Longwood Public Library January/February 2023 Newsletter

Winter Reading Club Get Yeti to Read! January 9-February 26 Read for a chance to win raffle prizes! All Ages Are you "yeti" to join the Winter Reading Club beginning January 9? Registration begins January 9 Earn raffle tickets by reading, coming to programs, and participating in activities. Then, put your raffle tickets towards different raffle baskets of your choice for a chance to win!

Register online at longwoodlibrary.org

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Backyard Birds Families with children (3 years–grade 6). See Children section. Lego My Bird Seed! Teens–community service. See Teen section.

Winter Birding on Long Island. See Adults section "Put A Bird On It!" Window Decals Adults–makerLAB. See makerLAB section.

Get a better look at the birds in your backyard by borrowing a Birdwatching Kit from the Citizen Science Kit collection or a pair of Digital Camera Binoculars from our Equipment & Gadgets collection!

Recycling 101 Thursday, January 12 from 2:00-3:00 pm Registration ongoing Learn which household items can be recycled and what happens to the things we put in our recycling bins in this lecture presented by the Town of Brookhaven Department of Recycling and Sustainable Materials Management. **All attendees will receive a free recycling bin for paper materials.**

Trustee Election Information

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 6, 2023**. Petitions may be picked up in the Director's office, beginning **Monday, February 6**. 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 4, 2023**. The newly-elected trustee will serve a five-year term, beginning July 2023. 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.

Library Mini Golf Children (4 years–grade 6) Come and play our unique indoor mini golf course with your friends! Designed and staffed by our teen volunteers, this program is sure to be one you don't want to miss! Children (4 years–grade 6) registration info to play mini golf see Children section. Teen volunteer (7-12 grade) registration info see Teen section.

Adult Classes & Events

Local History & Genealogy

The Civil War Letters of Albert and Edward Bayles

Albert and Edward Bayles, two brothers from Middle Island, enlisted in the Union Army in 1862, signing on to Company A of the 139th New York Volunteers. From August 1862 until their deaths in June 1864, they wrote over 50 letters home, which are now in the Thomas R. Bayles Local History Room. These letters detail the brothers' lives as soldiers in the Civil War and their impressions of the Longwood community in the mid-1800s.

This collection has recently been digitized and will be available online at: longwoodlibrary.org/localhistory

Revealing African American Histories in Brookhaven Town Wednesday, January 11 from 6:30-8:00 pm Registration ongoing Dr. Allison Manfra McGovern, a historical archaeologist, will talk about how her multidisciplinary research has revealed information about lived experiences at African American homesites in the Town of Brookhaven. The Arch Family of Manorville, Rocky Point's Prince and Elizabeth Jessup site, and the Mary E. Bell house in Center Moriches will be discussed.

Ask an Archivist

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

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

Ask a Genealogist Wednesday, January 11 from 6:00-9:00 pm **OR** Tuesday, January 17 from 6:00-9:00 pm Registration begins January 2 Wednesday, February 15 from 6:00-9:00 pm OR Tuesday, February 21 from 6:00-9:00 pm Registration begins February 1 Call the Adult Reference Desk at (631) 924-6400 x250 or register in person for an appointment. No walk-ins. Need help researching your family tree? Reserve time with Genealogy Librarian Jessica Brown for free one-on-one genealogy research help. Appointments are 50 minutes long.

Sign Language for You Saturdays, January 7, 14 and 21 from 2:00-3:00 pm Registration ongoing If you have taken sign language before or are a first-timer, this class is for you. Jennie Sardone will help you advance your skill no matter your level.

Headline News Zoom Wednesdays, January 25 and February 22 from 2:00-3:00 pm Registration ongoing Join John Merenda for a lively discussion about current events. All in attendance will listen to one another in a respectful manner during this program.

Movies Turning 30 in 2023 Zoom Friday, January 27 from 6:30-8:30 pm Registration begins January 10 Join Erin Coughlin, award nominated journalist, writer, and producer, to discuss our favorite movies celebrating their 30th anniversary. Learn more about the films and filmmakers, the inspiration behind the movies, and their impact on other movies, TV shows, books, and pop culture.

Chuck Berry: Hail Hail Rock 'N' Roll Zoom Thursday, February 23 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration ongoing Without Chuck Berry we would not have rock 'n' roll as we know it. He was the greatest rock writer, one of the greatest guitarists, and one of its greatest performers of all time. Elvis was the spark that fueled rock 'n' roll, but Chuck Berry became its heartbeat. Rock historian Vinnie Bruno will take us from Chuck's early days in St. Louis, to his extraordinary recordings at Chess Records, to his off-stage exploits with the law, and finally to his induction into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. John Lennon said it best, "If you were going to give rock 'n' roll another name, you might call it Chuck Berry."

Beginner Guitar

Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21 and 28 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins February 21

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Learn the basics of playing the guitar with music teacher Adam King! During this four-week workshop, you'll learn about tuning, scales, chords, and even learn to play a few songs. You must supply your own guitar.

Defensive Driving

General Defensive Driving

Saturday, January 21 from 10:00 am-4:30 pm OR Wednesday and Thursday, January 25 and 26 from 5:30-8:30 pm OR Wednesday and Thursday, February 8 and 9 from 5:30-8:30 pm OR Saturday, February 11 from 10:00 am-4:30 pm Fee: \$40. Seniors (ages 62+) and veterans pay \$30. Cash (exact change) or major credit card required at first class. NO CHECKS. Registration ongoing Completion of this course helps those who attend to become better, safer drivers, may include a reduction of violation points on your license, and a discount on automobile insurance.

AARP Smart Driver Course Monday and Tuesday, January 23 and 24 from 2:00-5:00 pm* OR Tuesday, February 28 from 10:00 am-4:30 pm Fee: \$25 for AARP members or \$30 for non-members. Check or money order, payable to AARP, due at first class. NO CASH OR CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED. Registration ongoing The AARP Smart Driver Course covers defensive driving techniques and the normal changes in vision, hearing, and reaction time associated with aging. The course also provides practical techniques for adjusting to these changes to ensure the driver's own safety and that of others on the road. During the course, participants learn about current rules of the road and how to operate their vehicles more safely in today's increasingly challenging driving environment. Anyone with a NYS Driver's License may take this class regardless of age.

Arts & Crafts

Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service: No-Sew Fleece Blankets Monday, January 16 from 2:00-4:00 pm Registration begins on January 2 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder Help create "no-sew fleece blankets" to donate to neighbors in need in our community. It's an easy and fun project to do while helping others. Please bring fabric scissors if you have them.

Mosaic Picture Frame Tuesday, January 17 from 6:30-8:30 pm Non-refundable material fee: \$10 cash (exact change) or credit (can pay online) due at registration. Registration begins January 3 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder Join Long Island Mosaic Artist Gabriella Grama in making a fun and creative mosaic picture frame. Choose mosaic tiles in your choice of colors and arrange them in a pleasing design to create your very unique picture frame.

