

Longwood Public Library November-December 2022 Newsletter

Longwood Readers Make Waves at Battle of the Books!

Congratulations to this year's Summer Battle of the Books Team, The Squid Squad!

Over the summer, our team read six books and attended weekly practices. We played games, talked about the books, and answered lots of trivia questions! Our team went on to compete in this year's Suffolk County Battle of the Books competition, where 30 libraries answered trivia questions about all six books. The Squid Squad won third place in the county, as well as the Best Headgear Award. Way to go, Longwood!

We thank the smart, talented readers who made up this year's team: Sophia Henriquez, Mason Lavery, Lydia Pendzick, Eshan Sarwar, Kai Tvelia, and Micah Tvelia, as well as our indispensable coaching staff: Shelby Broderick, Megan Karaptis, Laura Rizzo and Ashley Sabatino.

Girl Scouts Renovate Little Free Library in Coram

Longwood Girl Scout Troop 1327 redesigned the library's Little Free Library at Diamond in the Pines Park in Coram. Two new additions were added as well to accommodate even more free books. Make sure to stop by and check out our Little Free Library where you can "take a book or leave a book!"

Train Trip to NYC see inside for more info.

Green Screen Holiday Photos

Saturday, November 19 from 10:00 am-4:30 pm

Registration begins November 1

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Make an appointment for a 15-minute session to take holiday photos using the library's green screen. We will have festive backgrounds for you to choose from. All are welcome! See more details inside.

Thank you to the artists who participated in the BIG TINY ART SHOW and to the 400+ community members who attended the reception! Artists please pick up your artwork at the Circulation Desk by Thursday, November 10.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten Winners

Fiona, Greyson, Jacob, Tessila

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

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

Friends of the Library General Meeting

Saturday December 10 at 11:30 am

Featuring Gene Casey and the Lone Sharks followed by a luncheon catered by Capiro's.

Adult Classes & Events

Local History & Genealogy

Boynton Electric Bicycle Railroad

Wednesday, November 9 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration ongoing

Join George Walsh and Don Fisher of the Railroad Museum of Long Island as they present the 1890s history and development of the Boynton Electric Bicycle Railroad. This talk will focus on this little-known "Long Island" railroad that ran from East Patchogue north to the LIRR tracks with plans to extend north through Middle Island to Rocky Point.

Ask an Archivist

Registration ongoing

Call the Adult Reference Desk at (631) 924-6400 x250 or register in person for an appointment.

No walk-ins.

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

Reserve a one-hour time slot to start preserving your family's history.

Genealogy One-on-One

Wednesday, November 16 from 6:00-9:00 pm

Registration begins November 1

OR

Wednesday, December 21 from 6:00-9:00 pm

Registration begins December 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.

Preserving and Passing on Family Recipes

Friday, November 18 at 2:00 pm OR 6:30 pm

Non-refundable material fee: \$5 cash (exact change) or credit card

(can pay online) due at registration.

Registration begins November 1

Some of the most treasured items that are passed along in a family are recipes: Grandma's sweet potato pie or Dad's Sunday gravy. They evoke wonderful memories and keep traditions alive. Join us for a hands-on class to learn simple tips to help you preserve your family recipes for the next generation, including the creation of a recipe binder using Cricut Design Space.

Weeks's Octagon House: History and Archaeology

Wednesday, December 7 at 7:00 pm

Registration begins November 1

W. J. Weeks's octagon house, built in the 1850s and destroyed by fire in the first quarter of the 1900s, was both an innovative building and a local curiosity. In this presentation, Dr. McGovern will discuss how historical archaeology sheds light on the Weeks' lived experiences, and the social meanings of the octagon house.

150th Year Anniversary 1872-2022

Ridge Schoolhouse

Built in 1872 and in use until 1955, the Ridge School was a one room schoolhouse that served the children of community for over 80 years. The Thomas R. Bayles Local History Room is looking for photos, memorabilia and student memories about the school. If you have anything to share, please call (631) 924-6400 x246 to set up an appointment.

Give the Gift of Warmth

The Adult Department is collecting NEW coats, hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, socks, and blankets for those in need within the Longwood community. Last year we distributed many items to our neighbors, thanks to the generosity of our patrons! We will accept donations between November 28 and January 2. Thank you in advance for your kindness!

Headline News Discussion

Wednesdays, November 30 and
December 21 from 2:00-3:00 pm
Registration ongoing

Join John Merenda for a lively, respectful discussion about current events.

Karma: What is It, and Why is It Important?

Monday, December 5 from 7:00-8:00 pm
Registration begins November 5

Enjoy a lively discussion and explanation of what the concept of karma means and how an understanding of it can help you move through life's challenges. The talk led by Juliana Podd will include other yoga philosophy concepts related to karma, such as dharma and moksha.

The Beach Boys Story

Zoom
Tuesday, December 6 from 6:30-8:00 pm
Registration ongoing

Join Vincent Bruno for this program about The Beach Boys, the most influential bands of the rock era. From surf music to hot rod classics to their baroque pop masterpiece "Pet Sounds," we will travel with The Beach Boys as they help to define the Sixties.

All About Consumer Reports

Zoom
Wednesday, December 7 from 7:00-8:00 pm
Registration ongoing

Join Adult Services Librarian, Noreen as she demonstrates how to use product reviews, ratings and comparisons from Consumer Reports magazine to make better buying decisions and save money.

Sell Your Stuff Online

Zoom
Friday, December 9 at 7:00 pm
Registration ongoing

Join Adult Librarian Katie for this introduction to selling your new and used items online! Learn the basics of various eCommerce platforms including eBay, Mercari, Facebook Marketplace, Poshmark, and more.

Sign Language for You

Saturdays, January 7, 14 and 21 from 2:00-3:30 pm
Registration begins November 14

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.

