May holidays
The library will be closed Sunday, May 11 in observance of Mother’s Day and will also be closed Memorial Day Weekend Saturday, May 24 through Monday, May 26.

Budget news
The library budget passed by a vote of 557 to 141. Incumbents Joseph Burden and Thomas Donoghue were reelected to the Library Board of Trustees.

May is amnesty month
Take advantage of this opportunity to return all library materials that were due prior to May 1 and are now overdue. No fines will be charged.

Community Blood Drive
The library’s Staff Association and the Health Advisory Council sponsor a blood drive on Monday, May 12 from 3 to 8 p.m. Sign up at the Information Desk. See the Calendar for details.

PW interviews
Fifth grade students at Sousa Elementary School would like to interview those who have lived in Port for more than 25 years. The interviews will take place at the library on Wednesday, May 21. Sessions are at 8:45, 10:15 & 11 a.m. Sign up at the Information Desk.

Children’s Advisory Council
Are you a candidate for our Children’s Advisory Council? If you are interested in contributing to our ever-expanding children’s program, send your resume to Library Director Nancy Curtin. Late afternoon meetings are held every two months.

Homework Help
Students in grades 4 to 12 can use their library cards to connect with a live tutor for help with homework questions. Log on to our website between 3 and 9 p.m. daily and click on the homework help section. This service is made possible by the Friends of the Library.

Career coaching
Career coach Diane Reynolds meets privately with those seeking assistance in job placement, career options, skills assessment, resume and cover letter preparation, and interviewing techniques. Call the Reference Room at 883-4400, Ext. 111 for further information and an appointment.

Jean Ritchie Folk Concert May 18
The Music Advisory Council welcomes acclaimed husband-wife duo Aubrey Atwater and Elwood Donnelly on Sunday, May 18 at 3 p.m. for traditional American and Celtic folk songs, a capella pieces, old-time gospel, dance tunes and originals. Their appearance is courtesy of the Music Council’s Jean Ritchie Folk Concert.

The duo blends unusual harmonies, and plays guitar, Appalachian mountain dulcimer, mandolin, tin whistle, harmonica, banjo, bones, spoons and limberjacks. They’ll also liven things up with Appalachian clog dancing, French Canadian footwork and tap. Atwater and Donnelly have performed and researched traditional folk music and dance in Appalachia, the Ozarks, New England, and other key places in the United States, as well as Ireland, England and Prince Edward Island. They have performed with or shared festival billing with folk legends Jean Ritchie, Pete Seeger and Doc Watson.

May 4 Fiesta at the Library & Landmark
Join the Friends of the Library on Sunday, May 4, for a day-long Latino Festival. Ethnic foods from several local restaurants will be featured, along with a strolling guitarist and displays of culture and customs from Latin American countries. The festivities begin at the library at 1:30 p.m.

At 4 p.m., Jose Obando performs a free concert at the Landmark on Main Street. The music will feature the Maraca and Guiro — important parts of Cuban Guarach, Puerto Rican Bomba and Salsa. Be ready to dance the evening away — there’s more music and comida deliciosa following the concert (outdoors, weather permitting; in the gym, if not).
Jerry Garcia: Beyond the Dead

On Tuesday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m., music historian and archivist Peter Irwin presents his new film about singer, songwriter and guitarist Jerry Garcia's life and music beyond the confines of his iconic group, the Grateful Dead.

The evening will feature a rough cut of the final film, which is currently under submission to the Garcia estate. Highlights will include previously unscreened footage of Garcia performing in concert with such luminaries as Carlos Santana, Elvis Costello and Ruben Blades.

PBS film with a Port connection

Jimmy Mirikitani, the subject of the film The Cats of Mirikitani, is a fiercely independent 87-year-old Japanese-American artist who lost his family and friends to the United States’ internment camps during World War II and the atomic bombing of Hiroshima. He survived the trauma of those two events and homelessness by creating artwork.

After seeing the film, Daly Elementary School’s music teacher Dr. Ruth Addeo discovered that Jimmy Mirikitani is her father’s cousin, whom all family members had believed to be dead. The film will be shown Friday, May 9 at 7:30 p.m. The screening will be hosted by filmmaker Linda Hattendorf, who has worked in the New York documentary community for more than a decade.

Daly School students will display artwork celebrating the film, as well as the themes of “homelessness” and “prejudice.” The work will hang in the Community Gallery on the upper level and in the Children’s Room.

