

CUTCHOQUE NEW SUFFOLK FREE LIBRARY

OPEN FOR NEW IDEAS

Budget Hearing:
Tuesday, March 31, 5:30pm
Budget Vote:
Tuesday, April 14, 2:00-8:00pm

Spring 2026
March
April
May

The mission of the Cutchogue New Suffolk Free Library is to promote lifelong learning through the acquisition, organization and preservation of information and through offering services in an environment that will support the community's educational, cultural, recreational, and professional interests.



MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT



ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION

Saturday, March 14, 3:00pm

Registration required.
Join us for a lively St. Patrick's Day celebration featuring energetic Irish step dancers

from *Gaelic Grooves*, and a selection of traditional Irish refreshments. Immerse yourself in the festive spirit with great music, dance, and delicious treats to celebrate Ireland's rich culture and heritage. Immediately following the parade!

LADIES OF MOTOWN CONCERT WITH RHONDA DENET

Saturday, April 11, 2:00pm

Registration required.

Back by popular demand, songs from the 60s and 70s. Celebrate the Ladies of Motown with a collection of hits by the female singing groups, solo artists, and songwriters who helped to introduce the world to the Motown sound. Listen to classics from the 1960s and 70s by The Supremes, The Marvelettes, Martha & The Vandellas, Mary Wells, Kim Weston, Tammi Terrell, and more.



PIANO CONCERT - IGAL & ANNA KESSELMAN

Saturday, April 18, 2:00pm

Registration required.

Join us for an unforgettable piano concert featuring the remarkable father-daughter duo Igal and Anna Kesselman of the Kaufman Music Center. Celebrated for their musical depth and expressive artistry, the Kesselman's bring both virtuosity and heartfelt connection to the stage. This special performance highlights the unique dialogue between generations, offering an evening of beautiful music, shared passion, and exceptional musicianship. *This concert is sponsored by Frederic Cohen.*



ANNUAL SPRING CONCERT

Saturday, May 9, 2:00pm

Registration required.

Cellist James Baik has been described as an artist with "an undeniable authority," and one possessing "a real warmth emerging in lyricism" by Belgian newspaper *Le Soir*, after his astounding performance at the 2021 Queen Elisabeth competition.

Winner of the 2023 Young Concert Artists Susan Wadsworth International Auditions. James will be accompanied by a collaborative pianist. *Sponsored by the Carole Donlin Charitable Foundation.*



THE SIMON & GARFUNKEL SONGBOOK SHOW

**Saturday, June 13,
2:00pm**

Registration required.

This uniquely entertaining music and multimedia stage show chronicles the iconic career of Simon & Garfunkel. The music speaks for itself and is anchored by Rex Fowler, co-founder of the renowned folk/rock duo Aztec Two-Step. Rex is joined by his wife Dodie Pettit on lead guitar, keyboards, and vocals. Dodie was also an original cast member of Broadway's greatest success story, *The Phantom of the Opera*. Multi-instrumentalist Steven Roues, multi-horn player Joe Meo, and drummer/percussionist Peter Hohmeister round out the band.



ANNUAL SPRING EGG HUNT!

**Saturday, March 21, 11:00am sharp
(arrive by 10:45am)**

For families. No registration.

See page 7 for details.



Open Sundays
1:00-5:00pm
Through 3/29

Library Closings: Good Friday: Friday, April 3 (close @ 6:00pm) • Memorial Day: Monday, May 25

ADULT PROGRAMS

CLASSES & SEMINARS

NEW VOTING MACHINE DEMONSTRATION

Wednesday, April 8, 10:00am-7:00pm

No appointments. Walk-in only. Suffolk County Board of Elections will be rolling out a new voting machine for the next election. Visit the Library to learn how to use it. Demonstrators will be on hand to walk you through the step-by-step process.



ESTATE PLANNING 101

Wednesday, April 22, 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.

BOATING SAFETY COURSE

Saturday, May 2, 8:00am-5:00pm

Registration required. Fee: \$50 (non-refundable) An 8-hour US Coast-Guard Auxiliary Course for boaters to improve their boating safety skills and to meet the new NYS requirement of Brianna's Law that requires operators of mechanically propelled vessels, including jet skis, to complete a boating safety course. Mandatory for NYS boaters starting in January 2025. There is a written and skills evaluation for this program.

ARE YOU TURNING 65?

Saturday, May 9, 11:30am

Registration required.

Do you know the A, B, C & Ds of Medicare? Do you know what you need to do to avoid penalties and costly errors? Attend this educational seminar and find out how you can minimize your out-of-pocket costs and maximize your coverage.

DRIVER SAFETY COURSE

Monday, May 18, 9:30am-3:30pm

Registration required. Fee: \$33

NY state DMV approved.

10% off auto insurance and up to 4 points on your license.

Class run by Empire Safety Council.



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BOOK DISCUSSIONS

COVER TO COVER BOOK DISCUSSIONS IN PERSON

Tuesdays, 11:00am

Register for each discussion separately. A fiction lovers discussion group. Books available at the Library one month prior to the discussion date. Led by veteran librarian, Gretchen Browne.

March 10: *A Marriage at Sea* by Sophie Elmhirst

April 14: *Culpability* by Bruce Holsinger

May 12: *Mrs. Dalloway* by Virginia Woolf



BOOKS & BANTER BOOK DISCUSSIONS IN PERSON

Tuesdays, 10:00am

Register for each discussion separately. Books are available one month prior to the discussion date. Led by Jul Fedele.

March 17: *Careless People* by Sarah Wynn-Williams

April 21: *Family of Spies* by Christine Kuehn

May 19: *There Is No Place for Us: Working and Homeless in America* by Brian Goldstone

ON THE SPOT POETRY

Thursday, April 16, 12:00pm

Back by popular demand! Enjoy on-the-spot typewriter poetry from Kate Seward, founder and author of the Substack *Poems for Tired People*. Kate will craft unique, heartfelt poems just for you—right before your eyes. Simply stop by, share a bit about yourself, and receive a one-of-a-kind poem, typed “on the spot” on her vintage typewriter. No registration necessary.



NATIONAL POETRY MONTH CELEBRATION

Thursday, April 30, 5:00-6:45pm

Drop in for light refreshments, games, and giveaways. Join our optional poetry circle at 6; share an original piece or simply a poem you love! The poetry circle will begin with brief readings from Poetry Street co-hosts Chip Williford, the Suffolk County Poet Laureate, and Maggie Bloomfield, an Emmy-winning lyricist from Sesame Street. Giveaways first come, first served. Registration encouraged. *This program is co-sponsored by Cutchogue New Suffolk and Southold Free Libraries.*

5 MINUTE STORIES

Tuesday, June 2, 6:00pm

Registration required.

5-Minute Stories is a live storytelling event where patrons are invited to write and share an original piece designed to be read aloud in five minutes or less. Stories can be fiction, nonfiction, memoir, or experimental, funny, heartfelt, dramatic, or strange, all are welcome. Selected participants will read their work in front of a live audience, celebrating concise storytelling and the power of sharing stories out loud. No prior performance experience required, just a story and a voice.

TRAVELING THROUGH TIME

Wednesday, April 15, 6:30pm • Registration required.