General Defensive Driving

Tuesday AND Thursday, November 1 and 3 from 2:00-5:00 pm *

Saturday, November 12 from 10:00 am-4:30 pm

Wednesday AND Thursday, November 16 and 17 from 5:30-8:30 pm*

Wednesday, November 30 AND Thursday, December 1 from 5:30-8:30 pm*

Tuesday AND Thursday, December 6 and 8 from 2:00-5:00 pm*

Saturday, December 17 from 10:00 am-4:30 pm

Wednesday AND Thursday, December 28 and 29 from 5:30-8:30 pm*

Fee: \$40, Seniors ages 62+ and veterans pay \$30 Cash (exact change) or credit card required at first class. NO CHECKS.

Registration ongoing

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

*You must attend both classes to receive your certificate.

Arts & Crafts

A Knitting Circle of Friends

Thursdays, November 17 and December 22 from 10:30 am-12:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Calling all fiber friends! Join us for Longwood Library's knitters and crochet group. Bring any project you are working on and take this opportunity to meet other yarn enthusiasts in our area. Experienced fiber artist, Aimee Saccio, will facilitate the group and help you with questions you may have, and offer unique patterns for you to try. All levels are welcome to join us.

Holiday Evergreen Kissing Ball

Saturday, November 19 from 11:00 am-1:00 pm

Non-refundable material fee: \$15 cash

(exact change) or credit (can pay online) due at registration.

Registration begins November 1

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

This workshop, led by Phyllis Chan-Carr, will teach participants how to make a beautiful, fragrant, evergreen kissing outdoor decoration. The completed size is approximately 10"-12" in diameter. Each participant must bring a small pair of lightweight garden shears, garden gloves, and a wire hanger to complete the project.

Coloring Experience

Friday, November 25 and December 23 from 6:00-7:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Join us in person for an evening of relaxing music and coloring.

Holiday Evergreen Wreath

Tuesday, November 29 from 6:30-8:30 pm

Non-refundable material fee: \$15 cash

(exact change) or credit (can pay online)
due at registration.

Registration begins November 8

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Learn to create an outdoor balsam wreath accented with seasonal greens and decorations approximately 14" - 15" in diameter in this class taught by Phyllis Chan-Carr. Each participant should bring a small pair of lightweight garden shears or heavy scissors. Gardening gloves are optional.

Alcohol Ink Winter Landscape

Saturday, December 3 from 11:00 am-12:30 pm

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

Registration begins November 5

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join artist Bonnie Schwartz to paint a snowy winter landscape on a ceramic tile, using deep and vibrant alcohol ink. You will be amazed when you use this unique and magical medium!

Winter Scene on Wine Glasses

Thursday, December 8 from 7:00-8:00 pm

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

Registration begins November 8

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join us for this lovely and oh-so-easy craft! We'll paint a beautiful winter scene on a wine glass. Great to give as a gift or keep for yourself! No experience is necessary.

Get Crafting with These Equipment & Gadgets!

Adult Longwood cardholders may borrow up to two items from our Equipment & Gadgets for 14 days. Browse our collection online at longwoodlibrary.org/ or call the Adult Reference Desk at (631) 924-6400 X250 to reserve an item.

- 28" Paper Cutter
- Circular Knitting Loom
- Cricut BrightPad Go
- Cricut Easy Press 2
- Cricut Easy Press Mini (Small, Medium, Large)
- Cricut Explore Air 2
- Cricut Hat Press
- Cricut Joy
- Cricut Maker
- Giant Knitting Needles
- Mini Circular Knitting Loom
- Sewing Machine
- Tracing Light Box
- Weaving Loom
- Yarn Swift and Yarn Winder

SmileAwhile

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

SmileAwhile with the Baking Coach

"Thanksgiving on a Cupcake"

Tuesday, November 15 from 11:00 am-12:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Create this yummy masterpiece using candy, buttercream, pastry bag, and assorted candy. Everyone will make two cupcakes to take home!

SmileAwhile with a Holiday Sing-A-Long

Friday, December 15 from 10:30-11:30 am

Registration begins November 15

Join us as we listen to and sing songs celebrating the season with musician Adam King.

Cooking

Cinnamon Swirl Holiday Bread

Friday, December 9 from 2:00-3:00 pm

Registration begins November 9

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Chef Rob will help us create his warm Cinnamon Swirl Holiday Bread. You will need to bring a whisk, two bowls (one large and one medium), a 9"x5" loaf pan, and aluminum foil.

Games

Dungeons & Dragons

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Thursday, November 10 at 6:00 pm

Thursday, December 1 at 6:00 pm

Join Adult Services Librarian Alison for a session of Dungeons & Dragons! This one-shot is beginner-friendly, although more advanced players are welcome to join us. We will have premade character sheets for new players, but players can also bring a character sheet from a previous library campaign.

Advanced Dungeons & Dragons

Thursday, November 17 at 6:00 pm

Thursday, December 29 at 6:00 pm

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Ready to level up? Join expert DM Jimmy for a D&D campaign involving mats, minifigs, and higher-level characters. If you need help building a character, join our character-building session!

Siamese Mah Jongg

Thursday, November 17 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Registration begins November 2

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join instructor Jacqui Palatnik and learn the fun game of Siamese Mah Jongg. This game is the two-handed version of the game you love to play. You will find it both challenging and lots of fun. Players must have some knowledge of the game. If you own a Mah Jongg set please bring it with you.

Get Your Game On!

Borrow a four-pack of Nintendo Switch controllers from the library's Equipment & Gadgets collection to add more player action in multiplayer games like Super Smash Bros. and Mario Kart!

Reserve them online with your adult LPL card.

Health & Fitness

Northwell Health Blood Pressure Screening

Fridays, November 18 and December 30 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

No registration required

Monthly free blood pressure screenings are provided monthly by Northwell Health.

Power of Meditation and Gratitude

Zoom

Monday, November 28 from 6:30-7:30 pm

Registration ongoing

Join Umesh Bhatia for this informative program to learn all about meditation. Meditation provides many life-transforming benefits. By meditating, we become relaxed and calm as we come in contact with a state of inner peace and wellbeing.

Aromatherapy: The Next Step

Wednesday, November 30 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins November 4

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

This class is for those with previous aromatherapy and essential oil knowledge. Learn how easy it is to create safe and effective natural products from essential oils in this class led by Tara Penske of Amadeus Aromatherapy. Blend and create essential oils to make scented lotions and hand scrubs that will make you feel great and smell terrific! All participants will leave with products and recipes.

