Julia Phillips is a Fulbright fellow whose writing has appeared in The Atlantic, Slate, and numerous other publications. Her debut novel, Disappearing Earth, has garnered rave reviews, is a Finalist for the National Book Award for Fiction, and is long-listed for the 2019 Center for Fiction First Novel Prize. Disappearing Earth has been named a Best Book of 2019 So Far by Entertainment Weekly, Vanity Fair, and USA TODAY.

One August afternoon, on the shoreline of the Kamchatka peninsula at the northeastern edge of Russia, two girls – sisters, ages eight and eleven – go missing. In the ensuing weeks, then months, the police investigation turns up nothing. Echoes of the disappearance reverberate across a tightly woven community, with the fear and loss felt most deeply among its women.

Phillips spent time in Kamchatka doing research as part of her Fulbright scholarship, and Disappearing Earth presents astonishing detail of the Kamchatka landscape and the emotional acuity the worlds of richly drawn characters, all connected by a crime: a witness, a neighbor, a detective, a mother.

The New York Times Book Review hails Disappearing Earth as “An assured and engrossing debut that starts off as a thriller but then turns into a deeper exploration of women, and the way violence affects women’s lives.”

A story as propulsive as it is engaging, this powerful novel brings us to a new understanding of the intricate bonds of family and community, in a Russia unlike any we have seen before.

Dolphin Bookshop will be on-site to sell books, and Phillips will be available to sign.

Free 3D Printing for the Month of December

Are you curious about 3D printing? Do you wish to see one of your TinkerCAD creations come to life? Or are you looking for a simple, geeky gift idea for that friend or loved one? Be sure to check out thingiverse.com for some inspiration!

PWPL is happy to announce that 3D printing will be free for the month of December. Patrons can print up to one, simple, medium-sized object on our MakerBot 5th Gen, Prusa mk3, or Form 2 resin printer. To arrange a demonstration of our 3D printer or to get more information about this promotion, please contact 3dprinter@pwpl.org or call the Computer Center at 516-883-4400 x1900. Our 3D printers were made possible through generous support from the Friends of the Library.
A Note from Keith…

As 2019 comes to an end, we’d like to take a moment to reflect on all that has happened in the past year and give you a glimpse of what we have planned for in 2020.

Regarding our facilities, we are thrilled that the Adult Learning Center opened this past September after a 7-month renovation. Located on the third floor of the Library, this new dynamic area provides English classes, technology workshops, Library-sponsored programs and a space for public meetings and events. ‘The Lab’ opened on the Lower Level where public computing is available along with new technology including a ‘Memory Lab’ to digitize old video and photographs, more 3D printers, and loanable Chromebooks for adults and teens. We are also pleased to announce The Local History Center now has a dedicated research room and exhibition space to displaying artifacts and spotlighting Port Washington’s rich history.

In 2019 we also celebrated several special events worth mentioning. For the first time the Library celebrated Pride Month in June and Hispanic Heritage Month in September and October. In August we celebrated the opening of The Pete Fornatale Archive, highlighting Mr. Fornatale’s immense influence to FM radio as a New York City disc jockey. Our 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten initiative kicked off with the new school year in September and we hope you will celebrate early literacy by signing up a young child today.

Looking ahead to 2020 we are planning numerous improvements to our facility and several special celebrations. In early 2020 we will begin renovating the restrooms on both the Main and Lower Level, including the addition of a family-friendly, all-gender restroom. These renovations will make the bathrooms more accessible and improve the overall user experience. Later in the year we will conduct renovations to portions of our roof that will continue to improve our goal to be a green and sustainable facility. 2020 special events, to highlight a few, will include a month-long celebration for the 50th anniversary of Earth Day in April, the 50th Anniversary of the Library building in July and a year-long tribute to women’s suffrage with the centennial anniversary of the 19th amendment. 2020 is also the first time that the Census will be almost exclusively filled out online. A special committee of staff and library stakeholders will be working to ensure that there is complete count of the community through dedicated technology and community outreach. Finally, we plan to embark on a new Long-Range Plan that will garner a new vision of the Library for years to come.

Please contact me anytime by phone 516.883.3728 or by email library@pwpl.org. Your suggestions and comments make our Library a more responsive and forward-thinking institution.

