

BOOKINGS

Letter from the Director



As we look back on this past year, we recognize the unimaginable challenges the COVID-19 pandemic has presented to our community. But we also recognize the acts of generosity and quiet displays of heroism that makes Port Washington such a special place. We remember and mourn those lives lost to the Coronavirus and look to 2021 with optimism and hope.

Throughout the pages of this month's newsletter you will notice we have included photos and memories from these past twelve months. From Mid-March through May, to ensure the safety of everyone, we took the unprecedented step of closing our building. But just because our physical doors remained closed, the Library continued to be open in new and transformative ways.

We ramped up our digital services, shifted our programming online, made wellness phone calls to hundreds of community members, and utilized our 3D printers to manufacture PPE for first responders. By June we rolled out our curbside 'grab and go' service and in July began to welcome patrons back into the building with safety

precautions in place. August brought Hurricane Isaias and our parking lot soon transformed into a device charging station as well as a Wi-Fi hotspot lending source. September through November welcomed the addition of outdoor musical events, crafts to go, and services like VHS to DVD conversion, all facilitated in a healthy and safe manner.

Over the summer we sent out a survey that received over 400 responses, giving us much-needed feedback that we incorporated into our building re-opening and our new, upcoming Strategic Plan. We will continue to listen, learn, and collect your feedback as we go through 2021 and beyond. Please know you can always contact me by phone at 516-883-3728 or by email at Library@PWPL.org.

At this time, I'd like to thank you, our Library patrons, because without your passion, feedback and engagement, all of this would not be possible.

Happy holidays and we look forward to continuing to serve you in 2021.

Stay well,
Keith Klang
Keith Klang, Library Director

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- Expanded Wi-Fi in Parking Lot
- Laptop and Hotspot Loans for Home Broadband Access via Wi-Fi
- Chromebooks for Web Browsing and Access to Cloud Apps and Digital
- In-Person Reference Help
- Newspaper and Magazine Borrowing Available
- Curbside Pickup of Materials

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 holiday gift idea for that friend or loved one? Be sure to check out thingiverse.com for some inspiration! Patrons can print up to one simple, medium-sized object on our MakerBot 5th Gen, Prusa mk3, or Form 2 resin printer. Curbside pickup available. 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.*

QUICK READS

Curbside & Building Hours

Mondays & Tuesdays –
Curbside 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Building Hours 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Wednesdays –
Curbside Hours 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Thursdays & Fridays –
Curbside 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Building Hours 12 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturdays –
Curbside & Building Hours 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Holiday Hours

Library will be closed on Thursday, December 24 and Friday, December 25

Library will be closed on Thursday, December 31 and Friday, January 1

Available for Check Out

T-Mobile Wi-Fi Hotspots available for loan! Hotspot Loans for Home Broadband Access via Wi-Fi. *Made possible by a generous donation from Jane and Russell Stern*



February 2020

Natalie Douglas Sings 'To Nina... A Tribute to Nina Simone' at the Library

ESSAYS FROM THE COVID-19 MEMORY PROJECT VIA ESOL DEPARTMENT



This is a monthly column where we will be highlighting the Pandemic experience of one immigrant in our ESOL Department.

This month, we are including a written testimonial from Jessica Arizaga of Ecuador, who is enrolled in one of our English Classes:

Months ago, the world was going normally as always. I was working and attending English classes. I was able to spend time with my family. My daughter was going to school and my husband was working. I never thought that the world could stop, until COVID-19 started to spread. First China, then Europe, the United States, and finally, the virus spread all over the world. This is worrying, as I watch the news each day. Many people die, many do not have work, and children can't go to school. The changes in my life were extreme and out of control. I lost my job, my daughter couldn't go to school, and my husband's work hours were reduced. I needed to wear a mask every time I went out but wearing it wouldn't protect me. I didn't feel confident when I went to the market or to other places.

COVID-19 has affected me psychologically. I'm worried about my family and myself. My biggest fear is that my family will get the virus, or that I will get it myself. Every day I imagine losing a member of my family or dying myself. I feel nervous and scared. Some of my closest family are far away, too far for me to visit, and travel is difficult now anyway. My mother and my sisters are the ones I miss most. I hope the situation improves and I can continue living the way I did last year. However, I must be strong. My family needs me, especially my little daughter. For all my family, I will not let myself fall.

Are you up for the TASC?

