



Earth Day Celebration 2025



PWPL Earth Day Events

Join us at the Library for our Annual Earth Day celebration at the Library from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 25. In addition, the Library will be hosting several eco-friendly events during March and April including Beginner Sewing: Reusable Bowl Cover, Raised Bed Gardening Workshop, Seed Giveaway, and many more!



Library Budget Vote & Trustee Election on Tuesday, April 14

Earth Day 2026 Celebration

Saturday, April 25 beginning at 12 p.m. • Lapham Room

PWPL invites you to our sixth annual Earth Day celebration! Bach to Rock bands will kick things off with live music from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. Representatives from the Town of North Hempstead, along with many Port Washington environmental organizations, will be on site from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., sharing information about their latest sustainability initiatives. Bring your kids to create a fun, eco-friendly craft. The Library will also be offering environmentally conscious giveaways, including native plants. Most of all, discover meaningful ways you can make a difference in building a healthy, sustainable community. *Earth Day celebration is funded by the FOL.*



Tickets Available!
Book & Author Luncheon

Friday, May 1 at 11:00 a.m. • The Garden City Hotel



Featuring: Emma Straub, bestselling author of *This Time Tomorrow* and *All Adults Here*. She will discuss her new novel *American Fantasy* (coming

April 7), one of the *NY Times*' most anticipated releases of 2026, in conversation with acclaimed novelist Meg Wolitzer, author of *The Female Persuasion* and *The Wife*.



Tickets and sponsorships on sale starting March 1 at pwpl.org/fol or pick up a reservation brochure in the Library. **Reserve early to guarantee seating!**

Community Spotlight with Craig Thomas – In Conversation with Wayne Wink

Sunday, March 1 at 3:00 p.m. • Lapham Room



Port Washington's own Craig Thomas—co-creator of the Emmy-winning *How I Met Your Mother*—celebrates his first novel, *That's Not How It Happened*. This bighearted story follows a family upended when

Hollywood decides to make a movie of their lives. Bestselling author R.J. Palacio calls it “a terrific reminder that truth is stranger than fiction—and the book is always better than the movie.” The Library is honored to host Craig Thomas in conversation with local official Wayne Wink. Thomas's work has appeared in *The New Yorker*, *The Boston Globe*, *McSweeney's*, and *The Iowa Review*. An Emmy-nominated songwriter, he has written for *Sesame Street*, co-founded the band The Solids, and hosts the podcast *How We Made Your Mother*. Books will be available for purchase and signing. *Sponsored by the FOL.*

Women's History Month Celebrations

Join us at the Library during the month of March to celebrate Women's History Month; an annual observance to highlight the contributions of women to events in history and contemporary society. (See pages 3, 8, 9, 10, & 12 for details.)



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QUICK READS

Special Holiday Hours:

Sunday, April 5
Library is Closed for Easter

Visiting Hours:

Monday & Tuesday9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Wednesday11 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Thursday & Friday9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Saturday9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Wednesdays, March 18 and April 15.
All are welcome.

Oral Histories on New York Heritage



Listen to firsthand accounts of Port Washington's local history online! More than one hundred oral history interviews and transcripts from our archives are now available on our New York Heritage Digital Collections page. Hear the stories of those involved in our sandmining, aviation, and maritime industries, members of the African American and LGBTQ+ communities, Gold Coast estate workers, local business owners and more at bit.ly/pwploralhistories



LIBRARY HIGHLIGHTS & EVENTS

Seed Giveaway 2026



Start Your Own Garden!

Visit the South Wing at the Library to pick up a packet of vegetable or herb seeds beginning on Sunday, March 1 while supplies last. You too can grow your own food and live more sustainably.

Sponsored by Plant a Row for the Hungry Port Washington.



On View in the Adler Gallery



Victoria Selbach: We Are On view March 4 – April 30 Reception: Saturday, March 14 at 2:00 p.m.

This exhibition features Victoria Selbach's vibrant We Are paintings—large-scale silhouettes formed from natural imagery that celebrate our shared humanity and connection to nature. The series encourages us to look beyond differences, unite in protecting one another and the planet, and inspire the next generation of caretakers.



A former Port Washington resident now based in rural Connecticut, Selbach is known for her empowering, life-size depictions of contemporary women. Her work explores personal identity, generational feminine legacy, and collective responsibility. She has exhibited internationally, including at the Heckscher Museum of Art, the Butler Institute of American Art, the Wausau Museum of Contemporary Art, and the Museu Europeu d'Art Modern (MEAM).

FOL Paperback Swap

Saturday, March 21 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

At this event, patrons of ALL ages — adults, teens, and children — share thousands of books. You don't need to bring a book to take a book!

Please bring:

- Gently used adult and teen paperbacks
- ANY children's books (paperbacks, hard covers or board books)
- No more than 20 books per person

Please do not bring:

- Adult and teen hard covers
- Books with loose pages, broken spines, water damage or mold
- Books are accepted ONLY during the event hours in the Lapham Room; please do not leave books outside the Library or in the lobby



History Center Spotlight



the war effort. The group had a chapter right here in Port Washington, and this photo, taken in 1942, shows local members of the AWVS with their mobile kitchen, which was set up outside of the Main Street School.

March is Women's History Month! The American Women's Voluntary Service (AWVS) was the largest women's service organization in the U.S. during WWII, providing vital support services such as message delivery, ambulance driving, firefighting, and emergency food services to a nation burdened by

LIBRARY HIGHLIGHTS & EVENTS (Continued)

Women's History Month Highlights

Sandwiched In with Island Hills Chorus

Friday, March 6 at 12:00 p.m. • Lapham Room

Join us for the Island Hills Chorus performance of "The Climb," celebrating the journey of women and their quest for equal rights from 1776 to today. This is part of a series of programs celebrating the 250th anniversary of the USA. *Registration is required. Sponsored by the FOL.*



Afternoon on Broadway – Broadway's Leading Ladies

Monday, March 9 at 3:30 p.m. • Lapham Room and on Zoom

In recognition of Women's History Month, join stage and film Director Stephen Nachamie as he celebrates the life and work of Laura Benanti, LaChanze, Jane Krakowski, and Kelli O'Hara. *Sponsored by the FOL.*

Art Lecture with Alice Iglehart – Grandma Moses

Tuesday, March 17 at 12:00 p.m. • Lapham Room and on Zoom

Anna Mary Robertson Moses, or Grandma Moses, was an American folk artist in paint and embroidery. Join museum educator Alice W. Iglehart to study her images of simple farm life and rural countryside. *Sponsored by the FOL.*

Sandwiched In with Tanisha Mitchell – Leontyne Price – Prima Donna Assoluta

Friday, March 20 at 12:00 p.m. • Lapham Room

Celebrate Women's History Month with Tanisha Mitchell as she explores the life and career of Leontyne Price, who is highly regarded as one of the greatest operatic sopranos of all time. *Sponsored by the FOL.*

For The Record: Women Who Rocked!