Zentangle for the New Year Friday, January 20 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration ongoing Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder Learn the meditative art of Zentangle! Aimee Saccio will show you how to turn simple pen strokes into beautiful images. All supplies are included.

A Knitting Circle of Friends Thursdays, January 26 and February 23 from 10:30 am-12:00 pm Registration ongoing Calling all fiber friends! Join us for Longwood's own knitter's group. Bring any project you are working on and take this opportunity to meet other knitters in our area in this group facilitated by experienced fiber artist, Aimee Saccio. She can help you with questions you may have and offer unique patterns for you to try. All levels are welcome to join us.

Coiled Paper Heart Wreath Saturday, January 28 from 11:00 am-1:00 pm Non-refundable material fee: \$10 cash (exact change) or credit (can pay online) due at registration. Registration begins January 7 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder Learn the art of paper coiling as you make an easy and beautiful heart wreath for Valentine's Day, with artist/art educator, Bonnie Schwartz. You will have a choice of colored solid, patterned papers, and ribbon to work with.

Beaded Heart Pendant Saturday, February 4 from 11:00 am-1:00 pm Non-refundable materials fee: \$15 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration. Registration begins January 6 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder Join local artist Donna Irvine to create a one-of-a-kind beaded heart pendant. No experience is necessary. *All supplies are included.*

Paint and Listen Thursday, February 9 from 7:00-8:30 pm Non-refundable material fee: \$12 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration. Registration begins January 13 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder Follow along with an instructor to create a Northern Lights painting inspired by the mood and tone of live acoustic guitar music. We'll discuss the ways that music and visual art intersect as you paint a masterpiece step by step!

Grow Your DIY Skills: Creativebug and LinkedIn Learning Zoom Thursday, February 16 at 5:30 pm Join Librarian Alison for this one-hour lecture exploring two of our favorite resources – crafting tutorial platform Creativebug and popular online learning database LinkedIn Learning (formerly Lynda.com).

Bunny Love Crochet Series Tuesdays, March 8, 22 and 29 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration begins February 23 Make adorable bunnies just in time for spring! You will need to bring size G and H crochet hooks, Polly-fill stuffing, and two skeins of worsted weight (size 4) yarn in the colors of your choice. One yarn color will be used for the bunny and the other yarn color will be used for the heart.

SmileAwhile

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

SmileAwhile with a Mason Jar Soup Mix Friday, January 20 from 10:30-11:30 am Registration begins December 30 Decorate mason jars and fill them with dry ingredients for a delicious soup. Perfect for a chilly winter day! You will get to sample the soup during the class.

SmileAwhile with a Movie:

Sing 2

Thursday, January 26 from 10:30 am-12:30 pm No registration Starring Matthew McConaughey, Reese Witherspoon, Scarlett Johansson

With his theatrical company a local success, Buster Moon is dreaming of bigger things and, along with his loyal all-star performers, must persuade reclusive rock star Clay Calloway to join them for the opening of a new show in glamorous Redshore City. What begins as a dream of big-time success becomes an emotional reminder of the power of music to heal even the most broken heart.

(Animated Musical, PG, 110 minutes)

SmileAwhile with a Valentine's Day Frame Friday, February 10 from 10:30-11:30 am Registration begins January 9 Paint and decorate a heart frame perfect for a special picture or to give as a gift!

SmileAwhile with a Movie: *Lyle, Lyle Crocodile* Friday, February 24 from 10:30 am-12:30 pm No registration *Starring Javier Bardem, Constance Wu, and Shawn Mendes* When the Primm family moves to New York City, their young son Josh struggles to adapt to his new school and new friends. All of that changes when he discovers Lyle - a singing crocodile who loves baths, caviar and great music - living in the attic of his new home. Through adventures big and small, Lyle and the Primm's show the world that family can come from the most unexpected places, and there's nothing wrong with a big singing crocodile with an even bigger personality. **(Family/Comedy, PG, 106 minutes)**

Cooking

Chinese Cooking for the Lunar New Year Monday, January 30 from 6:30-8:30 pm Registration begins January 9 Make and taste simple and healthy vegetable and ground turkey dumplings for the Lunar New Year with Chef Penn Hongthong, author of Simple Laotian Cooking and Healthy Lao Cuisine. Please bring your own container to take home six dumplings.

Chef Rob Presents Chocolate Cherry Scones Wednesday, February 1 from 4:00-5:00 pm OR 6:30-7:30 pm Registration begins January 11 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder Chef Rob will be here to show us how to create delicious Chocolate Cherry Scones perfect for Valentine's Day! You will need to bring a cookie sheet, large bowl, and rubber spatula.

Games

Hey! Let's Play! Fridays from 10:00 am-12:00 pm No registration 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!

Advanced Dungeons & Dragons Thursday, January 5 at 6:00 pm Thursday, January 26 at 6:00 pm Thursday, February 2 at 6:00 pm Thursday, February 23 at 6:00 pm Registration ongoing Ready to level up? Join expert DM Jimmy for a D&D campaign involving mats, minifigs and higher-level characters.

Health & Fitness

Start the New Year with Meditation Zoom Thursday, January 12 from 6:30-7:30 pm Registration ongoing Begin the New Year with a fresh start, and bring joy, peace

Begin the New Year with a fresh start, and bring joy, peace, positivity, and relaxation into your daily life. Join long time meditator Arvind Naik as he discusses how incorporating simple techniques of meditation into our daily routine can be life changing. There will even be a little meditation sitting at the end.

Registration begins December 30

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Instructed by Debbie Kryzminksi of Fitness Figures, this class incorporates strength training, balance, aerobics, and flexibility. Most of the exercises can be performed seated in a chair. Wear clothing that you can comfortably move in, have water available, and be ready to have fun.

Healing Sound Bath Monday, January 23 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins January 5 Enter a state of deep relaxation and meditation to restore balance and wellness with a deep healing sound bath of singing crystal bowls, gong, chimes, and drums played by Susan Ferro of Glowing Energy.

Escape the Vape Tuesday, January 24 from 6:30-7:30 pm Registration begins January 2 Learn the myths and facts about vaping and addiction, how to quit, and how to talk with your loved ones about quitting in this class presented by Public Health Educators from the Suffolk County Department of Health.

Northwell Health Blood Pressure Screening Fridays, January 27 and February 24 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm No registration Monthly free blood pressure screenings are provided by Northwell Health.

Connecting to the Love Within Through Meditation Zoom

Wednesday, February 1 from 6:30-7:30 pm Registration ongoing

Long time meditator, Jim Rose, M. Ed, explains how to use the practice of meditation to incorporate more love and peace in your life, which in turn will have a profound transformation on your overall well-being. Learn how to let go of anger, fear, and worry in order to create more harmonious relationships, improve work and home environments, and experience a deep sense of personal peace and love. This virtual workshop will include a short meditation session.