Our English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Program is looking for a volunteer who has experience teaching high school English and/or Social Studies for our TASC classes in January. All classes will be taught online though Zoom. TASC/GED and Zoom experience a plus. Zoom training will be available if needed. Contact ESOL Coordinator Peggy O'Hanlon at 516.883.4400 x1308 or Haydee Buitron at x1309.

Manhasset Bay Historical Walking Tour – COMING SOON!



The Local History Center is currently developing a digital walking tour to coincide with the release of its latest publication, *Along Manhasset Bay*.

The Port Washington Historical walking tour app will allow users to explore the rich history of the town of Port Washington at their own pace, either alone or with a group. The walking tour will include locations related to the earliest farming settlers, the American Revolution, fishing, boatbuilding, sandmining, aviation history, and more.

The free app, which can be downloaded on any smartphone via the Apple App Store or Google Play Store, utilizes GPS to pinpoint the user's location as they travel along the walking tour route. Additional tours to be accessible through the app are planned, including a boating tour which will allow sailors and kayakers to view historical images of the Port Washington shoreline and notable sites on Manhasset Bay from the water.



January 2020

Holocaust Survivor Photography Exhibit



March 2020

Melanie Davidoff delivering 3D printed PPE to our first responders!

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Library Hours

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Residents of the Port Washington Union Free School District are entitled to a PWPL card, which may also be used at any Library in Nassau County. To apply for a card, stop by the Library with proof of residence or apply online at PWPL.org/Get-A-Library-Card.

Non-residents who work in Port Washington may also apply.

MISSION STATEMENT:

The Port Washington Public Library is a center for community engagement, knowledge and personal enrichment.

“Early learning specialists and ESOL staff members Javiera Arenas and Lesly Sagastume have been tirelessly engaging the young children and families enrolled in our virtual Homegrown Readers program. We appreciate your wonderful work!” Thank you!

Friends of the Library (FOL) “Linking the Community with the Library”

The FOL is the Library’s longest-serving volunteer organization, now entering its 55th year. You see FOL members helping at Library programs and leading our own special events; you see us meeting with Library staff and supporting the vibrant daily life of our wonderful Library; you hear us advocating for the Library budget to continue the programs and services so important to patrons and to underwrite new initiatives.

Crucially, the FOL provides key financial support to all Library departments, covering the difference between the tax-payer funded budget and the realities of program and materials costs. FOL-funded initiatives include the Museum Pass Program, Tutor.com online homework help, materials for ESOL classes, adult lectures, SoundSwap concerts, and free SAT/ACT prep, among many others. The FOL is the sole funder of the technology in the Library’s “MakerSpace,” including multiple 3D printers for patron use and the new sound recording/podcast studio. During the current pandemic, the FOL is helping to overcome the digital divide by purchasing ten Chromebooks and internet hotspots to be loaned out. We also sponsor the fast-growing “Library of Games & Gadgets” program enabling patrons to borrow items such as GoPro cameras, telescopes, musical instruments, and Kindles loaded with e-books. The FOL’s own distinctive programs include our signature annual Book & Author Luncheon, FOL University lectures, and Paperback Swaps. The FOL is an independent 501(c)(3) that raises funds through an annual appeal mailing and luncheon sponsorships.

To contribute, send your check made payable to “FOL” to: FOL, One Library Drive, Port Washington, NY, 11050, or donate online at PWPL.org/fol/support. For more information email fol@pwpl.org.



Port Washington Library Foundation “Funding the Future of the Library”

The Port Washington Library Foundation was established in 1989 by the Library trustees as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, the mission of which is to raise, receive and manage funds, bequests and endowments to support the needs of the Library not covered by taxes, and maintain its viability for future generations. Under the Foundation’s bylaws, the Library is the sole beneficiary of any fundraising activity by the Foundation. The Foundation has board members with financial, fundraising, legal, and marketing skills who together donate their time and expertise to operate as the fundraising arm of the Library. The Foundation raises funds to fulfill needs identified by the Library trustees, rather than its own initiatives. Money is raised through the Annual Fund appeal, special events such as the annual Inspiration Un-Gala, and programs for the 1892 Society, major gift solicitation and planned giving. The Foundation supports many long- and short-term projects and services, including annual funding for the Library Advisory Councils, Books for Dessert, Career Counseling, Local History Center projects, and the Homegrown Readers Program.

