Dr. Sandeep Jauhar discusses his acclaimed memoir Doctored

On Tuesday, January 13 at 7:30 p.m. the Friends of the Library and the Health Advisory Council welcome Sandeep Jauhar, M.D., whose widely praised memoir Intern chronicled the author’s years in residency at a prestigious New York City hospital. Doctored: The Disillusionment of an American Physician (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2014) is the harrowing follow-up. Dr. Jauhar further examines the failures of the American medical system, as seen during his years as an attending cardiologist at a Long Island hospital.

With American medicine at a crossroads, Doctored is a timely memoir that is also an impassioned plea for reform.

“Highly engaging and disarmingly candid... Dr. Jauhar does a service by describing eloquently the excesses and dysfunctions of patient care and the systemic distortions responsible for them.” -- The Wall Street Journal

“Bold and fascinating... [Jauhar] interweaves his personal story as well as anecdotes about his patients into a meticulously researched and painfully honest account of a profession... This beautifully written and unsparring memoir puts a human face on the vast, dysfunctional system in which patients and clinicians alike are now entangled.” -- The Boston Globe

Dr. Jauhar is currently the director of the Heart Failure Program at Long Island Jewish Medical Center. Randy Cohen, host of Person Place Thing, will interview Dr. Jauhar for broadcast on WAMC Northeast Public Radio. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Refreshments will be served.

The Curious American Landscapes of Margaret Withers

The Art Advisory Council presents the work of New York artist Margaret Withers in the Main Gallery from January 5 through 30.

Her paintings are fragments of stories found in an imaginary landscape. They capture conflicting feelings of joy and melancholy, as well as community and aloneness. Undertones of play and humor engage the viewer and invite them to figure out the story, or to imagine one of their own.

Originally from Texas, Withers has exhibited her work throughout the country and internationally in Brussels, Australia, Berlin, China, Vienna and Russia. Her artwork is included in many private and corporate collections and has won numerous awards including a 2013/2015 resident fellowship to the Vermont Studio Center, a fellowship to the Millay Colony, and a 2013 USA Project Grant.
Not registered to vote?
Register at the Library on April 7

The Library is providing an easy way to register prior to our budget vote and trustee election on April 14. You must be a registered voter in order to vote in this election.

On April 7, visit the Library between the hours of noon and 9 p.m. to register. If you are a registered voter, it is not necessary to register again for our election.

When coming to register, please bring one of the following: a valid photo ID, current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, government check, or some other government document that shows your name or address.

The voter registration books will be available as of April 2 for anyone who wishes to confirm that they are a registered voter.

As a matter of information, any resident of the Port Washington school district can also register at the school administration building on Campus Drive on any day the school is open, between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

To vote you must be 18 years of age, a U.S. citizen, and a resident of the Port Washington Union Free School District for at least 30 days.

Consider a seat on the Library Board of Trustees

Would you like to have a voice in charting the direction of your library while serving your community? If so, consider serving as a library trustee. PWPL trustees serve 5-year terms; meetings take place on the third Wednesday evening of each month.

Some of the responsibilities of a Library Trustee:
• Create and develop the mission of the library
• Secure adequate funding for the library’s service program
• Exercise fiduciary responsibility for the use of public and private funds
• Adopt policies and rules regarding library governance and use

For more information, pick up a copy of the brochure Why Become a Library Trustee? at the Library’s Information Desk.

Trustee petitions will be available in the administration office beginning February 9. If you are interested in running for a seat on the Library Board, your petition must be returned by March 16, 2015.

The Annual Budget Vote & Trustee Election takes place April 14. Please contact library administration at 883-4400, Ext. 101.

Jobs & Careers

The following programs, brought to you by the Jobs & Careers Information Center, are free, but registration is required. Sign up at the Reference Desk, or by calling 516-883-4400, Ext. 111, except where noted.

REIRETIREMENT PLANNING WORKSHOP with Samuel J. Schiff
Monday, January 12 at 7 p.m.
Many Americans underestimate how much money they will need to save for retirement. Take steps now to be certain that your money will outlive you. Sign up at the Information Desk or call 516-883-4400, Ext. 136.

RESUME & COVER LETTER WORKSHOP with Karen McKenna
Saturday, January 17 at 10 a.m.
Small group resume and cover letter preparation workshop for job seekers. 10 a.m.