Thank you to the Library staff for providing first-class customer service and professionalism every single day. Thank you to our Library volunteers, notably our Board of Trustees, Friends of the Library, Library Foundation, Advisory Councils and ESOL tutors for volunteering your time to make the Library a special place for all to enjoy. Finally, thank you, our Library patrons, because without your passion, feedback and engagement, all of this would not be possible.

Sincerely,

Keith Klang, Library Director
Port Washington Play Troupe Presents…

“IT’S A WONDERFUL LIFE”

Friday, December 13 at 7:30 p.m.

The Port Washington Play Troupe invites you to share the holiday spirit with a staged reading of the classic 1946 James Stewart movie IT’S A WONDERFUL LIFE, as adapted by Port Washington’s very own Bob Nissen from the Lux Radio Theater version. Our presentation will bring back memories of those long-gone years when family members gathered around the living room radio to listen and enjoy with one’s mind painting a picture with images and sounds.

In IT’S A WONDERFUL LIFE, Clarence, an angel in pursuit of receiving his wings, tries to help a desperate George Bailey, who wishes he were never born…and who gets his wish. He then begins to understand how HIS very existence has indeed touched and affected the lives of many of the denizens of Bedford Falls. Who hasn’t wondered how much of an impact we have had on others?

In addition to our retelling of the popular movie, we will be presenting several singers performing songs of the 1940s. In fact, Brian Long and Geri Dejohn, from several of our past Port Washington Library shows, should be familiar old friends to you, and they will be on hand to share their talented voices.

And, if that isn’t enough to interest and pique your interest, we are happy to invite you to partake in an after-show holiday dessert celebration.

So, we look forward to seeing you and being able to enjoy this classic Frank Capra radio version of IT’S A WONDERFUL LIFE. Come on down and help our Clarence to receive his wings!

Author Event: Pamela Paul
How to Raise a Reader
NEW DATE – Sunday, December 8 at 3 p.m.


Paul oversees all book coverage at the New York Times and is the host of the weekly Book Review podcast.

How to Raise a Reader, co-written with Maria Russo, the Children’s Books Editor at the Book Review, is filled with practical tips, strategies that work, been-there wisdom, and inspirational advice for parents who would like to engage their children to be readers. Divided into four sections, from baby through teen, and each illustrated by a different artist, How to Raise a Reader offers something useful on every page, whether it’s how to develop rituals around reading, building a family library, or ways to engage a reluctant reader.

Dolphin Book Shop will be on-site to sell books, and Paul will be available to sign. Refreshments will be served. (*Note: this event had been originally scheduled for November 20).

The Friends of the Library Announces its 2019-2020 Board of Directors

With more than 50 years of devoted service, the Friends of the Library is the PWPL’s longest-serving support organization. Run independently by an all-volunteer board, the FOL’s fundraising permits it to make substantial grants to every library department. FOL support enables a host of events and services, including dozens of speakers, literacy programs and online homework help for children and teens, the Museum Pass Program, and many of the library’s new technology initiatives such as 3D printing and the podcast studio.

The FOL 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. For more information on the FOL, which is currently conducting its annual appeal, see pwpl.org/fol. To donate, use response envelopes in the library or go online to pwpl.org/fol/support.

Seated (l to r): Selma Willner, Treasurer Mary Alice Kohs, Vice President Nancy Wright, President Amy Bass, Vice President Ellen Zimmerman, Secretary Lauren Smith, Sylvia Kamisher. Standing: Eleanor Rybecky, Carol Hiller, Pamela O’Connell, Cara Hristoforatos, Margaret DeSriento, Fern Treiber, Jessica Weaver, Assistant Treasurer Danielle Tane.
DECEMBER EXHIBIT:
For the month of December, the Adler Gallery will exhibit a compelling collection of mixed media work by Russian born artist Viktoriya Basina.

REGISTRATIONS:
See QUICK READS on front cover.

IN PROGRESS:

EVENTS CALENDAR:

1 SUNDAY
New York Classic Film Club
Movie fan Dan Pompa will introduce and discuss Stars in My Crown (1950-89 min.). Josiah Gray (Joel McCrea), the new preacher in Walesville, delivers the word of God with a bible in one hand and a six-shooter in the other. Ellen Drew and Dean Stockwell co-star. Margaret Fitts scripted, from Joe David Brown’s novel, for director Jacques Tourneur. Refreshments will be served. 2:00 p.m.