Reiki Circle Wednesday, February 8 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins January 18 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder Reiki, an ancient Japanese technique, is used for relaxation, stress reduction, and promotes healing. Join Susan Ferro of Glowing Energy for a guided meditation and mini reiki treatment full of positive energy and intention for joy and peace.

Cardio Sculpt

Fridays, March 3, 10, 17 and 24 from 10:00-10:45 am

Registration begins February 3

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join Debbie Kryzminski from Fitness Figures as she teaches this strength and sculpting class using cardio. This full-body class challenges you with balance training, low-impact aerobics, strength training, core conditioning, and stretching. Wear clothing that can you comfortably move in, have water available, and be ready to have fun!

Nature & Environment

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Winter Birding on Long Island Zoom Thursday, February 9 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration ongoing Did you know that Long Island has almost as many birds in winter as we do in summer? Using photos and interesting fun facts, Dianne Taggart, a long-time birder, will tell us all about the Long Island birds of winter.

The Dogs of Chernobyl 35 Years Later: A Story of Hope and Resilience Zoom Monday, February 13 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins January 4 Thirty-Five years after the nuclear disaster, feline behaviorist, Stephen Quandt, visited Chernobyl to participate in a spay/neuter and research campaign for the dogs that were descended from the pets left behind. Listen to Stephen share his experiences meeting the inhabitants of Chernobyl and the dogs (and some cats!) he encountered.

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Music Concerts

Tom Polito and Friends Sunday, January 15 from 2:00-3:30 pm Registration begins January 2 The performance is an overview of great popular songs from pop, rock, rhythm and blues from the 50s, 60s, 70s, and standards from the Great American Songbook. **Registration begins January 23**

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, Etta James, Sergio Mendes to Diana Krall.

Irish Music with Gil McLean Sunday, March 5 from 2:00-3:30 pm Registration begins February 13 Guitarist and vocalist Gil McLean performs Irish songs ranging from the 1800s to modern times, telling the stories behind them.

Penny Lane Sunday, March 12 from 2:00-3:30 pm Registration begins February 27 Penny Lane recreates the legacy of The Beatles from all the band's periods, note for note, with pure sound and tight vocal harmonies. Get ready for an exciting show that will leave you cheering for more!

Computer Classes

Mobile Basics Limited to LPL cardholders • Registration ongoing Introduction to the iPad & iPhone Friday, February 3 at 2:00 pm Learn all about Apple's hottest gadgets, the iPhone and iPad, in this hands-on tutorial taught by Sharper Training Solutions. Topics include how to get online, understanding device settings, navigating the latest iOS system, and many tips and tricks. Bring your iPad or iPhone, or just come and listen.

Cool Apps for iPad & iPhone Friday, February 10 at 2:00 pm Discover cool apps you can't live without. In this class taught by Sharper Training Solutions, learn how to find useful and free apps from the App Store. Bring your device or just come and listen. Please bring your Apple ID and password.

Intro to Android Devices Friday, February 17 at 2:00 pm In this intro class taught by Sharper Training Solutions learn about your Android phone or tablet including your device's home screen, system apps, accessing the Internet and email, settings, and many tips and tricks. Bring your Android phone or tablet, or just come and listen.

Friday, February 24 at 2:00 pm Learn about how you can find useful and free apps that you can't live without in this class taught by Sharper Training Solutions. Bring your device or just come and listen.

The Friends of the Library

Projects & Events Supported by the Friends

- 1000 Books Before Kindergarten
- Armed Forces Day: Heroes for Heroes
- Battle of the Books
- Big Tiny Art Show

Cool Apps for Android

- Children's Garden Musical Instruments & Water Wall
- Conservation of 1777 James Swezey Will
- Earth Day Every Day
- Friends Scholarship
- Great Backyard Bird Count
- Little Free Libraries
- Oculus Virtual Reality Headsets
- Prusa 3D Printer
- Refreshments at library programs
- Staff Appreciation Week
- Summer & Winter Reading Clubs

Adult Winter Reading Club Get Yeti to Read! this winter with the Adult Winter Reading Club! Spend time reading, listening to books, and attending programs to receive raffle tickets good towards a chance to win one of seven fabulous raffle baskets! Winners will be drawn on February 27. Registration begins January 9 Register online at longwoodlibrary.org *Supported by Friends of the Library*

Language Learning

English Conversation Zoom Tuesdays, January 10–March 14 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. Must be able to speak, read and write English and be willing to participate in class discussions. No class on 1/31 and 2/14.

Book Discussions

Daytime Book Discussion *The Arctic Fury* by Greer Macallister In-person/Zoom Thursday, January 19 from 3:00-4:00 pm Registration ongoing

A dozen women join an 1850s Arctic expedition–and a sensational murder trial unfolds when some of them don't come back. A year later ,the leader stands trial for murder. The five survivors of the expedition publicly support her at the trial. What happened out there on the ice? Based on a true story.

This title is available in eBook and audiobook formats on OverDrive/Libby. You may also pick up a hard copy at the library beginning December 15.

In-person/Zoom

Thursday, February 16 from 3:00-4:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Told over the course of 70 years, this spellbinding debut novel traces three generations of a southern black family and one daughter, who, channeling her rage into art, discovers with the power of her paint brush she can change her family's legacy.

This title is available in eBook and audiobook formats on OverDrive/Libby. You may also pick up a hard copy at the library beginning January 19.

Titles and Treats

Tuesdays, January 31 and February 28 from 2:30-3:30 pm

Registration ongoing

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

Movies

Saturday Afternoon Movie *Mack & Rita* Saturday, January 7 at 2:15 pm No registration Starring Diane Keaton, Elizabeth Lail, and Taylour Paige A 30-year-old writer spends a wild weekend in Palm Springs and wakes up to find that she has somehow magically transformed into her inner 70-year-old. (Comedy, PG-13, 95 mins.)

The Woman King Saturday, February 4 at 2:15 pm No registration Starring Viola Davis, Hero Fiennes Tiffin, and John Boyega

The remarkable story of the Agojie, the all-female unit of warriors who protected the African Kingdom of Dohomey in the 1800s with skills and a ferocity unlike anything the world has ever seen. Inspired by true events, it follows the emotionally epic journey of General Nanisca as she trains the next generation of recruits and prepares them for battle against an enemy determined to obliterate their way of life.

(Action/Adventure, PG-13, 135 mins.)

Watch-a-Movie Wednesday!