ALTERNATIVE CAREERS FOR TEACHERS with Karen McKenna
Saturday, January 17 at 1 p.m.
Budget cuts and layoffs have many teachers considering their options beyond the classroom. This program introduces resources to identify alternative career options, while taking advantage of teachers’ existing skills, interests, education and experience, 1 p.m.

Planning big things!

Stay up to date on the plans for the new Children’s Room.
Visit www.pwpl.org/aneleaf

Reestablishing Connections

The Connections exhibit, in the Column Gallery outside the Reading Room, links community members to artwork and artifacts from the Local History Center that hold special meaning to them. A number of the participants were recently reunited for a celebration of the popular exhibit.

Back row, left to right: Peter Zwerlein, Tal Hurwitz, Alan Dinn, Myron Blumenfeld, Robert Lee Aitken, Eric Pick, Ken Spencer, Tony Traguardo, Amy Bass, Maria Elena Castro, Elly Shodell
Front row, left to right: Janet West, Jane Mackey, Ann Pellaton, Norman Scherler, Nancy Curtin

AARP Tax Help

Professional assistance with your tax preparation

Tuesdays from February 3 through April 14
One hour sessions between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, January 12
Register at the Information Desk or call 516-883-4400, Ext. 136
Limited to Port Washington residents
Photographer James Furey’s
Right Place, Just in Time

James Furey will exhibit *Right Place, Just in Time* in the Martin Vogel Photography Gallery from January 6 through February 28.

Furey writes, “I am a retired civil trial attorney residing in Malverne and Shelter Island with my wife, Nora. I have been pursuing photography as a hobby for about fifteen years but more seriously within the last ten. I have been exhibiting and selling my photos for the last five years. Each of the last three summers my work has been featured at an exhibit at the Shelter Island Library.

“*In June of last year, I was invited to participate in the 34th Annual Long Island Arts Council Juried Photography Show, and as a result was entitled to exhibit at the Town of Hempstead town hall. In 2009 I was chosen as a finalist in the travel category for the National Geographic Ultimate Photography Contest. “I have photographed in numerous European countries, Latin America, the American southwest, and Iceland as well as locally. I was primarily engaged in landscape photography but have recently begun to incorporate abstract and street photography as well.”

Meet James at a reception in the Martin Vogel Photography Gallery on Saturday, January 17 from 2 to 5 p.m.

Phil Banaszak plays fiddle, mandolin and guitar, and sings. Dave Ruch, a full-time musician/performer/music researcher/teaching artist, sings and plays mandolin, guitar, banjo, octave mandolin, bones, spoons and jaw harp. Jim Whitford, a Buffalo Music Hall of Famer, rocks the string bass as well as playing dobro and guitar and singing.

This annual tribute honors the internationally acclaimed folksinger Jean Ritchie, a long-time resident of Port Washington and member emeritus of the Music Advisory Council. Ritchie, the youngest of 14 children and a native of the eastern Kentucky mountains, grew up singing, and became a fixture in the New York City folk scene. She was responsible for launching a revival of traditional dulcimer music and an interest in Appalachian folk music. Ritchie has been called “the mother of folk music” and a “national treasure” for her work in keeping traditional folk music alive.

On our shelves:
Martin Luther King, Jr.

Commemorate Martin Luther King Jr.’s birthday on January 19 with a look back at his life and legacy. The titles below include life-spanning biographies, as well as works that look more deeply at specific aspects of his life and the world he lived in.

*At Canaan’s Edge: America in the King Years, 1965-1968* (2006) by Taylor Branch

*Behind the Dream: The Making of the Speech That Transformed a Nation* (2011) by Clarence B. Jones

*The Dream: Martin Luther King Jr., and the Speech That Inspired a Nation* (2003) by Drew Hansen


*Gospel of Freedom: Martin Luther King Jr.’s Letter From a Birmingham Jail* (2013) by Jonathan Rieder

*Hellhound on His Trail: The Stalking of Martin Luther King Jr. and the International Hunt for His Assassin* (2010) by Hampton Sides

*Judgment Days: Lyndon Baines Johnson, Martin Luther King Jr., and the Laws That Changed America* (2005) by Nick Kotz