2 MONDAY
Smartphone Tech Help
Our teen tech-xperts are available to help answer questions about your smartphone! We can help with setting up a new device, questions about using and installing apps, and more! Bring your device to The Lab. Walk-ins are welcome, but preference will be given to those who make an appointment by calling (516) 883-4400 ext. 1900. 4:30 p.m.

Starting a Successful Business
Thinking about starting a new business? This workshop, presented by SCORE Long Island, will teach the basics of setting up a business, legal entity structures (sole proprietor, partnerships, Sub-Chapter S, LLC and others), paying taxes, keeping financial records, insurance, business plan introduction, marketing basics and financing a business. Made possible by the Career & Personal Finance Center. www.pwpl.org/events 7 p.m.

Philip Harwood Salutes Doris Day:
Love Me or Leave Me (1955-122 min.). Marty “The Gimp” Snyder (James Cagney) propels dance hall singer Ruth Etting (Doris Day) to Broadway fame, but makes her offstage life a nightmare. Charles Vidor directed, from a script by Daniel Fuchs and Isobel Lennart. Film historian Philip Harwood has presented numerous programs at PWPL, including the popular Centennials series, which celebrates performers and filmmakers born one hundred years ago. 7:15 p.m.

3 TUESDAY
Current Job Opportunities Open House:
Drop-in and Apply
Local companies are looking to fill over 100 positions for administrative, manufacturing and skilled trade opportunities. Representatives from Manpower will be on hand to discuss employment prospects, hiring and can also assist with the application process. Attend the Open House to learn more and apply. Registration is encouraged but not necessary. Walk-ins are welcome. Presented by Manpower and made possible by the Career & Personal Finance Center. Register online at www.pwpl.org/events 4 p.m.

4 WEDNESDAY
Author Visit: Julia Phillips – Disappearing Earth
See Article on front cover. 7:30 p.m.

5 THURSDAY
Thursday Thriller: Nocturne
(1946-87 min.) When womanizing composer Keith Vincent is found dead, the inquest concludes it was a suicide – but police detective Joe Warne isn’t so sure. 7:15 p.m.

6 FRIDAY
Sandwiched In: Susie Kaufmann – Twilight Time: Aging in Amazement
Author Susie Kaufman discusses her book, Twilight Time: Aging in Amazement. See article in newsletter 12:15 p.m.

Smartphones for the Perplexed
Feel like you could be getting more out of your smartphone or tablet? PWPL staff experts will cover the basics and offer tips and tricks. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own devices. Register at pwpl.org/events or at the Library. Hagedorn Room. This is a workshop event where registration is required for attendance. 1 p.m.

Live @ PWPL: Long Island’s own “Snapper Head” performs! See article in newsletter. 7:30 p.m.

8 SUNDAY
Pamela Paul, How to Raise a Reader
See article in newsletter. (*Note: this event had been originally scheduled for November 20), 3 p.m. FOL

9 MONDAY
Virtual Visits – Hudson River School Artists
The Hudson River School is often cited as the first truly American art movement. Barbara Applegate, who is the Director at Steinberg Museum of Art, located at LIU Post will lead this talk. She will explore the Hudson River School through paintings by Thomas Cole, Asher Durand, Albert Bierstadt, Martin Johnson Heade, Fitz Hugh Lane and others. 2:30 p.m. FOL

Microsoft Office Tech Help
Our teen tech-xperts are available to help with basic to intermediate questions regarding Microsoft Word, Excel, or Powerpoint. Bring your own laptop or use one of our public computers. Walk-ins are welcome, but preference will be given to those who make an appointment by calling 516-883-4400 ext. 1900. 4:30 p.m.

Creating A Business Plan, Why You Need One
SCORE will walk you through an example of a solid business plan and teach you the necessary components, including: start-up costs, how to prepare a budget, cash flow, and how to use a business plan to get financing. Made possible by the Career & Personal Finance Center. www.pwpl.org/ events 7 p.m.

Film: Remembering William A. Wellman
The rugged director, who passed away on this day in 1975 at the age of 75, made 81 films between 1923 and 1958. These include This Man’s Navy (1945-100 min.), in which widow Maude Weaver (Selena Royle) and her son Jess (Tom Drake) become a surrogate family for Navy billypilot Ned Trumpet (Wallace Beery). 7:15 p.m.