Join Richard Brewster for a fascinating journey through his family's travels across Japan, Russia, and Europe in the 1970s. Through vivid storytelling and beautiful photographs, Richard brings to life the people, places, and experiences that shaped this remarkable around-the-world adventure. Travel back in time and enjoy a unique personal perspective on a changing world.

ARTS & CRAFTS



BEGINNER BASKET WEAVING

Tuesday, March 24, 4:30-7:30pm

Registration required. Fee: \$20

In this hands-on workshop, you'll learn how to transform simple material into a beautiful, one-of-a-kind basket you can take home. Led by Ms. Losquadro, who has been weaving for 30 years and is a member of the Basket Weavers Guild of Eastern Long Island.

CELEBRATE EARTH DAY!

NATURE INSPIRATION ART WORKSHOP

Wednesday, April 22, 2:00pm

Discover how famous artists captured the beauty of nature on the East End. Explore Impressionist painters William Merritt Chase, Childe Hassam, and abstract expressionist painters Lee Krasner and Jackson Pollock. Then create your own painting inspired by nature. No prior experience needed. This program is offered by the Pollock-Krasner House and Study Center. Taught by Joyce Raimondo, Education Coordinator and Artist.



BUILD YOUR OWN GARDEN TOTE

Saturday, April 25, 2:00pm • Registration required. Fee: \$25

Build your own garden tote to carry tools, gloves, and supplies. This simple project is perfect for any gardening enthusiast. Your garden tote can be brought home, stained, painted or enjoyed as is.

HOMEMADE NATURAL WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP

Saturday, May 2, 1:00pm • Registration required. Fee: \$10

This 2-hour handmade watercolor workshop with artist Christie Jones explores painting with natural materials made from earth and mineral pigments. All materials are provided, including paper, brushes, handmade paints, and a live paint-making demonstration with hands-on participation. Attendees will create an original 6x9" watercolor painting, choosing from designs such as oysters, seascapes, and florals, or painting their own original composition. Christie's artwork is on exhibit in the art gallery March through May.

SUMMER PASTELS ON SANDPAPER

Saturday, May 16, 1:00pm • Registration required. Fee: \$10

Create a painting of your choice using soft pastels on sandpaper. You may bring your own photo or choose one from the photos provided. Please select a spring or summer setting.

LIVE ART CLASSES WITH JOYCE RAIMONDO VIA ZOOM

THE POLLOCK-KRASNER CENTER

IN EAST HAMPTON Registration required.

GET A VOICE! ART AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

Thursday, March 19, 3:00pm

Can art create social change and promote fairness? We will explore issues of social justice using art as a springboard for discussion. Joyce will then demonstrate techniques to get your own message across in a poster. Supplies: poster board or large paper, assorted papers to cut and paste, scissors and glue, or drawing and paint.



BANNED: CENSORSHIP AND MODERN ART

Thursday, April 16, 3:00pm

How do artists challenge societal norms, at times, sparking controversy? Joyce Raimondo presents examples of censorship in modern art and its impact on artists, institutions, and the public. Following the talk, participants are invited to create art that addresses censorship or challenges the status quo. Have drawing or painting supplies on hand.



POLLOCK: POSTER CHILD FOR DEMOCRACY

Thursday, May 21, 3:00pm

Rugged individualism, freedom of expression, innovation! Discover how Jackson Pollock and the abstract expressionists were supported as symbols of Democracy by the CIA and the US Senate during the Cold War. Then create your own painting that expresses what Democracy means to you. Have paint supplies on hand.

CITIZEN SCIENCE 101

Tuesday, April 7, 6:30pm • Registration required.

This workshop helps participants learn about how they can become engaged citizen scientists. Learn about opportunities through Peconic Baykeeper and other ways to get involved. *Sponsored by Peconic Baykeeper.*



PECONIC BAY: A NATURAL & HUMAN HISTORY

Tuesday, May 19, 6:30pm • Registration required.

This lecture blends local ecology with local history and looks at the impact humans have had on the East End. *Sponsored by Peconic Baykeeper.*

THE MET CLOISTERS BUS TRIP

Tuesday, May 26, 8:30am

Registration required. Fee: \$79

Enjoy a docent guided tour of this magnificent collection. The Met Cloisters are devoted to the art and architecture of medieval Europe. Located in Fort Tryon Park in northern Manhattan, on a spectacular four-acre lot overlooking the Hudson River. Enjoy lunch on your own. More details available upon registration.



TINY ART SHOW

Register to pick up kit:

March 1

Exhibit: the month of April

Display your artistic talents in our library tiny art show! Register early to pick up your mini kit as kits are limited. Each kit includes a "4X4" canvas and easel. Use any medium you have at home, paint, markers, or colored pencils to make your mini masterpiece. Return your art and easel to the library no later than April 1 to be displayed.



KNITTING, CROCHETING & BEADING GROUP

Thursdays, March 5-May 28, 12:30-3:30pm

Registration required. Space limited.

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

NORTH FORK PRIVATE GUIDED TOURS

8 HANDS FARM TOUR

Thursday, May 7, 2:00pm

Registration required. Fee: \$5 (non-refundable)
Join us for a walking tour of this multi-faceted, sustainable family farm in Cutchogue. You'll meet Icelandic sheep, cage-free heritage chickens, and Tamworth pigs. The Geppel family's 2011 purchase of this 28-acre farm through the Trust's "Farms for the Future Initiative" has transformed the land into a thriving local food operation. Along with fresh vegetables, fruits, eggs, grass-fed meat, and charcuterie, their on-site farmstand offers luxurious handmade yarn and other fiber products. Meet owners Tom and Carol for a walk by the pastures and learn more about the challenges and rewards of working the land. Meet at Farm: 4735 Cox Lane, Cutchogue.



BRECKNOCK HALL PRIVATE TOUR

Wednesday, May 13, 2:00pm

Registration required. Fee: \$5
Built by David Gelston Floyd in the 1850's, Brecknock Hall was named for his ancestral home of Brecknockshire Wales. As grandson of William Floyd, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, David Gelston Floyd was from noble heritage. Tour led by Ted Webb, Friends of Brecknock Hall. Meet at: 1 Brecknock Hall, Greenport.



LANDCRAFT GARDEN FOUNDATION GUIDED TOUR

Tuesday, May 19, 10:00am-12:00pm

Registration required. Fee: \$15 per tour (non-refundable)
Join us for a private guided tour of the Landcraft Garden, which has numerous gardens including a pool garden, Mediterranean garden, lotus pond, tiki hut and much more. Meet at: 4342 Grand Ave, Mattituck.

HORTON POINT LIGHTHOUSE & NAUTICAL MUSEUM TOUR

Wednesday, May 20, 11:00am

Registration required. Fee: \$5 (non-refundable)
Join us for a special guided tour of Horton Point Lighthouse (constructed in 1857) and Nautical Museum with knowledgeable guides from Southold Historical Museum. The Museum is filled with artifacts from the North Fork's rich nautical past. Experience a fabulous view of the sound from the lighthouse tower. Meet at: 3575 Lighthouse Rd., Southold. Parking fee waived for attendees.



