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Anita Shreve and Paul Freedman headline FOL’s 48th Annual Book & Author Luncheon

FOL welcomes novelist Anita Shreve, who will speak about her highly anticipated new book *The Stars Are Fire* (Alfred A. Knopf), and food historian and Yale University professor Paul Freedman, who will discuss his acclaimed *Ten Restaurants That Changed America* (Liveright). Port’s own bestselling novelist Susan Isaacs returns as program moderator.

Tickets will be $75 per person. Reservation brochures will be available April 1 in the Library and downloadable online at www.pwpl.org/fol. For more information email fol@pwpl.org. With the help of individual and corporate sponsorships, which begin at $250, the luncheon becomes a fundraiser for the FOL, according to president Amy Bass. Sponsors bypass first-come, first-served ticketing to the sell-out luncheon and sponsorships are tax deductible. For information, please contact FOL Board members Margaret DeSiervo (margaretdesier.vo@yahoo.com, 516-883-2722) or Nancy Wright (nprw@aol.com, 516-883-8418).

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Remembering America’s entry into World War I

From March 10 through 12, PWPL presents *Over There: America Enters WWI*, a series commemorating the one-hundredth anniversary of a momentous event in our nation’s history. The weekend will be filled with lectures, performances and exhibits.

Among the presenters will be Donald Parker, Dr. Ronald J. Brown, and Bob Merrill and the Long Island Harmonizers. Students from the Port Washington schools will present lectures and their own writings.

Throughout March, the Adler Gallery, in partnership with the World War History & Art Museum (WWMH), The National World War I Museum and Memorial and the U.S. Army Heritage & Education Center, will display original newspapers from the period, reproductions of World War I propaganda posters, and an interactive digital exhibit. Letters, photographs and artifacts from our Local History collection will also be on display.

Join us for an enlightening and entertaining weekend.

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Save the date: Friday, May 12

An exquisitely suspenseful new novel based on the true story of the largest fire in Maine’s history and a fascinating history of dining out in America as told through ten legendary restaurants will be the featured works at the Friends of the Library’s 48th Annual Richard D. Whittemore Book & Author Luncheon. The luncheon will be held at 11 a.m., Friday, May 12, at the North Hills Country Club in Manhasset.

Adult Coloring

Our adult coloring meetups are on hiatus for the winter, but we have books and pencils available anytime at the Research Desk.

Homebound service

We make housecalls! If you or a loved one is unable to visit the Library, let us know and we will arrange for free delivery of books and other materials. For more information contact Keith Klang at 516-883-4400, ext. 135 or kklang@pwpl.org.

A call to action

The Books for Dessert Advisory Board is seeking new committee members who have an interest in literacy for adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities. Experience is appreciated but not required. For more information please contact Keith Klang, Head of Adult Services, at 516-883-4400, ext. 135. For information about Books for Dessert, visit pwpl.org/books/books-for-dessert.

FOL Paperback Swap

The Friends of the Library’s popular Paperback Swap returns on Saturday, March 18 from 1 to 4 p.m. Bring your gently used adult, teen and children’s paperbacks downstairs to the Lapham Meeting Room. Thousands of books are shared at this free, friendly community event. We also accept hardcover children’s books including board books. We stop accepting books at 3:30 p.m.; please do not leave books outside or at the Circulation Desk.

Budget vote

The budget vote and Trustee election will be held at the Library on April 4. There will be public budget hearings on March 15 and 28. Please see page two for more information.

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2017 Library budget vote and Board of Trustees election timeline

Absentee ballot applications are now available
Nominating petitions due: Monday, March 6
Budget Hearing #2: Wednesday, March 15
Budget Hearing #3/Meet the Candidates: Tuesday, March 28
Personal Registration Day: Tuesday, March 28
Budget vote/Trustee election: Tuesday, April 4

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 are available in the administration office. If you are interested in running for a seat on the Library Board, your petition must be returned by Monday, March 6. The annual budget vote and Trustee election takes place on Tuesday, April 4. For more information, contact Library administration at 516-883-4400, ext. 101.

