Port artist exhibits in Main Gallery

Port Washington artist Rachelle Krieger exhibits Expressions of Nature, a series of oil paintings, through June 28. The Art Advisory Council hosts a reception for the artist on Saturday, June 2 from 2 to 4 p.m.

Ms. Krieger was born in New York City in 1967. Her work has been exhibited in galleries throughout the United States and abroad. She has had several one-person shows, including those at the Mulligan-Shanoski Gallery in San Francisco, the Karen Mitchell Frank Gallery in Dallas and the Federal Building in Jamaica, Queens. In addition, her work has been featured in many group shows including those at the Simon Gallery in New Jersey, the Judi Rotenberg Gallery in Boston, the Wyndy Morehead Gallery in New Orleans and the Taylor Jardine Gallery in London.

An award-winning painter, Rachelle Krieger has been honored with the Mark Rothko Memorial Scholarship, the Alexander Medal, and the Award for Excellence in Design from Pratt Institute. She received a BFA from Pratt Institute in 1989, and has studied at the Art Students League and New York Studio School in Manhattan.

Her paintings are part of numerous private and corporate collections including those at the Texas State Bank; Hale & Dorr in Boston; and Rauscher Pierce in Houston.

June holidays

The library will be closed Sunday, June 17 in observance of Father’s Day.

Fabulous Finds

Visit the Reading Room in June for an exhibit of rare, interesting and unusual printed books. These include illustrated books, first editions, and inscribed copies. Several items have been donated to the library, and some are from our own collections.

Summer fun for teens

Registration begins Tuesday, June 12 in TeenSpace for a number of teen programs/workshops. Dates and descriptions on back page.

Summer schedule

June 24 will be the last Sunday that the library is open until September. Beginning July 7, we’ll be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays. Our full weekend schedule resumes after Labor Day.

Summer job board for teens coming soon

The library will host the Port Washington Youth Council’s Teen Employment Bulletin Board of summer job listings for teens beginning in July. If you’re looking for student help this summer, contact Marianne Hart at 944-7625.

Need summer reading ideas?

If you’re in a reading slump or just don’t have the time to assemble your reading list this summer, let us help. To borrow a bag full of books geared toward your interests, simply stop by or call the Information Desk (883-4400, Ext. 130), answer a few questions, and we’ll put together some summer reading sure to please and entertain you. For more information, call Lee Fertitta at 883-4400, Ext. 133.

Vacation loans

Vacation loans are available for Port Washington patrons with a clear library record. You may request a period longer than the normal 28 days on up to 10 books. Some exclusions apply, including new books, books on reserve, travel guides and media materials.

The library’s recent Latino Festival was generously funded by the Friends of the Library with special recognition of support from Joyce and Robert Fieldsteel. Additional funding was provided by the Children’s Advisory Council, and a great time was had by all. Photographs by Yolanda Froylan and Martin Vogel.
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SoundSwap film event:
The U.S. vs. John Lennon

Join us on Thursday, June 21 at 7:30 p.m. for a SoundSwap Film Event: The U.S. vs. John Lennon (2006-86 min.).

The story of John Lennon’s transformation from mop-topped Beatle to crusader for world peace forms the core of this film by David Leaf and John Scheinfeld. Lennon’s anti-war sentiments, outspoken nature, high visibility, and leftist connections made him a target for the paranoid Nixon administration and his chief watchdog J. Edgar Hoover. The film sheds light on Lennon’s crusade — a deeply serious effort softened by humorous events and musical “happenings” — and features some key appearances from the period. It is also a disturbing look at the methods of persecution employed by a fragile government seeking to remove a “troublemaker.”

Tony Traguardo will present a number of related, rarely-seen Lennon clips before the film, and will also moderate a post-film Q&A discussion.

Dino DVDs and Velociraptor Videos

This month, Media Services director Jonathan Guildroy displays his collection of dinosaur toys in the Children’s Room. Here are some documentaries about prehistoric life from our circulating DVD and video collection:

