

## FOL University tackles texting and political humor

The Friends of the Library's stimulating FOL University program returns on Sunday, November 2 at 1:30 p.m. in the Library's Lapham Meeting Room.

Modeled on the concept of a one-day university, this event features lectures by two scholars on timely and fascinating topics.

The first scholar will be John McWhorter, Associate Professor in the English and Comparative Literature department at Columbia University. Dr. McWhorter has written many books on language including *Our Magnificent Bastard Tongue: The Untold Story of English* and the recently published *The Language Hoax: Why the World Looks the Same in Any Language*.

In his return appearance at the Library, McWhorter will be presenting *txtng is killing language -JK!!!* Texting is often thought of as



John McWhorter

a threat to formal writing skills, but McWhorter argues that texting is actually a form of speech rather than writing, and that constructions like LOL are less slang than new ways of subtle expression.

Following a brief intermission, History Professor Joseph Dorinson of Long Island University's Brook-

lyn campus will speak on political humor. Dorinson will examine how political leaders have employed wit to their advantage and demonstrate why they also became targets of verbal missiles – how humor establishes the parameters of power and punishes those who travel beyond the pale.

A noted author and authority in the field of popular culture, Dorinson's research specialties span humor studies, sports history, Russian immigration, Brooklyn and Jewish history, and World War II movies and music. His broadcast appearances have included Fox News, NBC, WLIW-TV, New York 1, and WNYC-AM's *New York and Company*.

Sponsored by the Epstein Family in memory of Professor Edmund Epstein. Refreshments will be served.



The planning for our Children's Room revitalization is moving forward! Visit [www.pwpl.org/anewleaf](http://www.pwpl.org/anewleaf) for all the latest news, FAQs, plans and more. Also, visit the Community Gallery in November and December to view all of the architectural renderings and floor plans in person.

### November schedule

We will be open 11 to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, November 26. We will be closed for Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 27.

### Veterans Day

The Library honors those who have served our nation. Join us on Tuesday, November 11 at 2 p.m. as Professor James Coll discusses the ideals that built America: freedom and democracy.

### Holiday Notecards

The Friends of the Library offers the perfect holiday gift for anyone who loves our town: notecards featuring striking images of old Port Washington. Only \$15 for a box of 20. Available at the Circulation Desk in the lobby.

### Gold Coast Film Festival

The Gold Coast International Film Festival returns to PWPL for a special screening on Wednesday, November 5 at 12 p.m. *Great Shorts!* will showcase a variety of short films, featuring up-and-coming filmmakers, festival winners, and several New York premieres.

### lyndaLibrary

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## Making Connections at PWPL

The Local History Center presents *Connections*, on display outside of the Reading Room through December. Curator Elly Shodell describes the project:

"What started out as house-cleaning in the Local History Center has turned into an intriguing exhibit that combines people, places and portraits. Our goal was to link current community members with artifacts that hold special and personal meanings for them. We gathered a variety of residents who had such connections. Among them were a lawyer, chef, artists, business people, musicians, children, boaters, and community leaders and activists."

"The final product, merging past and present, was produced by the talented *Newsday* photographer Ken Spencer. He spent countless hours creating the twenty-two life-size images that comprise *Connections*. Oral history interviews caption the visuals, and reveal the personal stories behind the selections."



## FOL announces 2014-15 Board of Directors



The Friends of the Port Washington Public Library recently announced its 2014-15 Board of Directors. Bottom row (l to r): Secretary Eleanor Rybecky, Vice President Ellen Zimmerman, President Amy G. Bass, Vice President Nancy Wright, Treasurer Tinu Thakore. Top row: Mary Alice Kohs, Syliva Kamisher, Fern Treiber, Pamela O'Connell, Robert Drew, Carol Hiller, Margaret DeSiervo, Lauren Smith, Selma Willner. The Friends of the Library is dedicated to strengthening the ties between our library and the community, and to advancing the library's mission as a center for lifelong learning, information and culture.

