

2023 **BOOKMARK WINNERS**

Gr. K-2 - Nola McElroy Gr. 3-5 - Ada Costello & Morgan McElroy Gr. 9-12 - Amy Morataya Adults - Lois Levy

Bookmarks available at the Front Desk!

Winter 2023-2024

December January February

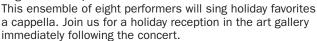
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MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT

Annual Holiday Concert House of the Red Hart Singers Sunday,

Dec. 10, 2:00pm

Registration required.



The Everly Set: A Celebration of the Everly Brothers

Sunday, Jan. 7, 2:00pm Registration required.

Back by popular demand, Sean Altman & Jack Skuller who recently performed Simon & Garfunkel hits are back to celebrate the Everly Brothers,

unleashing sparkling vocal harmonies

with great songs such as Bye Bye Love and Wake Up Little Susie. A meet the artists reception will immediately follow in the art gallery. Refreshments served.



Gene Casey Country

Sunday, Feb. 18, 2:00pm • Registration required. Join us for an hour of foot-stomping country with Long Island legend and king of Rock-a-Boogie, Gene Casey. A meet the artist reception will immediately

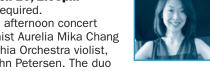
follow in the art gallery. Refreshments served.

Chamber Music Concert

Sunday, March 10, 2:00pm

Registration required.

Join us for an afternoon concert featuring pianist Aurelia Mika Chang and Philadelphia Orchestra violist, Anna Marie Ahn Petersen. The duo





program will showcase the beautiful timbres of the piano and the rich, deep tones of the viola. Be transported to the world of Schumann, Debussy, Rachmaninov, and Hans Sitt. A meet the artists reception will immediately follow in the art gallery. Refreshments served.

2024 CALENDAR FUNDRAISER

Win prizes, have fun, and raise money for Library Programs & Services!

Suggested Donation(s): 1 for \$5, 3 for \$10, or 40 for \$100

Purchase raffle tickets now through the end of December to be entered into the raffle. 31 chances to win throughout the month of January. Raffle tickets and calendars available at the Front Desk of the Library. Thank you to our Local Businesses for your generous support.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

BILLY JOEL'S NEW YORK VIA ZOOM

Wednesday, Feb. 21, 7:00pm

Registration required.

Take a virtual tour of Billy Joel's New York from Long Island to New York City. Discover the touchstones of his early, formative years; find out what eateries were the inspirations for the Parkway Diner and the Italian Restaurant: see the locations where some of his most famous album covers and music videos were shot; discover how his breakthrough album, The Stranger, was created; and more! Sponsored by East End Libraries.

HOLIDAY POP UP SALES!

Saturdays, Dec. 9 & 16. 9:30am-2:00pm



Library Closings:

Christmas Eve Sunday, Dec. 24 🍑 Christmas Day Monday, Dec. 25 New Year's Eve Sunday, Dec. 31 New Year's Day Monday, Jan. 1 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Monday, Jan. 15 🍑 Presidents' Day Monday, Feb. 19

See page 7 for more details.

Open Sundays 1:00-5:00pm 11/5 - 3/24

DULT PROGRAMS

Get free access to thousands of movies with your library card. Visit: https://www.kanopy.com/en/cutchoguelibrary

HEALTH SEMINARS

SKIN CARE: RISKS, PREVENTION AND EARLY DETECTION

Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2:00pm

Registration required.

Stony Brook Eastern Long Island Hospital's new primary care physician, Dr. Kimberly Hsu will discuss skin care, covering risk factors, common skin issues, and skin self-check and care. Dr. Hsu advocates for proactive measures to maintain overall health and well-being. Dr. Hsu's dedication to preventative care extends to her practice interests, which include women's health, pediatrics and mental health.

HEALTHY EATING IN THE NEW YEAR VIA ZOOM

Thursday, Jan. 18, 12:00pm • Registration required. Start your new year with a healthy immune system! When your immune system is not working up-topar you may feel fatigued, have headaches, or frequent colds. Learn how incorporating specific "power foods" into your diet can help strengthen your immune response. Stony Brook Southampton Hospital's Registered Dietician, Paula Montagna, MS, RD, CDN will lecture on how to create healthy and delicious food specifically designed to boost immunity. All recipes provided.

BREASTFEEDING BASICS FOR NURSING/EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Monday, Feb. 5, 10:00-11:00am See page 9 for full description.

TIPS FOR AGING IN PLACE Wednesday, Feb. 7, 12:00pm

Registration required.

Aging in place is the practice of staying in your own home as you grow older. But it's not always easy to adapt your living space to meet your changing needs. Fortunately, there are plenty of tips for successful aging in place that can help you stay safe, healthy, and happy in your own home. By staying proactive and taking steps to ensure your safety and wellbeing, you can enjoy a happy and healthy life in your own home well into your golden years. Sponsored by East End Libraries.

WOMEN'S HEART HEALTH VIA ZOOM

Thursday, Feb. 15, 12:00pm • Registration required. Coronary artery disease is the leading cause of death for both women and men in the U.S. While the incidence in men has been long appreciated, the impact on women has been underestimated. Dr. Noelle Mann, a specialist in both cardiology and nuclear cardiology at Stony Brook Medicine, will discuss the contributing risk factors and common misconceptions about heart disease in women, as well as treatment options and suggestions for healthy lifestyle changes.