- Allosaurus: A Walking with Dinosaurs Special
- Before We Ruled the Earth
- Dinosaur!
- Dinosaur Eggs & Babies
- Dinosaur Planet
- The Dinosaurs!
- Discovering the Great Minds of Science: Paleontology
- Eyewitness: Prehistoric Life
- The Great Dinosaur Hunt
- Greatest Discoveries: The Origin and Evolution of Life
- Hollywood Dinosaur Chronicles
- Land of the Mammoth
- National Geographic: Dinosaur Giants: Found!
- National Geographic: Dinosaur Hunters
- The New Explorers: Fragments of Time
- Nova: The Case of the Flying Dinosaur
- Nova: Curse of T. Rex
- Nova: T. Rex Exposed
- Prehistoric America
- Prehistoric Giants
- The Real Jurassic Park
- Searching for Lost Worlds: Dragon Hunters: Secrets of the Gobi Desert
- Valley of the T-rex
- Walking with Cavemen
- Walking with Dinosaurs
- Walking with Monsters: Life Before Dinosaurs
- Walking with Prehistoric Beasts
- When Dinosaurs Ruled

You’ll also find plenty of fiction films starring prehistoric creatures — look up the subject “DINOSAURS - DRAMA” in our video catalog for a complete listing!

Sixth Annual concert with Warren Schein

From Broadway to Borscht Belt

The incomparable Warren Schein takes our library audience from Broadway to Borscht Belt in 90 minutes, give or take, on Friday, June 15 at 8 p.m.

Warren has been singing and performing on stages across the New York metropolitan area for over two decades. He has played lead singing roles in many summer stock and off-Broadway performances. He has also entertained Port Washington audiences as a lead performer with the Port Singers as well as with the Herrick’s Community Players and with Hofstra U.S.A. Productions. His most recent career endeavor is as an actor in television commercials for such well known advertisers as The History Channel, American Movie Classics, Nickelodeon, M&M’s, Nick At Nite and WPLJ Radio.

Re-inventing Retirement

Join Diane Reynolds on June 4 at 7 p.m. for Re-inventing Retirement. Ms. Reynolds is fascinated with the role of work in people’s lives, especially at crucial transition points. She has over 20 years of experience in career counseling and out-placement services, and has worked on such critical projects as The Displaced Homemaker Grant, The Federal Displaced Worker Program for the Pan Am World Airways shutdown, and the Northrup-Grumman Project. Her current interest is how work or “occupation” will play out with our expected increased longevity.

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Fire Department and library celebrate new oral history and website

Over 150 people gathered at the library recently for the 100th anniversary of the Port Washington Fire Department and the debut of a website and oral history project that will preserve the history of our dedicated and very special volunteer fire services.

Organized by ex-chief Peter Zwerlein and library oral historian Elly Shodell, the reception also honored the more than 50 men and women who participated in oral history interviews describing their work and lives in the fire department. In their recordings, they remembered chiefs, hooks and ladders, lucky charms, fires, wives and families, the Ladies Auxiliary, signals, social life, “wet downs,” “rowdies, rangers and runts,” changes in the community, and much more. Guiding the process were two talented interviewers, Sally Wendkos Olds and Margaret Dildilian, with additional memoirs gathered by Christina Southard and Peter Zwerlein (Gerry Crooker and Tom Mahoney, in 1984). Frank Pavlak provided archival support and resources.

During his presentation of the “Answering the Call: The History of the Port Washington Volunteer Fire Department” website, Peter Zwerlein played audio excerpts from interviews, showed samples of the thousands of pictures and newspaper articles he digitized and captioned, and described how to navigate through the elements. Library users, students, educators, researchers and community members can access the stories, insights and rare vintage fire department material through either www.pwpl.org or www.pwfdhistory.com.

Thanks to the leadership of the Boards of both the Port Washington Public Library and the Port Washington Fire Department, this cooperative project has resulted in 58 interviews, 3000 pages of transcript, a detailed and lively website, audio excerpts from more than 60 hours of tape, historical narrative about Protection, Flower Hill, Atlantics and Fire Medic Companies, and visuals and newspaper articles dating back to 1888.

Ride ‘n Read resumes at LIRR station

Library service to Long Island Railroad commuters resumes July 11. The Port Washington Library will be on-site at the LIRR station every Wednesday morning (weather permitting) from 7 to 9 a.m. through September 5. To help make your commute more enjoyable, a collection of popular paperbacks will be available for you to borrow.

You don’t need your library card to borrow books. After 14 days, simply return the books to the library table at the station on Wednesday mornings or to the library.