Stretch for Health

Fridays, December 2, 9 and 16 from 10:00-11:00 am

Registration begins November 3

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Juliana Podd will teach various stretches to keep the body limber. Stretches will be adapted to meet different skill and fitness levels. No previous experience is necessary. Wear comfortable clothes; bring a mat and a water bottle.

Tisanes for Winter Wellness

Tuesday, December 6 from 2:30-4:00 pm

Registration begins November 7

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join us for an interactive program to learn about herbs that may help alleviate stress and keep you in optimal health. Kristine Henderson, Certified Tea Professional, will conduct a tea tasting during which you will learn about and taste three herbal tisanes.

The Importance of Preventing Food Waste and Helpful Food Safety Tips

Zoom

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

Registration ongoing

Most of us do not realize how often we waste food and the variety of negative impacts it can have on food security, the environment, and climate change. Northwell Health will discuss ways to reduce food loss and waste and provide helpful tips to get the most out of your food.

Catholic Health Services Mobile Clinic

Wednesday, December 14 from 10:00 am-2:00 pm

No registration

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

Music Concerts

Celebrating Italian-American Heritage

Sunday, November 13 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration ongoing

“Un’avventura musicale in Italia” with Dave and Paula Setteducati. Take a musical trip through the many regions of Italy, singing songs associated with each region. A presentation of beautiful Italian scenes supplements the songs.

The Vendettas

Sunday, December 11 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration begins November 28

The New York Vendettas have been playing a variety of 50s rock and roll, rockabilly, and country on Long Island for the past 18 years. So come dance and sing along to hits from Elvis, Johnny Cash, Wanda Jackson, Hank Williams, and many more.

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.

Computer Classes

Introduction to Computers

Limited to LPL cardholders

Registration ongoing

Multitasking and Graphics

Wednesday, November 2 at 2:00 pm

This hands-on class covers multitasking, working with graphics, using Windows drawing and painting tools, and copying, cutting, and pasting.

File Management

Wednesday, November 9 at 2:00 pm

Organize your computer! This class explains the Windows file management structure, including drives, folders, and files. Learn how to create folders, copy and move files, and delete folders and files.

Internet Browsing

Wednesday, November 16 at 2:00 pm

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

Email Browsing

Wednesday, November 30 at 2:00 pm

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

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Get started with your LPL card!

Friends of the Library General Meeting

Saturday, December 10

Registration begins November 1

11:30 am - General Meeting

12:00 pm - Gene Casey and the Lone Sharks "Here Come the Holidays"

1:00 pm - Lunch catered by Capiro's

Space is limited to current Friends of the Longwood Public Library members.

Individual Membership/Lifetime Membership: 1 registration

Family Membership: 2 family members of the same household

Not a Friends member? Bring your registration form and dues to the Adult or Info Desk to register, or become a member online at longwoodlibrary.org/friends and show us your confirmation email. New memberships will be valid until December 2023.

English Classes

New!

Beginner English Classes with LIEOC

Tuesdays, January 31 through May 23 from 6:30-8:30 pm

Registration begins December 13

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

Clases de inglés para principiantes con LIEOC

Martes, 31 de enero a mayo 23 de 2023 de 6:30 a 8:30 pm

La inscripción comienza el 13 de diciembre

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

Need help preparing for the naturalization interview and test?

The library offers Citizenship One-on-One sessions.
See adult section for registration details.

Books & Writing

Writing Workshop

Mondays, November 21, 28, December 5, and 12 from 2:00-4:00 pm

Registration begins October 26

Limited to LPL cardholders

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

All levels are welcome!

Titles and Treats

Tuesdays, November 22 and December 20 from 2:30-3:30 pm

Registration ongoing

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

Daytime Book Discussion

The Heart is a Lonely Hunter by Carson McCullers

In-person/Zoom

Thursday, November 17 from 3:00-4:00 pm

Registration ongoing

This is the story of a quiet, sensitive girl who searches for beauty in a small, but damned southern town.

This title is available in eBook and audiobook formats on OverDrive/Libby. You may also pick up a hard copy at the library beginning October 20.

Year in Review

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

Registration ongoing

This month the group will review books we've read during the past year and discuss titles we would like to read next year.

Movies

Saturday Afternoon Movie

Thor: Love and Thunder

Saturday, November 5 at 2:15 pm

No registration

Starring Chris Hemsworth, Tessa Thompson, and Natalie Portman.

Thor enlists the help of Valkyrie, Korg and ex-girlfriend Jane Foster to fight Gorr the God Butcher, who intends to make the gods extinct.

(Action/Adventure, PG-13, 119 mins.)

Top Gun: Maverick

Saturday December 3 at 2:15 pm

No registration

Starring Tom Cruise, Jennifer Connelly, and Miles Teller.

After more than 30 years of service as one of the Navy's top aviators, Pete "Maverick" Mitchell is where he belongs, pushing the envelope as a courageous test pilot and dodging the advancement in rank that would ground him. Training a detachment of graduates for a special assignment, Maverick must confront the ghosts of his past and his deepest fears, culminating in a mission that demands the ultimate sacrifice from those who chose to fly it.

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

Watch-a-Movie Wednesday!

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

Every first and third 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!

November/December Selections...

Wednesdays at 2:15 pm • No registration

NOVEMBER 2

Death on the Nile

(Mystery, PG-13, 127 mins.)

Starring Gal Gadot & Kenneth Branagh

NOVEMBER 9

Cyrano

(Musical, PG-13, 123 mins.)

Starring Peter Dinklage & Haley Bennett

NOVEMBER 16

Moonfall

(Sci-fi, PG-13, 130 mins.)

Starring Halle Berry & Patrick Wilson

NOVEMBER 23

Blacklight

(Action, PG-13, 105 mins.)

Starring Liam Neeson & Aidan Quinn

NOVEMBER 30

Dog

(Comedy, PG-13, 101 mins.)