ADVANCED KNEE AND HIP PAIN SOLUTIONS

Wednesday, Feb. 28, 6:30pm

Registration required.

Meet Dr. Peter Sultan, a Board Certified Orthopaedic Surgeon and PBMC's Chairman of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery. The program will focus on arthritic knee and hip challenges and will detail the latest options to ensure patients can maintain mobility and quality of life.

ALZHEIMER'S INFORMATION SERIES

Sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association, Long Island Chapter

HEALTHY LIVING FOR YOUR BRAIN & BODY

Wednesday, Jan. 17, 2:00pm

Registration required.

At any age, there are lifestyle habits we can adopt to help maintain or potentially improve our health. These habits may also help to keep our brains healthy as we age and delay the onset of cognitive decline.

WARNING SIGNS OF ALZHEIMER'S

Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2:00pm

Registration required.

Learn the 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's disease, hear from people who have the disease, and find out how to recognize the signs in yourself and others.

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES

Wednesday, March 6, 2:00pm

Registration required.

Learn practical information and resources to help dementia care partners learn to decode verbal and behavioral messages from people living with dementia.

WALKING TOUR OF A DIKE SYSTEM

Tuesday, Feb. 13, 11:00am • Registration required.

Long Island's East End farms operate within a unique micro-climate that balances soil and water. Join us at Salt Air Farm in Cutchogue to walk the longest dike system on our beautiful East End. created in the 1940s. Along the way, learn from farmers Dan and Prudence Heston about how this unique system works, why it is important to their farm, and the challenges (and joys) of farming in a seaside environment. Meet at Farm: 1535 New Suffolk Ave., New Suffolk. Dress appropriately for a 2.5-mile hike.







HOLIDAY PET PHOTOS

Sunday, Nov. 26, 1:30-3:30pm

Registration required.
Material Fee: \$10

Professional photographer will photograph your pet with a winter backdrop. Receive a 4x6 photo in a photo folder card. Digital versions available after the event. Photos are intended for pets, but families and children



are welcome to join. Photos by Judy McCleery, *The Pupparazzi Pet Photography.*

HISTORICAL COUNCIL EVENTS

www.cutchoguenewsuffolkhistory.org (631) 734-7122

DECEMBER

Christmas Tree Lighting & Caroling

Saturday, Dec. 2, 11:00am-5:00pm
Rain Date: Dec 3 (Tree Lighting & Santa only)

This year the Council joins the North Fork Promotional Council in welcoming the winter season during the First Annual Winter Stroll. Visitors will follow a tour map from business to business enjoying holiday cheer and shopping. Tour will start and end on the Village Green with music, tree lighting, and a visit from Santa at 4:30pm.

Carriage House Pop-Up Christmas Gift Shop

Nov. 10 - Dec. 22

Fri., 11:00am-6:00pm/Sat & Sun 10:00am-5:00pm Find unique Christmas items and gifts. Christmas Tea & Treats will be served. Shop local and support the Council while making your holiday shopping experience memorable.

JANUARY

Accused of Witchcraft in New York - Book Talk

Sunday, Jan. 21, 2:00pm
Location: Community Room, Library
Author and Collections and Exhibitions Coordinator at the
Three Village Historical Society, Scott R. Ferrara will talk
about his book Accused of Witchcraft in New York.
Book signing following discussion.

FEBRUARY

Early 19th Century Woven Coverlets of Long Island

Sunday, Feb. 11, 2:00pm
Location: Community Room, Library
Curator/Collections Manager of Huntington Historical Society,
and colonial textile expert Emily Werner will talk about the
phenomenon of early woven coverlets of Long Island.

Check our Website at cutchoguenewsuffolkhistory.org for last-minute changes or late additions to our event calendar.



DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

Saturday, Jan. 13, 9:30am-3:30pm Monday, Feb. 26, 9:30am-3:30pm

Registration required.

Fee: \$33 (non-refundable)

NY state DMV approved. 10% off auto insurance and up to 4 points off your license. Class run by Empire Safety Council.

LEARN MAH-JONGG

Mondays, Jan. 22, 29, Feb. 5 & 12, 2:00-4:00pm

Registration required.

Mah-Jongg is the game to play in 2024! Learn the basics of the game.

ESTATE PLANNING 101 IN-PERSON

Tuesday, Jan. 30, 6:30pm

Registration required.

A basic estate plan typically involves four documents: A Last Will and Testament, Power of Attorney, Health Care Proxy, and a Living Will. Learn about these four foundational documents with Erik J. McKenna, Esq., attorney and educator. Please feel free to bring your questions.

BLACK JOY CELEBRATION VIA ZOOM

Wednesday, Feb. 7, 7:00pm

Registration required.

For Black History Month, Brenda Simmons, founder of the Southampton African American Museum and Dr. Georgette Grier-Key, Executive Director & Curator of the Eastville Community Historical Society present a joyful celebration of Black history, followed by Q&A and discussion.

SENIOR SCAM PREVENTION PROGRAM

Thursday, Feb. 22, 2:00pm

Registration required.
Learn how to avoid being the victim of a scam during a seminar for



seniors. This program is hosted by State Senator Anthony Palumbo and members of the Suffolk County District Attorney's office. It is a joint presentation with the Suffolk DA's office and the SCPD.