Wednesday, March 25 at 7:00 p.m. • Lapham Room

Celebrate Women's History Month and listen to some of the greatest and most interesting female performers of the rock music era.

Sandwiched In with Ron Brown – Gloria Steinem

Friday, March 27 at 12:00 p.m. • Lapham Room and on Zoom

Join Professor Ron Brown as he explores the life and legacy of activist and journalist Gloria Steinem. *Sponsored by the FOL.*

Live Theater Performance – Ask Mrs. Lincoln

Sunday, March 29 at 3:00 p.m. • Lapham Room

Celebrate Women's History Month with a special live theater performance of *Ask Mrs. Lincoln*, as portrayed by actor and educator Heléna Eilenberg. Come and speak with Mary Todd Lincoln just after her release from a mental institution and see the most maligned First Lady in a revealing new light. Learn about her children, how she was perceived by others and what contributed to the image of Mary Todd Lincoln that has lasted to this day. *Sponsored by the FOL.*



St. Patrick's Day Celebration



The Brooklyn Bards

Wednesday, March 18 at 7:00 p.m. • Lapham Room

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a musical performance by The Brooklyn Bards, an acoustic traditional Irish folk band featuring violin, mandolin, guitar, banjo, bass, tin whistle and percussion. Experience the joy found in the deep lyrics, rich melodies and rhythms of traditional Irish music! *Sponsored by the FOL.*

Puzzle and Board Game Swap



Saturday, March 28 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Hagedorn Room

Bring clean, complete puzzles or board games in their original box for others to enjoy and choose some new-to-you games and puzzles to bring home! Donation is not required to attend!

- Bring clean, complete puzzles or board games in their original box to the PWPL circulation Desk Thursday and Friday, March 26 and 27.
- Come back on Saturday from 1-3 p.m. to gather some new-to-you puzzles or board games.

Donation notes: items include board or tabletop games, tabletop role playing game books and materials, jigsaw puzzles, and puzzle related items like mats and glue. Please be sure donated items are complete with all necessary pieces. *Early donations may be made starting Thursday, March 26 at the Circulation Desk.*



Band of Long Island presents: "Once Upon A Melody"

**Saturday, March 28 at 2:00 p.m.
Lapham Room**

(See page 15 for more details.)

A Message from the President of the Library Board of Trustees



The Port Washington Public Library (PWPL) Board of Trustees presents PWPL's proposed 2026-2027 fiscal budget to the public. The Board has prepared this budget with consideration of current economic factors, requirements to keep our facility in excellent condition, and the vital needs of our community. This proposed budget includes only the fourth tax increase in the past eight years, therefore keeping the tax increase below the tax cap. Thanks to your continued support, along with the generosity of our donors, volunteers, and the dedication of our excellent staff, PWPL continues to fulfill its mission to be an inclusive center for community engagement, knowledge, and personal enrichment.

Here are just a few of the significant highlights from this past year:

- PWPL had 285,000 in-person visitors in 2025 who utilized our dynamic spaces for work, study and community connection.
- 228,500 print books and 105,000 eBooks were checked out, and the Library had over 250,000 visits to pwpl.org for research and access to digital resources.
- Renovations were made to 'The Lab', including updated furniture and design, a podcast studio, and a dedicated classroom for cutting-edge technology instruction and assistance.
- Upon receiving community and organizational feedback, a new strategic plan was established that will serve as the Library's north star over the next three years.
- Lifelong enrichment continued with more than 2,000 English classes, over 290 Children's Story Times, over 90 sessions of Books for Dessert (a reading club for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities), over 40 musical events featuring first-class performers of all genres at the Library and Sunset Park, world-class lectures, exercise classes, cooking classes, and more.
- Manhasset Bay Boat Tours set sail again, allowing those without boat access to experience one of Port Washington's most special features.
- Cultural celebrations at PWPL included Hispanic Heritage Month, Chinese Moon Festival, Italian heritage programs, Japanese Spring Festival, Diwali, and Lunar New Year.
- 120 Homework Help sessions were offered, with sessions available for kids, tweens, and teens.
- Theater for Dessert, an offshoot of the Books for Dessert program, offered adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities the opportunity to bring books to life while learning theater skills from industry professionals.
- PWPL once again served as an early voting location, providing a convenient location for thousands of residents to actively participate in the democratic process.
- Popular services continued, such as one-on-one tech help both on-site and off-site; Homebound Delivery to bring Library materials to homes of those who cannot visit the Library easily; job and career training; notary services; and VHS to DVD conversion.
- The Library of Games and Gadgets expanded and continues to offer loanable Wi-Fi hotspots, musical instruments, lawn games, a paper shredder, pottery wheel, hiking kit, movie projector and screen, video game consoles, vinyl record player, and more.
- Digital content, such as eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines, music, movies, training videos, and television shows, was made available through popular services such as Libby, Kanopy, LinkedIn Learning, Hoopla. In addition, we are pleased to now offer digital access to all sections of The New York Times, which include Cooking, Games, Wirecutter, Audio, and The Athletic.

As we look to the future, we strive to enhance the lives of our families, friends, and the Port Washington community. We welcome your suggestions and feedback throughout the year. Please come to PWPL to participate in our Budget Vote and Trustee Election on Tuesday, April 14, between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. We thank you for your continued patronage and engagement.