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

January/February Selections... Wednesdays at 2:15 pm • No registration

JANUARY 4 *Elvis* (Drama, PG-13, 159 mins.) *Starring Tom Hanks & Austin Butler* JANUARY 11 A Good Year (Comedy, PG-13, 118 mins.) Starring Russell Crowe & Marion Cotillard

JANUARY 18 *Breaking* (Drama, PG-13, 103 mins.) Starring John Boyega & Nicole Beharie

JANUARY 25 *The In-Laws* (Comedy, PG, 103 mins.) *Starring Peter Falk & Alan Arkin*

FEBRUARY 1 Where the Crawdads Sing (Drama, PG-13, 125 mins.) Starring Daisy Edgar-Jones & Harris Dickinson

FEBRUARY 8 Father of the Bride (Comedy, PG, 105 mins.) Starring Steve Martin & Diane Keaton

FEBRUARY 15 *Mr. Malcolm's List* (Romance, PG, 119 mins.) *Starring Hugh Bonneville & Michelle Dockery*

FEBRUARY 22 Field of Dreams (Fantasy, PG, 106 mins) Starring Kevin Costner & James Earl Jones

One-on-One Appointments

Services for Veterans Services for the Underserved Veterans Organization Friday, January 20 from 11:00 am-12:00 pm No registration Services for the Underserved (SU) provides services for veteran families who are facing eviction or are homeless in need of permanent housing. SU envisions everyone has a place to call home, is healthy, productive and can enjoy the social connections that create a life of purpose. Stop by the library and speak with one of the outreach counselors.

No registration

An Island Harvest Community Empowerment Program Coordinator will be in the gallery of the library to offer free confidential screening for SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) and other resources to help with heating, childcare and living expenses.

AARP Tax Prep

Thursdays, February 2, 9, 16, 23; March 2, 16, 23, 30; April 6 and 13 from 9:30 am-3:00 pm In-person and phone registration (631) 924-6400 x250 begins Thursday, January 12 for LPL cardholders only (you must have a library card in good standing in order to register). ***Out of District residents may begin registering on January 26***

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 (2021) tax return, a photo ID, all of your 2022 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.

Ask a Librarian

Call (631) 924-6400 x250 or email askus@longwoodlibrary.org to schedule an appointment. Limited to LPL cardholders. Need one-on-one personal reference assistance? Schedule a 30-minute appointment with a librarian to assist you with research and technology basics, such as downloading an eBook, setting up an email, starting an online job search, using any of our online databases, and more. Sessions will be tailored to fit your needs.

Ask an Archivist

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.

Citizenship One-On-One

Call (631) 924-6400 x250 or email askus@longwoodlibrary.org to schedule an appointment. The library offers free one-on-one assistance to help you prepare for the United States Naturalization Test.

Career Coaching

Tuesdays, January 31 OR February 14 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. Limited to LPL cardholders.

Career advisor Richard Gluck will assist you one-on-one with your resume, give direction on a new career path, and help you navigate the ever-changing world of job searching.

Brainfuse JobNow

Live, anytime, anywhere job assistance, including up-to-date nationwide and local job search engines, professional resume critique, and proven interview techniques.

Available online at longwoodlibrary.org/onlineclasses.

Family Service League Social Worker Mondays from 4:30-8:30 pm Call (631) 924-6400 x250 or email askus@longwoodlibrary.org to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins welcome. Mondays of January 16 and February 20 have been rescheduled for Tuesdays of January 17 and February 21 from 4:30-8:30 pm. A social worker can help find resources for those seeking shelter, suffering addiction, facing the challenges of mental illness, seniors seeking help and more. HIICAP Medicare Assistance Tuesdays, January 3, February 7 and March 7 from 10:00 am-2:30 pm Call (631) 924-6400 x250 for an appointment. No walk-ins. This free, confidential counseling service is available to assist you with your entitlement benefits and answer your questions.

Medicaid Enrollment Assistance for the Aged, Blind, and Disabled Tuesdays, January 3 and 24, February 7 and 28, and March 7 from 12:00-4:00 pm First-come, first-served. No registration. Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council's facilitated enrollers will assist the aged, blind, and disabled populations to enroll in the following programs: Medicaid, Medicaid Buy-In for Working People with Disabilities (MBI-WPD), Medicaid Spend-Down, Medicare Savings (MSP), and Medicaid for Institutional Care in a Nursing Home. For more information, please call the **Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council at (631) 435-3000.**

Office of the Aging Advocate Thursday, February 2 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm First-come, first-served. No registration. wide programs and services, and other appropriate agencies.

SCORE Business Mentoring

Zoom

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.

Art Exhibit

Throughout January and February, make sure to stop by the gallery and view some wonderful watercolor paintings created by three talented, local residents – Pat Cunningham, Karin Lauer, and Merle McGarrett. Upon viewing these colorful works, you'll no doubt be inspired to pick up a brush yourself. An interesting note is that two of the artists were inspired to continue their painting pursuits after taking a class right here at the library!

CHILDREN'S CLASSES & EVENTS

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

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Are you "yeti" to join the Winter Reading Club beginning January 9?

Earn raffle tickets by reading, coming to library programs, and participating in activities. Then, enter your tickets 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!

Yeti, Set, Create! – Pick up a yeti when you sign up for the Winter Reading Club and take it home to decorate. Bring your decorated yeti back to the library between January 9 – January 22 and not only will we display your decorated yeti around the Children's Department, but you will earn an activity badge and virtual raffle tickets.

Winter Word Scramble – Come to the library between January 23 – February 2 and help unscramble these winter words. Return your completed activity sheet to the Children's Department and just for playing you will earn an activity badge and virtual raffle tickets.

Yeti's Yummy Treats - Come to the library between February 6 – February 19 and guess how many treats Yeti has in his tummy. All of those who guess will earn an activity badge and virtual raffle tickets; plus whoever guesses the correct amount will win the jar of Yeti's yummy treats!

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Register online at longwoodlibrary.org.

Winter Reading Club Show Petra Puppets Presents "Too Many Tails"

Families with children

Saturday, February 25 at 11:00 am

Registration begins February 7

Families are invited to celebrate the end of the Winter Reading Club with a spectacular performance from Petra Puppets! What creature do you get when you cross a Flamingo with a Skunk? How can you stop a Dragon from sneezing? Join Steve and Eric the Sheep for this fantasy adventure and give your kids a hilarious tale to tell. Ventriloquist Steve Petra trained at the National Theatre of Puppet Arts and at Jim Henson Productions. He and his wife Jeanie have created over a hundred characters for their shows as well as writing all their own scripts, songs and music.

Monthly Family Storytime Kits

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

Call the Children's Department

(631) 924-6400 x236 to reserve your Family Storytime Kit and set up a pickup time or stop in and ask for a kit for your little one!

January: Snowflakes

In January, we will decorate snowflakes with various materials to celebrate winter.

February: Love & Kindness

February's theme will be love and kindness!