ADULT PROGRAMS CONTINUED ON PAGE 4

COOKING. BAKING & SPIRITS

WINTER CHOCOLATE SNOWSTORM COOKIES

Monday, Dec. 11, 6:30pm

Registration required. Fee: \$10 Bake memories with Chef Rob's chocolate snowstorm chocolate cookies. Make about 15 ready to bake cookies



and enjoy over the holidays. Bring Supplies: 1 medium and 1 large bowl, rubber spatula, cookie tray and 1/2 cup of chopped walnuts if you like.

HOLIDAY SPARKLING TASTING

Saturday, Dec. 16, 2:00pm

Registration required. Fee: \$10 Curious about the difference between Champagne and Prosecco? Need wine recommendations for your next



holiday party? Join Wine & Spirit Education Trust Diploma Candidate, Jul Fedele, for a tasting of sparkling wines from around the world. Tasting includes a light pairing of artisanal cheeses.

CHEF RYAN CARROLL CLASS

Saturday, Jan. 20, 2:00pm

Registration required. Fee: \$10 Classically trained Chef Ryan Carroll from Carroll's Catering and North Fork Table & Inn will teach a mystery cooking class. Menu to be announced. Samples served.

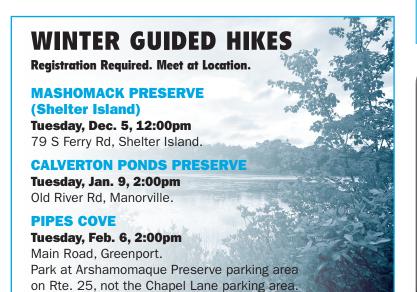


SUSTAINABLE KITCHEN: WARMING UP WITH SOUP

Saturday, Feb. 10, 2:00pm

Registration required. Fee: \$10

Emilie Zaweski of the Farmer's Market will inspire you to go back to basic healthy cooking with a demonstration using local seasonal farm grown food. Learn how to make great soups for yourself and enjoy sampling this culinary treat!



DISCUSSIONS

NEW Cover to Cover A Fiction Lovers Discussion Group

IN PERSON Tuesdays, 10:00am

Register for each



discussion separately. Welcoming experienced discussion leader, and veteran librarian, Gretchen Browne. Books available at the Library one month prior to the discussion date. Also available in large

print, audio and e-book formats.

Jan. 23: Mad Honey by Jodi Picoult (2022 bestseller)

Feb. 27: Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus

Winter Book Discussions VIA ZOOM

Thursdays, 10:00am

Please register for Zoom link. Books available at the Library one month prior to the discussion date. Discussions led by Seth Bank.

Dec: No discussion.

Jan. 25: The Vineyard: The Pleasures and Perils of Creating an American Family Winery

by Louisa Hargrave

Feb. 29: The Eighty-Dollar Champion

by Elizabeth Letts

Documentary Discussion VIA ZOOM

Thursday, Feb. 8, 10:00am

Please register for Zoom link. The Facebook Dilemma, with dozens of original interviews and rare footage, this documentary examines the powerful social



media platform's impact on privacy and democracy in the U.S. and around the world. View the documentary beforehand via Kanopy.

AUTHOR TALK - CARL SAFINA VIA ZOOM

Friday, Jan. 5, 7:00pm

Registration required. Carl Safina will discuss his new book, Alfie & Me. His lyrical non-fiction writing explores how humans are changing the living world, and what the changes mean for non-human beings and us all. His work fuses scientific understanding,



Carl Safina

emotional connection, and a moral call to action. Co-sponsored by East End Libraries.







EXERCISE & MEDITATION CLASSES

MEDITATION - A LIFE CHANGING JOURNEY

Session 1: Friday, Jan. 12, 9:45am Session 2: Friday, Feb. 9, 9:45am

Registration required. Fee: \$10 each session Reverse the effects of anxiety and stress. Experience Guided Qigong Meditation, including Breathing Techniques, sitting and standing meditations, Tai Chi/Qigong Self-Healing, stress and anxiety reducing meditations and much more. No experience necessary. Attend one or both sessions. Instructor: Dr. Marilyn LoPresti.

BODY, MIND, BALL WORKSHOP

Session 1: Friday, Dec. 15, 9:45am Session 2: Friday, Jan. 19, 9:45am Session 3: Friday, Feb. 16, 9:45am

Registration required. Fee: \$10 each session Release muscle tension, ease pain, and move with more ease. Join us for this fascial release method for hands, feet, arms and shoulders from a seated or standing position. Bring 2 yoga mats and a beach towel.

STANDING CHAIR YOGA

Wednesdays, Jan. 3-Feb. 14, 11:00am

Registration required. Fee: \$49 (7 classes) Gentle yoga that will help increase balance, strength and a sense of well-being and calm. Integrate breath work with gentle stretches without the stress of having to get up and down off the floor. Bring a yoga mat and a small blanket or towel. Instructor: Judy Arnone.

CHAIR & RESTORATIVE YOGA

Fridays, Jan. 5-Feb. 16, 11:00am

Registration required. Fee: \$49 (7 classes) Yoga engages your mind, body, and spirit, helping to increase balance, flexibility, strength, and stamina while decreasing stress, muscle tension, and blood pressure. Bring a yoga mat and towel. Instructor: Judy Arnone.