Starring Channing Tatum & Q'orianka Kilcher

DECEMBER 7

Uncharted

(Adventure, PG-13, 116 mins.)

Starring Tom Holland & Mark Wahlberg

DECEMBER 14

Downton Abbey: A New Era

(Drama, PG, 125 mins.)

Starring Hugh Bonneville & Michelle Dockery

DECEMBER 21

Jurassic World: Dominion

(Action, PG-13, 147 mins.)

Starring Chris Pratt & Bryce Dallas Howard

DECEMBER 28

Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris

(Comedy, PG, 115 mins.)

Starring Jason Isaacs & Lesley Manville

Services for Veterans

No registration. All are welcome.

The following organizations will be in the library's gallery to assist veterans in our area.

Suffolk County Community College Veterans Services

Tuesday, November 1 from 1:00-3:00 pm

Services for the Underserved Veterans Organization

Thursday, November 3 from 11:00 am-1:00 pm

Suffolk County United Veterans

Wednesday, November 9 from 1:00-3:00 pm

Island Harvest SNAP Assistance

Tuesdays, November 15, 22, 29, December 6, 13, 20, and 27 from 3:00-6:00 pm

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.

Long Island Cares Mobile Food Pantry

Wednesday, December 21 from 10:00-11:00 am

No registration

Long Island Cares Mobile Food Pantry will distribute FREE bags with a three-day supply of food for you and your family (while supplies last) in the library's parking lot. In the case of inclement weather, please call the Adult Reference Desk at (631) 924-6400 x250 before coming.

One-on-One Appointments

Ask a Librarian

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

Need one-on-one personal reference assistance? A librarian can help you download an eBook, navigate technology basics, help you set up an email account, 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! Appointments will be 30 minutes long. You must be a LPL cardholder to schedule an appointment.

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.

Does the Citizenship interview make you nervous! No worries. We offer one-on-one sessions by appointment 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.

Career Coaching

Tuesdays, November 15 OR December 13 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.

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.

Lotouria, a social worker from Family Service League, will be here each week to help patrons access available resources and to provide other needed assistance. Whether it be seniors seeking help, the homeless seeking shelter, those suffering from addiction, or facing the challenges of mental illness, Family Service League is here to help when you need it most.

Medicaid Enrollment Assistance for the Aged, Blind, and Disabled

Tuesdays, November 1, 22, December 6, 27 from 12:00-4:00 pm

First-come, first-served. No registration.

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

HIICAP Medicare Assistance

Tuesdays, November 1, December 6, and January 3 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.

Office of the Aging Advocate

Thursday, December 8 from 10:00-12:00 pm

First-come, first-served. No registration.

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

SCORE Business Mentoring

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.

Train Trip to NYC

Saturday, December 10, on the 9:31 am train from LIRR's Ronkonkoma Train Station.

Fee: \$10.25 per ticket round trip (cash only, exact change please, and no refunds. Also, LIRR ticket prices are subject to change without prior notice. Children 4 years old and under ride free.)

Ticket sales begin Saturday, November 12 at 9:30 am at the Circulation Desk. There is a 4 ticket limit per adult LPL cardholder (cardholders must be present). Tickets are valid for the December 10 trip only.

You'll be travelling under a library group ticket for the westbound leg of the trip and must sit in the first two cars. For your return (eastbound) trip, you may use your individual ticket for any other train that day and sit wherever you like.

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

Travel as a group at a reduced rate from the Ronkonkoma Railroad Station to Penn Station NYC.

Art Exhibit

Throughout November and December, the library is pleased to display in the gallery the creative works of local resident, Clyde Norman. Mr. Norman's unique, tree inspired artwork are wonderful examples of a free-flowing style of painting that's sure to make you want to create something yourself!

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.

Please help us grow our Mitten Tree!

Warm up your heart by warming the hands of someone in need!

Patrons may bring new or handmade children's mittens, gloves, scarves, and hats to the Children's Department for our mitten tree. Items will be accepted from November 28 to January 2 and then donated to local agencies to distribute to children in need in our community.

Storytime

Be part of our storytimes where early literacy and fun come together! Each week come and listen to some of our favorite stories, sing along to songs, and enjoy movement activities. At the end of each session, you will be given a fun take-home activity to share with your child. These interactive sessions support Every Child Ready to Read @ Your Library initiative.

Choose from ONE of the sessions below!

Registration begins November 1

Little Listeners

Tuesday, November 15, 22, and 29 at 3:00 pm

Children (3 years–Pre-K)

OR

Toddler Tales

Wednesdays, November 16, 23 and 30 at 10:00 am

Children (2-3 years)

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.

Stop in and ask for a kit for your little one while you are at the library!

November: Silly Squirrels

In November, we will decorate adorable squirrels to celebrate autumn.

December: Winter Mittens

December's theme will be winter mittens as we move into the chilly months.

Super Soccer Stars

Tuesdays, November 1, 8 and 15

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

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

Registration ongoing

Join coaches from Super Soccer Stars for this pre-soccer and movement program where your children will learn to balance, run, kick and play! Children should be wearing sneakers and be dressed for movement.

Baby and Me

Wednesday, November 2 at 10:30 am

Children (infant–17 months)

Registration ongoing

Spend some time with your baby as we sing and share some rhymes together. Baby and Me is also a great way to meet other parents!

Alphabet Fun

Friday, November 4 at 10:30 am OR 3:00 pm

Children (3 years–Pre K)

Registration ongoing

Children will enjoy an alphabet story and then create an alphabet book to take home and practice learning the ABCs.

1,2,3 Play with Me

Saturday, November 5 at 10:30 am

Children (infant–17 months)

Registration begins October 27

Bring your baby for a morning of friends and fun! 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. 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 of infants.

Get Up & Go

Monday, November 7 at 10:00 am OR 3:00 pm

Children (12 months–3 years)

Registration begins October 27

This program incorporates music, movement, and tons of fun. Each child will get a basket of instruments to use throughout the program as we sing songs and dance to the tunes!