In addition to its annual support, the Foundation—thanks to the incredible generosity of local private donors—was able to raise the capital needed to renovate the state-of-the-art Jackie and Harold Spielman Children’s Library. The Foundation is always seeking enthusiastic new community members to participate in their mission and would love to hear from you.

Please reach out to Leila Noor, PWLF Director of Development, or Beth Ain, PWLF Board President, for more information! To contribute, go to www.pwlfoundation.com/donate. For more information email Leila Noor at leilanoor@gmail.com



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Access digital entertainment and education on your phone, tablet, smart TV, streaming device, and laptop anytime!

Our digital free apps have been quite successful!! Here are a few stats:

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HERITAGE QUEST
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LEARNING EXPRESS
Practice SAT, GRE, & TASC exams



JOBNOW
Live career assistance service

“Jean Bennett has worked hard to expand our online and digital resources at a time when our patrons need them most.”

Thank you!

DECEMBER 2020

Check our website for the latest listings as we may be adding events after you receive this newsletter. Don't miss out on anything fun! PWPL.org/events

PWPL ON YOUTUBE

Be sure to subscribe to our YouTube channel to view special content such as yoga, qigong, musical performances, and more! Visit [YouTube.com/portwashingtonpubliclibrary](https://www.youtube.com/portwashingtonpubliclibrary)

PWPL IS NOW USING ZOOM

PWPL is now using the Zoom Conferencing Platform for online events. Smartphone and tablet users can download the Zoom Cloud Meetings app. Users without a device can use a phone to call into our sessions. Visit zoom.us/download to get Zoom on your computer. Need help? Email Library@PWPL.org or call 883-4400 x1900.

1 Tuesday

Virtual Story Time at 10:00 a.m.

See page 8 for details and Zoom information.

PWPL Nonfiction Book Discussion

Talking to Strangers: What We Should Know About the People We Don't Know by Malcolm Gladwell at 7:30 p.m.

Copies of the book are available on Libby and may also be reserved for curbside pickup at the Library. See page 6 for details and Zoom information.

4 Friday

Virtual Story Time at 10:00 a.m.

See page 8 for details and Zoom information.

Virtual Sandwiched In with Chris Vivas: A Visual History of Santa Claus at 12:00 p.m.

This is a virtual program available through the Zoom application. Meeting ID: 885 4309 9740
Passcode: 621409 or call: 646 558 8656

The legend of Santa began with St. Nicholas in modern-day Turkey. Christmas was banned in England and the early days of colonial America. The image of Santa was largely a product of commercialism. Join Professor Chris Vivas as he explores the visual image of this iconic symbol of Christmas, generosity, and the Season of Giving.



Port Washington Play Troupe's Kate Beckman Presents: A Holiday Potpourri at 7:30 p.m.

This is a virtual program available through the Zoom application. Meeting ID: 838 6193 9075
Passcode: 083075 or call: 646 558 8656

A virtual kaleidoscope of holiday-themed readings, performed by Kate Beckman, to reminisce, tickle and inspire in celebration of the season.

7 Monday

A Time for Kids at 10:00 a.m.

See page 8 for details and Zoom information.

8 Tuesday

Story Time at 10:00 a.m.

See page 8 for details and Zoom information.

9 Wednesday

Jump-Start College Planning in these Challenging Times at 7:00 p.m.

See page 7 for details and registration information.

11 Friday

Virtual Story Time at 10:00 a.m.

See page 8 for details and Zoom information.

Virtual Sandwiched In with Ron Brown: The Great Cities of Egypt: From Memphis to Cairo at 12:00 PM

This is a virtual program available through the Zoom application. Meeting ID: 880 1764 6034
Passcode: 400174 or call: 646 558 8656

Egypt is one of the founding civilizations of human culture. Located between Asia, Africa, and Europe, Egypt influenced architecture, writing, art, music, and religion.

14 Monday

Virtual Afternoon on Broadway with Stephen Nachamie: Groundbreaking Women of the Golden Age of Broadway at 3:00 p.m.

This is a virtual program available through the Zoom application. Meeting ID: 845 4375 6997
Passcode: 238928 or call: 646 558 8656

Join Stephen Nachamie (Broadway's *She Loves Me*) for a look at the pioneers of their craft in the world of Broadway and film. Learn more about unsung heroes like Judy Holliday, Gwen Verdon, and Juanita Hall. (Rescheduled from November.)

It's Not the Same Old Microsoft Office: Intro to Microsoft 365 & the Cloud at 7:00 p.m.