King’s Dream (2009) by Eric Sundquist

*Marching to the Mountaintop: How Poverty, Labor Fights, and Civil Rights Set the Stage for Martin Luther King Jr.’s Final Hours* (2012) by Ann Bausum (Young Adult)

*Martin’s Big Words: The Life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.* (2001) by Doreen Rappaport (Children’s)

*Martin’s Dream: My Journey and the Legacy of Martin Luther King Jr.* (2013) by Clayborne Carson

*A Testament of Hope: The Essential Writings of Martin Luther King Jr.* (1986) Edited by James Melvin Washington
Long Island Reads 2015
The Museum of Extraordinary Things
by Alice Hoffman

This April, join readers across the Island in discovering The Museum of Extraordinary Things, announced as the 2015 Long Island Reads selection. Stay tuned for announcements of events and discussion groups related to this captivating novel by Long Island native Alice Hoffman.

Mesmerizing and illuminating, Hoffman’s latest book is the story of an electric and impassioned love between two vastly different souls in New York during the volatile first decades of the 20th century. With its colorful crowds of bootleggers, heiresses, thugs, and idealists, New York itself becomes a riveting character as Hoffman weaves her trademark magic and masterful storytelling to unite her characters in a sizzling, tender, and moving story of self-discovery in tumultuous times.

Long Island Reads began in 2002 and is an Island-wide reading initiative intended to bring together readers from across Nassau and Suffolk Counties to discuss a book and participate in library-sponsored activities and events associated with it. The committee endeavors to choose a title that has a direct Long Island connection and lends itself to related programming. Long Island Reads is sponsored by the Nassau Library System and the Public Libraries of Suffolk County.

Happy Retirement, Miss Lucy!

If you have ever been to the Children’s Room of the Port Washington Public Library, you surely know Lucy Salerno. Some would argue that she is the face of the library. Without a doubt she is the face of the Children’s Room. Lucy started her career at the library in 1970 by shelving books. She moved to the Children's Room a few years later and it was here that she found her calling. Her easy demeanor, genuine interest in what people of all ages have to say and infectious laugh made her adored by the thousands of children who have grown up with Miss Lucy as their librarian. No matter what the situation, she was never judgmental. Lucy is certainly a role model for everyone she comes in contact with.

It is with mixed emotions that we announce Lucy’s retirement. Although we are happy that she is starting a new and exciting chapter of her life, it saddens us that she will no longer be sharing stories, songs and fingerplays with future generations of children in our town.

—Rachel Fox, Director of Children’s Services
Early Childhood

January Jamboree
Four Tuesdays beginning January 6 at 10:30 a.m.
Join Miss Lesley for music, stories and songs. For children of all ages with an adult. No registration required.

Parent Child Workshop
Five Wednesdays beginning January 7 from 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
For children ages 18 to 29 months with an adult. Registration began December 19 – call for availability.

Tummy Time
Four Thursdays beginning January 8 at 10:30 a.m.
Babies are spending more time on their backs than ever before due to the recommendations set by the American Academy of Pediatrics. Babies need lots of Tummy Time to develop their muscle strength and coordination. You and your child will be led in song, rhymes and simple stories. There will be time for playing with rattles, soft blocks and other developmentally appropriate toys. This program is for parents/caregivers with babies between the ages of 3 months to pre-crawlers. Limited registration begins January 2.

Story Time with Miss Susie and Mr. Mike
Monday, January 12 at 10:30 a.m.
For children of all ages with an adult. No registration required.

PlayHooray
Monday, January 26
A preschool music and movement program. Ages birth to 17 months with an adult at 10 a.m. Ages 18 months to 2 ½ years with an adult at 11 a.m. Ages 2 ½ to 5 years with an adult at 12 p.m. Registration begins January 16.

Pajama Story Time
Wednesday, January 28 at 7 p.m.
Come in pajamas and listen to bedtime stories. For children ages 3 to 6 years with an adult. No registration required.

Valentine Craft
Monday, February 2
Join Miss Jeannie for a holiday craft, stories and fingerplays. Ages 18 to 36 months with an adult at 11 a.m. Ages 3 to 5 years with an adult at 12 noon. Registration begins January 26.

Kindergarten through 6th Grade

Graphic Novel Book Discussion
Tuesday, January 13 from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m.