ZUMBA® GOLD THURSDAY VIA ZOOM

Thursdays, Jan. 4-March 7, 9:45-10:45am

Registration required. Fee: \$70 (10 classes) Zumba Gold modifies the moves and pacing to suit the needs of the active mature participant or beginner. Zesty Latin music, easy-to-follow moves. This class will be available on our movie screen at the Library or from your own device at home. Instructor: Renee Pino.

ZUMBA® GOLD SATURDAY

Saturdays, Jan. 6-Feb. 24, 9:45am (no class 1/13)

Registration required. Fee: \$49 (7 classes) Zumba Gold modifies the moves and pacing to suit the needs of the active mature participant or beginner. Zesty Latin music, easy-to-follow moves. Instructor: Kyleen Vernon.

ARTS & CRAFTS

FRESH EVERGREEN & DRIED FLOWER WREATH In-Person or Take & Make

Saturday, Dec. 2, 2:30pm

Registration required. Material fee: \$15

Create a beautiful fresh evergreen and dried flower wreath at the Library or at home with a complete "Take & Make" kit. Complete instructions with photos included. Instructor, Diana Conklin.

PASTEL SNOW SCENE ON SANDPAPER

Saturday, Dec. 9, 2:00pm

Registration required. Fee: \$10
This class will explore the use of color, line, texture, and composition to create a winter snow scene on industrial sandpaper. We will have a finished work of art ready to frame when finished.



SNOW SCENES

Saturday, Jan. 27, 2:00pm • Registration required. Fee: \$10 Create a beautiful snowy scene with pastels on sandpaper with art instructor Kari Kaczmarek.

ART CLASSES WITH JOYCE RAIMONDO

THE POLLOCK-KRASNER CENTER IN EAST HAMPTON

MAKE YOUR MARK VIA ZOOM

Thursday, Feb. 22, 4:00-5:00pm

Registration required.

Splash, pour, scrape, and swoosh. How can you apply paint in experimental ways to create dynamic emotional effects? Discover how modern artists make their marks with unconventional tools, then partake in a painting project. Bring paint supplies and unusual painting tools such as sticks, forks, combs, rollers, sponges and anything else.

COMPOSITION SPEAKS VIA ZOOM

Wednesday, Feb. 28, 4:00-5:00pm

Registration required.

Composition is the arrangement of the elements of art in a picture. Discover Pollock's groundbreaking all over drip painting compositions and creative ways other modern artists arrange the art elements in abstract painting. Joyce will then guide you through exercises to sharpen your understanding of composition. Have on hand scissors and glue, several papers for your pictures and assorted papers to cut and glue.

KNITTING, CROCHETING & BEADING GROUP

Thursdays, Dec. 7-Feb. 29, 2:30-3:30pm

Registration required.

Informal knitting, crocheting and beading jewelry group meets to make their own creations. Must bring your own materials. Beginners and new members welcome.





FREE LIBRARY SERVICES

LIBRARY APP!

This FREE mobile app provides a simple and convenient way to connect to the Library 24/7.





APPLE

ANDROID

Register for programs,

search our collection, manage your account, access your library card, use self-checkout and more. Scan the QR Code to download the app, or search "Cutchogue New Suffolk Free Lib" in the app store. If you need help, please call or visit the Library.

AMERICAN FLAG COLLECTION

Collecting tattered, retired
American flags. All flags
will be brought to the
American Legion for proper
discard. Bin located in the Lobby.



BOCES ENGLISH CLASS - *INTERMEDIATE LEVEL - FREE*

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30pm No registration required.

CITIZENSHIP PREPARATION COURSE - FREE

January – March 2024 8 sessions

Please register 631-734-6360.

DIGITAL DOWNLOADS - FREE

Flipster – Read digital magazines

Hoopla - E-Books, Audiobooks and Streaming

Kanopy – Stream movies and shows

Libby – E-books and Audiobooks

More resources available through our website!

ENGLISH LESSONS - GRATIS Aprende o mejora tu inglés Learn or improve your English

Please register 631-734-6360.

FOOD PANTRY

Open 24/7 in front of the Library, give what you can, take what you need. Always accepting **non-perishable** food donations.



HOMEBOUND SERVICE

Receive library items through the mail. For details, call us at 631-734-6360.

LIBRARY OF THINGS

Need something for your home, an event, or more and don't want to buy it? Visit our website for a full listing of all the unique items available for check out with your library card.

LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

Enjoy free books.

Located at New Suffolk Beach, Nassau Point Causeway, and Pequash Beach.

LOCAL HISTORY

Interested in learning more about the history of the North Fork? Call the Library to make an appointment with Local History Librarian, Mariella Ostroski.

NOTARY PUBLIC SERVICES

Please call for availability. Walk-ins welcome.



PASSPORT APPOINTMENTS

The Library is a Passport Acceptance Agency. Call to book an appointment.

TALKING BOOKS PROGRAM for the Visually Impaired

Listen to FREE books, magazines, newspapers, or NEWSLINE which covers local newspapers. Applications can be mailed or picked up at the Library.



TECH APPOINTMENTS

Wednesdays, 9:30am-1:00pm

Call to make a 30-minute appointment. Receive one-on-one tech help and troubleshooting. We do not offer hardware repair, at home assistance or help with cybersecurity issues.