This is a virtual program available through the Zoom application. Meeting ID: 867 8968 1450
Passcode: 914532 or call: 646 558 8656

Microsoft Office 365 is all about working anytime, anyplace, on any device. In this class, participants will learn; what is 365 and the cloud; business vs. personal subscriptions; navigating Microsoft 365 on desktop, online, or on your phone; tips and tricks in Office; and an introduction to the powerful new business apps. Presented by Robert Kratzke, Microsoft Certified Office Master. *Made possible by the Career & Personal Finance Center.*

Project Help Long Island Panel Discussion: Recovery, Loss and Hope at 7:00 p.m.

This is a virtual program available through the Zoom application. Meeting ID: 881 8651 8201
Passcode: 896568 or call: 646 558 8656

This panel discussion from Project Help Long Island will concentrate on individuals in recovery, and parents who have lost a loved one. Panelists will focus on their message of hope, and the promise of living a good life in the upcoming new year.

15 Tuesday

Virtual Story Time 10:00 a.m.

See page 8 for details and Zoom information.

PWPL Fiction Book Discussion:

Such A Fun Age by Kiley Reid at 7:30 p.m.

See page 6 for details and Zoom information.

16 Wednesday

Monthly Virtual Board of Trustees Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

This is a virtual program available through the Zoom application. Meeting ID: 897 0369 3946
Passcode: 11050 or call: 646 558 8656

17 Thursday

Winter Snowflake Craft

See page 8 for details.

Third Thursday at 3 with Alice Schwarz: Tiny Jewels: The Art of Miniature Paintings at 3:00 p.m.

This is a virtual program available through the Zoom application. Meeting ID: 871 1728 0964
Passcode: 526250 or call: 646 558 8656

Evolving from medieval illuminated manuscripts and portrait medals from antiquity, European and American portrait miniatures became popular mementos with intimate meaning. Join museum educator Alice W. Schwarz in an exploration of these tiny, exquisite paintings on ivory from the royal courts to the American home.



18 Friday

Virtual Story Time at 10:00 a.m.

See page 8 for details and Zoom information.

Virtual Sandwiched In with Thomas Germano: Diego Rivera's Pan American Unity, 1940 at 12:00 p.m.

This is a virtual program available through the Zoom application. Meeting ID: 829 1636 8784
Passcode: 559869 or call: 646 558 8656

Pan American Unity is a mural painted by Mexican artist and muralist Diego Rivera for an Art In Action exhibition at Treasure Island's Golden Gate International Exposition (GGIE) in San Francisco, CA in 1940. Rivera's work was the centerpiece of the exhibit, which featured many artists engaged in creating works during the Exposition while the public watched. Rivera's masterpiece is currently exhibited at the SFMoMA for the first time, where it is anticipated to be seen by more visitors than at any time in its 80-year history. Join Professor Thomas Germano for visual art lecture.

Kenyan Paper Bead Craft at 6:00 p.m.

See page 7 for details and registration information.



21 Monday

St. Francis Outreach Bus at 10:00 a.m. Port Washington Public Library Parking Lot

The St. Francis Outreach Bus will offer complimentary health screenings, blood pressure checks, and simple blood tests. Flu shots will be available.



Documents in the Cloud: Sharing, Communicating, & Collaborating More Effectively with Microsoft Office 365 at 7:00 p.m.

This is a virtual program available through the Zoom application. Meeting ID: 827 8370 3202
Passcode: 545667 or call: 646 558 8656

Working remotely is now critical for most companies. In this class, participants will learn about the cloud; why and how to share and store documents in the cloud; how to protect your information in the cloud; how to collaborate with others on a document; syncing OneDrive to your computer and phone; and OneDrive personal vs. OneDrive for business vs. Sharepoint. Presented by Robert Kratzke, Microsoft Certified Office Master. *Made possible by the Career & Personal Finance Center.*

22 Tuesday

Virtual Story Time at 10:00 a.m.

See page 8 for details and Zoom information.

28 Monday

The Cooking Lab at 11:00 a.m.

See page 8 for details and Zoom information.

Running Effective Meetings with Teams & Microsoft Office 365 at 7:00 p.m.