10 TUESDAY
Hypertension Screenings
Free blood pressure screenings conducted by St. Francis Hospital 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. HAC

Fiction Book Group
A discussion of Disappearing Earth by Julia Phillips. Copies available at the Information Desk. 7:30 p.m.

11 WEDNESDAY
Medicaid Sign-Up Help
Free, walk-in assistance from the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council. 2:30 - 6 p.m.

13 FRIDAY
Sandwiched In: Holiday Favorites – “The Most wonderful Songs of The Year”
Hearing holiday music can instantly fill our minds with the smell of pine, the taste of eggnog, and the warmth of a bright burning fire, but did you know that Jingle Bells was originally meant to be a Thanksgiving song? Join Daniel Lupo as he helps us discover the story behind some of your holiday favorites while we learn why they truly are the most wonderful songs of the year. 12:15 p.m.

World Travels with Ron Brown – Myra, Turkey: The REAL hometown of Santa Claus
(See please the special start time of 2:30 p.m.)
Every child and parent knows that Santa Claus lives at the North Pole. But this is not true! St. Nicholas lived in the Greek populated city of Myra in 270 that is today in Turkey. He gained fame for providing dowries to enable poor unmarried girls to wed. His fame spread throughout the Christian world and even to Holland where Saint (Sinter in Dutch) Nicholas (Klaas in Dutch) became Sinter Klaas and eventually morphed into Santa Claus in New York City. Today the church of St. Nicholas is still in Myra but there are no reindeer, snow, sleights, elves, or Mrs. Claus. Discover this glorious town and the REAL history of Santa Claus. Ron Brown explains why it is not advisable to bring children under the age of 18. 2:30 p.m. FOL

Port Washington Play Troupe – It’s A Wonderful Life
See article in newsletter. 7:30 p.m.

14 SATURDAY
Applying for Jobs Online
Companies use Applicant Tracking Systems (ATS) to screen job candidates. Most resumes never make it through these systems. This workshop provides specific strategies job seekers can use to strengthen their resumes and use networking connections to get in the door for interviews. Presented by professional career counselor, Karen McKenna, and made possible by the Career & Personal Finance Center. Register online at www.pwpl.org/events 10 a.m.

Retirement Options
People who are 50 and over are finding that they have more options when it comes to changing careers. With plenty of workforce experience and the ability to obtain knowledge, they are ready to take on something new. This program will walk you through the process of changing careers at 50 and over. We will cover a variety of topics including: How to get started, where to get additional training, and determining the types of roles that would work for you. Presented by professional career counselor, Karen McKenna, and made possible by the Career & Personal Finance Center. Register online at www.pwpl.org/events 1 p.m.
16 MONDAY

Afternoon on Broadway – The Musicals of Bock and Harnick
Jerry Bock and Sheldon Harnick created several great works for Broadway, including one of the best loved musicals of all time, *Fiddler on the Roof* (1965). The pair won the Pulitzer Prize for Drama for *Fiorello!* (1959), a musical biography of Mayor Fiorello La Guardia. *She Loves Me* (1963) is a charming miniature, and shows like *The Apple Tree* (1966) and *The Rothschilds* (1970) have moments that showcase the gifts these men had for the theater. Their shows are re-workable for the cohesion of music and lyrics to the story. Marc Courtade will help explore these creators and his talk will use audio and video clips to help us remember some of their great moments of Musical Theater. 3 p.m. MAC

General Tech Help
Our teen tech-experts are available to help with any technology questions you might have, whether you’re seeking to learn how to brush up your Microsoft Office skills for work, or need help with your social media accounts. Bring any device you would like assistance with and come ready with questions. Walk-ins are welcome, but preference will be given to those who make an appointment by calling (516) 883-4400 ext. 1900. 1:30 p.m.

Marketing - The Key to Increasing Sales
Business owners and others interested in starting a new business need to know the essentials of marketing. In this workshop, SCORE Long Island will help you with developing a marketing plan, performing market research, pricing, advertising and promotion, Internet marketing and tracking results. Made possible by the Career & Personal Finance Center. Register online at www.pwpl.org/events 7 p.m.