Very truly yours,

William Keller
President, PWPL Board of Trustees

Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2027

	PROPOSED 2027 BUDGET	2026 BUDGET	2025 BUDGET
REVENUES			
Real Property Taxes	7,830,725	7,505,261	7,357,901
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	100,000	100,000	100,000
Use of Money and Property	112,200	112,200	139,400
Other Local Revenue	32,000	32,000	32,000
State Sources	8,800	8,800	8,800
Total Revenue	8,083,725	7,758,261	7,638,101
Assigned: Retirement	90,000	47,000	47,000
Assigned: Capital Projects	—	—	—
Assigned: Appropriated Fund Balance	80,000	192,000	109,000
Total Revenues & App Fund Balance	8,253,725	7,997,261	7,794,101
EXPENDITURES:			
SALARIES, TERMINAL LEAVE, ACCRUALS, & EMPLOYEE BENEFITS			
Salaries	4,179,032	4,243,110	4,132,730
Terminal Leave	—	—	—
Employee Benefits - Retirement	729,512	605,345	526,384
Employee Benefits - Medical	1,117,353	1,009,452	1,033,100
Employee Benefits - Other	407,598	402,500	394,056
Subtotal - Salaries, Terminal	—	—	—
Leave Accruals & Employee Benefits	6,433,495	6,260,407	6,086,270
LIBRARY MATERIALS			
Books - Fiction	50,000	50,000	50,000
Books - Non-fiction	50,000	50,000	50,000
Books - Reference	35,000	35,000	35,000
Books - Children's	23,500	23,500	23,500
Books - Audio & Electronic	125,000	125,000	100,000
Books - Young Adult	15,000	15,000	15,000
Software & Online Databases	100,000	95,000	95,000
Periodicals	32,500	32,500	32,500
Media - DVD/CD	66,000	66,000	70,000
Subtotal - Library Materials	497,000	492,000	471,000
LIBRARY OPERATIONS			
Office & Library Supplies	74,700	60,700	60,700
Telephone	30,000	35,000	35,000
Postage & Freight	25,000	25,000	25,000
Printing	47,500	47,500	47,500
Staff Conference & Training	17,000	17,000	20,000
ILS/NLS	114,000	106,000	106,000
Program Services	69,500	69,500	69,500
Memberships	5,000	5,000	7,000
Maint. Office Equip.	36,500	30,500	30,500
Accounting/Legal	145,150	137,390	135,000
Security Service	60,000	60,000	50,000
Computer Service	68,360	66,744	64,800
General	27,000	27,000	27,000
Subtotal - Library Operations	719,710	687,334	678,000
BUILDING OPERATIONS			
Fuel & Utilities	223,970	202,970	202,970
Custodial	113,200	108,200	102,400
Insurance	95,000	90,000	85,000
Subtotal - Building Operations	432,170	401,170	390,370
Subtotal Expenditures	8,082,375	7,841,000	7,625,640
EQUIPMENT, REPAIRS & TRANSFERS			
Equipment	56,350	56,350	56,350
Repairs & Alterations	115,000	100,000	100,000
Transfers to Capital	—	—	—
Subtotal - Equipment, Repairs, and Transfers	171,350	156,350	156,350
DEBT SERVICE			
Installment Debt - Principal & Interest	12,111	12,111	12,111
Subtotal - Debt Service	12,111	12,111	12,111
Total Expenditures	8,253,725	7,997,261	7,794,101
Tax Levy Increase (Decrease)	4.34%	2.00%	2.00%
Budget Increase (Decrease)	3.21%	2.61%	3.91%

Budget Vote & Trustee Election

Nominating Petitions Due Monday, March 16, 2026
 Budget Hearing #2 Wednesday, March 18, 2026
 Budget Information Session
 & Meet the Candidates..... Tuesday, March 31, 2026
 Personal Registration Day Tuesday, April 7, 2026
4 Budget Vote/Trustee Election ... Tuesday, April 14, 2026

2025 Highlights in Photos



Earth Day, 2025



Meet the Author: "Gliders Over Hollywood" by Paul Rappaport



Halloween on Main Street, 2025



Mason on Main Exhibit Reception

2025 Highlights in Photos



Port Washington Play Troupe Presents: "Meet Me In St. Louis," A Radio Play



Star Wars Day, 2025



Hispanic Heritage Month, 2025



Diwali Celebration, 2025



Italian Heritage Month, 2025

2025 Highlights in Photos



Lunar New Year, 2025



Japanese Spring Festival, 2025



Moon Festival, 2025



"Museum of Oddities" Play, 2025



Escape From Azkaban Kids Escape Room, 2025

ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES (ESOL)

Welcome, English learners! The Port Washington Public Library's ESOL Department—along with our amazing volunteers—offers a supportive and welcoming space where you can grow your confidence in speaking English.

Curious about our ESOL program? We'd love to hear from you! Email pradaa@pwpl.org or call 516-883-4400 x1313 to learn more. This program is completely free for anyone who lives or works in Port Washington.

Our enriching ESOL events are made possible thanks to the generous support of the Friends of the Library.

Language Classes



English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) programs include:

- **English Classes:** Beginner — Advanced levels to help you improve your writing, reading, speaking, and listening skills.
- **Citizenship & GED Preparation**

HOLA! LEARN SPANISH

Spanish language programs include:

- **High Beginner & Intermediate-level Spanish Classes:**
Orientation Sessions & Community Information Sessions such as CPR in Spanish, Defensive Driving in Spanish, immigration, health and banking.
- **Spanish Book of the Month Club**

ESOL Upcoming Programs

Spanish Book Club / Club de Lectura en Español

Mondays March 2 & April 6 from 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Primer lunes de cada mes 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

The Library provides the book / La biblioteca obsequia el libro.

English: Join our Spanish Book Club and practice your Spanish while enjoying great stories! We will read together, share our ideas, and discuss our opinions in a friendly and supportive environment. Interested? Email pradaa@pwpl.org to join or learn more.

Spanish: ¡Únete a nuestro Club de Lectura en español y practica tu español mientras disfrutas de grandes historias! Leeremos juntos,

compartiremos nuestras ideas y opinaremos en un ambiente amable y participativo.

¿Interesado/a? Escribe a pradaa@pwpl.org para unirse o para más información.



Free Van Mammogram Day / Día de Mamografías Gratuitas

Saturday, March 7 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. • Library Parking Lot



We're pleased to offer free mammograms for our community. *This service is made possible thanks to our partnership with Betty's Breast Cancer Foundation and Molloy University. Registration is required. To make an appointment, call: 516-444-8752*

Nos complace ofrecer mamografías gratuitas para nuestra comunidad el 7 de marzo, de 8:00 a.m. a 12:00 p.m. *Este servicio es*

posible gracias a nuestra colaboración con Betty's Breast Cancer Foundation y Molloy University. Es necesario registrarse. Por favor, inscribábase con anticipación para reservar su lugar.

CPR - Reanimación o Resucitación Cardiopulmonar - CPR (por sus siglas en inglés)

Monday, March 23 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.

Hagedorn Meeting Room

Curso de RCP - **Reanimación o Resucitación Cardiopulmonar - CPR** (por sus siglas en inglés). **Atragantamiento y AED.** En este curso aprenderemos técnicas y pasos para prestar los primeros auxilios a una persona en situación de emergencia.

Obtendrá: • Certificado por su participación en este taller de Primeros Auxilios y RCP. • Kit de protección facial para RCP. • Libro Familiares y Amigos RCP. Cupo limitado! Para pedir cita llama a: 516-444-8752.