Wednesday, March 22 at 2:30 p.m.
Streaming video for the perplexed

Hulu, Vudu, Netflix, Amazon Prime, Roku, Kindle Fire, AppleTV, Sling TV... the list goes on. Consumers now face a dizzying array of options for watching movies and TV shows online. It can be confusing and overwhelming, but also exciting! If you’d like to get started, or already have but want to get caught up on the latest choices, join us for an intro to streaming video services and devices.

Four PWPL staff experts will discuss commercially available services and their benefits, pricing, and limitations, as well as free streaming services now available to PWPL cardholders. Start streaming with confidence!

Book & Author Luncheon

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The Stars are Fire

From The New York Times bestselling author of The Weight of Water and The Pilot’s Wife comes a new novel—to be released April 18—about an extraordinary young woman tested by a catastrophic event and its devastating aftermath.

In October 1947, after a summer-long drought, fires break out near Bar Harbor and are soon burning out of control, racing down the coast. Five months pregnant, Grace Holland is left alone to protect her two toddlers when her husband, Gene, joins the volunteer firefighters. Facing an uncertain future in a town that no longer exists, Grace discovers glorious new freedoms—joys and triumphs she could never have expected her narrow life with Gene could contain—and her spirit soars. And then the unbelievable happens, and Grace’s bravery is tested as never before.

Anita Shreve is author of seventeen novels that have been translated into thirty-six languages. She grew up in Dedham, Massachusetts. After graduating from Tufts University, she taught high school in and around Boston, publishing her early work in literary journals. One of these stories, “Past the Island, Drifting,” won an O. Henry prize in 1998. In 1998, Shreve received the PEN/L. L.Winslow Award and the New England Book Award for fiction. In 1999, The Pilot’s Wife became the 25th selection of Oprah’s Book Club and an international bestseller. In 2002, CBS aired the film version of The Pilot’s Wife and a film adaptation of The Weight of Water was released in theaters.

Ten Restaurants that Changed America

Combining a historian’s rigor with a foodie’s palate, Ten Restaurants That Changed America reveals how the history of our restaurants reflects nothing less than the history of America itself. Whether charting the rise of our love affair with Chinese food through San Francisco’s famed The Mandarin, evoking the richness of Italian food through Mamma Leone’s, or chronicling the rise and fall of French haute cuisine through Henri Soulé’s Le Pavillon, Paul Freedman uses each restaurant to tell a wider story of race and class, immigration and assimilation.

Ten Restaurants That Changed America is a significant and highly entertaining social history.

Dr. Paul Freedman is a professor of history at Yale University, where he has taught since 1997. His doctoral degree was awarded in 1978 by UC Berkeley. While his primary responsibilities are in the field of medieval European history, he has always been fascinated by the history of food and cuisine. In 2007 Freedman edited Food: The History of Taste, which won a prize from the International Association of Culinary Professionals. His book Out of the East: Spices and the Medieval Imagination (2008) looks at the desire for spices in the Middle Ages and how it led to European exploration and conquest.
Sunday, March 19 at 3 p.m.
An afternoon with pianist Dasol Kim

On Sunday, March 19 at 3 p.m., pianist Dasol Kim performs selections from Beethoven, Barber, Chopin and others.

Kim brings “a refined artistry of incredible maturity” (North German Review) to his performances. A sought-after soloist, he has appeared with the New York Philharmonic, the Berlin Konzerthaus Orchestra and Concerto Budapest. He has performed with such notable conductors as Alan Gilbert, David Zinman and Michael Sanderling. His first album was released in 2015. Made possible by the PWPL Music Advisory Council.

Sunday, March 26 at 1:30 p.m.
FOL University returns

The future of the Supreme Court and the evolution of morality

FOL University, the Friends of the Library’s lecture program featuring notable scholars and professors, returns on Sunday, March 26 at 1:30 p.m. with two timely and fascinating topics. Boston University Philosophy Professor Russell Powell will discuss “The Evolution of Morality” and Stephen A. Weiner, noted attorney and Adjunct Professor at Brooklyn, Cardozo and Hofstra Law Schools, will discuss “The U.S. Supreme Court: Where Do We Go from Here?”