GARDENING WORKSHOPS

INTRODUCTION TO INVASIVES

Saturday, March 7, 2:00pm • Registration required.

Learn about managing the uninvited invasives in your home garden. This workshop will focus on species identification, origins, removal techniques and native plant alternatives to these exotic plants. Presented by local environmentalist, Dan Shay, and supported by Master Gardeners, Linda Carlson and Deb Kimmelman from North Fork Suffolk Alliance for Pollinators.

SHAPING NATURE: LANDSCAPING WITH NATIVE PLANTS

Saturday, March 21, 2:00pm • Registration required.

Planning your first landscaping project can be overwhelming, but in this session, new gardeners will learn the basic approach of designing an attractive landscape one garden room at a time with Master Gardeners Linda Carlson and Deb Kimmelman.

HIKING THE EAST END

Meet at location. Registration required.

ORIENT POINT BEACH STATE PARK (Orient)

EARLY SPRING BIRD WALK

Saturday, March 21, 10:00-11:30am

Join Naturalist MaryLaura Lamont as we find birds that stayed through the cold winter along our beach shores, salt marshes and sea waters. We will observe long tailed ducks, buffleheads, various scoters, loons and gulls and perhaps shorebirds. We may be lucky enough to sight the year's first returning ospreys and the last remaining snow buntings before they migrate to the high Arctic. Roundtrip walk 1.5 miles. Dress warm. Cancelled in the event of rain or snow. Meet at Park: 40,000 Main Rd., Orient, at the Snack Bar.

DANCING WITH DAFFODILS ANNUAL HIKE (Sag Harbor)

Saturday, March 28, 10:00am-12:30pm

Join us in celebrating the Annual Rite of Spring! Enjoy a moderately paced, 3-mile beach walk along Jessups Neck. Co-sponsored by Southampton Trails Preservation Society and Cutchogue New Suffolk Free Library. Meet at the Elizabeth A. Morton Wildlife Refuge: 2595 Noyac Road, Sag Harbor. A suggested \$4 entry fee per car applies.

WILDWOOD STATE PARK GUIDED HIKE (Wading River)

Tuesday, April 7, 2:00pm

Enjoy a guided hike of Wildwood State Park which comprises 600 acres of undeveloped hardwood forest terminating on the high bluff overlooking Long Island Sound. Meet at Park: 790 Hulse Landing Rd., Wading River.

HALLOCK STATE PARK PRESERVE GUIDED WALK (Riverhead)

Wednesday, April 29, 10:00am

Join Naturalist MaryLaura Lamont for a guided hike at Hallock State Park Preserve. Explore the park's 225 acres and nearly one mile of pristine Sound-side beach. Parking is \$8, or free with an Empire Pass or if a passenger is 62+. Meet at Park: 6062 Sound Avenue, Riverhead.

BROWN'S POINT ORIENT GUIDED HIKE (Orient)

Tuesday, May 5, 2:00pm

Enjoy a Hike of Brown's Point Long Beach Bay Tidal Wetlands Area overlooking Orient Beach State Park. The sandy trail is situated between the bay and wetlands along the high-tide line overlooking Hallock Bay. Park in loop parking just south of Narrow River Marina, 5520 Narrow River Rd., Orient.

WHAT'S COOKING

IRISH SODA BREAD MUFFINS

BAKING CLASS

Wednesday, March 11, 6:00pm

Registration required. Material fee: \$10 (non-refundable)
Each participant will go home with 10 muffins to bake at home. Patrons are asked to bring a large bowl, a medium-to-large muffin pan (12-cup), and a wooden spoon. Please let us know in advance if you are unable to provide your own materials.



JUDY CUCINA: ITALIAN RICOTTA CAKE

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

Registration required. Fee: \$15
This little bite of heaven is moist and delicious and comes together in no time. Please bring a mixing bowl, rubber or silicone spatula, and a 9-inch loaf pan or 8x8-inch square pan. Each participant will create their own cake to take home and bake.

EXERCISE & MEDITATION CLASSES

TAP DANCE FOR ADULTS (Tuesdays, 7 classes)

Tuesdays, March 3-April 21 (no class 4/7), 1:00pm. No fee. Registration required. Celebrate rhythm, movement, and musical storytelling in this joyful adult tap class designed for dancers of all experience levels, including those brand new to tap. Guided by East End tap professional Anita Boyer, students will explore the foundations and rich history of tap dance while building core technique, tap vocabulary, balance, coordination, and musicality in a supportive, encouraging environment. Tap shoes needed.

MONDAY MEDITATION

Mondays, March 16, April 13 & May 11, 4:00pm

Registration required. Fee: \$10 per session
Explore ways to cultivate a peaceful mind fostering a more positive and flexible approach to our daily life. These mental tools will help us naturally develop a mind of compassion for ourselves and others. Led by Carl Timpone & Megan Frey.

DANCING WITH PARKINSONS (Tuesdays)

Tuesdays, March 31-May 19, 11:15am-12:00pm (8 classes)

Registration required. Fee: \$64 (non-refundable)
People with Parkinson's and their care partners and families are empowered to explore movement and music in ways that are refreshing, enjoyable, stimulating and creative. Born from the idea that people with Parkinson's could benefit from the insight and specific techniques and methods used by dancers to guide their own bodies and minds. Instructed by Raegan Battuello, a certified Parkinson's Instructor.

RESTORATIVE CHAIR YOGA (Wednesdays)

Wednesdays, April 22-June 10, 11:00am (8 classes)

Registration required. Fee: \$64 (non-refundable)
Gentle yoga that will help increase balance, strength and a sense of well-being and calm. We integrate breath work with gentle stretches without the stress of having to get up and down off the floor. Please bring a yoga mat and a small blanket or towel. Instructor: Judy Arnone.

THE ART OF ANCIENT AND MODERN HULA (Thursdays)

Thursdays, April 16-May 14, 10:00-11:00am (5 classes)

Registration required. Fee: \$40 (non-refundable)
Learn the art of ancient and modern Hula, in the spirit of Aloha! This beginner-friendly series introduces the graceful movements and rich traditions of Hawaiian and Polynesian dance. All ages and abilities are welcome, no prior experience needed.

STANDING CHAIR YOGA (Fridays)

Fridays, March 20-May 15, 11:00am (no class 4/3) (8 classes)

Registration required. Fee: \$64 (non-refundable)
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: Dalia Gorman, Certified Yoga Instructor.

ZUMBA® GOLD (Saturdays)

Saturdays, April 11-May 30 (No class 5/2, 5/23) 9:45am (6 classes)

Registration required. Fee: \$48 (non-refundable)
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: Colleen Clark.

HEALTH & WELLNESS SEMINARS

VIA ZOOM *These Zoom programs are sponsored by East End Libraries & Stony Brook Southampton Hospital.* Registration required.

BOOST YOUR IMMUNITY WITH NUTRITION VIA ZOOM

Thursday, March 19, 12:00pm

Start your new year with a healthy immune system! When your immune system is not working up-to-par 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 Director of Clinical Nutrition, Paula Montagna, MS, RD, CDN, CNSC, will lecture on how to create healthy and delicious food specifically designed to boost immunity.