Musical Storytime

Thursday, November 10 at 10:30 am

Children (3 years–Pre K)

Registration begins October 27

Adam from Reprise Music will read a story and teach little ones about mood and tone, fast and slow, and soft and loud, as families create a live soundtrack together using string and rhythm instruments.

Baby Picasso

Monday, November 14 at 10:00 am

Children (12-30 months)

Art Starts

Monday, November 14 at 11:30 am

Children (31 months–Pre-K)

Registration begins November 1

Children will develop 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!

Storytime Yoga

Friday, November 18 at 3:00 pm

Children (3 years–Pre-K)

Registration begins November 9

Storytime Yoga

Tuesday, December 13 at 10:00 am

Children (3 years–Pre-K)

Registration begins December 1

Join yoga instructor Mary for an engaging journey into literature. We will bend, stretch, sing, laugh, and READ, allowing your children to experience storytime like they never have before. Kids of all ages love bringing favorite characters to life with yoga poses while learning to look at books in a new and exciting way.

Three Little Guinea Pigs

Saturday, November 19 at 10:30 am

Children (3 years–Pre-K)

Registration begins November 9

Children will meet Mr. James and his guinea pigs, Buttercup, Beverly, and Abby, when they tell the story of The Three Little Pigs. After the story, there will be 15 minutes of animal interaction time.

Then children will make guinea pig headbands and have a guinea pig parade.

Babies n' Books

Monday, November 21 at 10:00 am

Children (Infant–17 months)

Registration begins November 9

Join us for an early literacy experience with your little ones that includes reading board books, singing simple songs, and reciting nursery rhymes.

Tots n' Books

Monday, November 21 at 11:00 am

Children (18-35 months)

Registration begins November 9

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

Turkey Trot

Wednesday, November 23 at 11:30 am

Children (3 years–Pre-K)

Registration begins November 9

Children will listen to a silly turkey story, make a cute craft, dance, sing, and do the Turkey Trot!

Jolly Gingerbread Painting

Monday, November 28 at 3:00 pm

Children (3 years–Pre-K)

Registration begins November 15

Children will love creating a gingerbread person with crayons and watercolors when Art Teacher Amy visits the library.

Tots Night Out “Weather Windmill”

Tuesday, November 29 at 6:00 pm

Children (18 months–Pre-K)

Registration begins November 15

Come have some fun before bedtime with A Time for Kids! Sing songs, move, dance, and make a windmill craft.

Little Pumpkins

Wednesday, November 30

Children (infant–23 months)

Registration begins November 15

Bring your little pumpkin to the library for some autumn songs and playtime with library friends.

Parachute Play

Friday, December 2 at 10:30 am OR 3:00 pm

Children (3 years–Pre-K)

Registration begins November 15

Children will have fun playing under the parachute, popping “popcorn,” and shaking to lots of silly songs.

Zumbini

Tuesday, December 6 at 10:30 am OR 11:30 am

Children (infant–4 years)

Registration begins November 21

Created by Zumba® and BabyFirst for kids, Zumbini® combines music, dance, and educational tools for 45 minutes of can’t-stop, won’t-stop bonding, learning, and fun!

Tots Night Out “Snowman Fun”

Wednesday, December 7 at 6:00 pm

Children (18 months–Pre-K)

Registration begins November 21

Come have some fun before bedtime with A Time for Kids! Sing songs, move, dance, and make a snowman craft.

Musical Storytime

Thursday, December 8 at 10:30 am

Children (3 years–Pre-K)

Registration begins November 21

Adam from Reprise Music will read a story and teach little ones about mood and tone, fast and slow, and soft and loud, as families create a live soundtrack together using string and rhythm instruments.

Kidnastics

Monday, December 12

Children (12-35 months) at 10:30 am

Children (3 years–Pre K) at 11:30 am

Registration begins November 21

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

Baby Keepsake

Wednesday, December 14 at 10:00 am

Children (infant–17 months)

Registration begins December 1

Bring your babies and create a holiday keepsake using their actual footprints. We will provide one item to print on, but you can also bring your own items, such as a t-shirt or a tote bag.

Merry Everything

Thursday, December 15 at 10:00 am OR 11:30 am

Children (2 years–Pre-K)

Registration begins December 1

Children will create some seasonal crafts that celebrate many different holidays!

Pajama Party with Shake and Make Music

Thursday, December 15

Children (infant–35 months) at 6:00 pm

Children (3 years–Pre-K) at 7:00 pm

Registration begins December 1

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

Mostly Mother Goose

Saturday, December 17 at 10:30 am

Children (infant–3 years)

Registration begins December 1

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

Snow Baby Like You

Monday, December 19 at 10:00 am

Children (infant–17 months)

Registration begins December 9

Little ones will have "snow" much fun meeting library friends, listening to some wintry stories, and playing with other babies.

Welcome Winter

Wednesday, December 21

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

Children (3 years–Pre-K) at 3:00 pm OR

Children (18 months–Pre-K) at 6:30 pm

Registration begins December 9

Children will celebrate the first day of winter with stories, activities, and an indoor snowball fight!

Can't make it to our daytime programs? Children of both ages are welcome to come at 6:30 pm for winter activities and crafts.

Bluey's World

Monday, December 26 at 10:00 am OR 11:00 am

Children (2 years–Pre-K)

Registration begins December 13

Calling all Bluey fans! Children will be super silly playing keepy uppy, dance mode, and heavy, just like Bluey and Bingo. Then they will visit craft stations and even meet a special guest!

Baby Games

Tuesday, December 27 at 10:00 am

Children (infant–17 months)

Registration begins December 13

Babies and young children learn to speak by listening to you, so together, we will sing songs and rhymes perfect for sharing with your little ones! There will also be props, an opportunity to meet other parents, and most of all – fun!

A Time for Kids "Pete the Cat"

Thursday, December 29

Children (18-35 months) at 10:00 am

Children (3 years–Pre-K) at 11:00 am

Registration begins December 13

Come join A Time for Kids in this fun program to make a sailboat-themed craft.