Baby, Toddler, and Preschool Classes & Events

Bouncing Babies Wednesday, January 4 at 10:00 am OR 11:00 am Children (Infants–23 months) Registration begins December 27

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

Playtown

Monday, January 9 at 10:30 am OR 3:00 pm

Children (2 years-Pre-K)

Registration begins December 27

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

Babies Boogie Wednesday, January 11 at 2:00 pm Children (Infants–23 months)

Toddlers Tango Wednesday, January 11 at 3:00 pm

Children (2-4 years)

Registration begins December 27

Clap your hands, stomp your feet, and sing along with Nicole Sparling for this wonderful movement class featuring instruments and music from around the world.

Tiny Movers

Thursday, January 12 at 10:00 am OR 11:00 am

Children (18 months-3 years)

Registration begins January 3

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

Parent Toddler Workshop

Tuesdays, January 17, 24, 31, February 7 and 14 at 9:45 am OR 11:00 am

Children (12–35 months)

Registration begins January 3

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

Preschool Playtime

Tuesdays, January 19, 26, February 2, 9 and 16 at 10:00 am Children (3 years–Pre-K)

Registration begins January 3

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 will start with an extended circle time in which stories and songs are shared, followed by a related craft and free play.

How to Catch a Yeti Wednesday, January 18 Children (18-35 months) at 10:30 am Children (3 years–Pre-K) at 6:30 pm Registration begins January 3 Children will listen to the story *How to Catch a Yeti* and then enjoy some winter-themed activities and create their own fluffy yeti with cotton balls and glue.

Babies n' Books Friday, January 20 at 10:00 am Children (Infant–17 months)

Tots n' Books Friday, January 20 at 11:00 am Children (18-35 months) Registration begins January 3 Join us for an early literacy experience with your little ones that includes an introduction to reading the best of board books, singing simple songs, and reciting nursery rhymes.

Children (12-30 months)

Art Starts Monday, January 23 at 12:30 am Children (31 months–Pre-K)

Registration begins January 11

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

1,2,3 Play with Me

Wednesdays, January 25, February 1, and 8 at 10:00 am

Children (infant-17 months)

Registration begins January 11

Bring your baby for a morning of friends and fun in this three-week session program! This open-ended playtime facilitated by a children's librarian will provide a wonderful opportunity for you to bond with your child while making new friends. In addition, babies will be introduced to rich and varied sensory experiences in a creative and enjoyable environment to encourage learning and development in even the youngest infants.

JumpBunch Football Friday, January 27 Children (18-35 months) at 10:00 am Children (3 years–Pre-K) at 11:00 am Registration begins January 11 An instructor from JumpBunch will be at the library to teach fun football skills to our littlest quarterbacks!

Tots Night Out "Magical Unicorn" Monday, January 30 at 6:00 pm Children (18 months–Pre-K) Registration begins January 20 Come have some fun before bedtime with A Time for Kids! There will be songs to sing, time to move and dance, and a unicorn craft for families to do together!

Mostly Mother Goose Monday, February 6 at 10:30 am OR 2:00 pm Children (infant–3 years) Registration begins January 20 Parents and children can join in on nursery rhymes and songs led by a children's librarian!

Winter Wonderland Storytime

Wednesday, February 8 at 6:30 pm

Children (3 years–grade 2)

Registration begins January 20

Children will enjoy this storytime run by teen volunteers and sign language instructor Jennie Sardone. First, teens will tell winter wonderland stories in sign language, and then children will make a snowman craft.

Love Birds Friday, February 10 Children (18-35 months) at 10:30 am Children (3 years–Pre-K) at 3:00 pm

Registration begins January 20

Love is tweet and so are you! Children will enjoy some sweet tales and create a heartwarming craft to give to their valentine!

Baby Love Monday, February 13 at 10:00 am OR 2:00 pm Children (infant–23 months) Registration begins February 3 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!

Tinker Tots Wednesday, February 15 at 3:00 pm Children (31 months–Pre-K) Registration begins February 3 Join your library friends for fun with manipulatives, puzzles, blocks, and other things to tinker with.

Construction Zone

Wednesday, February 22 at 10:00 am OR 11:00 am Children (18-35 months) Registration begins February 7

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

Let's Move with PlayHooray Thursday, February 23 at 10:00 am OR 11:00 am Children (infant–3 years) Registration begins February 7 PlayHooray on a crisp winter day with balls, instruments, drums, and so much more. This lively music and movement class will have you rocking to the beat!

School-Aged Classes & Events

Games & Goodies Friday, January 6 Children (grades K-2) at 6:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) at 7:00 pm Registration begins December 27 Come down to the library, have some snacks and play fun games with your friends! We will have an assortment of board games for you to explore and cool games on our Nintendo Switch, like Mario Kart and Mario Party. *Snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Meet the makerLAB Saturday, January 7 at 10:30 am Children (grades 3-6 with parent/grown-up) Registration begins December 27

Get a tour of the makerLAB and learn how you and your child can use our equipment to make kid-friendly projects like iron-ons for tee shirts or tote bags, buttons, custom mugs, and more! Take a tour of our Cricut Design Space software, and then watch a live demo on using the Cricut to make an iron-on tee shirt. We will also help answer any questions you may have about the materials needed for making your own projects in the makerLAB. Each registered child will get to make their own custom button on our button maker! *Please note that younger siblings cannot be accommodated in this program due to the space and materials in this space.*

Tuesday, January 24 at 5:30 pm OR 7:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins January 11 Learn how to use our Cricut to design and cut out a custom vinyl decal with your name to put on a reusable water bottle, which we will provide.

Paws for Reading Children (grades K-6) Monday, January 9 at 5:00 pm, 5:15 pm, 5:30 pm OR 5:45 pm Registration begins December 27 February 13 at 5:00 pm, 5:15 pm, 5:30 pm OR 5:45 pm Registration begins February 3 Register for a 15-minute reading session to read to certified therapy dogs Anna, Chachi, and Chloe and their owners. Research suggests that reading to dogs can help children practice their skills by providing a non-judgmental listener. *Spots are limited.*

Book Bunch and Munch Tuesday, January 10 at 6:30 pm Children (grades K-2) Registration begins December 27 Children will listen to come Caldecott-winning books, discuss their award-winning qualities, and then make a craft while enjoying a snack! *The snack provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Comics and Candy

Children (grades 3-6)

New Shoes by Sara Varon Friday, January 13 at 7:00 pm Registration begins December 21

Otto by Jon Agee Friday, February 24 at 7:00 pm Registration begins February 3 Children will read a graphic novel each month in this program and then discuss it! They will then make their own comics and enjoy different sweets while chatting. *The snack provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Doves of Peace

Monday, January 16 Children (grades K-2) at 10:30 am Children (grades 3-6) at 11:30 am Registration begins January 3 Learn about the inspiring life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and then create a dove painting to represent the international sign of peace that we will display on our bulletin board.