The Evolution of Morality

Russell Powell is Assistant Professor in the Department of Philosophy and Center for Philosophy of Science at Boston University. Dr. Powell holds advanced degrees in philosophy of science, evolutionary biology and law. He received his B.A. in philosophy from SUNY Binghamton, his J.D. from NYU Law School, and his Ph.D. in Philosophy and M.S. in Biology from Duke University.

The Future of the Supreme Court

Following a brief refreshment break, Mr. Weiner will discuss the current dynamics of the Court, including the background of the justices, the circumstances of their confirmations, and the pivotal role played by Justice Anthony Kennedy. He will review crucial recent decisions of the Court, including the rulings on same sex marriage and the constitutionality of Obamacare, and will address the future of the Court under the Trump presidency.

Stephen A. Weiner, a Port Washington attorney and Adjunct Professor at Brooklyn, Cardozo and Hofstra Law Schools, will discuss “The U.S. Supreme Court: Where Do We Go from Here?”

Celebrating Women’s History Month

The Business of Women: a workshop series

PWPL’s Career & Personal Finance Center is celebrating career women all month long. Please register for the following events at the Information Desk, or by calling 516-883-4400, ext. 136.

Career Conversations

Port is home to many distinguished and accomplished career women, four of whom will join us to share expertise, answer questions, and discuss how to break into their respective fields.

Finance: Charlotte Beyer, author of Wealth Management Unwrapped

March 6 at 7 p.m.

Social Media: Beth Granger of Beth Granger Consulting

March 13 at 7 p.m.

Real Estate: Dorothy Donoghue, Licensed Real Estate Broker

March 20 at 7 p.m.

Food Industry: Viki Sater of Viki’s Foods

March 27 at 7 p.m.

Introduction To Franchising For Women

March 13 at 7 p.m.

Is there a franchise in your future? Women have emerged as leaders, owning more than 21% of all franchised businesses. Learn how to properly research opportunities that may be right for you. Presented by Stuart Levenberg, CFE, CBI, Franchise Sales & Development, Kensington Company.

Twisting The Plot - A Workshop For Women In Career Transition

March 25 at 2 p.m.

Are you being phased out of a job, looking to re-enter the work force, or feeling the desire to make a professional change? Women in career transition have much to discover and offer the world. This interactive workshop will help you identify your strengths, challenge your mindsets and get on the path to reaching your professional goals. Presented by Cecilia Dintino, PsyD, and Hannah Starobin, LCSW, founders of Twisting the Plot.

A LOOK AT THE NEW CHILDREN’S LIBRARY

Make change with your change! You and your kids can help create a special feature of our new Children’s Library: a custom magnetic map of Port Washington by renowned children’s illustrator Rob Dunlavey (detail below). Next time you visit the temporary Children’s Room, drop your extra change in the Coin Vortex and watch it spin!

To learn more about the Jackie and Harold Spielman Children’s Library, visit pwpl.org/anewleaf.
Port Washington Public Library presents
OVER THERE
AMERICA ENTERS WWII
A one-hundredth anniversary commemoration featuring lectures, performances and exhibits

Friday, March 10
12 noon
The Color Guard of the Henderson-Marino VFW Post open our commemoration.

12:15 p.m.
“U.S. Neutrality in The Great War.” Don Parker discusses the April 1917 U.S. declaration of war against the Central Powers.

3 p.m.
“NYC Becomes the Empire City.” Dr. Ronald Brown discusses New York City against the backdrop of WWI.

7:30 p.m.
Shoulder Arms. (1918-46 min.). A screening of the silent Chaplin classic.

Saturday, March 11
2 p.m.
Original Poetry Inspired by the Great War. Fifth grade students from South Salem Elementary School, led by school librarian Joanne Koukoulas, read their work.

3 p.m.
The Great War In Song. Weber Middle School’s Tenor Choir, led by Matthew Gawronski, sing popular songs from the era.

4 p.m.

Sunday, March 12
1:30 p.m.
“The Spanish Flu.” Si Shink discusses the 1918 epidemic.

3 p.m.
Songs of World War I. With Bob Merrill and the Long Island Harmonizers.

Thank you to the Friends of the Library for additional support of the weekend’s events.