Tweens’ Night Out: Eureka!
The History of Invention
Friday, January 16 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.
Celebrate Kid Inventor’s Day (January 17) and join The Museums of Interesting Things in a traveling hands-on demonstration of antiques and inventions. For children in grades 5 and 6. Registration begins January 5.

Drop-In Family Lego
Saturday, January 17 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Families with children ages 5 and up are invited to visit the Children’s Room to use our Lego and your imagination. No registration required.

Book Bunch
Thursday, January 22 at 4 p.m.

Page Turners
Tuesday, January 27 at 7:15 p.m.
Monthly book discussion for children in fifth and sixth grade. Call for availability.

The Great Library Card Adventure!

“Great Library Card Adventure”. From January 2 through 31 children in grades K through 5 are invited to visit the Children’s Room and help win books for their school libraries. Present your library card (or library card application) at the Children’s Services desk and participate in a scavenger hunt that takes approximately 20 minutes. Each child who plays will receive a gift (while supplies last). The grade that has the most participants will be the winner! Sponsored by the Friends of the Port Washington Public Library.

Born to Read

Congratulations new parents! The Port Washington Public Library is proud to be part of a nationwide initiative that promotes early literacy. Born to Read was created to reach out to new parents and their babies to support the sharing of books together. This special bond between parents and children can begin from the time a child is born.

Port Washington families with babies born anytime in the year 2014 and 2015 are invited to visit the Children’s Room to receive the Born To Read welcome gift! Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Creative Readers

For children in kindergarten through grade 5, this program uses drama, games, art, movement and music to get kids hooked on reading. Presented by PortSEPTA and the Port Washington Public Library. For more information email creativereadersinport@yahoo.com or portsepta@aol.com.

Family Show
Invent Something

Sunday, January 25 at 3 p.m.
Families of all ages are invited for a truly out of this world rock concert! Members of the band 9 Volt Satellite Dish show off their latest inventions while playing fun, high-energy songs from around the universe. Created by local resident and musician Ray Mills, the show features a variety of pop and rock styles with songs emphasizing creativity, collaboration and friendship. His band members include Shumai and Channo, two aliens who will video-conference in from their home planets! No tickets required.
TEENSPACE for grades seven through twelve

TeenSpace’s 2014 Top Picks
Here’s a reading list just for teens, spotlighting some of the TeenSpace staff’s favorite books of 2014.

The Impossible Knife of Memory by Laurie Halse Anderson
Hayley Kincaid and her father move back to their hometown to try a “normal” life, but the horrors he saw in the war threaten to destroy their lives.

The Family Romanov: Murder, Rebellion & The Fall of Imperial Russia by Candace Fleming
Traces the story of the Russian Revolution, the lives of the Romanov family and the story of their tragic deaths.

Glory O’Brien’s History of the Future by A.S. King
As her high school graduation draws near, Glory O’Brien begins having powerful and terrifying visions of the future as she struggles with her long-buried grief over her mother’s suicide.

We Were Liars by E. Lockhart
Spending the summers on her family’s private island off the coast of Massachusetts with her cousins and a special boy named Gat, teenaged Cadence struggles to remember what happened during her fifteenth summer.

I’ll Give You the Sun by Jandy Nelson
A story of first love and family loss follows the estrangement between Jude and her twin brother Noah, as a result of a mysterious event that is brought to light by a beautiful, broken boy and new mentor.

Afterworlds by Scott Westerfeld
In alternating chapters, eighteen-year-old Darcy Patel navigates the New York City publishing world and Lizzie, the heroine of Darcy’s novel, slips into the “Afterworld” to survive a terrorist attack and becomes a spirit guide, as both face many challenges and both fall in love.

Grasshopper Jungle by Andrew Smith
Austin Szerba narrates the end of humanity as he and his best friend Robby accidentally unleash an army of giant, unstoppable bugs and uncover the secrets of a decades-old experiment gone terribly wrong.

The Port Chicago 50: Disaster, Mutiny, and the Fight for Civil Rights by Steve Sheinkin
Presents an account of the 1944 civil rights protests involving hundreds of African-American Navy servicemen who were unjustly charged with mutiny for refusing to work in unsafe conditions after the deadly Port Chicago explosion.

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