This is a virtual program available through the Zoom application. Meeting ID: 880 7607 6300
Passcode: 100309 or call: 646 558 8656

COVID-19 has quickly forced a dramatic way in which people work. Remote meetings, training, webinars, video conferences are the norm and not the exception. In this class participants will learn how to run effective meetings, leveraging the full power of Microsoft 365 and Teams. Teams is a complete communication platform that allows you to collaborate before, during and after your meeting. Presented by Robert Kratzke, Microsoft Certified Office Master. *Made possible by the Career & Personal Finance Center.*

30 Wednesday

Noon Year's Eve at 11:30 a.m.

Celebrate with your favorite Librarians and countdown to "noon" as we get ready for the new year! See page 8 for details and Zoom information.

Bad Art! at 2:00 p.m.

See page 8 for details and Zoom information

Please note: The Library will be closed on Thursday, December 24, Friday December 25, Thursday, December 31 and Friday, January 1.
Happy New Year!

ONGOING EVENTS

These are ongoing series, so be sure to check our Facebook page, our YouTube playlist, or our website for a link to the video.

Digital Diaries – Diving Into Entertainment Databases! Tuesdays at 12:00 p.m.

Each week, Tony will look into some of the entertaining books, "infotainment," and multimedia that can be found on the databases available through the Library, and on a number of the free-to-all databases available online. These clips will surely lead you to some great movies, TV shows, music, books, and comics available to stream, borrow or download. Give us a watch, you never know what hidden gems you may discover!

Collector's Corner

Let's talk collecting! Guest speakers will spend time discussing the passion they each have for their unique collections. Whether it is limited edition books, vintage items, Beatles memorabilia, or cereal boxes, we'll learn what makes these collections unique and get to hear some special anecdotes about finding amazing pieces!

Tony T's Tune Talk Thursdays at 4:00 p.m.

Media and Reference Librarian Tony Traguado hosts a series of music-related videos, including reviews and recommendations, that will span musical genres and eras. Put on a pair of headphones or crank up that stereo system to enjoy!

SoundSwap Virtual Round Table Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

Join Tony Traguado for a lively weekly round table discussion/lecture presentation that will cover a wide range of music-related topics, artists, and genres. Keep watch on the Library's Facebook and the website 'Events' page for links to the Spotify playlist that will serve as the basis for each week's discussion.

Winifred Boyd's Weekly Qigong Exercise Instruction

Qigong is an ancient Chinese exercise and healing technique that incorporates meditation, controlled breathing, and movement. Certified Qigong instructor Winifred Boyd Dipl., MS, LAc, RM, offers a series of Qigong exercises to promote physical, mental, and spiritual wellness.

Virtual SoundSwap - Live Musical Performances and Interviews with Musicians

Tony Traguado will host periodic live musical events that will feature local and national artists performing exclusive sets for our Library audience.

Key to Events:

- Children's Room
- Teenspace
- Ongoing Events



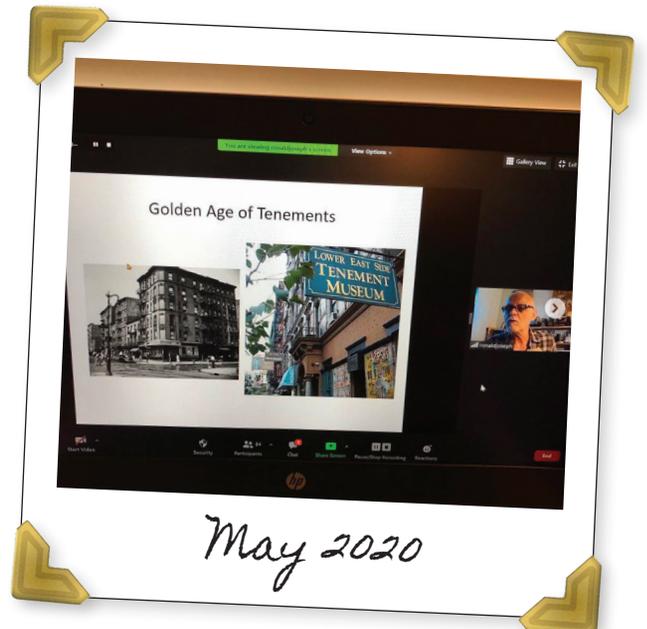
Anne Sacks crafting in the children's garden



PWPL reopens with in-person browsing and curbside grab and go thanks to Jackie Gordon and her circulation staff.