Film: The Sower (Le Semeur) (2017-98 min.). Violette (Pauline Burlet) comes of age just when her Alpine village is cruelly deprived of all its men by the uprising of December 1851. The village women swear an oath that if a man should appear, he will become their shared husband. Director Marine Francen adapted a book by Violette Aikaud. This Film Movement presentation begins with Ms. Francen’s short *Les Voisins (Neighbors)* (2010-20 min.), about a shy female photographer. 7:15 p.m.

19 THURSDAY

Nonfiction Book Group
A discussion of *The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America’s Great Migration* by Isabel Wilkerson. Copies available at the Information Desk. 1:30 p.m.

Third Thursday @ 3:
The Arts of Louis Comfort Tiffany
The American Wing at the Metropolitan Museum of Art has one of the largest holdings of works by American glass artist, Louis Tiffany. Join museum educator, Alice W. Schwarz in an exploration of his broad range of objects from jewelry and vases to stained glass windows and architecture. 3 p.m. AAC

Thursday Thriller: So Dark the Night (1946-70 min.). Paris police detective Henri Cassin (Steven Geray) takes a well-needed vacation at a rural spa where daughter Nanette (Micheline Cheirel) shows interest in him – but she has a jealous boyfriend...Martin Berkeley and Dwight Babcock scripted for director Joseph H. Lewis. 7:15 p.m.

20 FRIDAY

Sandwiched In: Chamber Music with the North Shore Trio
Join us for a chamber music performance by the North Shore Trio featuring works by Saint-Saëns, Tchaikovsky, and more. The North Shore Trio includes Melissa Cheng on flute, Ethan Usoskin on clarinet, and Ann Zalkind on piano. 12:15 p.m.

Film: Ulysse & Mona (2018-82 min.). Ulysse (Eric Cantona), a very successful painter, will Mona (Milla Issa), a young art student full of life. The encounter will change them both. Sebastien Betebeder scripted and directed this Film Movement release from France, which will be screened with writer/director Aino Suni’s Finnish short, Wolf Carver (2011-13 min.), another film about an artist and a young woman. Both films are subtitled. 7:15 p.m.

22 SUNDAY

Family Film: Monster Trucks
(2016-104 min.). Tripp (Lucas Till), a young man working at a small town junkyard, befriends an alien creature which feeds on oil and which has made itself at home under the hood of an old monster truck. Can Tripp protect his new pal from bad guys at a trucking company? Derek (Jurassic World) Connolly scripted for director Chris (Ice Age) Wedge. 3:00 p.m.

23 MONDAY

Grow Your Small Business Using Social Media
Whether you already have a business or if you are starting a business, using social media marketing is essential. In this workshop, SCORE will review the five most popular social media networks, the benefits of using each social media network, how other businesses are using social media, how to tell which networks are right for your business, what kind of content to create and post, how to tell if content is working and why social media and email marketing must be used together. Made possible by the Career & Personal Finance Center. Register online at www.pwpl.org/events 7 p.m.

Philip Harwood Salutes Doris Day: The Man Who Knew Too Much (1956-120 min.). In Alfred Hitchcock’s remake of his own 1934 thriller, James Stewart and Doris Day must rescue her son, Christopher Olsen, who has been kidnapped by Bernard Miles and Brenda de Banzie. Composer Bernard Herrmann plays himself in the Albert Hall sequence. 7:15 p.m.

24 TUESDAY & 25 WEDNESDAY

The Library is closed for the holiday.

26 THURSDAY

Thursday Thriller: Walk a Crooked Mile (1948-91 min.). During the Cold War, FBI agent Dan O’Hara (Dennis O’Keefe) and Scotland Yard inspector Philip Grayson (Louis Hayward) join forces to eliminate a foreign spy ring operating out of an atomic research plant. George Bruce scripted for director Gordon Douglas. Louise Albritton and Raymond Burr co-star. 7:15 p.m.

27 FRIDAY

Sandwiched In: Carlson & Grant: Celebrate the American Songbook
Samantha Carlson, born in Mineola, New York, has been singing since age 2. She is a jazz/stardards singer who was raised in a musical family and her influences include Dean Martin, Elia Fitzgerald, Tony Bennettt, Frank Sinatra, Judy Garland, Barbra Streisand, Nat King Cole, Josh Groban, and Andrea Bocelli. 12:15 p.m.