The Friends supports the library through volunteerism, programming, fundraising, outreach and advocacy. For more information on the FOL, which is currently conducting its annual appeal, see [pwpl.org/fol](http://pwpl.org/fol) or pick up our blue informational brochure available throughout the library. To donate, use response envelopes in the library or go online to [pwpl.org/fol/support](http://pwpl.org/fol/support).



### Commemorate Veterans Day with an exploration of freedom and democracy

On Tuesday, November 11 at 2 p.m., join Professor James Coll for an exploration of freedom and democracy, two bedrocks of our unique American ideology. Professor Coll will analyze the evolution of these principles and discuss what they have meant in the story of our nation's development.

## Here One Day offers a candid look at mental illness

Meet the filmmaker and join a community discussion with mental health professionals



Kathy Leichter

On Wednesday, November 19 at 7 p.m., the Health Advisory Council and the Fay J. Lindner Foundation invite you to a screening of *Here One Day*, to be followed by a community discussion and a question and answer session with producer-director Kathy Leichter and local mental health professionals.

*Here One Day* is an emotionally candid film about a woman coping with mental illness, her relationships with her family, and the ripple effects of her suicide on those she loved.

When filmmaker Kathy Leichter moved back into her child-

hood home after her mother's suicide, she discovered a hidden box of audiotapes. Sixteen years passed before she had the courage to delve into this trove, unearthing details that her mother had recorded about every aspect of her life, from the joys and challenges of her marriage to a New York state senator, to her son's estrangement, to the highs and lows of living with bipolar disorder.

*Here One Day* has been screened at prestigious documentary film festivals around the world, including the International Documentary Film Festival, Hot Docs Canadian International Documentary Festival, and DOC NYC. This film is now being used in hundreds of classrooms and community settings across the country.

For more information, visit [www.hereoneday.com](http://www.hereoneday.com)



## Digital Bookmobile rolls into Port



The OverDrive Digital Bookmobile was a large presence in the Library's parking lot on Sunday, October 5, as Port residents came out to discover our free downloadable e-book and audiobook services. The OverDrive crew were impressed by one of the best turnouts on their nationwide tour.

One lucky patron, Ilene Gruber, was our raffle winner and will be receiving a brand-new Amazon Kindle Voyage, donated for the occasion by the Friends of the Library.

Visit [www.nassau.lib.overdrive.com](http://www.nassau.lib.overdrive.com) or download the OverDrive app to explore the collection. Library staff are always available for assistance.



## FOL invites you to meet filmmaker Doug Block

Over the past two decades, acclaimed documentary filmmaker and Port Washington native Doug Block (*51 Birch Street, The Kids Grow Up*) has supported his career by videotaping weddings. Long curious about how their marriages have turned out, he tracked down some of the more memorable of his 112 wedding couples - with funny, insightful and deeply moving results.

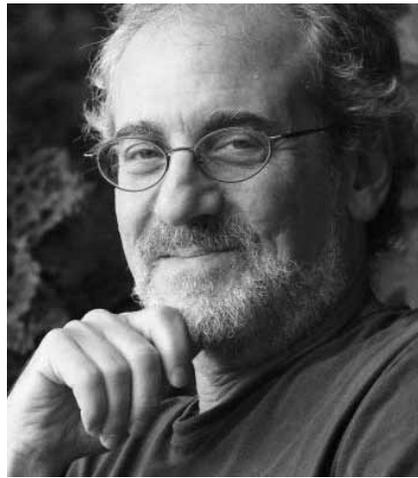
On Tuesday, November 11 at 7:30 p.m. Doug will screen and discuss *112 Weddings* (2014 - 92 mins.). Coupled with footage from the original wedding videos, he shares a series of revealing, moving and funny interviews exploring the realities of married life.

As Block puts it: "Hollywood movies always end with the wedding. They show people coming together,

not how they stay together. But that's what's interesting to me."