Inspiring a Nation: America Enters the Great War
The Karen and Ed Adler Gallery
March 2 through 30
This month-long exhibition showcases the artistic and editorial war efforts on the home front, including:
- Poster reproductions by The Philadelphia Sketch Club.
- Original newspapers documenting the outbreak of the war as it unfolded.
- A digital gallery showcasing volunteer organizations, foodways, and the lives of African-Americans during the war.
- Artifacts, documents and photographs from our Local History collections.


Friday, March 3 at 7:30 p.m.
Sheri Miller returns to Soundswap

On Friday, March 3 at 7:30 p.m., we welcome Roslyn-based singer Sheri Miller back to Soundswap.

The daughter of an opera singer and classical pianist, Miller learned classical piano at an early age, and began to compose original songs. She taught herself acoustic guitar, while singing along with Ella Fitzgerald, Etta James, Billie Holiday, Bonnie Raitt, The Beatles and The Beach Boys.

Upon the release of Miller’s debut EP Mafra in 2008, she was named one of Music Connection’s “Hot 100 Unsigned Artists.” She next released the critically-acclaimed EP Winning Hand, produced by Kevin Killen (U2, Peter Gabriel). Her song “I Could Love You Still” featured Steve Cropper on guitar and Paul Shaffer on organ.

Miller has played at such well-regarded venues as Joe’s Pub, Bowery Ballroom and B.B. King’s.

Made possible by the Friends of the Library.

JOB SEARCH
BOOT CAMP
An intensive 8-week workshop designed to help you obtain employment through networking.

Tuesdays, April 4, 11, 18 and 25 & May 2, 9, 16 and 23
5:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Registration begins Tuesday, March 7 at 9 a.m.
Call 516-883-4400, ext. 136 or stop by the Information Desk.

Learn to conduct an effective job search, use social media, develop objectives and time management skills, form a personal brand and elevator pitch, create a resume and cover letter, and build a network.

Presented by Maria Themistocleous-Frey, president and founder of Executive Consultants of New York, a business that specializes in career coaching and professional development.

Funded by a special New York state legislative grant received by former Assemblywoman Michelle Schimel.

Tax help, courtesy of AARP
Registration is ongoing for AARP tax help sessions. Appointments are available every Tuesday through April 11, between 9:15 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. Register at the Research Desk or call 516-883-4400, ext. 111.

These sessions are offered courtesy of AARP. There are no age or membership requirements. Sessions are limited to Port Washington residents.

Planning on filing yourself? We’ve got you covered with helpful links and resources. Visit www.pwpl.org/research/tax or click on the ‘Tax Links and Resources’ link on our homepage.
**Early Childhood**

**Register online at pwpl.org/childrensroom/early-childhood-programs**

**1-2-3 Play with Me**
Wednesdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Spend time with your child and meet new people in an educational and creative environment. Each week a different resource professional will be on hand to discuss behavior, dental hygiene, movement, speech, language and hearing. For children ages 18 to 36 months with an adult. **Online registration began February 21.**

**Baby Rhyme Time: Session I**
Thursdays, March 2, 9, 16 at 9:30 or 10:30 a.m.
A lapastr program filled with songs, music and bouncing rhymes that emphasizes early literacy skills and introduces babies to the magic of books. It’s a great way to meet other new parents! For children ages birth to 17 months with an adult. **Online registration began January 26.**

**Sing and Swing Story Time**
Fridays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 at 9:30 or 10:30 a.m.
Interactive stories, rhymes and songs emphasize early literacy skills and help instill a lifelong love of learning. For children ages 18 to 36 months with an adult. **Admittance is on a first-come, first-served basis for fifty participants for each time slot. Numbered tickets will be available ½ hour before each start time.**

**A Time For Kids: Circus Train**
Monday, March 6 at 10:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m.
Ms. Karen presents educational activities, movement, music and a craft. For children ages 18 months to 5 years with an adult. **Online registration began February 21.**

**Preschool Story Time: Session I**
Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21, 28 at 10:30 a.m.
You and your child will enjoy great stories, songs, and fingerplays, while your child develops essential early literacy skills. For children 2 1/2 to 5 years with an adult. **Online registration began January 27.**