Film: The Third Wife (2018-96 min.). In 19th century Vietnam, 14-year-old May (Nguyen Phuong Tra My) is about to become the third wife of a wealthy landowner. Little does she know that her hidden desires will force her to choose between safety and freedom. Ash Mayfair scripted, produced and directed this drama. We begin this Film Movement screening with Ms. Mayfair’s short film, Grasshopper (2012-14 min.), in which a girl saves a pig’s life and incidentally changes her own. 7:15 p.m.

29 SUNDAY

Kind Lady Double Bill
Edward Chodorov’s stage play *Kind Lady*, adapted from a Hugh Walpole story, tells of a wealthy older woman preyed upon by criminals. The first film version (1935-77 min.), directed by George B. Seitz, stars Alina MacMahon as Mary Harries and Basil Rathbone as swindler Henry Escott. Mary Carlisle and Frank Albertson co-star. After a brief intermission, check out the remake (1951-78 min.), which stars Ethel Barrymore as Mary and Maurice Evans as Escott. Angela Lansbury and Keenan Wynn co-star. 1:30 p.m.

30 MONDAY

The Power of Successful Email Marketing
In this workshop, SCORE Long Island will help new and current business owners learn the 5 Steps to Harness the Power of the Inbox: (1) Grow a healthy list (2) Create great content (3) Customize mobile friendly template (4) How to get emails opened (5) Tracking your results. Also covered will be What Email Marketing Really Is (And Isn’t) and What Email Marketing Can Do for Your Business. Made possible by the Career & Personal Finance Center. Register online at www.pwpl.org/events 7 p.m.

Philip Harwood Salutes Doris Day: Pillow Talk (1959-103 min.). Uptight interior decorator Jan Morrow (Doris) is forced to share a telephone line with amorous playboy Brad Allen (Rock Hudson) in the first Day-Hudson partnership. Michael Gordon’s rom-com also stars Tony Randall, Thelma Ritter, Nick Adams and Marcel Dadi. 7:15 p.m.

31 TUESDAY & 1 WEDNESDAY

The Library is closed for the holiday.

Happy New Year!

COMMUNITY MEET-UPS

Chess
Join a game, every Tuesday at 2 p.m.

Scrabble
Join a game, every Friday at 2 p.m.

Next Chapter
A current events discussion group, meeting the 2nd Saturday of each month at 10 a.m.

Great Books
This discussion group meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Selections available at the Information Desk.

Port Poetry and Prose
Tuesdays from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. A workshop for writers fifty years of age and older. The mission is to help aspiring and seasoned writers hone their skills by presenting their works within a group setting to obtain positive critiques and edits. Interested individuals should contact John Delach at 516-883-0040 or JDNYYG62@aol.com

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Learn Guitar with Reno Bracchi
Registration Begins Wednesday, December 11 at 11 a.m.
Free acoustic guitar lessons for the absolute beginner is back in January 2020! NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED! This season, due to popular demand, there will now be four successive one-hour classes. During the lessons, you’ll be taught: learning methods that do not require you to read music; songs played one note at a time, and others with chord sequences; well-known songs.
To participate, you must: be a Port Washington resident; bring your own acoustic guitar (no electric guitars and/or amplifiers allowed), be fourteen or older, and register for all four classes (each lesson picks up where the previous one left off). All classes begin at 7:15 pm, last for one hour, and will take place on these dates: Mon. Jan. 6, Mon. Jan. 13, Thurs. Jan. 23 and Tues. Jan. 28.
New this season – we are now accepting a maximum of twelve students. Spots are reserved quickly, so try to sign up in-person, by phone, or via the Library website – on Dec. 11, 2019 at 11:00 am, which is the day and time that registration opens. If the class is full, contact Reno Bracchi at (516) 883-4400 (extension 1407) or Bracchi@pwpl.org to be placed on the waiting list.

Sandwiched In: Susie Kaufman, author of Twilight Time: Aging in Amazement
Friday, December 6 at 12:15 p.m.
PWPL proudly welcomes author Susie Kaufman to discuss Twilight Time: Aging in Amazement. Twilight Time is Susie’s reflection on memory, aging, and mortality in the form of a collection of short essays that travels back and forth in time. She invites the reader to accompany her on a journey of inquiry, from a childhood in Jewish New York in the fifties to an unknown future and back again, always returning to the present moment—its colors, its sounds. Twilight Time avoids any sentimentality or nostalgia about the past, as well as any false certainty about the future.
Kaufman, a retired hospice chaplain, suggests that not knowing is the final frontier. She shares a glimpse of the crowded canvas of who she has been as she prepares to meet the unknown, letting go of it all. Susie Kaufman practices mindfulness in the Plum Village tradition of Thich Nhat Hanh.