“Michelle Karnsomtob, Amy Christake and Vivian Ho have worked hard managing our Overdrive digital collections and ensuring that our patrons have access to great books and audiobooks throughout this challenging time.” *Thank you!*



A remote 'Sandwiched In' lecture via Zoom



Live music returns (finally) to PWPL during Port Outdoors

Holiday Crafts with Creativebug Online Arts & Crafts Videos



creativebug

Looking for some ideas and step-by-step instruction on creating the perfect holiday craft or gift?

PWPL cardholders have unlimited access to more than 1,000 award-winning arts and crafts video classes taught by recognized artists and design experts. There are projects for every occasion with downloadable patterns, templates and recipes, and new classes are added every day. Courses include drawing, painting, sewing, knitting, crocheting, cake decorating, jewelry making, and much more.

Creativebug is currently available on laptops, desktops, tablets and mobile devices through a web browser, or the Creativebug app for iOS or Android. The mobile app will allow you to download your class and watch the video on the go.

To get started, visit: www.creativebug.com/lib/pwpl to create an account using your PWPL Library card. Start exploring your creative potential with Creativebug today!



September 2020

National Voter Registration Day with LWV and FOL



April 2020

Reno Bracchi delivering books to seniors with Home Delivery



December 2020

Our incredible, indispensable Custodial Staff: Flaminio Ciampa, Phil Lorusso, and Tony Torres. Not Pictured: John David

A look back at 2020 on DVD & Blu-Ray

The pandemic disrupted the theatrical release of so many movies and their subsequent appearance on DVD, but we still managed to find some fine 2020 films for our collection:

Downhill During a ski vacation, the marriage of Billie (Julia Louis-Dreyfus) and Pete (Will Ferrell) is tested by his reaction to a sudden avalanche. Co-directed by Nat Faxon and Jim Rash.

Dreamcatcher A widower brings his troubled son and his new girlfriend to his country home. Horror ensues. Director Kerry Harris scripted with Dan V. Shea.

Emma Anya Taylor-Joy stars as a self-deluded Emma Woodhouse. Directed by Autumn de Wilde.

Gretel & Hansel Osgood Perkins directed this grown-up take on the fairy tale about a girl named Gretel, her little brother Hansel, and a witch.

Hunter's Moon Teenage girls are attacked by delinquent brothers. Oh, and there's a werewolf on the prowl! Directed by Michael Caissie.

The Invisible Man A scientist's widow (Elisabeth Moss) believes that her late husband is stalking her. Leigh Whannell scripted, produced and directed.

The King of Staten Island Scott (Pete Davidson) has been a case of arrested development ever since his firefighter father died when he was seven. A comedy-drama from Judd Apatow.

Never Rarely Sometimes Always An intimate portrayal of two teenage girls – one of whom is pregnant – in rural PA. From writer/director Eliza Hittman.

The Quarry A drifter kills a traveling preacher, buries the body in a quarry, and takes his place at a small-town church. Police chief (Michael Shannon) suspects foul play. Scott Teems directed.

The Shed When two teens discover a monster in an old shed, they consider enlisting it to rid them of a gang of bullies. Director Frank Sabatella also scripted.

PWPL Nonfiction Book Discussion – Talking to Strangers: What We Should Know About the People We Don't Know by Malcolm Gladwell

Wednesday, December 1 at 7:30 p.m.

Talking
to
Strangers



Malcolm
Gladwell

In this thoughtful treatise spurred by the death of African-American academic Sandra Bland in jail after a traffic stop, Malcolm Gladwell aims to figure out the strategies people use to understand how to balance trust and safety. The author explores how people interact with strangers and why these exchanges often go wrong, offering strategic tips for more accurate and productive interactions. Copies of the book are available on Libby and may also be reserved

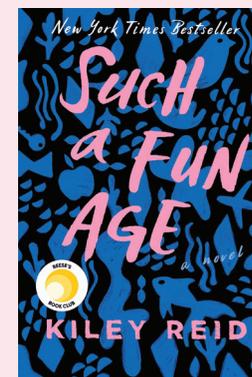
for curbside pickup at the Library.

This is a virtual program available through the Zoom application. Meeting ID: 846 0497 0084, Passcode: 11050 or call: 646 558 8656

PWPL Fiction Book Discussion – Such A Fun Age by Kiley Reid

Tuesday, December 15 at 7:30 p.m.