Dungeons & Dragons Tween Edition with Quest Masters Guild

Children (grades 4-6) Tuesday, January 17 from 6:00-7:30 pm Registration begins January 3

Tuesday, February 21 from 6:00-7:30 pm

Registration begins February 7

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

Lunar New Year Celebration Thursday, January 19 at 5:30 pm Children (grades K-2) Registration begins January 3 Celebrate the Year of the Water Rabbit! An educator from The Whaling Museum will recognize Chinese inventions that influenced the history of maritime travel and talk about the beautiful traditions and good luck symbols of the Lunar New Year. Children will then design a paper lantern and dragon to use in their celebrations.

Snow Globe Workshop Thursday, January 19 at 7:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins January 3 Have you ever wondered how whales stay warm in freezing waters? Tweens will celebrate the wonder of whales and other arctic creatures and explore blubber and bones from The Whaling Museum's collection. Then they will design and create a wintry whale scene inside a shimmering snow globe-style craft to take home.

Winter Window Friday, January 20 Children (grades K-2) at 6:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) at 7:00 pm Registration begins January 3 Children will love creating this winter window scene with art teacher Kim.

Sculpey Clay Owl Monday, January 23 Children (grades K-2) at 6:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) at 7:00 pm Registration begins January 11 Children will have fun sculpting their own snowy owl with Sculpey clay and Art Teacher Amy.

Minecraft Junior Friday, January 27 at 6:00 pm Children (grades K-2) Minecraft Club Friday, January 27 at 7:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins January 11 Children will join library friends for a fun game of Minecraft! Build your own castle, fight the Ender Dragon, or explore the Nether – the possibilities are endless! We'll be playing the Minecraft.edu version of the game, so you do not need to have a personal account to play.

A Splash of Red Friday, February 3 Children (grades K-2) at 6:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) at 7:00 pm Registration begins January 20 Children will learn about Horace Pippin in the biography *A Splash of Red* and then paint a winter landscape in the style of Horace Pippin, an influential African American artist with art teacher Kim.

Crafty Cupid Thursday, February 9 at 6:30 pm Children (grades K-2) Registration begins January 20 Children will get crafty for a Valentine's Day project that they can keep for themselves or give as a gift to their special someone.

BEE Mine Flower Vase Friday, February 10 at 7:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins January 20 Children will cover a recycled container in roping to create a "bee-autiful" vase that they will fill with handmade paper flowers and little bee decorations.

Yeti's Spaghetti Pie Friday, February 17 Children (grades K-2) at 6:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) at 7:00 pm Registration begins February 3 Children will join Chef Rob for this fun cooking class where they will make an Italian classic, spaghetti pie! Then they will take it home to bake, taste, and enjoy! *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Celebrate Black History Month Whalers Wanted Workshop Wednesday, February 22 Children (grades K-2) at 2:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) at 3:30 pm Registrations begins February 7 Did you know whaling was the first integrated industry in America? Celebrate Black History Month by learning about the contributions of African Americans in our whaling history and creating a wooden ship craft.

Duplo in Action Friday, February 24 at 2:00 pm Children (grades K-2) Registration begins February 7 Children will have fun using age-appropriate kits to build various simple machines with an educator from the Long Island Science Center.

Simple Machines LEGO Engineering Friday, February 24 at 3:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins February 7 Levers, pulleys, and simple machines come to life when children build them with an educator from the Long Island Science Center.

Kindness Kids "Little Free Library Bookmarks" Tuesday, February 28 at 7:00 pm Children (grades 3-6) Registration begins February 13 Earn one hour of community service while bringing joy to others and having fun! This month we will be decorating bookmarks that will then be placed in books for our Little Free Libraries at local parks.

Winter Battle of the Books Grades 5 & 6

Mondays, January 23, 30, February 6 and 13 from 2:45-4:15 pm

In-person registration at Longwood Public Library begins November 14 (pick up books at time of registration) If you are in grades 5 or 6 and love to read, come and join our after-school Battle of the Books Club! Everyone is invited to join and read these three books: *Unplugged* by Gordon Korman, *Raising Lumie* by Joan Bauer, and *A Dash of Trouble* by Anna Meriano. We'll have three practice sessions when we'll play games and answer trivia questions based upon these three books. Then for the final week, we'll break up into teams and compete against each other in a "Battle of the Books!" Our practices will be after school on Monday afternoons: January 23, 30, and February 6, and our Battle will be on February 13. Students who register before December 14 will be eligible to request transportation home on an afterschool bus through the school. Register and pick up a set of books and a practice schedule at the Longwood Public Library beginning November 14. *The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.* Location: Longwood Middle School Library

Family Classes & Events

Messy Monday Monday, January 2 from 10:00-11:30 am OR 6:30-7:30 pm Families with children No registration Want to get out of the house on your last day of vacation? Drop in anytime between 10:00-11:30 am OR 6:30-7:30 pm to explore our art stations and create some open-ended masterpieces with your children! Dress for a mess!

Take Your Child to the Library Day

Saturday, February 4

Join the Longwood Public Library as we celebrate Take Your Child to the Library Day! The day starts off with the Jester Jim Family Show at 11:00 am followed by Explore It activities and craft stations that you can visit between 2:00-3:30 pm. 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. Pete the Cat 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 4 at 11:00 am Families with children Registration begins January 20 Jester Jim's show is filled with juggling, magic, audience participation, beat boxing, balancing, and tons of comedy. Don't miss out on this fun family show!

Explore It! Saturday, February 4 from 2:00-3:30 pm Families with children No registration 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!

Be Inspired "Black History Month" Saturday, February 11 from 10:00-11:30 am Families with Children No registration Our "Be Inspired" program focuses on the lives and innovations of some of the world's most influential people. This month we are celebrating Black History Month by honoring the accomplishments and achievements of African Americans and their role in the history, diversity, and culture of our country through activities and crafts.

BenAnna Band's Winter Concert Saturday, February 18 at 10:30 am Families with children

Registration begins February 3

Kick off your winter break with this high-energy musical duo who will be at the library for a concert filled with children's music and pop/throwback covers for families to dance and sing along with!

Snow Many Crafts Monday, February 20 at 10:00-11:30 am OR 6:30-7:30 pm Families with children No registration Drop in and help us clean out our craft closet! Children will visit different tables and make some winter crafts and art projects that we have left over from previous programs.

Plaza Theatrical Presents "Cinderella" Tuesday, February 21 at 11:00 am Families with children 4 years–completed grade 6 Registration begins February 7 Plaza Theatrical presents the classic musical tale of Cinderella. This is a live-action, 60-minute show and is most suitable for children who can sit, listen, and enjoy the show for that length of time.