PARKINSON'S DISEASE VIA ZOOM

Thursday, April 16, 12:00pm

Parkinson's disease is the fastest growing brain disease worldwide. In honor of Parkinson's Awareness Month, join Sarah Cohen, PT, DPT, Administrator of the Center for Parkinson's Disease at Stony Brook Southampton Hospital, to learn more about the disease, why rates are increasing, and what we can do to live well with the disease.

TICK-BORNE DISEASE VIA ZOOM

Thursday, May 21, 12:00pm

It's Lyme disease awareness month! Jerry Simons, PA-C, a member of the Medical Advisory Panel of Stony Brook Southampton Hospital's Regional Tick-Borne Disease Resource Center, and an Assistant Professor at Stony Brook Medicine, will speak about the types of diseases that are carried by the different species of ticks found on Eastern Long Island, and the symptoms, diagnostic tests, and treatment options that are available. Tips on preventing tick bites will also be shared.

IN PERSON

These in person programs are sponsored by Stony Brook Eastern Long Island Hospital. Registration required.

DIABETES WITH Dr. Silvana Obici

Wednesday, April 8, 4:00pm

Join us for an informative program on diabetes featuring Dr. Silvana Obici, an expert in metabolic health. This session will provide a clear overview of diabetes, including risk factors, prevention strategies, and current approaches to management. Dr. Obici will share practical, evidence-based insights and answer questions.

TICKS! ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW!

Wednesday, May 6, 4:00pm

Medical Entomologist Dr. Scott Campbell, Chief of the Arthropod-Borne Disease Lab at Suffolk County's Department of Health Services, and a member of the Scientific Advisory Panel of the Regional Tick-Borne Disease Resource Center at Stony Brook Southampton Hospital, will discuss the medically important tick species on Long Island, their biology, habitat, the pathogens they transmit, and the best strategies to prevent tick bites in adults and children. This program is sponsored jointly by the Suffolk County Department of Health Services, Stony Brook Eastern Long Island Hospital, and the Tick Resource Center at Stony Brook Southampton Hospital. All attendees will receive a free tick removal kit and a tick disease handbook.



SPONSORED BY EAST END LIBRARIES VIA ZOOM

THE BILL OF RIGHTS - THE HISTORY & RELEVANCE VIA ZOOM

Fridays, 6:00pm

March 13: *Second Amendment*

April 17: *Third & Fourth Amendment*

May 29: *Fifth Amendment*

Registration required. In honor of the semi quincentennial, former lawyers, now librarians, Mara Zonderman and Terry Lucas will host an 8-part series beginning in January, about the history and relevance of the Bill of Rights and its role in the founding of the country.

WOMEN OF IRELAND VIA ZOOM

Wednesday, March 18, 6:30pm • Registration required. Mna na h'Eireann - meet the women of Ireland from ancient Celts to current day, including Celtic War Goddess Morrigan, Queen Maeve, Brigit Goddess of Fire and St. Brigit, The Pirate Queen - Gráinne Ní Mháille (Grace O'Malley), Constance Countess Markiewicz and many more.



YANKEE STARGAZERS VIA ZOOM

Thursday, March 26, 6:30pm • Registration required. Meteorologist, Joe Rao brings this semi quincentennial tribute to American astronomers. We will explore how the science of astronomy developed from the time of the signing of the Declaration of Independence right up to the present time, and clue you in on where to look in the sky to see a star, whose light began on its journey to Earth 250 years ago, and is only arriving now, for us to view in 2026.



ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (A.I.) FOR THE CURIOUS VIA ZOOM

Friday, March 27, 5:00pm • Registration required.

Do you find A.I. intriguing, scary, or maybe just incomprehensible? Peter Semmelhack, founder/CEO of Bug Labs, an enterprise software developer, and author of *Social Machines*, will discuss A.I. in common sense terms, show how it can be used in everyday life and what the future holds. He will also endeavor to answer all your questions!

THE DOORMEN OF NEW YORK with Sara Leeds VIA ZOOM

Wednesday, April 8, 7:00pm • Registration required.

Sara Leeds, creator and host of viral sensation "Doorman Stories" on TikTok, shares some of the stories of NYC's doormen (and doorwomen), from residential doormen to building managers and even bouncers, who are the true eyes and ears of the city. Leeds' groundbreaking work with Doorman Stories has been featured in *The New York Times*, *Town and Country*, and on *Insider*, to name a few. *Sponsored by East End Libraries.*

SCANDALS IN THE ART WORLD

with Professor Chris Vivas VIA ZOOM

Thursday, April 9, 7:00pm • Registration required.

Theft! Forgery! Murder! Bansky! From stolen masterpieces to artwork that shocked the world, artist and professor Chris Vivas discusses major events that rocked the artistic community. *Sponsored by East End Libraries.*

SPRING WINE TASTING WITH JUL FEDELE

Thursday, May 14, 4:00pm

Registration required.

Material fee: \$15 (non-refundable)

Time to make the switch from heavy winter reds to light-bodied Spring wines! Join Wine & Spirit Education Trust Diploma Candidate, Jul Fedele, for a tasting of aromatic whites, rosés and reds that pair beautifully with the start of the Spring season. Tasting includes a light pairing of artisanal cheeses.



HISTORICAL COUNCIL EVENTS

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MARCH

Book Talk - I Am The House
Sunday, March 8, 2:00pm

Author Catherine Harper of Mattituck will discuss her latest book, *I Am The House*, a unique work of historical fiction narrated by an 1870s home. With a clever twist, the story offers an engaging and imaginative way to highlight the importance of historic preservation. Located in the Community Room, Cutchogue New Suffolk Free Library.

Book Talk - Historic School Houses of Long Island
Sunday, March 22, 2:00pm

Zach Studenroth, independent historic preservation consultant and President of the Sag Harbor Historical Museum, will discuss his newest book. The architectural, social, and cultural history of Long Island schools is described and illustrated, beginning in the 1700s. Located in the Community Room, Cutchogue New Suffolk Free Library.

1776 - The Musical

Thursday-Sunday, March 12-29, 7:30pm,
with a 2:30pm matinee on Sundays

The Council is working with the North Fork Community Theatre, in honor of the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, to present this prize-winning musical. Get your Suffolk County 250th passbook stamped by us on site.

Tickets at NFCT.com or 631-298-NFCT (6328)
Located at 12700 Old Sound Avenue, Mattituck.

MAY

Paranormal Investigation Findings Revealed
Wednesday, May 6, 6:00pm

Last November, we hosted Ghost Hunting tours led by LI Paranormal Investigators. They explored two of our historic buildings, using scientific and traditional investigative techniques, seeking to capture compelling evidence of life beyond death. Whether you were part of the tour or not, come hear their findings. Located in the Community Room, Cutchogue New Suffolk Free Library.

Story Walk Tour of the Village Green
and Library Tea Party

Saturday, May 30, 11:00am-1:00pm
Grades 1-5.

Register at www.cutchoguelibrary.org
Join us for the inaugural tour on the Village Green dedicated to children. This Story Walk provides an understandable and fun way for children to experience the local history on and around the village green. There will be a tea party in the Community Room of the library at the end of the tour. See Page 7 in the *Children's Section* for more details. Meet at the Carriage House on the Village Green.