TOILETRY COLLECTION

Donations will be distributed to those in need. Collection bin located in the lobby.







AMILY EVENTS

SANTA VISITS THE LIBRARY!

Saturday, Dec. 9, 10:30am

For families. No registration.

We are so excited to have Santa visit the Library! Numbers will be handed out at the Library for your place in the Santa line. Santa first lands by helicopter at the Cutchogue Firehouse, then on to the Library to hear each child's special wish for the holiday season. Such a wonderful family photo opportunity and holiday memory to cherish.



SWEET POTATO DESSERTS (Soy, Gluten, Dairy, Nut Free Recipe)

Friday, Dec. 15, 4:00-5:00pm

For families (all ages), parents/grandparents welcome. Please register. Children and their parents/grandparents can join Ms. Joan and Ms. Mignon for a sweet potato based holiday dessert free of all 4 major allergens.

GINGERBREAD HOUSE WORKSHOP

Saturday, Dec. 16, 2:00-3:00pm

For families.

DAWN # NUGGET

Please call the library at 631-734-6360 to register your family for the Annual Family

Gingerbread Workshop. We will provide one gingerbread house per family, icing, various candies and wrap your creation in a beautiful holiday package to take home.



FAMILY MOVIE & PIZZA

Friday, Dec. 29, 4:00-5:30pm: Chicken Run: Dawn of the Nugget (PG)

For families. Please register each family member. Children under age 10 must be accompanied by an adult or caregiver.



(Please note various dates and times)

For families with children 3-8 years old. Must be accompanied by parent/caregiver.

Saturday, Dec. 2, 11:00am: Red and Lulu

Enjoy the story, *Red and Lulu*, by Matt Tavares and create a holiday tree craft. Finish with a game of Holiday Bingo.

Saturday, Jan. 20, 11:00am: Royal Tea Party

You are hereby invited to a Royal Tea Party with Princess Rapunzel!

Come dressed in your finest attire as we enjoy stories, royal crafts and delightful treats.

Friday, Feb. 9, 6:30pm: Build a Family Fort

Gather up your family and build a fort inside the library! Enjoy books and a snack with your family. Bring a flashlight and your own fort materials (i.e. sheets, blankets, pillows). The Library will provide various materials.



Saturday, Feb. 3, 11:00am-12:00pm

All ages. Please register each family member separately. Inspired by Canada's Winter Walk Day, join us for a walk outside (approx. 1 mile) and celebrate the benefits of outdoor activities during winter. Taking a walk in the fresh air can lift your mood and energy levels, reduce stress, activate your immune system and improve overall health. Afterwards, warm up with a cup of hot chocolate in the library. Children must be accompanied by an adult/caregiver. Cancelled in the event of inclement weather.





ROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

All Abilities Welcome

Please be advised that we will hold your child's spot in programs **until 10 minutes** after the starting time, children on the waiting list will then be accepted. Thank you for your understanding.

1000 BOOKS READ BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

Read 1000 books to your child before kindergarten. Log the books read, and take a milestone picture after every 100 books. Once completed, your child will receive a prize.

CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY with Dr. Keming Riley

Saturday, Dec. 2, 1:00-2:00pm

Ages 7 & up. Please register.

Chinese calligraphy takes its inspiration from nature. Each stroke and dot represent a meaning connected to the signified item. For example, a tree starts with a symbol for wood. Children start practicing calligraphy from a young age to train their posture, mental focus and breathing as one must hold his/her breath when drawing a stroke. A slight movement may change the stroke, and the word! Dr. Keming Riley will lead the children through the most basic of Chinese calligraphy.

WINTER STORYTIME YOGA with Mary Hasel

Mondays, Dec. 4, Jan. 8 & Feb. 5, 10:00-10:45am

Ages 2-5. Please register.

Please bring a yoga mat or towel.

Join us for Winter Storytime Yoga, led by Ms. Mary. Listen to winter books while bending, stretching, balancing and learning basic yoga poses correlating with the story. Learn the benefits of yoga for the young developing child.

TOTS, TOYS & TALES

Tuesdays, Dec. 5-Feb. 27, 9:30-10:30am

For birth-36 months with parent/caregiver. Please register. Join Ms. Christine for toddler play, stories, fingerplays and songs. A great time to meet and have fun with your best friends.

WHIMSICAL WEDNESDAYS

Wednesdays, Dec. 6-Feb. 28, 10:00-10:45am

Ages 2-5. Please register.

Join Ms. Mignon each Wednesday for stories, fingerplays, songs, scarf play, flannel board and a craft.

READING TUTORING SESSIONS

Wednesdays, Dec. 13 & 27, Jan. 10 & 24, Feb. 7 & 21, 4:00-5:00pm

Grades K-4. Please call the library at 631-734-6360 to register your child for a 20-minute reading tutoring session. Eileen Quinn, a retired special education teacher will offer one-on-one reading instruction, encourage phonological awareness,



reading comprehension and offer immediate positive feedback to increase reading performance.

THE GIVING TREE

Collecting new or handmade mittens, gloves scarves and hats to hang on our giving tree. We will distribute donations to local charities on Dec. 15, and continue collecting until Dec. 31 for a second distribution. Thank you for your continued generosity!