**Ready Set Story Time**
Monday, March 13 and 20 at 9:30 or 10:30 a.m.
Ms. Susie introduces early literacy practices through stories, songs, fingerplays and rhymes. For children of all ages with an adult. **Admittance is on a first-come, first-served basis for fifty participants for each time slot. Numbered tickets will be available ½ hour before each start time.**

**A Time For Kids: Quack, Quack, Duck**
Monday, March 3 at 10:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m.
Ms. Karen presents educational activities, movement, music and a craft. For children ages 18 months to 5 years with an adult. **Online registration begins March 27.**

**Save the Date: April 1 through 30**

**GREAT LIBRARY CARD ADVENTURE**

In collaboration with the elementary schools of Port Washington, Children’s Services is proud to present the fifteenth annual “Great Library Card Adventure!” This year we introduce an exciting new way to play!

From April 1 through 30, kids in grades K through 5 are invited to play our new adventure game and help win books for their school libraries.

Take a stroll through town and use a smartphone to search for QR codes that reveal fun facts and videos about Port Washington. Each child that plays will receive a gift (while supplies last). The grade that has the most participants will be the winner!

The Great Library Card Adventure is made possible by the Friends of the Library.

**Live homework help from tutor.com**

[Live homework help from tutor.com](https://pwpl.org/childrensroom/school-age-programs) is a free service that gives you real-time contact with an online tutor. Available in English and Spanish, it’s designed for grades K through 12, college prep and adult learners.

Access the link at [pwpl.org](https://pwpl.org), or download the tutor.com mobile app for Android or iOS. You’ll just need your PWPL card to log in.

Made possible by the Friends of the Library.

**School-Age Kids**

**Register online at pwpl.org/childrensroom/school-age-programs**

**Intergenerational Chess**
Sundays, March 5, 12, 19 and 26 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.
Join the Long Island Chess Nuts and learn how to play chess and improve your skills. Children ages 6 to 12 years are invited to enjoy the game with a parent, grandparent or favorite adult. **Sponsored by the Friends of the Library in memory of Lawrence Kamisher. Online registration began February 21.**

**Third and Fourth Grade Book Discussion**
Thursday, March 16 at 4 p.m.
**Online registration—check for availability.**

**Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Grade Book Discussion**
Tuesday, March 28 at 7:15 p.m.
**Online registration—check for availability.**

**The Children’s Room is open!**

The Children’s Room is in its temporary home, down the hall from our usual location. From the lobby, go down one level and make a right.

When construction is completed, we’ll move back down the hall, into the brand-new Jackie and Harold Spielman Children’s Library!
March 1 through 31

Women’s History Month Writing Contest

Did you know that in 1917 New York State signed women’s suffrage into law? In celebration of Women’s History Month and the 100th anniversary of that law, students in grades 6 through 8 are invited to participate in a writing contest on the topic “Women Got the Vote! So What?” Students can write essays or poetry about the Suffrage movement, changes in women’s lives, and issues that still need to be addressed.

Entry forms and contest rules can be picked up in TeenSpace. All entries must be submitted to TeenSpace by March 31. This contest is co-sponsored by the American Association of University Women (AAUW), North Shore Branch. AAUW will judge the essays and poems and the top three winners will be awarded cash prizes at an award ceremony at the library on Friday, April 21st.

March 5 through 11

Teen Tech Week

Teen Tech Week is when we showcase all of the great digital resources and services that are available to help you succeed in school and prepare for college and 21st century careers. Celebrate this year’s Teen Tech Week with the theme “Be the Source of Change.” It’s all about using the library’s digital resources to make a positive change in your life and community. Ask a TeenSpace librarian to get started!

March 5 through 11

Math Tutoring

Mondays from 4 to 5 p.m., when school is in session

Teens who need assistance in math (sorry, no calculus!), including SAT/ACT prep, are invited to work with Steven and Leona Handelman. No registration needed, but bring your own textbooks and materials.

SAT Workshop Series

Saturdays, March 18, 25, April 1, 8, 22 and 29 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Registration for Port Washington teens begins on March 1. The fee of $100 includes six sessions and a copy of the class text. Register in-person in TeenSpace or online at pwpl.org/teenspace.