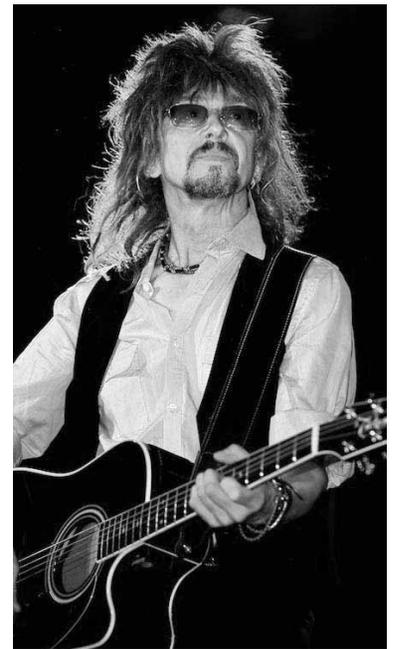
Having been at so many weddings, Block reveals what he's learned about them - and the bigger picture of long-term marriage - along the way. "So much planning and thought goes into the wedding day, and so little into the marriage itself. But all that stuff goes by the wayside ... You have to deal with the day-to-day slog of life, which isn't part of the romantic fantasy."

"This was essentially what I asked the couples: 'What did you expect from marriage going into it?' and 'What did it turn out to be?' There's a great moment in the film where the Rabbi says: 'The wedding is day one, and it's the easiest day to make happy. You've just thrown a ton of money and liquor at it. A marriage is



hard to make happy, because when you throw a ton of money and liquor at it, it often makes things worse."

Refreshments will be served. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.



John Ford of The Strawbs



Acoustically Correct



Napoleon Revels-Bey

## Acclaimed pianist Jessica Xylina Osborne performs selections from Hayden, Liszt and more



The Music Advisory Council welcomes Jessica Xylina Osborne on Sunday, November 16 at 3 p.m., performing selections from Hayden, Schumann, Liszt and others.

Hailed by the *Washington Post* as a pianist "with a refreshing mellowness and poetic touch" after her debut with the National Symphony Orchestra, Jessica is one of the most intensely expressive, passionate artists of her generation. She has performed throughout the United States, Europe and Asia.

Jessica has received international recognition with top awards in the International Bartok-Kabalevsky-Prokofiev Competition and the International Russian Music Piano Competition. She completed her doctoral studies in piano performance at Yale University, and her Master of Music degree at Rice University's Shepherd School of Music.

Music Council performances are funded by the Library Foundation.

## The Art Advisory Council presents Song Hanseok

From November 1 through 30, Song Hanseok's *Self-Image of Regeneration* will be exhibited in the Main Gallery.

Song was born in Korea and spent most of his life in Seoul. He moved to the U.S. in 1995 to pursue his MFA and majored in sculpture at the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts in Philadelphia.

Meet the artist at a reception on Saturday, November 1 from 2 to 4 p.m.



## Mark S. and Katie Mancher exhibit *Street Light*

Dusk is a bewitching time of day in New York. The stillness of night begins to set in, street lights and neon lights come on, yet there is still a hint of glow in the sky left behind by the recently-set sun.

For a year and a half, Mark S. Mancher and his daughter Katie traveled into the city to capture images of New York and New Yorkers in that combined light. This exhibit is the result of

their collaborative efforts. Mark is an attorney and a lifelong amateur photographer. Katie, a graduate of Schreiber High School and Vassar College, works for the Gold Coast Arts Center.

*Street Light* will be on display in the Martin Vogel Photography Gallery from November 6 through December 30. Meet the artists at a reception on Saturday, November 15 from 2 to 4 p.m.



## Live@PWPL

This month brings three - count 'em, three - opportunities to experience music magic.

On Friday, November 14 at 7:30 p.m., John Ford of The Strawbs is back with his signature brand of rock.

Friday, November 21 at 7:30 p.m. brings Acoustically Correct, a celebration of the '70s with Rick Laban and Matt Krohn.

On Sunday, November 23 at 3 p.m., enjoy a jazz performance by the Napoleon Revels-Bey Trio, featuring Radam Schwartz at the organ, Ed Cherry on guitar and the incomparable Napoleon Revels-Bey on drums.

# November Library Kids

Welcome to the page for Children's Services. Be sure to look here for upcoming exhibits, programs and articles relating to Children's Services and the Parenting Information Center. *Parents: Please comply with the age guidelines for these programs and be prepared to show proof of local residency.*

## Early Childhood

To register or inquire about the following programs, please call Children's Services at 883-4400, Ext. 150 or send an email to [child@pwpl.org](mailto:child@pwpl.org).