Instructor: Galo Gallardo, EMT, Member of Port Washington Fire Department, Instructor of American Heart Association. Este evento es patrocinado por "The Friends of the Library".



Women's History Month 2026

Volunteer Hero: Harriet Englander

At 91 years old, Harriet continues to inspire everyone in our ESOL program with her incredible dedication. For decades, she has volunteered tirelessly, helping students gain confidence and fluency in English. Her patience, kindness, and passion for teaching have touched the lives of countless learners, many of whom have gone on to achieve their dreams thanks to her support.

Even after all these years, Harriet shows up with a smile, ready to guide, encourage, and celebrate every student's progress. Her commitment reminds us that age is just a number when it comes to making a positive impact.





ADULT PROGRAMS

For a full listing of adult events, visit PWPL.org/events. Registration is required for all programs unless stated otherwise. For the most up-to-date information, sign up for our emails at bit.ly/PWPLhappenings

Sponsorships:

AAC – Art Advisory Council
FOL – Friends of the Library

HAC – Health Advisory Council
MAC – Music Advisory Council

March/April Registrations:

For limited-space programs (i.e. exercise)

- **Tea Around the World** registration began February 23
- **AccessABILITY Craft: Collage** registration begins March 2
- **Empire Safety Council Defensive Driving Course**
Saturday, March 21 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Registration begins on Monday, March 2 at 9:00 a.m.
- **Jewelry Workshop** registration begins March 30
- **Cancer Prevention Begins at Home, for You and Your Pets** registration begins April 6
- **Port Cooks! Cooking with Chef Rob** registration begins April 10
- **The Power of Knowing: Navigating Perimenopause** registration begins April 13

- **USA 250th Celebration**
- **Women's History Month**
- **Earth Day**

MARCH EVENTS

Registration is required unless stated otherwise.

Sunday, March 1

Community Spotlight with Craig Thomas – In Conversation with Wayne Wink
3:00 p.m. • Lapham Room *(See cover for details)*

Wednesday, March 4

Discussion Group (60+) - Topic: What's On Your Bucket List?
7:00 p.m. • Lapham Room
Join us for an informal discussion that aims to build community with intelligent discussion, laughter, and social interaction.

Thursday, March 5

Tea Around the World
2:00 p.m. • Hagedorn Room
Join tea professional Linda Villano, owner of SerendipiTea, for an afternoon of tasting teas from around the world. *Sponsored by the HAC.*

Friday, March 6

■ ■ **Sandwiched In with Island Hills Chorus**
12:00 p.m. • Lapham Room *(See page 3 for details)*

Saturday, March 7

SoundSwap - Pete Fornatale Tribute Concert
3:00 p.m. • Lapham Room
Through archival audio and video clips, the late Pete Fornatale, legendary New York DJ and long-time Port Washington native, will "introduce" some of his favorite music, performed live by a group of local musicians and special guests.

Monday, March 9

■ **Afternoon on Broadway – Broadway's Leading Ladies**
3:30 p.m. • Lapham Room and on Zoom
(See page 3 for details)

Tuesday, March 10

Hypertension Screening
11:00 a.m. • Reading Room
Blood Pressure screenings. *Sponsored by St. Francis Hospital & Heart Center.*

Spotlight on Jewish Films – Short Films Part 1

2:00 p.m. • Lapham Room
Join us for this fantastic collection of short films which include narratives and documentaries; comedies and dramas; foreign and English language films and everything in between! *Both events co-sponsored by the Gold Coast Arts Center.*

Wednesday, March 11

■ **Raised Bed Gardening Workshop**
7:30 p.m. • Mezzanine Room
Want to start or improve your vegetable garden? Bruce Frey of Plant A Row for the Hungry demonstrates how to build a raised garden bed. *No registration required. Sponsored by Plant A Row For The Hungry, Port Washington.*

Thursday, March 12

Art Lecture with Thomas Germano – Caravaggio Exhibit
2:00 p.m. • Lapham Room
Professor Thomas Germano will explore the Caravaggio exhibit on display at the Morgan Library featuring an extraordinary loan from the Galleria Borghese in Rome of painting *Boy with a Basket of Fruit*.

■ **Beyond The Bin: The Journey and Impact of Your Waste**
7:00 p.m. • Lapham Room and on Zoom

Join TTPW and Monique Fitzgerald, cofounder of the Brookhaven Landfill Action and Remediation Group (BLARG) for an informative evening about where our waste goes, the life cycle of plastic and how wastelands affect the health of everyone. *Sponsored by Transition Town Port Washington.*

Friday, March 13

Sandwiched In with Max Alvarez – Charlie Chaplin
12:00 p.m. • Lapham Room
Join film historian Max Alvarez for the laughter and heartbreak in this epic tribute to the great Charlie Chaplin, star and director of *The Gold Rush, City Lights, The Circus, Modern Times, The Great Dictator*, and scores of classic silent short comedies.

Medicaid Sign-Up Help
2:00 p.m. • North Study Room
Free, walk-in assistance from the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council.

Sunday, March 15

MAC Concert – Ken Kresge – American Jazz Songbook
3:00 p.m. • Lapham Room
Join Ken Kresge, Eric Haft, and Dominic Duval on a musical journey through the history of Jazz with classics from Miles to Monk and Ellington to Evans. *Sponsored by the MAC.*

Tuesday, March 17

■ ■ **Art Lecture with Alice Iglehart – Grandma Moses**
12:00 p.m. • Lapham Room and on Zoom
(See page 3 for details)

Wednesday, March 18

St. Patrick's Day Celebration with The Brooklyn Bards
7:00 p.m. • Lapham Room *(See page 3 for details)*

Thursday, March 19

Spotlight on Jewish Films – Short Films Part 2
7:00 p.m. • Lapham Room
Please see March 10 for description. Both events co-sponsored by the Gold Coast Arts Center.

Friday, March 20

 **Sandwiched In with Tanisha Mitchell – Leontyne Price – Prima Donna Assoluta**
12:00 p.m. - Lapham Room *(See page 3 for details)*

AccessABILITY Craft: Collage
7:00 p.m. • Hagedorn Room
Enjoy an evening of creating art using a variety of materials to make greeting cards or collages. Tailored to members of the IDD community and their friends. All are welcome. *Sponsored by the FOL.*

Sunday, March 22

SoundSwap - Glenn Crytzer Quartet: Music of 1926
3:00 p.m. • Lapham Room
Join Glenn Crytzer, a New York City-based bandleader, guitarist, songwriter, arranger, and more who brought the Jazz Age and Swing Era to life, for a performance of songs from 1926!