FREE LIBRARY SERVICES

LIBRARY APP

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. Please call or visit the Library for assistance with setup.



APPLE ANDROID

AMERICAN FLAG COLLECTION

Drop off tattered, retired American flags in the lobby. All flags are brought to the American Legion for proper discard.



DIGITAL DOWNLOADS - FREE

Comics Plus – Read digital graphic novels and comic books
Flipster – Read digital magazines
Hoopla – Read E-Books, Audiobooks and Stream Video
Kanopy – Stream movies and shows
Libby – E-books and Audiobooks
 More digital resources available on 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. Accepting non-perishable food donations. *Thank you to all who donate food to help maintain the Library Food Pantry for those in need.*

HOMEBOUND SERVICE

If you are unable to come to the library, we can bring the items to you. For details or to sign up, call the library at 631-734-6360.

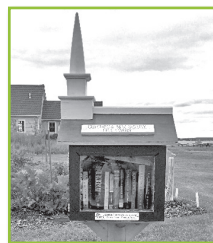
LIBRARY OF THINGS

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.

Featured Items: Record Player, Karaoke Machine, Anker Speaker

LITTLE FREE LIBRARIES

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.

NEWSLETTERS

Spanish and Large Print newsletters available in the Library or mailed upon request.

NOTARY PUBLIC SERVICES

Please call for availability. Walk-ins welcome.



PASSPORT APPOINTMENTS

Effective February 13, the Library will no longer be providing Passport Services. The U.S. Department of State has deemed us a non-governmental organization making us ineligible to continue provision of passport services. Please call us for a listing of alternate local passport processing agencies.

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
Saturdays, 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.



FAMILY EVENTS



ANNUAL SPRING EGG HUNT!

Saturday, March 21, 11:00am sharp (arrive by 10:45am)
 For families. No registration.

Join us for our Annual Spring Egg Hunt! This will be located on the library grounds, bring your egg collecting basket and be ready for outside fun! We will have a special visitor! Refreshments to follow. *In the event of rain, the Egg Hunt will be inside the Library.*

FAMILY FLICK & POPCORN!

Friday, April 10, 4:00pm

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

Zootopia 2, is back with more fun and adventure!

Join Officer Judy Hopps and her friend Nick Wilde as they team up to solve a brand-new mystery in the bustling city of Zootopia. With lots of laughs, exciting surprises, and lovable characters, this movie is perfect for kids and families to enjoy together.

1 hr., 48 min, Rated PG. Refreshments served.



STORY WALK OF THE VILLAGE GREEN & TEA PARTY

Saturday, May 30, 11:00am-1:00pm

Grades 1-5. Please register. • Meet at the Village Green.

After a magical morning touring the Village Green, come to the Community Room here at the Library for a Tea Party. Wear your dress or hat and suit, if you have one. Enjoy tea and a teatime treat for everyone!

PROGRAMS 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.

BRILLIANT BABY BAGS

Does your household have a new baby birth to 6 months? The Library offers Brilliant Baby Bags to our newest, youngest community members.

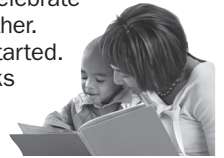
Sign up for the library's Brilliant Baby Bags to receive: Board book, Toy, Handknitted baby hat donated from our Knitter's group, and Library resource information to welcome you on your parenting journey.

It's never too early to build early literacy skills and nurture the love of reading! Brilliant Baby Bags are available for new babies of Cutchogue and New Suffolk. Parents or guardians must have a current card in our system. *Sponsored by the Jr. Friends of the Library.*



1000 BOOKS READ BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

Help your child build a love of reading, one book at a time! Join our 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten challenge and celebrate every reading milestone together. Sign up at the library to get started. Come in after every 100 books read to take a fun milestone photo and track your child's progress! Start your reading adventure today and watch your little reader grow!



TOTS, TOYS & TALES

Tuesdays, March 3-May 26, 9:30-10:30am

For birth-36 months with parent/caregiver.

Registration required.

Join Ms. Christine for toddler play, stories, fingerplays and songs. It's a great time to meet and have fun with your best friends.

Special Dates: April 7: Back by popular demand, the Ms. Rachel Experience! Erinn Furey will lead our program with songs, puppets, musical instruments, scarves, parachute play and bubbles. **April 21:** Early Childhood Development with Parent Professional, Kerri Reda, from Cornell Cooperative Extension. **May 26:** Jeannie Pendergrass will lead a music and movement program with scarves, hoops, dancing and fun!

READING TUTORING FOR SPANISH SPEAKING CHILDREN

Tuesdays, March 3-May 26, 5:00-6:00pm

Grades 2-5. Please call the library at 631-734-6360 to register your child for a 20-minute Reading Tutoring lesson with Honor Reynolds.

Honor is an experienced English Language Tutor that helps the learner develop language and vocabulary through their reading. She also discusses the text being read by the students to promote reading comprehension. Knowledgeable and patient, Honor will benefit the child's English reading skills.

WHIMSICAL WEDNESDAYS

Wednesdays, March 4-May 27, 10:00-10:45am (No Session 4/8)

Ages 18 months-5. Please register.

Join Ms. Mignon each Wednesday for stories, fingerplays, songs, scarf play, flannel board and a craft. Enjoy a Special Cinco de Mayo Celebration, music, dancing & colorful streamers on May 6!

READING TUTORING SESSIONS with Eileen Quinn (retired special education teacher)

Wednesdays, March 4, 18, April 1, 15, 29 & May 13, 27, 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 comprehension and offer immediate positive feedback to increase reading performance.

READING TO CEILI THE THERAPY DOG

Wednesdays, March 4, April 1 & May 6, 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.

SPRING STORYTIME YOGA with Mary Hasel

Mondays, March 9 & April 6, 10:00-10:45am

Ages 2-5. Please register.

Please bring your own yoga mat or towel. Listen to seasonal books while bending, stretching, balancing and learning basic yoga poses correlating with the story. Learn the benefits of yoga for the young developing child.

FEATHERS and PHOTOS

Thursday, March 12, 4:00-5:00pm Meet at: New Suffolk Beach

Grades 2-5. Please register.

Join Ms. Joan for a fun, hands-on nature and photography adventure at the beach! In this program, children will use kid-friendly instant cameras to photograph real birds along the shoreline. Participants will learn how to spot different kinds of birds and to move quietly and respectfully around wildlife. This program encourages patience, observation skills and creativity.

POKÉMON TRADING NIGHT

Friday, March 13, 5:00-6:00pm

Grades 2-8. Registration required. Calling all Pokémon Trainers! Join us for a Pokémon Trading Night at the library. Participants will receive a mystery pack of cards and are encouraged to bring their own cards and binders from home. Enjoy Pokémon-themed activities like trivia, coloring and fun challenges while connecting with fellow fans. Led by Mr. Brush and Ms. Christine.

LEGO WITH A TWIST

Thursdays, March 19, April 9 & May 14, 4:00-5:00pm

Grades 1-4. Please register.