In memory of Myrna Turtletaub

In April, the library lost one of its most vibrant and talented volunteers, Myrna Turtletaub. Myrna was a long-standing member of the Art Advisory Council and curated many beautiful exhibitions in the library’s gallery as well as contributing her own work to Council shows. Myrna was passionate about her art as she was about all that is beautiful in life. She freely gave her time, advice, talent and her laughter and we will miss her. She was unique. — NC

Government documents:
Practical information for daily living

Visit the Reference Room for government information. We maintain a comprehensive collection of directories, manuals, documents, maps and clippings covering a wide range of subjects at every level of government. In addition to federal directories, guides, and budgets, we can provide information on contacting your government representatives, supply you with voter registration forms and absentee ballot applications, and direct you to local government and social services offices. We have publications on emergency management and evacuation procedures, and our map file includes FEMA Long Island flood maps. We receive New York State financial reports and planning documents.

On a more local level, we have a wealth of material on issues of environmental and civic interest, such as the use of the Munsey Park Cleaners site, the LIRR multi-level parking proposal, and the restoration of Stannards Brook Park. We have copies of the local Shared Vision Plan for the Port Washington Peninsula, which was recently completed following an extensive cooperative effort between local government agencies. Port’s six villages, and area organizations, such as the Residents for a More Beautiful Port Washington, the Port Washington Business Improvement District and the General Council of Homeowner Associations.

The Town of North Hempstead provides us with codes and ordinances, proposed and final budgets, and zoning maps. Our villages and special districts are also represented in our collection. We receive documents, policy statements, budgets and publications from the Villages of Baxter Estates, Manorhaven, Port Washington North and Sands Point, Special districts such as the Water, Fire, Police, Garbage and Water Pollution Control Districts provide us with information and reports. The School District is well represented, and we have a comprehensive collection of budgets, newsletters, board agendas, minutes of meetings, calendars, handbooks and other publications. Our own library document collection includes board minutes, newsletters, statistical reports, copies of policies and procedures and historical items.

Please call the Reference Desk at 883-4400, Ext. 111 with your questions, or e-mail us at reference@pwpl.org.
Welcome to the page for Children's Services. Be sure to look here for upcoming exhibits, programs and articles relating to Children's Services and the Parenting Information Center. Parents: Please comply with the age guidelines for these programs and be prepared to show proof of local residency.

**Children’s Garden**  
Saturday, June 16 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.  
Children in grades K to 6 accompanied by an adult are invited to help plant flowers and vegetables in the Gordon Helman Garden, weather permitting. No registration required. Co-sponsored by the friends and family of Caroline Mary Smith.

**Page Turners**  
Tuesday, June 26 at 7:15 p.m.  
Fifth and sixth grade members in this monthly book group will meet from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. For availability call 883-4400, Ext. 150.

**Pajama Story Time**  
Tuesday, June 19 at 7 p.m.  
Come in pajamas and listen to bedtime stories. For children ages 2½ to 5 accompanied by an adult. Family members welcome. No registration required.

**Dinosaur Display**  
Media Services director Jonathan Guildroy first fell in love with dinosaurs as a 6-year-old visiting the 1964 World’s Fair in Flushing. The appeal of these prehistoric monsters was immediately evident — they were huge, fantastic and ferocious! Ever since then he has collected dinosaur toys, books, cards, models, magazines and skull reproductions. He has also drawn hundreds of dinosaurs and modeled them in Sculpey. This summer, Jonathan will display some of his collection of miniature dinosaurs in the Children’s Room. For the record, his favorite prehistoric creature is Dimetrodon, a sail-backed pelycosaur that actually predates the dinosaurs by a few million years. He writes, “Dinosaurs continue to inspire wonder and delight with their amazing diversity, their baffling secrets and their sheer size. I hope I’m never too old to feel like an awe-struck 6-year-old whenever I’m staring up at a T. rex skeleton or playing with a tiny Triceratops toy.”

**Did You Know?**  
Wednesday, June 27, Thursday, July 26 & Wednesday, August 29 from 7 to 7:45 p.m.  
Come explore different cultures around the world through short stories, crafts and food. Learn fun and interesting facts with Senior Girl Scout Katherine Corteselli. For children entering grades 2 and 3. Registration begins on Monday, June 11 at 9:15 a.m. in the Children’s Room or by calling 883-4400, Ext. 150. Registrants may sign up for one or all 3 dates.

**Summer Fun**  
In-person registration for the following activities begins on Thursday, June 14 at 9:15 a.m. in the Children’s Room. Registration by phone begins Monday, June 18 at 9:15 a.m. by calling 883-4400, Ext. 150.