### Sing and Swing Story Time

**Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.**

For children ages 18 months to 3 years. *No registration required.*

### Baby Rhyme Time

**Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.**

For children ages birth to 17 months with an adult. *No registration required.* Does not meet November 27.

### Tell Me a Story

**Fridays at 10:30 a.m. or 3:30 p.m.**

Listen to classic and favorite picture books. For children ages 3 to 5 years without an adult. *No registration required.* Does not meet November 28.

### Story Time with Miss Susie and Mr. Mike

**Monday, November 10 at 10:30 a.m.**

For children of all ages with an adult. *No registration required.*

### Pajama Story Time

**Wednesday, November 19 at 7 p.m.**

Come in your pajamas and listen to bedtime stories. For children ages 3 to 6 years with an adult. *No registration required.*

### Thanksgiving Craft

**Monday, November 24**

Enjoy a holiday craft, stories and fingerplays. Ages 18 to 36 months with an adult at 11 a.m. Ages 2 ½ to 5 years with an adult at 12 noon. *Registration begins November 17.*

### Bird Puppet

**Monday, December 1 at 10:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m.**

Join Donna Green in A Time for Kids for preschool concepts and fun. For children ages 18 months to 5 years with an adult. *Registration begins November 24.*

## Kindergarten through Sixth Grade

To register or inquire about the following programs, please call Children's Services at 883-4400, Ext. 150 or send an email to [child@pwpl.org](mailto:child@pwpl.org).

### Birthday Bash Story Time

**Wednesdays from 4 to 4:30 p.m.**

Each week we'll highlight an author's birthday that takes place during the month of November. For children ages 4 to 7 years without an adult. *No registration required.* Does not meet November 26.

### Book Bunch

**Thursday, November 20 from 4 to 4:45 p.m.**

Monthly book discussion for children in grades 3 and 4. *Call for availability.*

### Page Turners

**Tuesday, November 25 from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m.**

Monthly book discussion for children in grades 5 and 6. *Call for availability.*

## Family Holiday Program Brady Rymer in Concert Friday, November 28 at 11 a.m.



Children of all ages and their families are invited to a post-Thanksgiving celebration with the award-winning singer/songwriter Brady Rymer. A Long Island native and 2009 Grammy nominee, Brady performs his acclaimed original songs and interpretations of children's books with infectious tunes and a rock n' roll vibe. His energetic performance will get everyone up and dancing and smiling from ear to ear! *Tickets required and will be available in the Children's Room beginning November 17.* Sponsored by the Children's Advisory Council and funded by donations to the Port Washington Library Foundation.



## Book Buddies



Book Buddies is a unique program that pairs trained students in grades 7 to 12 with younger children. Let a teen volunteer share a book with your child in weekly, fun read-aloud sessions. Book buddies have a choice of meeting either Tuesdays at 7 p.m., Thursdays at 4 p.m. or Fridays at 4 p.m. in November and December. For children ages 3 ½ to 6. *Limited registration began October 17 – for availability call Children's Services at 883-4400, Ext. 150.* Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

# Foundation Gala celebrates the 5-star jewel of Port

Over \$120,000 raised as 180 attendees honor Jack Mandel, Marcia Forman and Annette Oestreich



**First row, left to right:** County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton, Honoree Jack Mandel, winner of the Leonard Wurzel Public Service Award, Town Clerk Wayne Wink; Honoree Marcia Forman with Gala chair Edie Katz; Corporate Honoree Annette Oestreich (third from left) receiving a citation from a representative of County Executive Ed Mangano. With them are, left to right: Nassau County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton, Town Supervisor Judi Bosworth, Councilwoman Dina DeGiorgio, Sands Point Mayor Ed Adler  
**Second row, left to right:** Library Director Nancy Curtin being honored by Board President Robert Lee Aitken; Town Supervisor Judi Bosworth, Honoree Jack Mandel, Assemblywoman Michelle Schimel, Honoree Marcia Forman, County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton; Foundation Board President Rob Klugman; Gala chair Edie Katz, Director Nancy Curtin, Honoree Jack Mandel, Gala Committee member Sandy Cardiello  
**Third row, left to right:** Trustee John O'Connell, Pam O'Connell and Director Nancy Curtin, Hersh and Fern Cohen, performer Nick Ziobro, Richard Fox and Mayor Ed Adler  
**Fourth row, left to right:** Judy Sloan, Entertainment Chair; Gala Committee member Jean Marie Posner and Honorary Chair Karli Hagedorn; Edith Van Raalte, Phyllis and Harry Manko; the Wurzel family and Ellen Fox  
 Photos by Robert Salzbank of Rampage Studios.