READING TO CEILI THE THERAPY DOG

Wednesdays, Dec. 13, Jan. 17 & Feb. 21, 5:00-6:00pm Grades K & up. Please call the library at 631-734-6360 to register for a 15-minute reading session with Ceili, our loveable golden-doodle therapy dog. Each date requires separate registration. Bring your favorite book from home or choose one from our shelves.

LEGO with a TWIST

Thursdays, Dec. 14, Jan. 18 & Feb. 8, 4:00-5:00pm

Grades 1-5. Please register.

Join Ms. Mignon to build Lego creations, try a Lego Maze or play Lego games. Your creation will be on display in the library for two weeks.

SENSORY STORYTIME

Mondays, Dec. 18, Jan. 22 & Feb. 26, 10:00-10:30am

Ages 2-5. Please register.

Ms. Joan and Ms. Mignon will read interactive books, offer sensory and tactile bins and share a craft to explore different textures. The child will experience new sensory stimuli in a supported environment.

FUZZY SLIPPERS STORYTIME

Monday, Dec. 18, 6:00-7:00pm

Grades 3 & 4. Please register.
Pick your favorite books, create a craft,
play games, bring your pillow for pillow fights and enjoy our
treats bar. Led by Ms. Mignon.

BABY LAPTIME FOR PRE-WALKERS

Friday, Feb. 2, 10:30-11:00am

Ages 0-12 months (pre-walkers with parent/caregiver). Join Ms. Christine for a storytime filled with songs, simple stories and bouncing rhymes for babies who are not yet walking. Babies will sit on their parent/caregiver's lap throughout the program.

CHECK OUT OUR NEW STEAM ACTIVITY KITS!

Coding Critters & Coding Book Kit – Pre-K Level "Lets' Go Code Activity Set" – Ages 5+







To Register for programs, please go to www.cutchoguelibrary.org and click on the programs tab. If you need assistance, contact the Library at 631-734-6360.

PLEASE LET US KNOW IN ADVANCE IF YOU OR YOUR CHILD NEED ANY SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS DUE TO A DISABILITY OR FOOD ALLERGY.

ASK ABOUT BORROWING A FAMILY PASS

See back page for more details.

DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY!

Sponsored by the generous support of the Friends of the Library!
Registration is ongoing, visit the Library or call 631-734-6360 to register.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is dedicated to inspiring the love of reading by gifting books FREE of charge to children from birth to age five that reside in Cutchogue or New Suffolk. This is possible through funding by Dolly Parton and the Friends of the Library. Inspired by her father's inability to read and write, Dolly started her Imagination Library in 1995 for the children within her home country. Today, the program spans five countries and gifts over 2 million free books to children each month around the world.



PAJAMARAMA!

Mondays, 6:00-7:00pm

Ages 3-8. Please register.

Jan. 22: Winter Dance

Feb. 26: All Right Already! A Snowy Story Join Ms. Mignon for stories, to make a craft and play games. Please wear your pajamas and bring along your favorite stuffed animal.



STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER

Thursday, Jan. 25, 5:00-6:00pm

Ages 3-5. Please register.

Join Ms. Mignon for animal stories, games and a snack as you prepare your stuffed animal to spend the night in the Library. You can pick up your stuffed animal on Friday, Jan. 26 after 12:00pm. There will be pictures of what mischief the animals got into!

TODDLER MUSIC with HAPPY FEET

Monday, Jan. 29, 10:00-10:40am

Ages 1-3. Please register.

Join Ms. Rachel for a toddler music program including sing-a-longs, instruments, props, parachute & more.

CERAMIC SNOWMAN MUG

Monday, Jan. 29, 6:00-7:00pm

Grades 2-4. Please register.

Want to stay warm this winter? Start by painting your own oversized snowman mug with our choice of glazes to use for warm cozy drinks. Then fill fun cone bags with hot chocolate to enjoy once they are ready. Mugs will be fired and returned in a few weeks for you to pick up.

BREASTFEEDING BASICS FOR NURSING/EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Monday, Feb. 5, 10:00-11:00am

For parents. Please register.

Join Kristin Goodwin, Certified Lactation Counselor, for a breastfeeding basics class. Learn about the benefits and mechanics of breastfeeding, including the 3 stages of milk production, latching, positioning and much more. Mothers are welcome to bring their babies with them, (no siblings/other children permitted).

EARLY READERS BOOK CLUB

Monday, Feb. 12, 4:30-5:30pm

Grades K-2. Please register.

Discover the joy of reading while having fun with friends! We will read an emerging readers book and take part in an activity related to the story. Children will receive their own copy of the book to keep, as well as an extension activity to do at home. Please note, this club does not teach children to read and is meant for early readers who are being introduced to more formal "how to read" skills in school.

DRIVE-IN MOVIE FOR TODDLERS

Thursday, Feb. 15, 4:00-5:30pm

Ages 2-5. Please register.

Join us for this unique experience of a Toddler Drive-In Movie! Ms. Kristie will have the tweens/teens paint the drive-in cars for the movie, so they will be ready to go for the viewing of, *Paw Patrol the Mighty Movie: Unleash Your Powers*, rated G.



SNOWMAN SMOOTHIES & SNOWFLAKE PRETZELS

Wednesday, Feb. 21, 1:00-2:00pm

Grades 2-4. Please register.