**Babies and Toddlers**

**Book Babies**  
Session I: Wednesdays, July 11, 18 & 25 from 11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
Session II: Wednesdays, August 1, 8, & 15 from 11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
Children ages birth to 17 months accompanied by an adult will enjoy books, songs, music, fingerplays and more.

**Play Pals**  
Session I: Tuesdays, July 10, 17 & 24 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.  
Session II: Tuesdays, July 31 & August 7, 14 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.  
Play together, create a craft together and meet new people. For children ages 18 to 29 months accompanied by an adult. Children must be 18 months old by July 1.

**Preschoolers**

**Workshops are for children ages 2½ to 5 accompanied by an adult and will be held Thursday mornings. Children must be 30 months old by July 1. Limit 3 workshops per child.**

**Musical Moppets – July 12**  
Stories, songs and fingerplays. Workshop I from 10 to 10:45 a.m. for children ages 2½ to 3½. Workshop II from 11 to 11:45 a.m. for children ages 3½ to 5.

**Happy Sun Windsock – July 19**  
Arts and crafts for children ages 3 to 5 with Shirley Ruby. Workshop I from 10 to 11 a.m. Workshop II from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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**Father’s Day Workshop**

**Number One Dad Pup**  
Thursday, June 14 from 1 to 2 p.m.  
Join Shirley Ruby and make a fun gift to give dad on Father’s Day! For preschool children ages 3 to 5 accompanied by an adult. Registration in progress — call Children’s Services at 883-4400, Ext. 150 for availability. Workshop fee: $3.

**Happy Snail! – August 16**  
Arts and crafts for children ages 3 to 5 with Shirley Ruby. Workshop I from 10 to 11 a.m. Workshop II from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Summer Reading Programs
The following three reading programs begin July 9 and end August 17. Pre-registration is not required — sign-up when you are ready to begin and participate.

Smart Start Reading Program For Babies
Learning begins at birth, so it is important to focus on early literacy skills even for the youngest children. To this end, we are offering a reading program for children ages birth to 30 months. Participation is simple — just read, sing or do fingerplays with your child. We’ll have gifts for your baby and special story times to be announced.

Get a Clue @ Your Library
Readers entering first through sixth grade are invited to join the Get a Clue @ Your Library Summer Reading Club 2007. Participants visit the Children’s Room during regular library hours to record the books they have read at home and receive weekly prizes. At the end of the 6-week program, those who have read at least 6 books will receive a certificate and gift.

Read-To-Me Club 2007
Pre-readers, ages 2½ to 5 are welcome to join the Read-To-Me Club with an adult. Families visit the Children’s Room during regular library hours to record the books they have shared together at home and receive weekly prizes. At the end of the 6-week program, children who have shared at least 10 books will receive a certificate and gift.

Summer Fun for School Age Kids
In-person registration for the following activities begins on Thursday, June 14 at 9:15 a.m. in the Children’s Room. Registration by phone begins Monday, June 18 at 9:15 a.m. by calling 883-4400, Ext. 150. Workshops are for children entering grades K to 6 and will be held Saturday mornings. Limit 3 workshops per child. Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Kitchen Detectives — July 14
Explore the world of forensics. Extract DNA from pea soup, dust for fingerprints and create invisible ink. Workshop I for children entering grades 1 to 3 from 10 to 11 a.m. Workshop II from 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. for children entering grades 4 to 6.

Painted Beaded Whirly — July 21
Shirley Ruby will show participants how to create a decorative hanging. Workshop I from 10 to 11 a.m. for children entering grades K to 3 Workshop II from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for children entering grades 4 to 6. Workshop fee: $3.

Clue Chasers — July 28
Learn about cryptography and make secret maps and code wheels with the LI Children’s Museum. Workshop I from 10 to 11 a.m. for children entering grades 1 to 3. Workshop II from 11:15 to 12:15 p.m. for children entering grades 4 to 6.

Decoupage Book Holder — August 4
Decorate a book holder with Shirley Ruby. Workshop I for children entering grades K to 3 from 10 to 11 a.m. Workshop II from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for children entering grades 4 to 6. Workshop fee: $3.

Crazy Planters — August 11
Bring your own container (old shoe, sand bucket, etc.) and create a fun garden planter with Cindy Krezel. Workshop I from 10 to 11 a.m. for children entering grades K to 3 accompanied by an adult. Workshop II from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for children entering grades 4 to 6. Co-sponsored by the friends and family of Caroline Mary Smith.