Do Dead People Watch You Shower?

Concetta Bertoldi has been communicating with the “other side” since childhood. In her book Do Dead People Watch You Shower? she exposes the naked truth about the fate and happiness of our late loved ones with honesty and wry humor, answering questions that range from the practical to the outrageous.

Ms. Bertoldi visits the library on Tuesday, May 13 at 7:30 p.m. to share with us her own intimate secrets, revealing how her gift has affected her life, her marriage, her friendships, and her career, as well as the myriad ways she has used it to help others.

Bertoldi is a full-time medium who consults regularly with members of Britain’s royal family, American celebrities, politicians and others. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Admission is free but tickets are required and will be available at the Library’s Information Desk beginning May 1. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

FOL Book & Author Luncheon

This year’s Friends of the Library Richard D. Whittemore Book & Author Luncheon takes place Thursday, May 8 at 11:45 a.m. at the Clubhouse at Harbor Links. Featured authors are Laurence Bergreen (Marco Polo: From Venice to Xanadu) and Brian Hall (Fall of Frost: A Novel).

Cost of the luncheon is $50. Registration brochures are available at the library. Books will be available, and raffles for books and gift certificates will be sold at the luncheon.

“Our Book & Author Luncheon is the highlight of our program year,” says FOL president Amy Bass, who adds that from the library’s point of view “Port people love biographies.” Mrs. Bass suggests that “with two writers approaching biography from different perspectives, this year’s luncheon should be especially thought-provoking.”
On Friday, May 2 at 7:30 p.m., Richie Unterberger discusses his latest book The Unreleased Beatles: Music and Film. The book chronicles the incredible wealth of music that the Beatles recorded but did not officially release, beginning with the day that John Lennon met Paul McCartney in July of 1957, through the sessions that led to the break-up of the Beatles in 1970.

Unterberger will share the cream of this unheard material, as well as incredible film footage of the group that remains commercially unavailable. Much can be learned about the Beatles from the unreleased studio out-takes, BBC radio recordings, live concert performances, home demos, private tapes, fan club Christmas flexi-discs, and other informal recordings done outside of EMI studios that remain unreleased, but which have escaped into circulation.

Unterberger is the author of Turn! Turn! Turn!: The '60s Folk-Rock Revolution and its sequel, Eight Miles High: Folk-Rock's Flight from Haight-Ashbury to Woodstock. His book Unknown Legends of Rock ‘n’ Roll and its sequel, Urban Spacemen & Wayfaring Strangers, profile the most interesting cult rock acts of all time. He has also written thousands of album reviews and artist biographies for allmusic.com.
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.

Our Monthly Display
Visit the Children’s Room throughout the month to view a display of artwork created by the children of Daly Elementary School.

Tweens’ Night Out
Friday, May 16 from 8 to 9:30 p.m.
Students in grades 5 and 6 are invited for an evening get-together at the library. Have fun learning something new, visit with new and old friends and enjoy light refreshments. Registration begins Monday, May 5 at 9:15 a.m. in the Children’s Room or by calling 883-4400, Ext. 150. Workshop topic to be announced.

Summer Programs
Children ages birth through 12 will have the chance to participate in a number of activities including story times, book discussions and workshops. Check the June newsletter for details and information regarding registration.

Summer Reading Programs
The following two reading programs begin July 7 and end August 15. Pre-registration is not required — sign-up when you are ready to begin and participate.

Catch the Reading Bug!
Readers entering first through sixth grade are invited to join. 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 six week program, members who have read at least 6 books will receive a certificate and gift.

Smart Start for Babies, Toddlers & Preschoolers
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 5 years old with age appropriate activities, gifts and programs. Participation is simple — just read, sing or do fingerplays with your child at home. Record the activities you have shared and we’ll have gifts for your child and an invitation to a special program at the end of the summer.
FACES IN THE NEWS: Last month’s Asian Festival was a huge success with hundreds of community members enjoying crafts, food, performances, displays and demonstrations all celebrating Asian Culture.