Wednesday, March 25

 **For The Record: Women Who Rocked!**
7:00 p.m. • Lapham Room *(See page 3 for details)*

Thursday, March 26

Crossfire – Film Screening and Discussion with Foster Hirsch
2:00 p.m. • Lapham Room
Crossfire (1947), nominated for five Academy Awards, is a crime drama about a murder among demobilized soldiers, driven by antisemitism. The screening will be followed by a discussion with film scholar Foster Hirsch of Brooklyn College. *Co-sponsored by the Gold Coast Arts Center.*

Friday, March 27

 **Sandwiched In with Ron Brown – Gloria Steinem**
12:00 p.m. • Lapham Room and on Zoom
(See page 3 for details).

Saturday, March 28

Puzzle and Board Game Swap
1:00 p.m. • Hagedorn Room *(See page 3 for details)*

Sunday, March 29

  **Live Theater Performance – Ask Mrs. Lincoln**
3:00 p.m. • Lapham Room *(See page 3 for details)*

 **USA 250th Celebration**

 **Earth Day**

APRIL EVENTS

Registration is required unless stated otherwise.

Wednesday, April 8

Discussion Group (60+) – April: What Makes Your Heart Bloom?
7:00 p.m. • Lapham Room
Join us for an informal discussion that aims to build a community with intelligent discussion, laughter, and social interaction.

Friday, April 10

Sandwiched In with Sal St. George – Walt Disney’s Folly
12:00 p.m. • Lapham Room and on Zoom
Join TV and film historian Sal St. George for a multimedia presentation about the making of the classic animated film *Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs*.

Medicaid Sign-Up Help
2:00 p.m. • North Study Room
Free, walk-in assistance from the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council.

Jewelry Workshop
7:00 p.m. • Hagedorn Room
Learn how to create a stylish memory wire bracelet featuring a decorative charm and a variety of bead color options.

Monday, April 13

Afternoon on Broadway with Stephen Nachamie – Tommy Tune
3:30 p.m. • Lapham Room
Stage and film director Stephen Nachamie celebrates the life and work of Tommy Tune, known for *Seesaw* and *My One and Only*, and for directing/choreographing *The Will Rogers Follies* and *Grand Hotel*.

Tuesday, April 14

Hypertension Screening
11:00 a.m. • Reading Room
Blood Pressure screenings sponsored by St. Francis Hospital & Heart Center.

 **Art Lecture with Alice Iglehart – The Herter Brothers**
12:00 p.m. • Lapham Room

Join museum educator, Alice W. Iglehart in an exploration of the Herter Brothers' unique furniture and interior designs of the late nineteenth century. *Sponsored by the FOL.*


Wednesday, April 15

For the Record: Rock and Roll "April Fools!"
7:00 p.m. • Lapham Room
Tony Traguardo offers a multimedia musical presentation and conversation about the fakes, hoaxes, musical myths, and tricks that have been played on both DJs and fans during the rock and roll era.

Thursday, April 16

Art Lecture with Thomas Germano - Raphael: Sublime Poetry
2:00 p.m. • Lapham Room and on Zoom
Professor Thomas Germano will present a visual lecture on Raphael—his life and times—in the context of The Metropolitan Museum of Art’s blockbuster exhibition featuring over 200 masterpieces and rare works.

Friday, April 17

 **Sandwiched In with Dennis Raverty – Postwar Illustration**
12:00 p.m. • Lapham Room and on Zoom
Join award-winning teacher and art historian Dennis Raverty for *Living the American Dream: Postwar Idealism and Cold War Anxiety*, a presentation on how postwar advertising idealized American life.

Cancer Prevention Begins at Home
7:00 p.m. • Hagedorn Room
Join us for an interactive cancer prevention workshop on common cancers in humans and animals, warning signs, and simple at-home exams for early detection. Attendees will receive a free printed exam checklist.

Sunday, April 19

MAC Concert: Albert Cano Smit - Piano
3:00 p.m. • Lapham Room
Spanish/Dutch pianist Albert Cano Smit is noted for his captivating performances and storytelling quality and has a growing international career on the orchestral, recital, and chamber music stages.

Wednesday, April 22

 **Raised Bed Gardening Workshop**
7:30 p.m. • Hagedorn Room
Plant A Row for the Hungry Board Member and longtime gardener Bruce Frey will demonstrate how to build a raised garden bed on your own. *No registration is required. Sponsored by Plant A Row for the Hungry Port Washington.*

Friday, April 24

Sandwiched In with Ron Brown – Apartheid Museum
12:00 p.m. • Lapham Room
Join Professor Ron Brown for a new series about his recent travels to the Apartheid Museum in Johannesburg, South Africa.

Port Cooks! Cooking with Chef Rob: Panko Parmesan Chicken Meatballs
6:00 p.m. • Lapham Room
Panko Parmesan Chicken Meatballs with Parmesan Herb Sauce cooking demonstration with Chef Rob.

Saturday, April 25

■ Earth Day Celebration 2026
From 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. • Lapham Room
(See page cover for details)

Sunday, April 26

SoundSwap: Marc Berger and his Ride Perform Live!
3:00 p.m. • Lapham Room
Marc Berger and his Ride Band perform songs from his western album RIDE, interwoven with stories from his unforgettable experiences in the remote mountain and desert West that inspired the music.

Wednesday, April 29

The Power of Knowing: Navigating Perimenopause with Confidence & Compassion
7:00 p.m. • Hagedorn Room
Perimenopause can be confusing and often overlooked, affecting energy, mood, sleep, metabolism, and overall well-being. Join a licensed psychotherapist and a women’s health nurse practitioner for a supportive conversation to better understand this stage of life.

COMMUNITY MEET-UPS



Ongoing Weekly Events in the Mezzanine Room
No registration required

- **Needlecraft BYOP (Bring Your Own Project)** — Wednesdays from 6:15 to 8:00 p.m. Bring your own projects and hang out with fellow crafters. *Sponsored by the FOL.*
- **Scrabble** — Fridays from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

ADULT BOOK CLUBS

Join fellow readers at the Library for an engaging discussion at our book clubs. Copies of the books can be found at the Information Desk and on Libby. *Registration is required.*

Nonfiction: Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. • Hagedorn Room

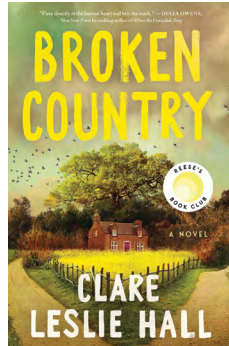


1929 by Andrew Ross Sorkin
March 12 & April 9
Join fellow readers at the Library for an engaging discussion of *1929: Inside the Greatest Crash in Wall Street History and How It Shattered A Nation* by Andrew Ross Sorkin.