Journey Through the Eyes of An Immigrant
Join host Tony Traguardo for a multi-sensory experience and explore “Journey Through the Eyes of an Immigrant” a writing, conversation and photography project funded by the Huntington Arts Council. See photos, read stories and hear the voices of immigrants who come and enrich our communities.
This project is made possible with funds from the Decentralization Program, a grant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislature administered by the Huntington Arts Council and support from Friends of the Library.
Inspired Ink – Teen Literary Magazine
The holidays are here! Have a funny family story you want to share? Did you take an adventurous road trip to some wonderful (or not so wonderful) place? Submit your writing and artwork to inspiredinkpwpl@gmail.com. New writers welcome. To learn more about our online literary journal visit us at inspiredinkpwpl.com.

Teen Afternoon Gaming
Fridays, December 6 & 20 from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Challenge your friends to an afternoon of gaming on the big screen using our Nintendo Switch. No registration required.

Financial Literacy for Teens
Tuesday, December 17 at 7 p.m.
This workshop aims to introduce basic financial literacy to young adults. Through discussions and experiments, we open their minds to knowledge and habits that can lead to a healthy financial future. This event will be presented by Entrepreneur April Zhou, who has an MBA in Finance. Registration begins December 2 at www.pwpl.org/teens for teens in grades 7-12.

Singing in the Stacks –
Teen GSA Karaoke Night
Wednesday, December 18 at 7 p.m.
Come sing with us at our GSA (Gay Straight Alliance) Karaoke night. This event is co-sponsored by the LGBT Network. Registration begins December 2 at www.pwpl.org/teens for teens in grades 7-12.

SAT vs ACT
Thursday, January 9 at 7 p.m.
This workshop is designed to outline the differences between the SAT and ACT exams and get an overview of the types of questions students could expect to see on each test. Registration begins December 19 at www.pwpl.org/teens for teens in grades 9-12. This event will be led by Steve Rossner from SAT/ACT Sense.

SAT Workshop Series
Sundays, January 12, 19, 26 & February 2 from 1:30-3:30 p.m
This series will focus on both math and verbal sections. Register at www.pwpl.org/teens beginning December 19 for teens in grades 9-12. Payment may be in the form of cash, check or money order made out to Port Washington Public Library or credit card. Workshop fee is $100 for four sessions. This series will be led by SAT/ACT Sense.

Need homework help? We can help
Tutor.com
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Textbooks (hourly) Our textbook collection has over 75 textbooks for core classes, grades 7-12.
Graphing Calculator (hourly) Two graphing calculators are available for in-library use.
Chromebooks (hourly) Four Chromebooks are available for lending at the North Wing desk. They are hourly items to be checked out for in-building use only.
iPads (hourly) Two iPads are available for check out at the North Wing. They are labeled 1 & 2.
Wacom Tablet & Pen (hourly) Wacom, graphic design tablets, are available to use at the TeenSpace MAC computer station. Wacom tablets may be used at any teen MAC computer.
Kindles (2-week loan) Teen Kindles may be checked out and returned at the North Wing service desk.

PWPL is pleased to announce The Local History Center will now be a dedicated research room for those interested in researching the Library’s special collections and archives. The room and adjacent annex will also function as a local history exhibit space with rotating, small-scale exhibits.

Local History’s inaugural exhibition now on view, Archiving Memory: A Look Back at the Port Washington Public Library’s Local History Program features photographs, technological artifacts and ephemera from the Program which began in 1980.
Access to the room for research is by appointment only. For more information please contact, localhistory@pwpl.org
A Time For Kids
Monday, December 2 at 9:30 or 10:45 a.m.
Join Ms. Karen for preschool concepts and fun. Enjoy educational activities, movement, music and a craft. For children ages 1 ½ to 5 years with an adult.
Online registration began November 25; check for availability by calling 516-883-4400 ext. 1600.