In our collections

Concerts, music videos & rock docs on DVD

This month we present several music programs and concerts. Here are just some of the rock, folk, soul and R&B music DVDs in our circulating collection:

- AC/DC: Back in Black
- Aerosmith: Aerosmith: As Good As New
- Alice in Chains: MTV Unplugged
- Alice Cooper: Live at the Astor Ballroom 1969
- Alice: Take Me to Church
- Alanis Morissette: Jagged Little Pill
- Alanis Morissette: Live at the Montreux Jazz Festival
- Alanis Morissette: Live at the Troubadour
- Alanis Morissette: Live at Stubb's
- Alanis Morissette: Live at the Orpheum Theatre

Spiritual & healing music

SoundSwap presents singer/songwriter Bianca Bragonian on Thursday, May 22 at 7:30 p.m. You’ll hear traces of world and tribal music, along with soulful ballads, Celtic sounds and alternative country.

Bianca has worked with some of New York's finest jazz and new age musicians. She explores the boundaries of these musical genres in compositions that have unique spiritual undertones, conveyed with the messages of love and peace expressed in both her lyrical and instrumental works.

This concert is made possible, in part, with funds from the Friends of the Library.

Join us on Friday, May 16 at 7:30 p.m. for a special...

Way Off Broadway Event

Bob's Big Birthday Bash

The Ad Hoc Dylans...

David Bailey

Stuart Markus

and

James O’Malley

... sing early Bob

Santana: Sacred Fire: Live in Mexico
- Shadows & Light (Joni Mitchell)
- The Songs Remain the Same (Led Zeppelin)
- Soundstage Featuring Lindsey Buckingham
- Stephen Stills & Manassas
- Tina Turner: 2 DVD Collector's Set
- Tori Amos: A Sorta Fairytale
- Unplugged in New York: Nirvana
- The Who: Live at the Isle of Wight Festival 1970
- Woodstock: 3 Days of Peace & Music

In our collections

Concerts, music videos & rock docs on DVD

- ABBA in Concert
- Aerosmith: You Gotta Move
- Aimee Mann: Live at St. Ann’s Warehouse
- Amazing Journey: The Story of the Who
- Ani DiFranco: Live in Washington: Be Glad for the Song Has No Ending
- Ani DiFranco: Live in Washington: Trust
- Ani DiFranco: Live in Washington: Fans Only
- Ani DiFranco: Live in Washington: Fly
- Amazing Journey: The Story of the Who
- The Beatles Anthology
- The Bee Gees: Live in London: Behind the Music
- Blondie: Best of Chris Isaak
- Bob Dylan: MTV Unplugged
- Bonnaroo Music Festival 2004
- Brian Wilson Presents Pet Sounds Live in London
- The Classic Albums series
- Club Date: Elvis Costello and the Attractions: Live in Memphis
- The Complete Montgomery Pop Collection
- The Concert for Bangladesh
- Cream: Strange Brew
- Creedence Clearwater Revival Featuring John Fogerty
- Dar Williams: Live at Bearsville Theater, Woodstock
- David Bowie: Serious Moonlight
- Delaney and Bonnie, and Friends: Destiny's Child: The Platinum's on the Wall
- Devo Live 1980
- The Dick Cavett Show: Rock Icons
- Dig! (Brian Jonestown Massacre, Dandy Warhols)
- Dusty Springfield in Concert at the Royal Albert Hall
- Electric Light Orchestra: Out of the Blue Tour Live
- Elton 60: Live at Madison Square Garden
- Emerson, Lake and Palmer at the Isle of Wight
- The Tori Amos Collection
- Fans Only (Belle & Sebastian)
- Fly: Jefferson Airplane
- Genesis: The Way We Walk Live in Concert
- Gimme Shelter (Rolling Stones)
- Gin Blossoms: Just South of Nowhere
- Glam Rock: The DVD
- Go-Go's from Central Park
- Grateful Dead: Ticket to New Year's
- The Guess Who: The Concert
- Have You Heard: Jim Croce Live
- Hot Tuna: Acoustic Blue Live in Sweetwater
- I Am Trying to Break Your Heart (Wilco)
- Jerry Garcia Band: Live at Shoreline
- The Jerry Lee Lewis Show
- Jimi Hendrix: Live at Woodstock
- Joe Jackson: Live in Tokyo
- John Fogerty: The Long Road Home in Concert
- Kate Rusby: Live from Leeds
- The Kids Are Alright (The Who)
- The Kinks: You Can’t Stop the Music
- Kylie: Greatest Hits
- The Last Waltz (The Band)
- Live Aid
- Live from Austin, TX: John Hiatt
- The London Rock and Roll Show
- Lou Reed: Magic and Loss
- Lucinda Williams: Live from Austin, TX
- Mad Dogs & Englishmen
- Mirrorball (Sarah McLachlan)
- Neil Young: Heart of Gold
- Never Say Die: A Decade of Black Sabbath
- Nothing Is Easy: Jethro Tull at the Isle of Wight Festival
- NRBQ: One in a Million
- Pete Townshend's Deep End
- Picture Music (1980s music videos)
- Pure 80's DVD: Headbangers Rule!
- Return to Sin City: A Tribute to Gram Parsons
- Robert Gordon & Chris Spedding: Rockin' the Paradiso
- Rockthology: Volume 4
- The Rolling Stones Rock and Roll Circus
- Rust Never Sleeps
- Santana: Sacred Fire: Live in Mexico
- Shadows & Light (Joni Mitchell)
- The Song Remains the Same (Led Zeppelin)
- Soundstage Featuring Lindsey Buckingham
- Stephen Stills & Manassas
- Tina Turner: 2 DVD Collector’s Set
- Tori Amos: A Sorta Fairytale
- Unplugged in New York: Nirvana
- The Who: Live at the Isle of Wight Festival 1970
- Woodstock: 3 Days of Peace & Music
What’s new in TeenSpace?