After a video was released showing Emira Tucker, a young black woman, being accosted in a traditionally white grocery store, Emira finds herself in an unexpected battle between her white boyfriend, Kelley Copeland, and white employer, Alix Chamberlain. As Kelley and Alix try to present the other as racist, Emira comes out on top by focusing on her best interest. With empathy and piercing social commentary, *Such a Fun Age* explores the stickiness of transactional relationships, what it means to make someone “family,” and the complicated reality of being a grown up. Copies of the book are available on Libby and may also be reserved for curbside pickup at the Library.



This is a virtual program available through the Zoom application. Meeting ID: 837 0305 6686, Passcode: 11050 or call: 646 558 8656

TeenSpace

Grades 7-12



Photo by Amanda Strobel,
submitted July 7, 2019.

Inspired Ink – Teen Literary Magazine

The holidays are here! Have a funny family story you want to share? Does your family make a special meal the celebrate together? Submit your writing and artwork to inspiredinkpwpl.com. New writers welcome.

Kenyan Paper Bead Craft

December 4 through December 18

Beginning December 4, pick up a grab and go craft kit and make a bracelet with homemade Kenyan beads while learning how your project helps other young people living in Mtwaipa, Kenya. *Reason to Smile* is a registered non-profit whose mission is to support and educate orphaned and at-risk children. Open to Port Washington teens, grades 7-12, and adults. Register at PWPL.org/Teens. Supply kits will be available for curbside pickup upon registration. *This pre-recorded event may be viewed at your convenience.*

Jump Start College Admissions in these Challenging Times

Wednesday, December 9 at 7:00 p.m.

Learn how to determine which colleges are best for you, how to differentiate yourself from other applicants, and how to maximize your admissions and scholarship potential. Port teens in grades 9-11 and their parents can register at PWPL.org/Teens. This Zoom presentation will be led by Michael Binder of Your College Navigator.

Winter Snowflake Craft

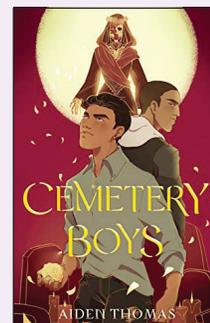
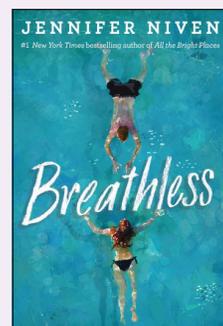


**Thursday, December 17
at 7:30 p.m.**

Get crafty with us as we create a winter snowflake decorative card. Open to Port Washington teens and adults. Register at PWPL.org/Teens. Supply kits will be available for curbside pickup upon registration. This Zoom event will be led by artist Chris Vivas.

Did you know that December is Read a New Book Month? Great reads are easy to come by in TeenSpace!

Here are some recommended titles from our collection:



Watch Over Me by Nina LaCour

A newly graduated Mila emerges from foster care to accept a job on an isolated Northern California Coast farm where she confronts haunting memories and the traumas of her fellow residents.

Skyhunter by Marie Lu

Talin is a Striker, a member of an elite fighting force that stands as the last defense for Mara, the only free nation in the world, but when a mysterious prisoner is brought from the front to Mara's capital, Talin senses there is more to him than meets the eye.

Furia by Yamile Saied Mendez

Seventeen-year-old Camila Hassan, a rising soccer star in Rosario, Argentina, dreams of playing professionally, in defiance of her father's wishes and at the risk of her budding romance with Diego.

Breathless by Jennifer Niven

When her college ambitions are upended by her father's sudden abandonment, an aspiring writer relocates with her mother to a mosquito-infested island off the coast of Georgia, where her efforts to rebuild are complicated by a local photographer's secret.

Smash It! by Francina Simone

Challenging herself to overcome long-held insecurities at the beginning of her junior year, Liv lands an unexpected role in her high school's hip-opera production of *Othello* that helps launch her journey of self-empowerment.

Cemetery Boys by Aiden Thomas

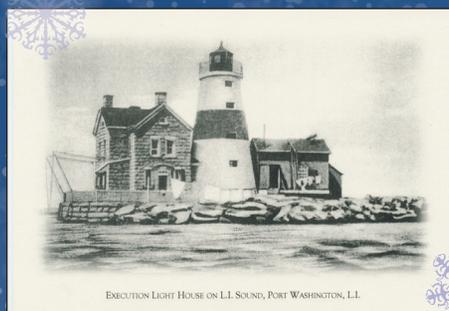
Yadriel, a trans boy, summons the angry spirit of his high school's bad boy, and agrees to help him learn how he died, thereby proving himself a brujo, not a bruja, to his conservative family.