School-Aged Classes & Events

Winter Battle of the Books

Grades 5 & 6

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

In-person registration 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, & 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 after-school 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**

Kindness Kids "Veterans Day Care Packages"

Thursday, November 3 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins October 19

Earn one hour of community service while bringing joy to others and having fun. This month we will make Veterans Day cards and care packages for those who have served our country!

Games & Goodies

Friday, November 4

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

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

Registration begins October 19

Come down to the library, have some snacks, and play fun games with your friends! We will have assorted 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.

Paws for Reading

Monday, November 7 starting at 5:00 pm

Registration begins November 1

Monday, December 5 starting at 5:00 pm

Registration begins November 21

Children (Grades K-6)

Research suggests that reading to dogs can help children practice their skills by providing a non-judgmental listener. Register for a 15-minute reading session to read to certified therapy dogs Anna, Chachi, Chloe, and their owners.

Fall Leaf Mosaic

Tuesday, November 8

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

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

Registration begins October 27

Children will fall into fun with art teacher Doris when they create a beautiful autumn leaf with colorful mosaic pieces.

Tie Dye Turkey

Thursday, November 10

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

Registration begins November 1

Children will make a tie dye turkey with art teacher Kim using watercolors and colored paper.

Sun and Moon Masterpiece

Thursday, November 10

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

Registration begins November 1

Children will create a half moon and half sun masterpiece using markers and paint.

Fall Watercolor Dream Catcher

Friday, November 18 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins November 9

Using watercolor paint, leaves, and thread, children will make dream catchers to decorate their bedroom or give as a gift.

Go Green Screen

Tuesday, November 15 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins November 1

Now is your chance to try out the library's brand-new green screen photography equipment! Ever wonder what it would look like if you were getting eaten by a shark? Running away from a dinosaur? Surrounded by a field of Pokémon? In this program, you and your friends can green screen yourselves into any scenario! Using a special software called Photokey 6 Lite, we will cover some photography and image basics.

DIY Winter Tote Bag

Tuesday, December 19 at 5:30 pm OR 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins December 9

Children will learn how to use Cricut Design Space to make their own custom "Let it Snow" reusable canvas tote bag.

Get Ready for Thanksgiving

Monday, November 21 at 6:30 pm

Children (grades K-2)

Registration begins November 9

Get ready for Thanksgiving with your library friends! Children will listen to a story, create a fall-themed centerpiece, and gobble up some fun.

Dungeons & Dragons Tween Edition with Quest Masters Guild

Children (grades 4-6)

Tuesday, November 22 from 6:00-7:30 pm

Registration begins November 9

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

Registration begins November 21

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.

Comics and Candy

Wednesday, November 23 at 2:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins October 27

In this program, children will read the first Dog Man and discuss! We will then make our own comics and Dog Man crafts based on the Dog Man style and enjoy different candy while we chat.

Registration and book pick-up will begin October 27. The snack provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Cardinals in the Snow

Thursday, December 1

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

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

Registration begins November 15

Children will create a winter scene with a beautiful red cardinal on a branch using paints and collage materials.

Roblox Craft Night

Friday, December 2 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins November 15

Tweens can bring their creativity and love of all things Roblox for a night of crafting that celebrates their favorite online game! They'll make "Adopt Me" surprise eggs, the ultimate "Bloxburg" neighborhoods, paper Roblox characters, and more! Please note we will not be playing the game.

Snowman Cupcakes with Chef Rob

Friday, December 9

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

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

Registration begins November 21

Children will decorate cupcakes like snowmen to take home to enjoy. This program may not be suitable for children with food allergies.

Seasonal Wreath Gift

Monday, December 12 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins November 21

Tweens will use greenery, ribbon, snowflake ornaments, and other seasonal materials to make an artificial wreath that they can give as a gift.

Winter Paint Night

Friday, December 16 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins December 1

Using acrylic paint, children will create a snowman snow globe painting that celebrates the winter season using sponges, Q-tips, and a lot of creativity!

How to Catch a Gingerbread Man

Monday, December 19 at 6:30 pm

Children (grades K-2)

Registration begins December 9

Children will listen to different versions of the Gingerbread Man story and then create their own unique gingerbread person. The snack provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Giraffes Can't Dance

Thursday, December 22 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades K-2)

Registration begins December 9

Children will listen to the story Giraffes Can't Dance by Giles Andreae, learn some party dances with Miss Tiffany, and then make their own giraffe to dance with.

Polar Bear Pond

Tuesday, December 27

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

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

Registration begins December 13

Children will enjoy creating a cool-looking clay polar bear playing in an icy pond with art teacher Doris.

Yoga Time

Wednesday, December 28

Children (grades K-2) at 10:00 am

Registration begins December 13

Children will enjoy an introduction to yoga practices presented through fun games and play with yoga instructor Mary.

Natural Elements Yoga

Wednesday, December 28

Children (grades 3-6) at 11:00 am

Registration begins December 13

Using elements of nature, children will incorporate movement through yoga poses, drawing, journaling, and meditation to complete a mindful experience with yoga instructor Mary.

Oil Pastel Snowy Mountain

Friday, December 30

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

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

Registration begins December 13

Children will use oil pastels to make a snowy mountain scene depicting the Northern Lights.

Family Classes & Events

Family Yoga

Wednesdays, November 2 and 9 at 6:30 pm

Families with children (4 years–completed grade 3)

Registration ongoing

Join yoga instructor Mary for a two-week session of yoga with your family. Please be sure that everyone in your family is dressed and ready for movement.

Plaza Theatrical Presents “Pinkalicious”

Sunday, November 6 at 2:30 pm

Families with children (4 years–completed grade 6)

Registration begins October 27

Plaza Theatrical presents the tale of Pinkalicious, who can't stop eating pink cupcakes! Please be aware that 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.

Messy Monday

Monday, November 14 from 6:30-7:30 pm

Families with children

No registration

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

Green Screen Holiday Photos

Saturday, November 19 starting at 10:00 am

Adults and Families with children

Registration begins November 1

Make an appointment to take holiday photos using the library's green screen! We'll offer 15-minute photo sessions and some festive backgrounds for you to choose from. Please don't bring pets and don't wear green (since we'll be using a green screen). Photos are taken by a staff member and emailed to you within a week after your photo session.