Join Ms. Mignon to create a fun and healthy snowman smoothie made with frozen bananas, oats, milk & honey! A delicious way to start a frosty winter morning. We will also make snowflake pretzels using star pretzels, white chocolate and snowflake sprinkles, perfect as an afternoon snack or to take in your school lunch.

ANATOMY OF SOCCER

Friday, Feb. 23, 4:00-5:00pm

Grades 2-5. Please register.

Join Ms. Joan and learn about the muscles of the leg. We will create drawings of each muscle on knee socks (provided).

WINTER ELF HUNT!

Do you recognize the hidden elves in the Library? Participate in this holiday tradition and earn a treat after finding all of the hidden characters.





All programs are in person unless otherwise noted

TWEENS:

STRING ART HOLIDAY TREE

Friday, Dec. 8, 5:00-6:00pm

Hammer in nails, wrap with string, add snowflakes and a phrase to create this festive tree on a wooden block. Set it out to bring in the holidays and enjoy.



CERAMIC SNOWMAN MUG

Monday, Jan. 29, 6:00-7:00pm

Want to stay warm this winter? Start by painting your own oversized snowman mug with our choice of glazes to use for warm, cozy drinks. Then fill fun cone bags with hot chocolate and marshmallows to enjoy once your mugs are ready. Mugs will be fired and returned in a few weeks for you to enjoy.

MARDI GRAS KING CAKE

Tuesday, Feb. 13, 6:00-7:00pm

Celebrate Mardi Gras and make this simple version of the delicious cinnamon cake called the King Cake to bake at home. Then taste samples of King Cake while learning the meaning of the tiny baby

hidden in the cake. Will your slice hold the tiny baby?

figurine that is



TWEENS & TEENS:

TEEN GINGERBREAD HOUSES

Thursday, Dec. 14, 6:00-7:00pm

Join the fun as we decorate gingerbread houses, drink hot chocolate, and listen to festive music. A perfect night to gather with friends and prepare for the holidays. Hope you can come!



DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Saturday, Jan. 6, 1:00-4:30pm

Start the new year with magic and adventure as our Dungeon Master's Ryan & Jacob guide you through a single game of Dungeons & Dragons. Create your own character and begin a quest in a world filled with monsters, magic, and mystery! Snacks provided.

ESCAPE ROOM: WEDNESDAY THEMED

Friday, Jan. 19, 6:00-7:00pm

Have fun taking part in this Wednesday-themed Escape Room! You and your team will explore Nevermore Academy as you decipher clues and solve puzzles to try and escape within one hour! Those who escape will win a certificate. Good luck!

WINTER SKATE & SIP @ Greenport American Legion Skating Rink

Saturday, Jan. 20, 12:00-2:00pm

Join us for a fun afternoon of skating to music and sipping on warm hot chocolate! Enjoy a private library skating event with friends. Roller skate rental included or you can bring your own.

Meet at 102 3rd Street, Greenport. Skat-astic!



FINGER KNIT HEADBAND EAR WARMERS

Tuesday, Jan. 23, 5:30-7:00pm

Learn how to use your fingers to knit this easy headband ear warmer with chunky yarn. Fun to make and works great to keep you warm this winter. No experience needed.

WINTER WALK DAY

Saturday, Feb. 3, 11:00am

All ages. Registration requested. Inspired by Canada's Winter Walk Day, meet us at the library for a 1-mile walk outside and celebrate the benefits of outdoor activities during winter. Taking a walk in the fresh winter air can lift your mood and energy levels, reduce stress, activate your immune system and improve overall health. Afterwards, warm up with a cup of hot chocolate in the library. Bring one or more non-perishable food items for our Pantry and receive 1 hour of community service.

CHESS CLUB

Wednesdays, Feb. 7, 14, 21, & 28, 4:00-5:00pm

Learn how to play chess with friends and peers and improve your game. Chess for all levels, beginners welcome.

PAPER MARBLING

Tuesday, Feb. 27, 6:00-7:00pm

Back by popular demand, explore the art of paper marbling with water and ink this winter. Create amazing designs and prints of art using this fascinating process. Turn these swirling beauties into bookmarks, cards, or art in a frame. You have to try it!

SIGN LANGUAGE: SIGN-A-SONG

Thursday, Feb. 29, 6:00-7:30pm

Get together with friends and have fun learning how to sign a song with Jenny

Sardone, Sign Language
Instructor. Everyone will
receive a copy of your beautiful
performance to share with
family and friends at home.









READY FOR

COLLEGE!

Are you prepared?

TEEN WINTER WAFFLE BASKET Guess how many candies for a chance to win a waffle themed basket filled with goodies & books. Good luck!



SAT PREP CLASSES

Sundays, Feb 4, 11, 25, & March 3, 1:00-3:00pm Location: **Southold Free Library Registration Fee: \$120**

Get a jump start on the March 9th SAT exam! Come ready to learn, leave prepared to excel. Open to ALL high school students. Please register at the Southold Free Library. https://events.southoldlibrary. org/events/month or call 631-765-2077.

TEEN MAKERS NIGHT

Wednesday, Feb. 14, 6:00-7:30pm Walk-ins welcome, registration appreciated.