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

CODING with SCRATCH

Friday, March 20, 1:00-2:00pm

Grades 2-4. Registration required.

School's out, let's code. Join Ms. Christine for a fun introduction to the coding program, Scratch, where kids learn to code by moving characters, adding sounds and making their own mini project. *If possible, please bring your own Chromebook or laptop. The library has a limited supply.*

SENSORY STORYTIME

Mondays, March 23, April 13 & May 11, 10:00-10:30am

Ages 2-5. Please register.

Ms. Joan 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.

CRAFTY TALES

Thursdays, 4:30-5:30pm

Grades K-2. Register for each session separately. Enjoy engaging stories with Ms. Christine and a fun craft inspired by each date's theme.

March 26: An Extraordinary Egg

Make a decorated egg using watercolor resist art and play a game of egg memory.

April 23: Weather Wonders

Explore the wonders of weather, make a calming rain stick and go on a scavenger hunt to find weather-related items inside.

May 7: Rainbow Bridges

Build rainbow bridges out of pipe cleaners and Play-Doh, test their strength and end with a fun rainbow game that gets everyone moving and laughing.

Register for Programs at www.cutchoquelibrary.org
or call us at 631-734-6360.

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See back page
for more details.

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DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY!

Dedicated to inspiring a lifelong love of reading, this program provides FREE books to children from birth to age five who reside in Cutchogue or New Suffolk. Participants will be mailed one new book per month at their reading level to inspire reading and build their home library. Made possible through funding from Dolly Parton's Imagination Library and the Friends of the Library, the program was inspired by Dolly's father, who was unable to read or write. In 1995, Dolly founded the Imagination Library to share the joy of books with children in her home county. Today, her vision

has grown to reach five countries, gifting over 2 million free books every month to children around the world—helping young readers discover the magic of stories, one book at a time. Proudly sponsored by the Friends of the Library.



PAJAMARAMA!

Mondays, 6:00-7:00pm

Ages 3-8. Please register.

March 30: *Hello Spring* by Shelley Rotner

April 27: *Worm Weather* by Jean Taft

May 18: *Just in Case You Want to Fly* by Julie Fogliano

Join Ms. Mignon for Pajamarama! We will

read stories, make a craft and play games. Please wear your pajamas and bring along your favorite stuffed animal.

A POETREE IN BLOOM

Monday, April 6-Thursday, April 30

For all ages. No registration.

Celebrate National Poetry Month by adding your own poem or one of ours to the branches of our Poetree. Visit throughout April and watch it bloom with creativity!

GAMING ON THE GO: Smash + Kart!

Wednesday, April 8

Please register separately for each program session.

Session 1: Grades 2-4, 1:00-2:00pm

Session 2: Grades 5-8, 2:00-3:00pm

Celebrate the release of *The Super Mario Galaxy Movie* with a special gaming experience inside the Suffolk County Public Library's mobile gaming trailer! Compete in Super Smash Bros. Ultimate or race friends in Mario Kart 8 Deluxe. Led by Ms. Christine.

CODING with BEE-BOTS

Friday, April 10, 1:00-2:00pm

Grades 1-2. Registration required.

School's out, let's code. Kids will use Bee-Bots to move, turn and explore through fun, hands-on coding games and challenges. Led by Ms. Christine.

March Madness: A Tournament of Characters • Monday, March 9-Saturday, April 4

Inspired by the NCAA March Madness tournament, popular children's book characters go head-to-head in a bracket-style competition. Visit the Children's Room each week to vote for your favorites and see who moves on. Winners will be announced on the library's Facebook page each week!

FILTER IT OUT! Water Bottle Lab

Wednesday, April 15, 4:30-5:30pm

Grades 2-5. Please register.

In honor of Earth Day, join Ms. Joan to design a filter to clean dirty water. We will use cotton, sand, charcoal and gravel to clean muddy water. Come ready to get messy! But don't drink the water!

STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER

Friday, April 17, 4:00-5:00pm

Ages 3-8. Please register.

Join Ms. Mignon for animal stories, games and a snack as you prepare your stuffed animals to spend the night in the library! You can pick up your stuffed animal on Saturday and there will be pictures of the mischief these animals got into!

BOOKS & BITES GRAPHIC NOVEL BOOK CLUB

Friday, April 24, 4:30-5:30pm

Grades 4-6. Registration required.

Join Ms. Christine to discuss the book, *Tuck Everlasting: The Graphic Novel*, by Natalie Babbitt, adapted by K. Woodman-Maynard. Enjoy a snack and take part in fun activities related to the story. Books available for pickup starting March 27. Be sure to read the book before we meet.

MAYPOLE DANCING! A CELEBRATION OF SPRING!

Friday, May 1, 4:30-5:30pm

(Rain Date: Friday, May 8)

Ages 6 and up. Please register.

Join Ms. Mignon for this Celebration of Spring! Gather for spring stories, create flower crowns and participate in Maypole Dancing after a long cold winter. Dress in your spring outfits. Refreshments served.

DINO BUILDERS: 3D PUZZLE ADVENTURE

Wednesday, May 13, 4:30-5:30pm

Grades 2-5. Please register.

Join Ms. Joan to become a junior paleontologist and build exciting 3D dinosaur puzzles! This hands-on program boosts problem-solving, spatial skills and creativity while children learn fun facts about dinosaurs and work together to bring these prehistoric creatures to life.

COW CUPCAKES & PURPLE COW SHAKES for children!

Saturday, May 16, 1:00pm

Grades 2-4. Please register.

Did you know that cows have no upper front teeth or that cows can smell you from 6 miles away? Join Ms. Mignon to create cow cupcakes and make delicious purple cow shakes. At the end of the program, we will play, "Farmer May 1!"

TINY ART SHOW

Register in person to pick up kit: March Exhibit: the month of April

Display your artistic talents in our library tiny art show! Call the library to register and pick up your mini kit. Register early as kits are limited. Each kit includes a "4X4" canvas and easel. Use any medium you have at home, paint, markers, or colored pencils to make your mini masterpiece. Return your art and easel to the library by no later than April 1 to be displayed. Our exhibit will run the month of April. We can't wait to see what you make! *Teens earn 1 hour of community service.*



The Children's Garden

Remember our Children's Garden is an official Monarch Waystation! Waystations provide milkweeds and nectar plants for monarchs throughout their annual cycle of reproduction and migration. Our garden contributes to monarch conservation and helps to assure the continuation of the monarch migration in North America. Located outside in the back of the Library.



CHECK OUT OUR NEW STEAM ACTIVITY KITS!

Hot Dot Beginning Phonics Kit

Coding Critters & Coding Book (Pre-K Level)

Let's Go Code Activity Set (Age 5+)

Toniebox • Magnetic Tile Set • Yoto Mini & Starter Box

Sensory Bin - including wiggle seat, fidget slug, fidget spinner, noise reducing headphones & water bubble timers.



Ask us how to download free eBooks, eAudiobooks & eMagazines AND how to stream free movies, TV shows and more!

TWEENS & TEENS

Grades 5-12

Please register for all programs unless otherwise noted



SPRING TEEN RAFFLE BASKET:
Guess how many items every time you come to the library for a chance to win a sweet prize basket. Happy Spring!