Fall Craft Closet Clean-Up

Friday, November 25 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 fall crafts that we have left over from previous programs.

Be Inspired “Native American Heritage Month”

Saturday, November 26 from 10:00-11:30 am

Families with children

No registration

Be inspired by our craft room which will be transformed into a museum-like experience open for exploration for you to drop in and discover. This month you are invited to explore our stations of interactive activities and crafts plus informative facts designed to celebrate the rich ancestry and traditions of Native Americans.

World of Birds

Saturday, December 3 at 11:00 am

Families with children (grades K-6)

Registration begins November 21

Educators from the Center of Environmental Education and Discovery (CEED) in partnership with the Long Island Parrot Society, will introduce families to the world of birds through a series of images, videos, live birds, and bird artifacts (nests, feathers, eggs, wing mounts, etc.). In addition, they will discuss flight, beaks, feathers, sight, smell, and other bird adaptations.

Polar Express

Tuesday, December 13 at 7:00 pm

Families with children (4 years–grade 3)

Registration begins December 1

Jump aboard the Polar Express! Listen to this classic tale in your PJs, create some Polar Express-themed crafts, take a photo at the green screen, and then enjoy a sweet treat at our hot chocolate bar. Wear your pajamas! The snack provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Craft-ernoon

Wednesday, December 28 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Families with children

No registration

Enjoy an afternoon of crafting! Drop in anytime between 2:00-3:30 pm and make some crafts that we have left over from other fun programs.

Plaza Theatrical Presents "Jack Frost"

Thursday, December 29 at 4:00 pm

Families with children (4 years–grade 6)

Registration begins December 13

Join crafty Jack Frost on a winter adventure set in January Junction with the talented cast of Plaza Theatrical. Please be aware that 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.

Countdown to Noon

Friday, December 30 at 10:30 am OR 11:30 am

Children (4 years–grade 2)

Registration begins December 13

Learn about different New Year's traditions, make a noisemaker, and then celebrate by counting down together!

Parenting

Prevention Resources for Parents

Thursday, November 17 at 7:00 pm

Parents

Registration begins November 1

Are you a parent who has concerns about your child but you're not sure about where to go for help? Is your child struggling in school? Has your child lost interest in activities they used to enjoy? Are you worried about their emotional health? Do you have concerns that your child might be making poor health choices? Suffolk County Prevention Workgroup will present a free, one-hour workshop on accessing services and support if you believe your child requires additional help in school, if your child is showing signs of struggling emotionally, or if you suspect your child is experimenting with alcohol or drugs. This presentation will provide you with contact information for agencies that can provide parents free or low-cost education and support and help you with the next steps in getting your child the support they need to thrive. In addition, resources will be given regarding youth struggling with or experiencing developmental disabilities, mental health challenges, and substance use.

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.

Attention all Scouts and Scout Leaders!

Looking for information on badge requirements?

We have updated our collection of Guides and Handbooks for Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts. Stop by True North or give the Teen Services Desk a call at (631) 924-6400 x249 for more information.

Come Visit Us During Your Winter Break!

Off from school in December? Come spend some time in True North! When you visit True North between December 26 and December 30, you can enter a raffle to win a book signed by the author, play games, make a craft, watch a movie and more!

Make It!

Custom T-Shirts

Friday, November 4 from 6:30-8:30 pm

Registration ongoing

Make your very own design that we can cut out on our Cricut Maker. Then, adhere your design to a tee shirt to make something truly unique! All materials, including tee shirts, will be provided.

Cricut Snow Ornaments

Thursday, December 15 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins December 1

Join Teen Services Librarian Mr. Perez to create a customized wintry decoration, using clear plastic ornaments, vinyl, and the library's Cricut Maker.

Getting Ready to Babysit

Saturday, November 5 from 10:00 am-1:00 pm

Registration ongoing

This course is designed to help teens develop the skills necessary for the responsibility of being a sitter—child safety, developmental stages of children, and how to plan activities that are age appropriate. Hands-on activities and course certification are included.

Turkey Bean Bag Decoration

Thursday, November 10 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration ongoing

Learn how to sew an adorable turkey decoration just in time for Thanksgiving with Teen Services Librarian Mrs. Rizzo.

ADB: Advanced Division Battle of the Books

Fridays, December 9, 16, January 6, 13, 20, 27, February 3 & 10 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Phone and in-person registration ongoing

This program is open to teens in grades 9-12 only

ADB is a giant trivia contest where everyone reads the same books, and then teams from different libraries compete against each other to answer questions about those books! We'll be reading two

different books: *The Inheritance Games* by Jennifer Lynn Barnes and *Spin the Dawn* by Elizabeth Lim. Pick up the books in True North and read them in preparation for our practice dates. On Saturday, February 11, we'll compete against other libraries in the ADB: Advanced Division Battle of the Books competition. Stop by True North or give the Teen Services Desk a call at (631) 924-6400 x249 to register. The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Winter Oil Pastel Art

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

Registration begins November 25

Ring in the winter season with Teen Services Librarian Mrs. Karaptis. Learn step by step how to create a wintry masterpiece using oil pastels on canvas.

Board Together

Wednesday, December 28 from 6:30-8:30 pm

Registration begins December 14

Come try out some of the hottest new board games to play with and against your friends. Newcomers or tabletop veterans are all welcome!

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, November 18 from 5:30-8:30 pm

Registration begins November 4

Friday, December 2 from 5:30-8:30 pm

Registration begins November 18

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

Advanced Dungeons & Dragons

Saturday, November 12 from 10:00 am-1:00 pm

Registration begins October 29

Saturday, December 10 from 10:00 am-1:00 pm

Registration begins November 27

In-person or phone registration only

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 Winter Reading Club Coming in January!

Get Yeti to Read! Winter Reading Club

Planning on cozying up with a good book this winter?