Library Mini Golf Thursday, February 23 starting at 6:30 pm Children (4 years-grade 6) Registration begins February 7 Come and play at our unique indoor mini golf course with your friends! Designed and staffed by our teen volunteers, this program is sure to be one you don't want to miss! There will be three children per time slot who will play through the

program is sure to be one you don't want to miss! There will be three children per time slot who will play through the course together, with times beginning at 6:30 pm and running every 15 minutes. Please register each child for their own spot. Make new friends and have some fun!

Be a Citizen Scientist!

Bird Counting Packets available starting February 1

Participate in the Great Backyard Bird Count

Friday, February 17- Monday, February 20!

Pick up your Bird Counting Packet at the Children's Services desk and join us in the Great Backyard Bird Count! For four days in February, your family is invited to spend time in their favorite places watching and counting as many birds as they can find and reporting them. You don't even have to go outside – you can count the birds you see on your feeder while looking out the window! Tally sheets from the Bird Counting Packet should be returned to the library by February 27 to be included in our bird count and receive a badge for the Winter Reading Club.

Sponsored by the National Audubon Society, the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, and Birds Canada, these recorded observations help scientists better understand global bird populations before their annual winter migration.

Backyard Birds

Thursday, February 16 at 6:30 pm

Families with (children 3 years to grade 3)

Registration begins February 3

Children and parents are invited to join Miss Tiffany for this fun-filled, hands-on program to learn about the birds that live in your very own backyard. Each family will make a feeder to help the birds survive the winter and a craft to help them get ready for spring. Don't miss this fun family night!

Borrow a Citizen Science Birdwatching Kit

Use the books, guides, activity cards, and binoculars in this kit to help you learn about birds. Then, you can participate in a variety of seasonal Citizen Science projects relating to birds and birding! Browse more Citizen Science Kits on longwoodlibrary.org in our Children's Kit Gallery.

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TEEN CLASSES & EVENTS

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

TEEN Winter Reading Club Get Yeti to Read! this winter with the Teen Winter Reading Club! Sign up beginning January 9 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 themed book or movie

Earn digital raffle tickets by logging your reading and participating in eligible activities. Enter your tickets to win a themed book or movie basket! Winners will be drawn on February 27.

Register online at **longwoodlibrary.org**. Supported by Friends of the Library

5-Hour Pre-Licensing Class Saturday, January 21 from 10:00 am-2:30 pm Cost \$55 (payment in cash, exact change, to be made on day of class) Phone and in-person registration only is 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 is 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).

makerLAB

Eso Si Que Es: Foreign Language Socks Friday, January 6 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration begins December 21 Say good night and *buenos noches* to cold toes! Create a pair of socks with a bilingual message in the library's **makerLAB** using the Cricut Heat Press.

Anime Night

Friday, February 10 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins January 27

Join fellow fans at the library to chat, craft, play games, and enjoy Japanese goodies—cosplayers welcome! Play an anime edition of *Name That Tune* and take a green screen picture in the **makerLAB** to create your very own trading card. Plus, enjoy a brief presentation all about Japan! *The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Pretzel Party

Monday, January 2 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration begins December 19 Ring in the new year by making delicious homemade pretzels with Teen Services Librarian Mrs. Rizzo. *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

"Werewolf" Game Night Friday, January 20 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration begins January 6 Join the Teen Services Librarians for a game night so fun, you'll be howling with laughter! Come play a game of "Werewolf," the social deduction game where YOU get to determine the outcome. Werewolves are on the loose, and it's up to the town villagers to drive them out.

Teen Writing Workshop Wednesday, February 15 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins February 1

Join Teen Services Librarian Ms. Broderick for a night of writing fun! From fiction to poetry to fanfic, all teen writers are welcome. Enjoy icebreaker games, writing exercises, and learn some writing tips while eating snacks. Sharing work (your own or a passage from an author) is welcome for those who are comfortable with doing so. *The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Pass the Painting Friday, February 17 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins February 3 Join Teen Services Librarian Mrs. Karaptis for a paint night with a fun twist! Begin to paint a work of art on blank canvas. Then, pass your painting to a different artist every few minutes and see where your masterpiece goes!

Winter Marshmallow Snowman Cupcakes Tuesday, February 21 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins February 10 Join The Baking Coach to decorate some delicious wintry cupcakes! *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Games & Goodies Friday, February 24 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration begins February 10 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.*

Please note registration is limited to either Dungeons & Dragons with the Quest Masters Guild OR Advanced Dungeons & Dragons

Dungeons & Dragons with the Quest Masters Guild Friday, January 13 from 5:30-8:30 pm Registration begins December 30

Friday, February 3 from 5:30-8:30 pm Registration begins January 20 Join the Quest Masters Guild for a round of Dungeons & Dragons at the library.

Advanced Dungeons & Dragons Saturday, January 14 from 10:00 am-1:00 pm Registration begins December 30

Saturday, February 11 from 10:00 am-1:00 pm Registration begins January 28 Join the Quest Masters Guild for a round of 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. Call the Teen Services Desk at **(631) 924-6400 x249** to register.

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.

Craft Kits for Donation Tuesday, January 3 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR Wednesday, January 4 from 7:00-8:00 Registration begins December 20

Monday, February 6 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR Tuesday, February 7 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins January 23 Limited to 1 session per person per month Join the Teen Services librarians to help prepare some simple crafts that will be donated to service agencies in our community! Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Game Buddies Friday, January 6 from 5:45-7:00 pm Registration begins December 2 Buddy up with the younger members of our Children's Department for some board game fun! Certificate for 1.25 hours of community service

Stenciled Tote Bags Tuesday, January 10 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins December 27 Paint a reusable canvas tote bag that will be given to families in our community. Certificate for 1 hour of community service

TikTok Time

Wednesday, January 11 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration begins December 28 Help the Teen Services librarians promote library services and upcoming programs on TikTok! You will be given details about an upcoming program or language learning resource, supplies and parameters. Then, you'll collaborate with a group to create a TikTok that will be uploaded to the library's account. Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service

Community Service Stations Monday, January 16 from 2:30-4:30 pm Registration January 2 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 Wednesdays, January 18, 25, February 1 and 8 from 6:30-7:30 pm Registration begins December 30 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 four sessions of this program to participate. Certificate for 4 hours of community service

Teddy Bears for Donation Thursday, January 19 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration begins January 5 Learn how to sew small teddy bears that will be donated to children in need. Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service

Operation Gratitude Bracelets Tuesday, January 24 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR Thursday, January 26 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins January 9 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

Dog Toys for Donation Tuesday, January 31 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins January 16 Design rope toys that will be donated to our local animal shelter! Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Talking Newsletter Thursday, February 9 from 7:00-8:30 pm Registration begins January 26 We need teens to read the Children's and Young Adult sections of our newsletter out loud while we record them for our audio version on the library's website. Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service

Lego My Bird Seed! Thursday, February 16 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins February 2 Take part in the Great Backyard Bird Count with the library! Design and build a bird feeder out of Legos with the Teen Services librarians and learn about local bird species. Then, count and identify the birds you see in your backyard from February 17 through February 20 over two 15-minute bird watching sessions. The data you collect will be recorded and used to track bird species around the world! Certificates for 1.5 hours of community service will only be awarded to those who attend the program and return a completed bird count tally sheet to the Teen Services Department by Friday, February 24.