No plans for Valentine's Day? Come to the library to make your own artistic creation. We have beautiful coloring pages, lots of yarn for knitting and crocheting, and much more. Plus, we'll have hot chocolate and Valentine treats to enjoy.



Teens / Parents Call the library to schedule your individual appointment for in person or online.

Get free, personalized help from

a retired university professor and academic dean with navigating the college-admission process, including the following topics: Is college right for me? Now, later, ever?; developing a personalized list of colleges that fit your interests/needs; affording college, an overview of the financing prospects; recent changes in the way colleges evaluate applicants; and making a right choice among college offers. Schedule an appointment with Bob McCaughey, Greenport and Cutchogue resident since 1986, Professor of History Emeritus, Barnard College, Columbia University, Board of Trustees, CNSF Library.



TEENS CARE

Each teen will receive 1 hour of COMMUNITY SERVICE credit for each activity that you participate in unless otherwise noted. Thank you for making an impactful difference in our communities. Please send any requests to Kristie Korade at Teens@cnsfl.org.

BLIZZARD BAGS COMMUNITY SERVICE TAKE & MAKE KIT

December through February

Once again, this winter, give a person in need some items to help during cold winter days. Pick up a blizzard bag kit at the library. Please add some items to your bag from the list of suggested items. Next, decorate the included small card and bag with markers, stickers, ribbon or anything you wish and return to the library. Blizzard bags will be donated to Maureen's Haven. Each bag earns one hour of community service.

WINTER WALK DAY

Saturday, Feb. 3, 11:00am See Tweens and Teens Section.

PAINT-A-CAR FOR TOTS

Monday, Feb. 5, 5:00-6:00pm

We need your help! Help paint a box car for the Tots Drive-In-Movie event. Snacks provided. One hour of community service is earned for this program.

KANOPY FILM REVIEWS

Love to watch movies? Check out our streaming platform, watch a film of your choice, and review for community service. Each review earns 3 hours of community service. Stop in the Teen room to pick up a copy of the review outline form or email Kristie at Teens@cnsfl.org to receive a

BOOK REVIEWS

Read a Teen book from our fiction or biography collection (physical or online), complete a book review form, and help teen readers find something great to read. A book review form can be found in the Teen section of the library or you can email Kristie at Teens@cnsfl.org to receive one. Each book review form earns 4 hours of community service.





FRIENDS' NEWS

Friends Meetings: Mondays,
Dec. 11, Jan. 8, Feb. 12 @ 3:00pm
Meetings will be held either in person or
via zoom, please call the library or check our
event calendar. New Members Always Welcome!

Family Passes Available



Reserve the following passes online at www.cutchoguelibrary.org

- · Children's Museum of the East End
- Long Island Explorium
- · Long Island Science Center Popup
- Old Westbury Gardens
- · Parrish Art Museum
- · Quogue Wildlife Refuge
- South Fork Natural History Museum & Nature Center

Reduced price tickets:

- · Long Island Aquarium: \$27.00
- American Museum of Natural History: Free of Cost, Quantities Limited

Passes available to those having a Cutchogue New Suffolk Free Library card in good standing. Reduced price tickets available to all (AMNH excluded).

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HOLIDAY POP UP SALES!

Saturdays, Dec. 9 & 16, 9:30am-2:00pm

Save yourself the trip to Riverhead this Holiday Season, and shop local! Find unique gift baskets, holiday items, wrapping paper, cards, surprise gifts and so much more. Gift cards available to gift your friends and family a brick in our Friendship Walk, and raffle tickets available as a great stocking stuffer! Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

FRIENDSHIP WALK Brick Fundraiser

The Friends of the Library have re-opened the Brick Friendship Walk Fundraiser. Secure your brick today! Visit the Library for a paper form, or visit **www.cutchoguelibrary.org/friends-walk**. The project will continue until the end of the year. Gift cards available for holiday gifting and more!

2024 CALENDAR FUNDRAISER

See Front Page for more details on how to participate in the calendar raffle fundraiser.

FOOD PANTRY Non-perishable food items

and toiletries (e.g., toothpaste and brushes) are accepted for the food pantry every day of the year. Your contributions can be placed directly in the pantry at any time or dropped off at the Library. No donation is too small and goes to help all members of our community thrive. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.



DEC/JAN/FEB

In the Mind's Eye: Works by Glenn McNab, Martine Abitbol and Gabriella Picone

Reception: Sunday, December 3, 3:00-5:00pm

The Upstairs gallery is pleased to present the works of Glenn McNab, Martine Abitbol and Gabriella Picone.

McNab is a renowned ceramicist specializing in Raku firing whose pieces often combine with found objects.

Abitbol and Picone have distinct visual languages but both artists employ bold colors and expressive lines in their depictions of the natural world or classically inspired subject matter.

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Sales provide additional income to fund programs.

Applications for exhibits can be obtained at the circulation desk.





See Page 9 for more information on how your child age 0-5 can receive FREE books through the mail.

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ACOUSTIC JAM SESSIONS

Fridays, Dec. 29, Jan. 26 & Feb. 23, 6:00-7:30pm This popular event is free and open to all. Bring your instruments, tapping feet and listening ears! Participants of all ages, styles of music, and levels of ability, along with audience members will find a warm welcome. Come, enjoy the fun and leave with a smile. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.



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