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SPECIAL INVITATION FOR FOURTH GRADERS: As you approach fifth grade this summer, get ready to taste a sampling of Tween & Teen programming this spring! Join the fun and look for this symbol ✨ to register. We look forward to having you!

TWEEN & TEEN

VIDEO GAMING HANGOUT

Thursday, March 5, 6:00-7:00pm
Tuesday, April 7, 1:00-2:00pm (Spring Recess)
Register for ONE or BOTH classes

Grab your friends and get your game on! Challenge each other in Mario Kart Deluxe, battle it out in Super Smash Bros., and our NEW interactive experience, Nex Playground. Whether you're a casual player or a fierce competitor, this hangout is all about fun and friendly gaming!



TEEN IDEA-STORMERS

Thursday, March 12, 6:00-7:00pm

Calling all Tweens & Teens! Want to see the Tween & Teen department create some of your favorite programs? Come, connect with friends, and share your ideas for future programs. Games, snacks, and 1 hour of community service earned.

POKÉMON TRADING NIGHT

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GRASSHOPPER PIE

Tuesday, March 17, 6:00-7:00pm

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day and join us for a fun, hands-on cooking program and learn how to make a classic Grasshopper Pie. This no-bake dessert features a chocolate cookie crust and a cool, minty filling. Don't bug out, no grasshoppers included.

WINTER CAKE POPS

Sunday, March 22, 1:00-2:00pm

Get ready for a sweet and creative hour of fun! Learn every step of cake pop making, from crumbling freshly baked cake and mixing it with creamy buttercream to rolling perfectly shaped cake pop balls. Then comes the best part: dipping them in chocolate and decorating them! Everyone will head home with six delicious handmade cake pops to enjoy.



FRIDAY NIGHT ACTING FUN: IMPROV GAMES

Friday, March 27, 5:00-6:00pm

Do you love acting or maybe you're just looking to play some fun games with friends? Then you should join Charlie, Alison, & Ava as they lead you through some simple activities that will help build your improvisational acting skills while having fun. Get ready for some laughs!



DUNGEONS & DRAGONS WITH JENNIFER!

Saturday, March 28, 1:00-4:00pm &

Saturday, May 30, 1:00-4:00pm

Register for ONE or BOTH classes.

Step into a world where imagination rules and every roll of the dice can change your fate! Dungeon Master Jennifer invites you to explore epic realms packed with daring quests, mysterious monsters, hidden treasure, and heroic choices. Team up with fellow adventurers, and see where the story takes you, because no two journeys are ever the same. Whether you're brand new to the game or a seasoned hero, adventure awaits.

GAMING ON THE GO: SMASH + KART!

Wednesday, April 8, 2:00-3:00pm

Grades 5-8.

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CREATE A 3D PRINTED FUNKO POP

Thursday, April 16, 6:00-7:30pm

Back by popular demand! For those who missed the first class, or who want more, learn how to design your own custom Funko Pop using the simple and fun Tinkercad 3D modeling software, the library will 3D print your unique creation for you to pick up. *Please bring a laptop or Chromebook as we have limited supply.*

GETTING READY TO BABYSIT: CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

Saturday, April 18, 1:00-4:00pm

Program Fee: \$15

Learn 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 included.

BOOKS + BITES GRAPHIC NOVEL CLUB

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Grades 4-6.

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BLACKOUT POETRY

Saturday, April 25, 1:30-2:30pm

Not a poet? That's OK! With Blackout Poetry, you can discover a poem. Create an original poem using words from existing words in a newspaper article, book, or magazine page. "Discover" your poem by selecting words that already exist on the page. Then black out, shade, or decorate over the remaining words so that only your poem is visible.



SPRING SPEED PUZZLING

Tuesday, April 28, 6:00-7:00pm

It's a race to the last piece with this fun competition. Team up with friends and work together to be the first group to put your 200 piece puzzle together. Hear tips and strategies and get ready to go. Prizes awarded to the winning team.

AUTHORS UNLIMITED

Saturday, May 2,

9:30am-2:30pm

Location: St. Joseph's University, Patchogue

Register at: [AU2026.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)

Authors Unlimited celebrates reading, writing, and art by connecting teens with young adult authors! Rowana Miller (*Secrets of the Blue Hand Girls*), Dave Roman (*Unicorn Boy*), and Kara Thomas (*The Champions*) make up this year's all-star lineup! Join us for a group panel followed by solo sessions with each author. Books will be sold and can be signed during the autograph session! Attendees can earn three hours of community service credit for attending and filling out a survey at the end of the day. Register for this free event at [au2026.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)!



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WATCH FOR UPCOMING SCIENCE, MATH, & HISTORY REGENTS REVIEW IN JUNE

TEEN PROGRAMS

Grades 7-12
Please register

TWEEN & TEEN CONT.

CUPCAKES & JUNIOR FRIENDS MEETING



Monday, May 4, 5:00-5:45pm

Join the Junior Friends of the Library! New members are always welcome to be part of our vibrant group of young library advocates. This is a great opportunity to connect with fellow supporters, get involved, and learn about upcoming events and initiatives. Enjoy cupcakes and find out how you can make a difference at the library! We look forward to seeing you there! *1 hour of community service earned for this program.*

INSTA-CHOIR

Tuesday, May 5, 5:00-6:00pm

Join us and become a choir singer in just one session! We will learn to sing "I Say a Little Prayer" as featured in the movie *Sing 2*, learning the lyrics and simple harmony parts. No previous choir experience is needed, just a willingness to sing and have fun! The session ends with a short performance or sing-through to celebrate what you've learned. All levels welcome!

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS INTEREST MEETING & BOOKS REVEAL



Tuesday, May 5, 6:00-6:45pm

For Tweens/Teens Entering Grades 6-9

If you love to read, come hear all the details about this exciting, county-wide book trivia competition held over the summer. Oldcomers and newcomers register and join us to find out about this year's chosen titles! Parents encouraged.

AROMATHERAPY SPRING LIP BALM & BODY SPRAY

Thursday, May 7, 6:00-7:00pm

Make something bright and floral to welcome the warmer weather. Learn about the safe use of essential oils and the basics of lip balm making as we create skin loving lip balm and floral body spray to bring home. Recipes, labels and products included! Perfect to give to a special mother in your life or keep for yourself.



PERLER BEADS PARTY!

Thursday, May 28, 6:00-7:00pm

Come and create a favorite character, image, or design using your imagination or our provided images with Perler Beads. Set designs with a mini-iron, add a magnet, attach a keychain or just enjoy them!

TEEN

SUCCESSFULLY NAVIGATING COLLEGE ADMISSIONS VIA ZOOM

Wednesdays, March 25, 7:30pm

Preparing for college admissions? Let Ron Feuchs and Jackie Tepper, partners at *Stand Out For College*, help make the process a little less stressful for high school students and parents by providing information regarding the current admissions trends, the changing test-optional environment, how to find colleges that will be a good fit and how to use their time productively this winter. They will also be discussing the importance of service projects and how giving back to the community leads to personal growth and raises a student's profile as well. Recommended for parents and their teens. Bring questions.