Book Discussion Groups
In-person registration for the following groups begins on Thursday, June 14 at 9:15 a.m. in the Children’s Room. Registration by phone begins Monday, June 18 at 9:15 a.m. by calling 883-4400, Ext.150. Books available at time of registration.

Chat & Snack — Mondays, July 16 & August 13 from 7 to 8 p.m.
For children going into fourth grade. Book titles include Toys Go Out by Emily Jenkins and The SOS File by Betsy Byars.

Summer Page Turners
Wednesdays, July 11 & 25 & Tuesday, August 14 from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m.
For children going into fifth and sixth grade. Book titles to be announced.

Third Grade Thinkers — Mondays, July 9 & August 6 from 7 to 8 p.m.
For children going into third grade. Book titles include Cook-a-Doodle by Janet Stevens and Digging Up Dinosaurs by Aliki.

Junior Aide Program
Children entering 5th and 6th grade are invited to volunteer a few hours each week from July 9 through August 17 to assist with the summer reading clubs and various activities in the Children’s Room. Registration is limited and begins Monday, June 11 at 9:15 a.m. in the Children’s Room or by calling 883-4400, Ext. 150.

Another FOL success
The Friends of the Library logged another successful Book & Author Luncheon (their 38th). Two hundred guests turned out at the George Washington Manor to hear Alice Hoffman (center, right) and David Nasaw (bottom, left) talk about writing their books and their careers in general. Well done Friends! (photos by Will Wright)
Don’t miss out on summer fun in TeenSpace

Registration begins Tuesday, June 12 in TeenSpace for teen summer activities (all are for students entering grades 7 through 12 only); all are co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Call 883-4400, Ext. 148 for information.

TEEN ADVISORY GROUP: The Library’s Teen Advisory Group wants YOU! Help select books, music and DVDs for teens. Have a say in programming. Sign up for the TAG and let your voice be heard.

TEEN SUMMER READING CLUB: “You Never Know.” Read books, write mini-reviews, win prizes! Send reviews from camp or vacation via mail or e-mail. Register in person or online at www.pwpl.org/teenspace. Pick up a packet of reading club materials, including a sign-up prize, while supplies last.

TEEN WORKSHOPS: Register in person in TeenSpace beginning June 12.

July 9 & July 11

July 10 at 7 p.m.
Point and Shoot! Photography Workshop. Receive a disposable camera to capture Port on film. Selected photographs from each participant will be displayed in TeenSpace during August. Materials Fee: $5.

July 12 at 7 p.m.
Killer Quesadillas: Cooking Workshop for Teens. Chef Frank Miale demonstrates the hottest and tastiest trends in this fun snack food. Workshop fee: $5.

July 17 at 7 p.m.
Teen Iron Chef Workshop. Work in groups to create delicious delicacies for judging by a panel of teens under the direction of instructor Lee Perrotta. No cooking experience necessary. Workshop fee: $5.

July 21 at 7 p.m.

July 26 at 7 p.m.
Teen Crime Scene: Dead Bodies @ the Library — A Forensic Workshop. Long Island Science Center experts will show you how to inspect human bones for clues and hypothesize about age, gender and possible cause of death. Workshop fee: $5.

July 31 at 7 p.m.
Bohemian Bandana Bag Workshop. Create your own bohemian bandana tote bag without sewing a stitch with Shirley Ruby. Workshop fee: $5.

August 2 at 7 p.m.
Teen Tarot Card Readings. Learn about the ancient art of interpretation with tarot cards from instructor Lee Perrotta. Have your own reading. Workshop fee: $5.

August 7 at 7 p.m.
Modular Origami for Teens. Origami specialist MaryAnn Scheblein-Dawson will show you how you can make all kinds of amazing colorful shapes from square papers using the techniques of Modular Origami. Workshop Fee: $5.

August 9 at 7 p.m.
Teen Illusion Workshop. Learn slight-of-hand tricks to fool your friends and family with illusionist Dan Ferrara. Workshop fee: $5.

August 14 at 7 p.m.
Slash’em Tees Workshop for Teens. Slash’em, decorate’em, make’em your own unique creations with a little help from crafts specialist Shirley Ruby. Bring an old tee shirt you’d like to turn into a new modern masterpiece. Workshop fee: $5.

August 16 at 7 p.m.
Lifted @ the Library: Teen Fingerprint Analysis Workshop. Learn to identify fingerprint patterns with retired NYC detective John Whimple. Workshop fee: $5.

From last summer’s Teen Photo Gallery