Fiction: Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. • Mezzanine Room



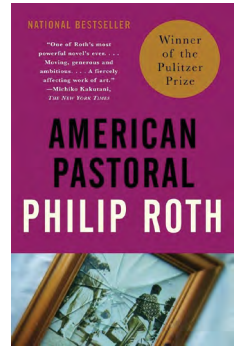
Culpability by Bruce Holsinger
Tuesday, March 24
Culpability is a suspenseful family drama exploring moral responsibility in the age of AI, centered on the Cassidy-Shaw family after their autonomous minivan crashes, implicating each member due to their secrets and the mother's work as an AI leader.



Broken Country by Claire Leslie Hall
Tuesday, April 28
Broken Country is a suspenseful 1960s rural English drama about farmer Beth, whose life is upended when her former love returns, sparking a dangerous love triangle, unearthing village secrets, and leading to murder and a trial that force her to confront her past and present.

The Adventures in Classic Readings, Poetry Readers Club and Revolutionary Reads are sponsored by FOL's Ruth D. Bogen Memorial Fund.

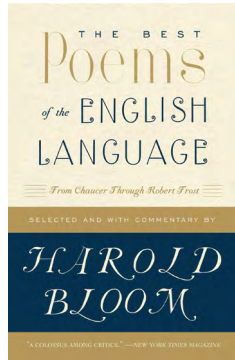
Adventures in Classic Reading with Dr. Laury Magnus:
Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. • Hagedorn Room



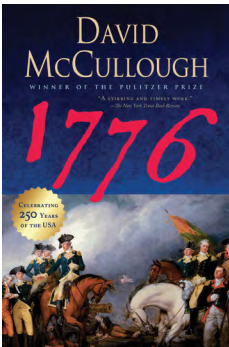
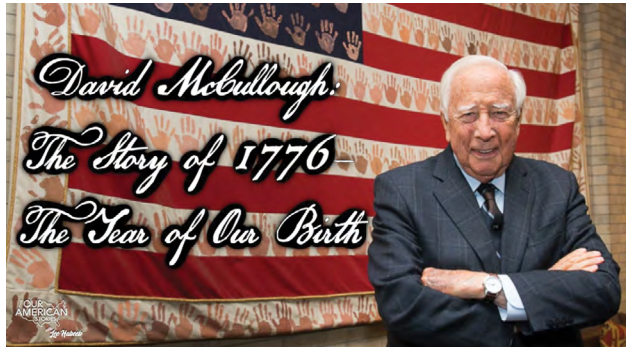
American Pastoral by Philip Roth
Tuesday, March 17
Philip Roth tells the tragic story of Seymour "Swede" Levov, a successful Jewish-American businessman whose idyllic post-WWII life in New Jersey is shattered when his radicalized teenage daughter, Merry, plants a bomb in 1968, killing a man in protest of the Vietnam War.



Hamlet on Film
Tuesday, April 21
Kingship and Kingdoms: Scenes from Hamlet in Films and Text.



Poetry Readers Cricle
Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. - Hagedorn Room
March 26: Selections from *The Best Poems of the English Language: From Chaucer to Frost* edited by Harold Bloom.
April 23: In celebration of National Poetry Month, select a book of poetry from a contemporary (1962 - present) poet and share it with the group. Check out the Library's poetry section for inspiration!



Revolutionary Reads
Tuesday, April 7 at 1:30 p.m. • Hagedorn Room
1776 by David McCullough
Sponsored by the Friends of the Library Bogen Fund

In this book, David McCullough recounts the human story of those who marched with General George Washington during the year of the Declaration of Independence, when the fate of American independence depended on their success.

THE LAB

Visit the PWPL Lab for your technology needs. Use our public computers (Mac and PC), 3D printers, Cricut and Mug Press, scanner and copier, the Podcast Studio, VHS digitization, and more! Schedule a one-on-one appointment with our tech aides for help with basic technology needs. *The Lab's Maker technology is supported by the Friends of the Library.*

LEARN SOME TECH

DIY Help

Tuesday, March 3 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. • The Lab

Ask a Tech librarian for advice and help with personal projects. You will need to bring in your own material. *Registration begins on February 17.*

Sublimate It: Women's History Shirts

Wednesday, March 11 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. • The Lab

Using the Library's sublimation printer and Canva, decorate a t-shirt with your favorite historical women in honor of Women's History Month. This class is for Adults and Teens only. *Registration begins February 25. Priority will be given to Port Washington card holders.*

3D Printing with TinkerCAD

Thursday, March 12 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. • The Lab

Using the Tinkercad website's step-by-step tutorials, model a 3D print from start to finish! *Registration begins February 26.*

Intermediate Gmail Cont'd

Thursday, March 26 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. • The Lab

A continuation of the Intermediate Gmail program in January. Highlights features such as "Undo Send," setting up automated scheduled emails and coming up with templates. *Registration begins March 12.*

Poster Printing

Thursday, April 9 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. • The Lab

Come in and familiarize yourself with the process of getting your digital images printed as posters from the Computer Lab's large format printer. *Registration begins March 26.*

Beginner Sewing: Reusable Bowl Cover

Wednesday, April 22 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. • The Lab

In honor of Earth Day, learn how to sew a sustainable reusable bowl cover. This class is for adults and teens only. *Registration begins April 8.*

Google Slides

Thursday, April 23 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. • The Lab

Covering Google's online slideshow program's layouts, different styles and sizes of fonts as well as using Google-based graphics. *Registration begins April 9.*

CRICUT CRAFT PROGRAMS

Join our Cricut Craft programs and learn to use the Library's Cricut Maker 3! These are "bring your own device" sessions—Mac/PC laptops and iPads work best (Chromebooks are not compatible). Please download Cricut Design Space software before the program at design.cricut.com. *Open to PW residents. Age groups vary by class.*



Cricut Craft: Lucky Charms

Tuesday, March 17 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. • The Lab

In honor of St. Patrick's Day, make and decorate "lucky" keychains for your backpack and bag. This class is for teens only. *Registration begins March 3.*

Cricut Walk-In: Spring Tulips

Monday, March 23 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. • The Lab

Come to the library and do a quick craft with the Cricut Maker 3. *No registration is required.*

Cricut Craft: Cherry Blossom Cup

Tuesday, April 7 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. • The Lab

Create a decorated glass cup that embodies the fleeting beauty of the cherry blossom tree. *Registration begins March 3.*



Made in the Lab



Services Available at the Lab

- 3D printing
- Cricut Maker 3
- Cricut Heat Press
- Cricut Mug Press
- Large Format Printer
- One-on-One Tech Help
- Podcast Studio
- Printing & Copying
- Public Computer Access
- VHS digitization

If you need any assistance or have questions regarding the Lab services, please call (516) 883-4400 ext. 1900.