## London Jewelers introduces the Port Washington Public Library Signature Charm



London Jewelers has created a Port Washington Public Library signature charm, a crown with five diamonds to celebrate our status as a 5-star library. The charm is part of the London Jewelers "Gifts That Give Back" program to raise money for nonprofit organizations. The library will receive a portion of all profits from the sale of this beautiful piece of jewelry.

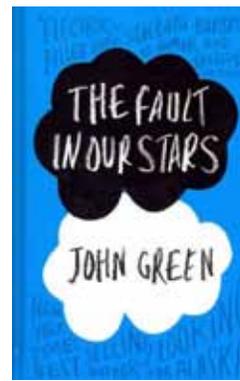
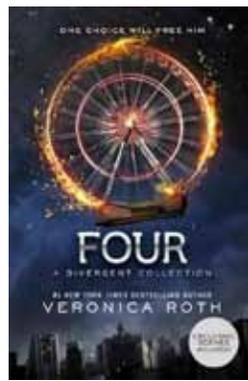
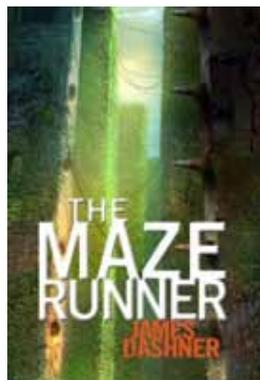
The charm is available as a gold or sterling silver necklace, as well as men's cuff links. A crystal bead bracelet is being planned for the holiday season. They can be purchased at the London Jewelers Manhasset location. For a limited time the silver necklace will also be sold at the Library.

# What's new in TeenSpace for grades 7 through 12?

## Wii U Wednesdays

3:30 to 5 p.m.

Join us after school to play your favorite video games on the big screen. Check our website for specific dates. *No registration required.* Grades 7-12. FREE



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## Check out a Kindle

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## American Red Cross CPR Certification Course for Teens

November 1 from  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This course will teach you how to reduce the risk of injury to infants and children, respond to emergency situations, care for an infant or child who stops breathing, and perform CPR. Presented by Ildiko Catuogno, a certified Red Cross CPR/AED/First Aid instructor. Certificates will be issued. *In-person registration already in progress in TeenSpace.* Grades 7-12. Workshop fee \$5. Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

## Food for Thought

With Thanksgiving just around the corner, everyone's thoughts turn to eating. Here's a selection of books you'll find in TeenSpace that deal with food in fact and fiction. Bon Appetit!

**Stay With Me** by Paul Griffin. Mack and Céce meet and fall in love at the restaurant where they work, but when Mack lands in prison only a pit bull can keep them together.

**Small Damages** by Beth Kephart. Kenzie, 18 and pregnant, is bitter when her mother sends her to Spain to deliver and give her baby away, but discovers new friendships along the way.

**Pizza, Love and Other Stuff that Made Me Famous** by Kathryn Williams. Although Sophie has grown up working in her family's Mediterranean restaurant in Washington, D.C., she is not prepared to compete on the new reality show *Teen Test Kitchen*, when her best friend Alex convinces her to audition.

**Eat Fresh Food: Awesome Recipes for Teen Chefs** by Rozanne Gold. Cooking tips are compiled in this cookbook for teens that features more than 80 recipes for healthy, tasty meals and treats.

**Teen Cuisine** by Matthew Locricchio. 50 recipes for teens who want to cook, with detailed instructions and advice on ingredients and cooking techniques.

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