“Jeff Zeh and Lori Gerbasi — Both have transitioned seamlessly from in person to online programming with their trademark good humor and poise and their amazing work with our adult and teen programs.”

Thank you!

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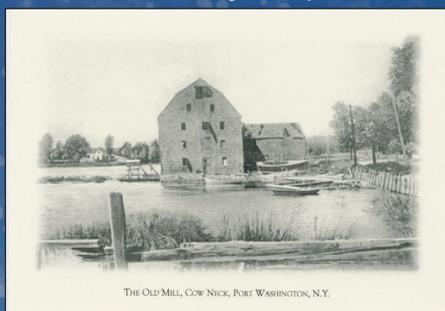
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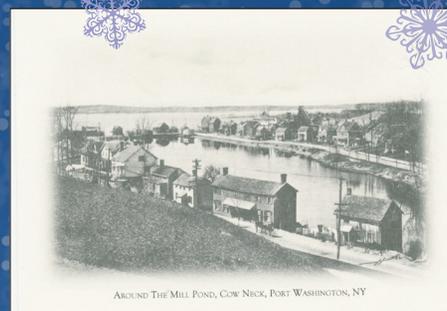
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MAIN STREET, NEAR WASHINGTON AVENUE, PORT WASHINGTON, N.Y.



THE OLD MILL, COW NECK, PORT WASHINGTON, N.Y.



AROUND THE MILL POND, COW NECK, PORT WASHINGTON, N.Y.

Featuring four iconic images from Port Washington's past, these notecards are the perfect gift for anyone who loves our town. Each gift box contains 20 notecards: 5 each of 4 different scenes. Your purchase supports Friends of the Library. Ask for them at the Circulation Desk in the lobby. \$15 per box.

ZOOM KIDS

Virtual Programs Virtual programs will take place using Zoom. Zoom programs can be accessed by installing the Zoom app on your computer, smartphone or tablet or by calling in using a cellphone or landline. The Zoom link will be sent to registered participants up to 15 minutes before the program begins. These virtual programs are for children age birth to sixth grade with their adult. We are continually adding new programs. **For the most up-to-date program information please visit us at PWPL.org/Children.**

Early Childhood

Register online at PWPL.org/Children. Once registered, the Zoom login information will be emailed to you before the class begins.

Story Time

Tuesdays, December 1, 8, 15, 22 and

Fridays, December 4, 11, 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Join your favorite Librarians online for stories, songs, and finger-plays. *Please note: Tuesday and Friday are separate registrations.*

A Time For Kids

Monday, December 7 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Ms. Karen from A Time For Kids presents a fun, fine motor skill program with music and movement on Zoom. For ages 1½ to 5 years. Register online at PWPL.org/Children.

Noon Year's Eve

Wednesday, December 30 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Celebrate with your favorite Librarians and countdown to "noon" as we get ready for the new year!



August 2020

Hurricane Isaias

“To date, the Children’s Room has had 241 virtual programs with 7,803 participants. A huge thank you to Rachel Fox and her staff for their hard work and dedication.”

First through Sixth Grade

Register online at PWPL.org/Children. Once registered, the Zoom login information will be emailed to you before the class begins.



Craft to Go: Holiday Wreath

Monday, December 14

Register to pick up all the materials needed to make a book-folding holiday wreath at home the week of December 14. For children in grades 1 to 6.

Snack, Chat, and More

Wednesday, December 16 from 4:15 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Grab your favorite snack and get ready make gingerbread houses! The supply list will be provided to registrants. For children in grades 4 to 6.

The Cooking Lab

Tuesday, December 22 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Join The Cooking Lab of Port Washington for an interactive virtual baking workshop for kids. Follow along with Chef Mat as he teaches you to prepare delicious & fluffy muffins with a crunchy cinnamon crumb topping and drizzled vanilla icing. Ingredient and supply lists will be provided to registrants. For children in grades 2 to 6 with adult supervision.



Bad Art!

Wednesday, December 30 from 2:00 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Create your own “Disasterpiece!” Using our arts and craft supplies, we will meet on Zoom and everyone will create their own one-of-a-kind piece of art. Registered participants will be notified when to pick up their bag of materials at the Library. For children in grades 1 to 6.



October 2020

Halloween on Main Scavenger Hunt



April 2020

Countless Virtual Homegrown Readers, ESOL Classes, and Ongoing Job & Career Programs