DON'T CROSS THE LINE: KNOWING YOUR PERSONAL BOUNDARIES

Tuesday, April 21, 6:00-7:00pm

Learn how to recognize, set, and reinforce boundaries in all relationships. Through interactive role-play, students practice responding to boundary violations. Examples include spreading rumors, peer pressure at prom or parties, bullying, and more. The program also addresses victim-blaming, helping students build empathy and understanding situations where victimization may be more likely. Risk factors such as drinking, isolation, and abusive dating relationships are explored, giving participants tools to recognize and avoid potentially dangerous situations. Students will also discover trusted resources—inside and outside school. Program facilitated by Crimes Victims Center and fulfills Erin's Law requirements. **2 hours of community service earned for this program.**

SAT PREP CLASSES

Sundays, May 3, 10, 17, & 31, 1:00-3:00pm

LOCATION: Mattituck Laurel Library

Register <https://www.mattitucklaurellibrary.org/events/month/2026/05>

Registration opens April 6. Program Fee: \$150

***The class requires a minimum of 12 registrants to run.**

Learn skills and strategies to help raise your scores on the June 6th SAT exam! Come ready to learn, leave prepared to excel. Experienced certified teachers with more than 20 years of SAT experience dedicated to providing comprehensive SAT preparation. The program is tailored to the new Digital SAT exam. The course will cover Math, English, and the Writing modules focusing on strategies, time management, and specific content. Materials will be provided to the students, including practice problems. Open to ALL high school students.

BOATING SAFETY COURSE

Saturday, May 2, 8:00am-5:00pm

Registration required. Fee: \$50 (non-refundable).

Ages 11 and up. An 8-hour US Coast-Guard Auxiliary Course

If you are ages 11 or older and looking to jet ski, use a wave runner, or operate a boat, this class is for you! This course will teach the boating safety skills required to meet the new NYS requirement of Brianna's Law that requires operators of mechanically propelled vessels, including jet skis, to complete a boating safety course. This course is mandatory for NYS boaters. There is a written and skills evaluation for this program.

HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS: CREATING A COMPELLING COLLEGE APPLICATION

Wednesday, May 20, 7:30pm • VIA ZOOM

This Zoom presentation helps high school juniors and their parents use the summer strategically to strengthen college applications. The session covers current admissions trends, writing strong personal statements and supplemental essays, securing teacher recommendations, and positioning students for success. It also explains application options such as early decision, early action, and regular decision, along with guidance on test-optional policies. Presenters will review the holistic admissions process, what colleges value, how to build a compelling personal narrative, and the importance of meaningful community involvement and character. Led by Ron Feuchs and Jackie Tepper, partners at *Stand Out For College*. Bring questions.

TEENS CARE COMMUNITY SERVICE

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.

WELL WISHES - Month of March

The Marty Lyons Foundation invites you to send "Well Wishes" to children facing life-threatening illnesses. For every note of encouragement written, \$1 will be donated to the Foundation, to support wishes of three children. Help make a child's day a little brighter by sending a card or letter filled with words of encouragement. Create three separate cards or letters—one for each child, drop off at the library, and earn 1 hour of community service. Stop by the library for more information or email Kristie at Teens@cnsfl.org to learn about the children and their wishes.

PROM DRESS & FORMAL WEAR FOR BOYS AND GIRLS DRIVE

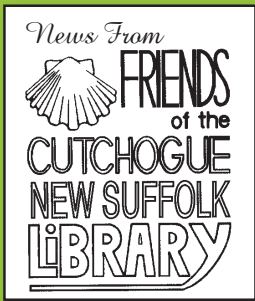
Month of March

Accepting donations of gently loved, clean, and modern prom dresses, formal wear for boys and girls, accessories, handbags, or wraps for the month of March. Any donation earns you 1 hour of community service. All donations given to CAST.

HOME-BAKED GIFTS OF KINDNESS

March through April

Share your delicious home-baked items to donate to local charities and earn for community service. Home-baked cookies, brownies, or bars must be individually packaged in Ziplock bags. Smaller items may have 2 or 3 items per bag depending on size. Baked goods accepted on Fridays will be donated to local charities. Baked goods received on all other days will be donated to our library pantry. April donations go directly to the Food Pantry. *10 individual bags or more earn 3 hours of community service.*



FRIENDS' NEWS



Join the Friends of the Library

Friends Meetings: Mondays, March 9, April 13 & May 11 @ 2:00pm
March & April held via Zoom; May in person at the Library. Call for Zoom Link, or check our Library Calendar. New Members Welcome!

Family Passes Available



Reserve the following passes online at www.cutchoguelibrary.org

- 9/11 Memorial Museum
 - Brooklyn Botanic Garden
 - Children's Museum of the East End
 - The Frick Collection
 - Guggenheim Museum
 - Landcraft Gardens (coming this May)
 - Montauk Lighthouse
 - MoMA
 - Parrish Art Museum
 - Quogue Wildlife Refuge
 - American Museum of Natural History
- (Free, Quantities Limited, Call or ask at the Info Desk)

Discount Codes available through the Library (call or ask at the Front Desk):

- CM Performing Arts
- Gateway Theatre
- Manes Theatre
- Suffolk Theatre

Reduced Price Tickets:

- Long Island Aquarium

Discount codes are available for all; Passes for Cutchogue New Suffolk cardholders.

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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MAILING STUFFING

Saturday, April 11, 11:00am

Back by popular demand! Enjoy great company and help the Friends of the Library (and Jr. Friends) prepare the Membership Mailing for the Community. Not only does the Membership Mailing provide support for Library services and programming, but it provides great outreach and community involvement! Light refreshments served.

ACOUSTIC JAM SESSIONS

Fridays, March 27, April 24 & May 29, 5:30-7:30pm

This popular event is free and open to all. Bring your instruments, tapping feet and listening ears! Participants of all ages, acoustic 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.

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Thank you to the many local businesses who contributed to the Friends of the Library Annual Calendar Fundraiser - this year has been the most successful one yet!

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THE SUITE SPOT

The Upstairs Gallery is pleased to present The Suite Spot, new works by Bennett Blackburn, Cathleen Ficht, and Christie Jones. This mixed media exhibition combines abstract and pictorial forms evocative of patterns found in the natural world.

Opening Reception: Friday, March 20, 5:00-7:00pm
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Sales provide additional income to fund programs.
Applications for exhibits can be obtained at the circulation desk.

DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY

See Page 9 for details.



MOTHER'S DAY POP UP SALE

Saturday, May 2, 9:30am-1:00pm

Located in Front of the Library. In the event of rain, the sale will move inside. Find the perfect gift for your Mom, a loved one, or someone who inspires you at the Friends of the Library Pop Up Sale. Interested volunteers can sign up at the Info Desk in the Adult Room to help.

BRILLIANT BABY BAGS

Does your household have a new baby birth to 6 months? The Library offers Brilliant Baby Bags to our newest, youngest community members. See page 8 for more details. Sponsored by the Jr. Friends of the Library.

SAVE THE DATE - ANNUAL BOOK SALE

Friday & Saturday, June 5 & 6, 9:00am-3:00pm

Book & Donation Collection May 18 - June 3