TEEN SPACE – 7th through 12th Grade

Teen programs are for Port Washington residents in 7th through 12th grade. For any assistance regarding teen services, please contact Head of Teen Services, Lori Gerbasi, at youngadult@PWPL.org

MARCH PROGRAMS

Friday Fun Day Teen Activity! Paint Your Own Lamp

Friday, March 6 at 3:45 p.m.

Take a little time to unwind and decorate your very own lamp! Supplies will be provided, and there will be a variety of lamps to choose from.

Registration begins February 20.

Mario Party!

Monday, March 10 from at 4:00 p.m.

March 10th is Mario Day! Join us for a Mario-themed party with snacks, themed activities, and, of course, Mario Kart gaming. *Registration begins February 24.*

Friday Fun Day Teen Activity! Make Your Own Nail Polish

Friday, March 20 at 3:45 p.m.

Take some time to relax, learn a new skill, laugh, and enjoy the afternoon with your friends. This activity will show you how to create your own nail polish to take home. *Registration begins March 6.*

Teen Shamrock Shakes Workshop

Tuesday, March 24 at 6:00 p.m.

Join us and discover how to create and enjoy your very own Shamrock shake! *Registration begins March 10.*

Submit a Teen Review — Earn Community Service Credit!

Port Teens in grades 7-12 can earn 2 hours of community service by reading, playing games, listening to podcasts or watching shows and movies, then submitting a review. Teens may submit up to 3 reviews per month and receive 2 hours of community service credit for each review. Reviews should be between 50-100 words. To submit a review, visit PWPL.org/teens.



APRIL PROGRAMS

Teen Gaming

Monday, April 13 at 3:30 p.m.

Drop in after school to battle your friends at Super Smash Brothers or take a drive with Mario Kart. *No registration needed.*

Teen Pom Pom Sushi Workshop

Thursday, April 23 at 7:00 p.m.

Learn how to create non-edible sushi with yarn and pom-pom makers. Each project will also come with a set of chopsticks that you can decorate as well. *Registration begins April 9.*



Teen Craft: Bedazzle & Razzle Dazzle

Wednesday, April 29 at 3:45 p.m.

Dive into the sparkling world of bedazzling, where rhinestones turn ordinary items into extraordinary treasures. Get ready to sparkle, shine, and celebrate your one-of-a-kind style! *Registration begins on April 15.*

Teen Journaling Wellness Workshop

Thursday, April 30 at 7:00 p.m.

Feeling a bit stressed about upcoming exams? Come join us for a NAMIQN Creative Mindsets Program and discover fun, creative ways to express your feelings with simple journaling prompts. This is a relaxed space to write it out—no pressure and sharing is completely voluntary. Journals will be provided. *Registration starts on April 16.*



ePWPL Highlight

PWPL offers free online access to LIVE tutors and guidance counselors for students!



The HelpNow service allows you to submit homework questions for expert assistance.

- Live One-on-One Tutors who are available daily from 2 p.m. – 11 p.m.
- Homework Help in 60 subjects including math, science, reading, writing, social studies and more.
- 24-Hour Writing Lab to submit essays and other writing samples for constructive feedback.
- English and Spanish speaking tutors.



The CollegeNow service can assist you with every step of the college admissions process.

- Live Guidance Counselors available 4 days a week Mon. - Thurs. from 2 p.m. – 11 p.m.
- Help with the college application process, including crafting essays and acing school interviews.
- Submit a college application essay and receive expert feedback within 24 hours.
- Financial aid guidance on scholarships, loans & completing the FAFSA.

To get started visit: www.PWPL.org/teens and login with your PWPL Library card to create an account.

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Attendance Policy:

Please arrive at least 5 minutes early to claim your spot. If you arrive late, your spot may be reassigned to someone waiting. Priority is given to Port Washington residents, and proof of residency is required. For the most up-to-date program information, please visit us at PWPL.org/children or sign up for our emails.



EARLY CHILDHOOD—Babies & Toddlers (Ages 0-5)

Early Childhood programs require adults to attend the program with the registered child.

Please note, registration begins two weeks prior to the event. Register online at PWPL.org/children

BABIES

(Ages 0-17 months)

Baby Start

Mondays, March 2 & April 13 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Ages 3 - 17 months

Join Time for Kids to introduce little ones to library fun with music, movement, and circle time. *Registration required for each session—March: 2/16; April: 3/30*

Tummy Time Meet Up

Thursdays, March 5 to 26 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Join other parents and caregivers for a group tummy time and play session! Please bring a blanket for your child. For pre-crawlers and crawlers; no walkers, please. *Limited spots - entry is first-come first-served.*

Ready, Set, Story Time

Fridays, March 6 to April 24 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Ages birth - 5 years

Join your favorite librarians for stories and songs! *No registration required. No session on April 10.*

Little Hands, Big Discoveries

Mondays, March 30 & April 27 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

Ages 6 - 17 months

Join us for gentle sensory adventures for tiny hands and curious little minds! *Registration required for each session - March: 3/16; April: 4/13*

Baby Rhyme Time

Thursdays, April 16 to April 30 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Ages birth - 17 months

Join our librarians for a lap-sit story time filled with songs, music, and bouncing rhymes! *Register March 30.*



TODDLER & PRESCHOOL

(18 months to 5 years)

Preschool Story Time

Wednesdays, February 25 to April 1 from 2:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Ages 2 ½ - 5 years

Enjoy great stories, songs, and fingerplays, while your child develops essential early literacy skills. *Register now.*

A Time For Kids

Mondays, March 2 & April 13 from 10:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Ages 18 months - 5 years

Ms. Karen presents educational activities, movement, music, and crafts. *Registration required for each session - March: 2/16; April: 3/30*

Sing and Swing

Tuesdays, March 3 to April 28 at 9:30 a.m. OR 10:15 a.m.