Gift Bags for Our Troops Monday, February 13 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR Tuesday, February 14 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration January 30 Limited to 1 session per person 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 Library Mini Golf Assistance Monday, February 20 from 6:30-8:30 pm AND Thursday, February 23 from 6:00-8:30 pm You must be available to attend both sessions to participate. Registration begins January 30 Using cardboard, duct tape and our imaginations, on Monday night we'll be designing a miniature golf course. Then on Thursday, we'll be assisting younger children as they "play through" our course. Certificate for 5 hours of community service

Seed Spree Monday, February 27 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins February 13 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

Cards for Hospitalized Kids Tuesday, February 28 from 7:00-8:00 pm Registration begins February 14 Brighten up someone's day with a handmade card and a friendly message! Certificate for 1 hour of community service Attendees who read the book and participate in the group book review at the program will receive 3 hours of community service.

Bookstormers: Book Club for 7th & 8th Graders Join the Teen Services Librarians for a monthly book club where we play games, eat snacks, and talk about awesome books!

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El Deafo by Cece Bell Thursday, January 5 from 7:00-8:15 pm Registration ongoing In this graphic novel memoir, author/cartoo

In this graphic novel memoir, author/cartoonist Cece Bell depicts her hearing loss at a young age and the friends, family and assistive technology that helped her adjust. When Cece is given the Phonic Ear, a powerful hearing aid, it helps her hearing, but isolates her from her peers. What follows are a series of both funny and frustrating events, as Cece embarks on a journey to harness the power of the Phonic Ear and find true friends who accept her as she is. The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

FEBRUARY-

The First Rule of Punk

by Celia C. Pérez Thursday, February 2 from 7:00-8:15 pm Registration begins January 5

12-year-old Malú knows that the first rule of punk is to be yourself. When she starts at a new school in Chicago, she has a tough time fitting in. Her passion for punk rock music and creating zines make her an outcast among her peers. Will Malú be strong enough to follow the first rule of punk with everyone rooting against her? The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Maker LAB

makerLAB Essentials

In-person sessions limited to LPL cardholders Registration ongoing

3D Printing Fundamentals I: What is 3D Printing? In-person/Zoom Thursday, January 5 at 7:00 pm Join our librarian Alison for a lesson on the history of 3D printing, how it works, and its future applications.

Cricut Fundamentals I: Everything Cricut In-person/Zoom Thursday, January 19 at 7:00 pm Want to design your own tee-shirts, mugs, decals, and more? Cricut is for you! Join our librarian Alison and learn about the different types of Cricut devices and accessories, get some project ideas, and take a tour of Cricut Design Space.

Cricut Fundamentals II: Cricut Design Space In-person/Zoom Thursday, January 26 at 7:00 pm Learn how to create your own designs with Cricut Design Space! Our librarian Alison will talk about tools, settings, and best cutting practices.

3D Printing Fundamentals II: 3D Design with Tinkercad In-person/Zoom Wednesday, February 8 at 7:00 pm Join our librarian Alison and learn the basics of Tinkercad – a free, beginner-friendly 3D modeling software!

Grow Your DIY Skills: Creativebug and LinkedIn Learning Zoom Thursday, February 16 at 5:30 pm Join our librarian Alison for this one-hour lecture exploring two of our favorite resources – crafting tutorial platform Creativebug and popular online learning database LinkedIn Learning (formerly Lynda.com).

Embroidery Machine Fundamentals I Zoom Thursday, February 16 at 7:00 pm Want to learn how to use our embroidery machine? Curious about where to find designs or make your own? Join us for this instructional class and learn everything you need to know!

Adult Crafts Limited to LPL cardholders

Hot Chocolate Mugs Thursday, January 12 at 6:30 pm OR Friday, January 13 at 2:00 pm Non-refundable material fee: \$5 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration. Registration begins January 3 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder The weather outside is frightful, so why not make a cup of hot chocolate in your own personalized mug? This class will teach you about using Cricut's popular Infusible Ink Transfer Sheets, sublimation blanks, and the Cricut Mug Press! Thursday, February 2 at 6:30 pm OR Friday, February 3 at 2:00 pm Non-refundable material fee: \$5 cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) due at registration. Registration begins January 3 Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder Join us and create Valentine's Day Cards with Cricut Design Space! This class will teach you about cutting paper, using gel pens, and utilizing Cricut's "Write then Cut" feature in Cricut Design Space!

"Put A Bird On It!" Window Decals Friday, February 17 at 2:00 pm and 6:30 pm Registration ongoing Glass windows and doors are dangerous for migratory birds, but these adorable decals can help our feathery friends avoid collisions! Join our librarian Alison and design your own decorative window clings with Cricut Design Space.

Great Backyard Bird Count Supported by Friends of the Library

3D Printed Bookmarks Thursday, February 23 at 6:30 pm OR Friday, February 24 at 2:00 pm Registration begins January 3 There's nothing better than curling up with a good book when the weather gets cold – why not save your place with your own personal bookmark? Join our librarian Alison and learn about 3D printing while we design these easy bookmarks in Tinkercad!

Children's & Teen Classes

Teens (Grades 7-12) see Teen section.

- Eso Si Que Es: Foreign Language Socks
- Anime Night

Children (Grades 3-6) see Children section.

- Meet the makerLAB
- DIY Customized Water Bottle

Open makerLAB

Appointments are limited to LPL cardholders and are highly recommended.

Make one of our makerLAB Kits or work on your own project. Open makerLAB is DIY self-guided experience. A staff member is here to assist with your questions but for more in-depth training take one of our makerLAB classes. Check our openLAB schedule and make an appointment online at longwoodlibrary org/makerLAB.

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- Button Maker
- Cricut Auto Press
- Cricut Maker
- Cricut Mug Press
- Embroidery Machine
- Sewing Machine

3D Print Requests

Looking to 3D print an object?

The library can help! Adult Longwood Public Library cardholders in good standing can submit files to be printed in the color of their choice on one of our 3D printers.

- We will take custom and premade designs from Thingiverse, Yeggi, STLFinder, and more.
- Printing fees are \$1.00 per hour or \$0.50 per 30 minutes.
- Print jobs are printed with Ultimaker PLA filament, a plant-based, biodegradable material.

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