Join the Teen Winter Reading Club for a chance to be rewarded for your reading! Earn digital raffle tickets by logging your reading in Beanstack and participating in eligible activities. Prize winners will be drawn at the end of February. Our January/February newsletter will have all the information you'll need about how to register and participate.

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 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!

Certificate 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, November 1 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR
Wednesday, November 2 from 7:00-8:00 pm
Registration begins October 18

Monday, December 5 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR
Tuesday, December 6 from 7:00-8:00 pm
Registration begins November 21

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

Limited to 1 session per person per month

Join the Teen Services Librarians to help prepare some simple crafts for service agencies in our community!

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Placemats for Meal Services

Tuesday, November 8 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR
Wednesday, November 9 from 7:00-8:00 pm
Registration ongoing

Limited to 1 session per person

Weave paper placemats for meal services organizations to distribute with their meals!

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

TikTok Time

Wednesday, November 16 from 7:00-8:30 pm
Registration begins November 2

Help the Teen Services Librarians promote upcoming library programs on TikTok! You will be given details about an upcoming program, 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

No-Sew Fleece Hats

Thursday, November 17 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins November 3

Help keep someone warm this winter by creating fleece hats for families in need.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Dog Toys for Donation

Tuesday, November 22 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins November 3

Make rope toys for dogs at our local animal shelter!

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Decorating to Donate

Monday, November 28 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR

Tuesday, November 29 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins November 14

Limited to 1 session per person

Brighten up someone's day by making spring-themed decorations for our local nursing home.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Talking Newsletter

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

Registration begins November 25

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

Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service

Cards for Hospitalized Kids

Tuesday, December 13 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins November 29

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

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Gift Bags for Our Troops

Tuesday, December 20 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR

Wednesday, December 21 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins December 6

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

Bookstormers: Book Club for 7th & 8th Graders

Come "read up a storm!" Join librarians from both the LPL and LJH as we discuss the following titles:

NOVEMBER

The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind by William Kamkwamba

Thursday, November 3 from 7:00-8:15 pm

Registration ongoing

William Kamkwamba was born in Malawi, a country withered by drought and hunger. William had read about windmills in a book called *Using Energy*, and he dreamed of building one that would bring

electricity and water to his village. Although his neighbors called him crazy, William refused to let go of his dreams, forging an unlikely contraption that made him an inspiration to those around the world.

DECEMBER

Gregor the Overlander by Suzanne Collins

Thursday, December 1 from 7:00-8:15 pm

Registration begins November 3

When eleven-year-old Gregor follows his sister through a grate in the basement of his apartment building, he discovers something unimaginable – an entire underground world where giant cockroaches, bats and rats live alongside humans. As the fragile peace between the Underlanders is threatened by malevolent rodents, Gregor unwillingly sets out on a quest to save the Underland. Soon, Gregor realizes his own fate is tied to the Underland in ways he never could have imagined. Attendees who read the book and participate in the group book review at the program will receive 3 hours of community service. The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Teen Title Talk: Book Club for 9th-12th Graders

Wednesday, December 14 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins October 19

Join Teen Services Librarian Ms. Broderick to create a fantasy display for True North! In advance of the meeting, please visit True North and choose one book to read from our teen fantasy section (old or new). On the day of the meeting, bring your chosen book and discuss it with fellow readers! Together, we'll create a display recommending your books and other media for fans of that genre (such as manga/graphic novels, movies, and podcasts).

Teens will receive 3 hours of community service for reading their chosen book and actively participating in our meeting.

makerLAB Essentials

Limited to LPL cardholders

Registration ongoing

Cricut Fundamentals I: Everything Cricut

In-person/Zoom

Wednesday, November 30 at 7:00 pm

Want to design your tee shirts, mugs, decals, and more? Cricut is for you! Join librarian Alison M. 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

Wednesday, December 7 at 7:00 pm

Learn how to create designs with Cricut Design Space! Librarian Alison M. will talk about tools, settings, and best cutting practices.

3D Printing Fundamentals I: What is 3D Printing?

In-person/Zoom

Wednesday, November 16 at 7:00 pm

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

3D Printing Fundamentals II: 3D Design with Tinkercad

In-person/Zoom

Thursday, December 1 at 7:00 pm

Join librarian Alison M. and learn the basics of Tinkercad — a free, beginner-friendly 3D modeling software!

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 D.I.Y. 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.

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

Adult CLASSES

Limited to LPL cardholders

Preserving and Passing on Family Recipes

Friday, November 18 at 2:00 pm OR 7:00 pm

Non-refundable material fee: \$5

Cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) accepted

Registration ongoing

Some of the most treasured items passed along in a family are recipes: Grandma's sweet potato pie or Dad's Sunday gravy. They evoke wonderful memories and keep traditions alive. Join us for a hands-on class to learn simple tips to help you preserve your family recipes for the next generation, including the creation of a recipe binder using Cricut Design Space.

Cricut Gift Tags

Thursday, December 8 at 2:00 pm OR 6:30 pm

Non-refundable material fee: \$5

Cash (exact change) or major credit card (can pay online) accepted

Registration begins November 14

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join us and create custom gift tags 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!

Gift Wrapping Workshop

Friday, December 16 from 2:00 pm-8:00 pm

No registration

Got some last-minute gifts to wrap? We'll have wrapping, bows, ribbons, and a Cricut Gift Tag designing station! Please limit three gifts per person. No registration. Just drop in!

Children's & Teen Classes

Teens (Grades 7-12)

- Make it Custom! Custom T-Shirts
- Cricut Snow Ornaments

Children (Grades 3-6)

- Go Green Screen
- DIY Winter Tote Bag

makerLAB Kits

Pick from our menu of projects you can make using our makerLAB equipment.

Card Kit – Birthday Bundle (Supplies to make 3 cards)

Non-refundable materials fee: \$7

Card Kit – Thinking of You Bundle (Supplies to make 3 cards)

Non-refundable material fee: \$7

Make Your Own Mug (Supplies to make 1 mug)

Non-refundable material fee: \$5

Make Your Own Tote (Supplies to make 1 tote)

Non-refundable material fee: \$5

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 our Ultimaker 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