Teen Video Game Tournament
Congratulations to Nicolas Deriu, who won our Teen Video Game Tournament on March 15. Second place winner Paul Hyman did a great job as well. Thanks to all the teens who participated. Gift certificates from Game Stop were provided to our winners thanks to the Bernard L. Fendrich Memorial Youth Fund.

Panic Free Finals
Thursday, May 22 at 7 p.m.
Final exams are just around the corner and students are feeling the pressure. Relieve some of the stress with a one-session workshop in active study strategies, time management skills and tips for test-taking and essay writing led by Corlyn Nedwick of Long Island Study Skills Clinic. Registration begins May 1 in TeenSpace for students in grades 7 through 12. Materials fee $3. Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Want to learn more about your favorite author, musician or celebrity? Check out the Biography Resource Center + Marquis Who’s Who database. This resource integrates Gale biographies with full-text magazine articles, images and website links. Search for current or historic people by name, occupation, nationality, ethnicity, birth/death dates and places, or gender, or by keyword and full text. The optional Marquis Who’s Who® module provides quick reference information on over 1 million additional people whose entries have appeared in more than 20 Marquis sources published from 1985 to the present.

Social studies homework got you stumped? Take a look at the History Resource Center: U.S. Part of the Gale collection of databases, this resource provides integrated access to over 4,000 historical (primary) documents, articles from more than 30 reference titles, and over 110 full-text journals covering themes, events, individuals and periods in U.S. history from pre-Colonial times to the present. The material also includes citations from over 180 additional history journals from the Institute for Scientific Information’s Arts and Humanities Citation Index, as well as the entire “American Journey Online” series.

Biographies for Young Adults
Looking for a good non-fiction book? Try a biography from our Young Adult collection:

- Steve Nash: Leader On and Off the Court by Ryan Basen (YA B Nash B)
- Mahmoud Ahmadinejad: President of Iran by Matthew Broyles (YA B Ahmadinejad B)
- Oprah Winfrey: A Twentieth-Century Life by Ikene Cooper (YA B Winfrey C)
- Madonna: Express Yourself by Carol Gnojewski (YA B Madonna G)
- Skinny Boy: A Young Man’s Battle and Triumph Over Anorexia by Gary A. Grahl (YA B Grahl)
- Zora Neale Hurston: I Have Been in Sorrow’s Kitchen by Laura Baskes Litwin (YA B Hurston L)
- Snow Falling in Spring: Coming of Age in China During the Cultural Revolution by Moying Li (YA B Li)
- Reggae Poet: The Story of Bob Marley by Calvin Craig Miller (YA B Marley M)
- Tiki Barber: All-Pro On and Off the Field by Tom Needham (YA B Barber N)
- J. Robert Oppenheimer: The Brain Behind the Bomb by Glenn Scherer
- ADHD and Me: What I Learned from Lighting Fires at the Dinner Table by Blake E.S. Taylor (YA B Taylor)
- Mahmood Ahmadinejad: President of Iran by Tanya Lee Stone (YA B Ahmadinejad S)
- Oprah Winfrey: A Twentieth-Century Life by Joni Simon (YA B Winfrey S)
- ADHD and Me: What I Learned from Lighting Fires at the Dinner Table by Blake E.S. Taylor (YA B Taylor)