Ages 18 months - 5 years

Join our librarians for interactive stories, rhymes, and songs! *Entry is first-come, first-served. No session on April 7.*

Pajama Story Time on Zoom

Tuesdays, March 3 & April 7 from 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Ages 2 ½ - 5 years

Put on your PJs, grab your favorite stuffy, and enjoy stories, rhymes, and songs! *Registration required for each session - March: 2/16; April: 3/23.*

1-2-3 Play with Me

Thursdays, March 5 to March 26 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

Ages 18 months - 5 years

Come and enjoy open play time with your child! *Priority is given to PW residents. Entry is first-come, first-served.*

Ready, Set, Story Time

Fridays, March 6 to April 24 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Ages birth - 5 years

Join your favorite librarians for stories and songs! *No registration required. No session on April 10.*

Crafternoon

Wednesday, April 8 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Ages 3 years & up

Stop in and get creative with fun crafts! We'll provide all the materials—you bring the imagination. *No registration required; first-come, first-served, while supplies last.*

Drama with Your Mama

Friday, April 10 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Ages 2 to 5 years

Join us for live music, storytelling, and imaginative play, helping your child build confidence through acting, music, and dance. *Register March 23.*

CREATIVE READERS

Saturdays, March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 18 & May 2

Kindergarten - Second Grade from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Third - Fifth Grade from 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Creative Readers is an inclusive arts and literacy program where kids bring books to life through theater, art, music, and movement.

For more details, email creativereaders@optimum.net.

Sign up form opens on February 2.



GRADE SCHOOL – K through 6th Grade

School age programs are for Kindergarteners to 6th graders. Registration begins two weeks prior to the program. Visit PWPL.org/children for registration and the latest up-to-date information.

MARCH PROGRAMS

Coding For Kids

Fridays, February 27 to March 27 from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Grades 3 to 6

Ignite the love of coding by learning to create animations and computer games using Scratch. Taught by AP Computer Science students for kids with no prior programming experience. *No session on March 20. Class is full.*

Turning Pages Book Club

Monday, March 9 from 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.
Grades 2 & 3

Join our early chapter book club to discuss the story, followed by hands-on activities inspired by the book. *Register now.*

For Kids by Kids: Boardgames on Canva

Tuesdays, March 10, 17 & 24 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Grades 4 to 6

Learn how to design a board game using Canva in this 3-week workshop! Taught by a Schreiber High school student. *Register February 23.*

Busy Hands After School Club

Wednesdays, March 11, 18 & 25 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Grades K to 6

Bring your kids to the library for hands-on crafts and games! *Drop-in—no registration needed!*

March Madness Physics

Thursday, March 19 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Grades 3 to 6

A thrilling adventure for young basketball fans and LEGO enthusiasts where kids will build a catapult out of LEGOS, learn about physics, and use their catapults to shoot mini basketballs into basketball hoops. *Register March 2.*

Read with Snowball

Saturday, March 21 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Grades 1 to 3

Come read for 15 minutes with Snowball, a super-soft, certified therapy bunny! For PWPL cardholders only. *Register now.*



Band of Long Island presents “Once Upon A Melody”

Saturday, March 28 at 2:00 p.m. • Lapham Room

Join the Band of Long Island for an exciting, fun-filled, one-hour concert that highlights the connection between music and reading. Children may bring along their parents and grandparents to enjoy this special event! *Sponsored by FOL D. Bogen Fund.*

APRIL PROGRAMS

All About Oysters

Monday, April 6 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.
Grades 1 to 3

Learn about the Oyster Gardening Program and its important role in improving water quality in Manhasset Bay, then explore the oyster life cycle and anatomy through a fun, hands-on learning experience. *Register March 23.*

National Circus Project

Tuesday, April 7 from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Grades K and up with an adult

Experience the unique traditions and genuine fun of the circus with the National Circus Project! The dynamic circus artists will entertain you with their amazing circus skills and hilarious comedy routines. *Tickets are required and will be available in the Children's Library beginning March 23. Made possible by the Children's Advisory Council.*

Turning Pages Book Club

Monday, April 13 from 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.
Grades 2 & 3

Join our early chapter book club to discuss the story, followed by hands-on activities inspired by the book. *Register March 9.*

Chess

Wednesdays, April 15 to May 6 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Grades 3 to 6

Learn the rules and strategies of chess and practice against your peers. *Sponsored by the FOL in memory of Lawrence Kamisher. Register March 30.*

Soak & Sparkle: Tween Bath Salt Lab

Thursday, April 16 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Grades 4 to 6

Come and create custom bath salts —perfect for spring and a little self-care fun! *Register March 30.*

Crazy 8s Math Club

Thursdays, April 16 to May 7 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Grades K to 2

Join us for 4 weeks of Crazy 8s – a math club like no other! This unique club combines math with fun, creativity, and a touch of mischief. *Register March 30.*

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Grades 1 to 3

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Roblox Lego Tower Challenge

Thursday, April 23 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Grades 3 to 6

This physics-based building game lets you create structures and contraptions, challenging participants to build the most stable tower that can withstand earthquakes or other challenges. *Register April 6.*

Great Library Card Adventure April 6 - 17



In collaboration with Port's elementary schools, we are proud to present the Great Library Card Adventure. Kids in grades K-5 can play to win books for their school libraries. Participants receive a gift (while supplies last), and the grade with the most players wins! *GLCA is made possible by the Friends of the Library.*

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Service Highlight



Theater for Dessert offers adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) the opportunity to bring books to life while learning theater skills. This is Theater for Dessert's fourth performance venture, following three years of hugely successful shows. Rehearsals begin in April, with a performance on Tuesday June 9. Visit pwpl.org/tfd for more information and to register. For any questions, call Kate Monsour, Head of Adult Services, at (516) 883-4400 x1302 or email monsour@pwpl.org

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 4. Once your 24-hour access code expires, simply repeat the process again
- If you have questions or need assistance, please call us at 516-883-4400, ext.1400 or email us at reference@pwpl.org



LOGG Highlight



Check out some of the recent additions to our extensive collection which includes a mini pottery wheel, stitch gun, portable garment steamer, scan maker assistive reading device and axe throwing & archery game set. You may borrow up to three items at once. Reserve online at www.PWPL.org/LOGG up to 30 days in advance. Express copies are also available at the Circulation desk on a first-come, first-served basis. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Library*

Repair Café



We are collaborating with some of our neighboring North Shore Libraries for a Repair Café in the spring! The cafe will provide our communities access to experts who can help repair broken items as an alternative to tossing them out. Looking to get something fixed, or would like to volunteer? Our next event will be at the Bryant Library on April 25 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please visit bryantlibrary.org for more information.

Homebound Delivery Service

Reno Bracchi, Homebound Delivery Service coordinator at PWPL, has been providing Library materials to the homebound for almost a decade. "My goal is to not only provide excellent customer service and resolve any issues that may arise, but to build a positive, respectful and fun rapport with each homebound patron," says Reno. Reno handles all aspects of the service, from delivering and retrieving items to recommending items based upon a patron's taste for a topic or genre. Some great features are a two-week extension on every loan and no overdue fees. If you are interested in Homebound Delivery, please reach out to program coordinator Reno Bracchi at (516) 883-4400 (ext. 1407).

