shop and how to save money on items like meat and produce.

Meals on a Dime Part II In-person Friday, January 28 from 2:30-3:30 pm Registration ongoing Join Sherri, our Social Work Intern, as she demonstrates how to cook healthy meals on a budget. Recipes will be provided.

### **Citizenship Classes**

In-person or Zoom Registration ongoing Email askus@longwoodlibrary.org to schedule an appointment We offer, one-on-one, by appointment session(s) designed to prepare you with the skills you need to pass the citizenship test. An ability to read, write, and communicate in Basic English is required unless you qualify for the Language Waiver. You will also learn what to expect at each step of the naturalization process.

# **HIICAP Medicare Assistance**

In-person

Tuesdays, January 4, February 1 and March 1 from 10:00 am-2:30 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 and answer your questions.

Medicaid Enrollment Assistance for the Aged, Blind, and Disabled In-person

Tuesdays, January 4, 25, February 1 and 22 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.

# Office of the Aging Advocate

In-person

Friday, February 4 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

First-come, first-served, no appointment necessary

A representative from the Suffolk County Office of the Aging will assist seniors in filling out forms and learning about various countywide programs and services. Based on your situation, she can also direct you to other appropriate agencies.

# AARP Tax Counseling

Longwood Public Library understands the importance of the free AARP tax counseling that we have offered our patrons in the past. We would like to continue to provide this valuable service and are in the process of working with AARP volunteers to determine how the service can be provided safely this year. We are committed to the health and safety of the LPL community. Please call the Adult Reference Department at (631) 924-9400 x250 beginning January 12 for updated information.

# SCORE

In-person

Registration ongoing

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 seven workshops for you to attend. Register for one, two or all seven sessions.

How to Start a Business on a Small Budget Tuesday, February 15 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Is a Franchise a Better Alternative to a Start-up? Tuesday, February 22 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Why and How to Prepare a Business Plan Tuesday, March 1 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Learn Marketing Strategies that Lead to Greater Sales Tuesday, March 8 from 7:00-8:30 pm Build Your Business with Social Media Tuesday, March 15 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Best Practices for Email Marketing Tuesday, March 22 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Understanding the Financial Numbers of Your Business Tuesday, March 29 from 7:00-8:30 pm

#### **SCORE Business Mentoring**

**Email or Telephone** 

Email askus@longwoodlibrary.org to schedule an appointment for Mondays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays.

SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) has partnered with the Longwood Public Library to provide our patrons with free business mentoring. This appointment will be facilitated through email or telephone.

Friends of the Longwood Public Library

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.

#### Volunteers Needed to Serve on the Nominating Commitee

Friends of the Library are looking for volunteers to serve on the nominating committee to submit a slate of officers for the upcoming Friends of the Library Board Election in June. If you are interested in serving on the nominating committee or becoming a Friends of the Library board member, please let the Friends know on the attached 2022 membership form or by emailing lplfriends@longwoodlibrary.org.

Learn more about the Friends of the Library online at longwoodlibrary.org/friends.

#### **Staff Recognition Brunch**

On November 7, 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 years.

Friends of the Library RAFFLE \$100 Gift Card to a Local Restaurant RAFFLE TICKETS \$1 each or \$5 for 6 Purchase (cash only) at the Circulation Desk Drawing will be held in March