Preschool Story Time: Session II
Tuesdays, December 3, 10, 17 at 10:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m.
Enjoy great stories, songs, and fingerplays while your child develops essential early literacy skills. For children ages 2 ½ to 5 years with an adult. Preregistered class began November 19; check for availability by calling 516-883-4400 ext. 1600.
Priority given to first time participants.

Baby Rhyme Time: Session II
Thursdays, December 5, 12 at 9:30 or 10:30 a.m.
Join us for a lapsit session filled with songs, music and bouncing rhymes. It’s great way to meet other new parents! For children ages birth to 12 months with an adult.
Preregistered class began November 7; check for availability by calling 516-883-4400 ext. 1600.
Priority given to first time participants.

Sing and Swing Story Time
Fridays, December 6, 13, 20 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 2 ½ to 3 years with an adult.
Admittance is on a first come first served basis for 50 participants for each time slot. Numbered tickets will be available ½ hour before each start time.

Ready, Set, Story Time
Mondays, December 9, 16 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 40 participants for each time slot. Numbered tickets will be available ½ hour before each start time.

A Time For Kids
Monday, January 6 at 9:30 or 10:45 a.m.
Join Ms. Karen for preschool concepts and fun. Enjoy educational activities, movement, music and a craft. For children ages 1 ½ to 5 years with an adult.
Register online at pwpl.org/children/childrens-programs beginning December 30.

1-2-3 Play with Me
Wednesdays, January 8, 15, 22, 29
and February 5 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, speech, movement and the importance of play.
For children ages 1 ½ to 3 years with an adult. Register online at pwpl.org/children/childrens-programs beginning December 30.

Tummy Time
Thursdays, January 9, 16 at 10:30 a.m.
You and your child will be led in song, rhymes, and simple stories. There will be time for playing with rattles, soft blocks, and other developmentally appropriate toys. This program is for parents/caregivers with babies ages 3 months to pre-crawlers. Register online at pwpl.org/children/childrens-programs beginning December 30.

EvEnt POLICIES
Please see event listings for registration requirements. Due to high demand, we ask that you arrive at least 5 minutes before the event for which you are registered to claim your spot. If you have not arrived 5 minutes before the event, we may transfer your spot to someone who is waiting. Priority for all events is given to Port Washington residents.

Kindergarten Through Sixth Grade
TinkerCAD
Tuesday, December 3 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.
Design, build, and print your own 3D object using Tinkercad. For children in grades 5 to 6. Online registration began November 25; check for availability by calling 516-883-4400 ext. 1600.

Drop-In Tinker Time
Thursday, January 2 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Try out our Ozobots and Strawbees at this drop-in tinkering session. For children in grades 1 to 5 with an adult. No registration necessary.

Creative Readers
Saturdays, January 11, 18, 25 and February 1, 8, 15
Grades K-2 at 10:00 a.m. • Grades 3-5 at 11:15 a.m.
Creative Readers is an arts and literacy inclusion program where children in kindergarten through grade 5 will use theater, art, movement and music to bring books to life. Facilitated by Program Director Elise May and supported by the PWPL Children’s Advisory Council. Professional behavior support will be at all sessions. For program information and high school volunteer opportunities please email creativereaders@optimum.net or visit the Creative Readers page on the PWPL children’s website, under Programs. Register online at pwpl.org/children/childrens-programs beginning December 2. Please note: Your child must commit to attending all dates. Priority given to first time registrants.

Vacation Week Programs
Limited online registration is required for the following programs at pwpl.org/children/childrens-programs beginning December 16. Made possible by the Children’s Advisory Council.

Petra Puppets: Holiday Talent Show
Thursday, December 26 at 2:30 p.m.
The Holiday Talent Show is a ventriloquist puppet show featuring comedy, illusions, music, audience participation and a cast of big mouth puppet characters. Starring: Mr Freeze the Penguin, Turkey Opera, The Great Chimpanzi - Monkey Magician, Krusty the Donut and Kevin the Carsick Rabbit, plus kids from the audience showing off their own amazing talents. For elementary school children in grades K and up with an adult.

Rolie Polie Guacamole
Friday, December 27 at 2:30 p.m.
Join this award-winning “kindie” band from Brooklyn, NY for a high energy, interactive show that’s a mix of funk, rock and folk music mashed into original tunes about natural living, eating healthy and staying active! Fun for the whole family.