Library Inspiration Gala September 2018

Port Washington Library Foundation Honors Robert Lee Aitken, Thomas Donoghue, and Maurice Mandel

On Saturday, September 22, at 6:30 pm, the Port Washington Library will host the Port Washington Library Foundation’s 14th Inspiration Gala. Our theme this year is “Gratitude,” and we have three of our very own special volunteers to honor: Robert Lee Aitken, Thomas Donoghue, and Maurice Mandel. The evening will feature a cocktail extravaganza with open bars, signature drinks, food stations, and wonderful desserts catered by Port Washington’s own H on the Harbor as well as a silent auction, an art auction, and raffles.

Robert Lee Aitken is a ninth generation Port Washington native who has volunteered for many organizations in our town, including the Cow Neck Peninsula Historical Society, the Port Washington Lions Club, and the North Hempstead Country Club. A library trustee since 1996, he served for ten years as president of the library Board of Trustees and continues to serve on the board.

Thomas Donoghue, a long-time resident of Port Washington, became involved in the library in the late 1990s when he served on a library community planning committee seeking community feedback on how the library should position itself for the next century. He is quoted as follows: “The evolution of the PWPL from a place to take out a book to a community epicenter for learning and the arts has been amazing. Meeting the changing needs of patrons is a never-ending challenge. The PWPL is up to the task.” Tom served on the library board from 1998 to 2018.

Maurice Mandel has lived in Port Washington since 1959. He served as treasurer of the Port Washington Library Foundation Board for many years. In addition, Maury served on the board of Landmark on Main Street, formerly the Main Street School, where his three sons attended. He also served as Baxter Estates Village Clerk and was later elected Mayor. (Continued on page 2)

Greetings,

I would like to take a moment to introduce myself as the new Director of the Port Washington Public Library. In the Library’s 126-year history we have had four remarkable leaders who have steered the Library through many extraordinary changes. I am humbled and grateful to become the Library’s fifth director. In 2018, the Library’s mission is to be a center of engagement, knowledge, and personal enrichment. We will strive to engage you with the past through continued digitization of our local history collections and with an eye towards the future in our new MakerSpace Lab. We will continue to promote knowledge through our lively children’s story times, our book club for adults with intellectual disabilities, and our wonderful collection of books, films, and music. We will foster an atmosphere of personal enrichment where there is quiet space for contemplative thought as well as meeting spaces to exchange ideas and worldviews.

Moving forward, please feel you can contact me anytime by phone at 516.883.3728 or by email at kklang@pwpl.org. As we continue to improve and innovate we strongly encourage your feedback. We look forward to seeing you at our Library soon.

Sincerely,

Keith Klang
Library Inspiration Gala

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Full biographies of our esteemed honorees can be found at www.inspirationgala.com along with information about how to support the Foundation with the purchase of tickets to the gala, ads for our e-journal, and sponsorships. For further information about the gala, please contact Lisa J. Davidoff at davidoffl@pwpl.org.

The PWLF is a nonprofit organization that supports capital projects and programming that enhance taxpayer-funded services. The Foundation raises funds from the community at large through private donations and grants to help offset the costs of projects and programs such as the Jackie and Hal Spielman Children’s Library, Books for Dessert, Job Search Boot Camp, and all five advisory councils: Health, Children’s, Nautical, Music and Art. The gala is our most important fundraiser, and we encourage you to attend or to contribute to the event.

Thank You to Our 2018 ESOL Tutors


Pianist Dominic Cheli
Sunday, September 23 at 3 p.m.

Applauded by MusicWeb International for his “splendid playing...great skill and technical prowess,” pianist Dominic Cheli is First Prize winner of the 2017 Concert Artists Guild Competition. Earlier in 2017, Naxos released his debut CD, and he won the Music Academy of the West Concerto Competition, leading to a critically acclaimed performance of Prokofiev’s Piano Concerto No. 2 with the Festival Orchestra. His rapidly advancing career includes his concerto debut in Europe this season and his Carnegie Hall recital debut on the 2018-19 CAG Series at Weill Recital Hall. Mr. Cheli began his musical training in St. Louis, and he is currently pursuing an Artist Diploma at the Colburn Conservatory of Music in Los Angeles, California, studying with Fabio Bidini. He earned his Master of Music degree from Yale University and Bachelor’s degree from the Manhattan School of Music. Past teachers include Zena Ilyashov, Peter Frankl, André-Michel Schub and Sylvia Rosenberg. Made possible by PWPL Music Advisory Council.

Award Winning Folk Duo, Hungrytown
Friday, September 28 at 7:30 p.m.

Tony Traguardo hosts a SoundSwap event featuring the music of Rebecca Hall and Ken Anderson — better known as the folk duo Hungrytown.

After more than a decade of world-wide touring and three album releases, Hungrytown has earned a reputation for the quality and authenticity of their songwriting.

Lyricist Rebecca Hall is credited with compositions “that sound as timeless as any traditional songs” (Northern Sky, UK) while producer/multi-instrumentalist/husband Ken Anderson is lauded for his “remarkable affinity for instrumental embellishment” (No Depression) and for crafting Hungrytown’s “gorgeous vocal harmonies” (Folk and Roots, UK).

Hungrytown’s introduction to folk music came when a close friend entrusted to them her collection of 1960s folk albums and her guitar (which has since been featured on all their albums). Inspired by the grit and true-to-life experiences she heard in these traditional ballads, Rebecca Hall was inspired to write lyrics that would become, with help from Anderson’s flair for musical arrangement, her first songs. Hall would soon release two solo albums, Sings! (1999) and Sunday Afternoon (2002), both produced by Anderson.

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The Hootenanny!
Friday, September 21 at 7:30 p.m.

Join us for another ‘Hootenanny!’ event. Local singers, musicians and songwriters come together once again to support one another both musically and socially. Soloists share the bill with duo, trio and group performances, with the audience benefiting from a spirit of camaraderie and spontaneity that will surely cover a wide range of musical genres.

As always, the 'Hoot!' will offer our audience unique musical team-ups and performances. Tony Traguardo serves as host for an evening of song that will surely include the celebration of some musical anniversaries.

Musicians, soloists, and duo acts interested in being a part of this or future hootenanny events should contact Tony Traguardo at 883-4400, Ext. 142.
Job Search Boot Camp/Fall 2018
An eight-week intensive workshop designed to help participants obtain employment through networking

Mondays: October 15, 22, 29, November 5, 12, 19, 26, and December 3
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 11th at www.pwpl.org/events or by calling the library

Participants will be...

- M O T I V A T E D to conduct an effective job search
- I N S T R U C T E D on using LinkedIn and other forms of social media
- G U I D E D towards time management and developing job objectives
- A S S I S T E D with their personal brand and elevator pitch to build their profile
- G I V E N resume and cover letter advice
- A D V I S E D about building an effective network to find a job in today’s marketplace

Job Search Boot Camp will be presented by Maria Themistocleous-Frey, President and Founder of Executive Consultants of New York Corp. and the ECNY Foundation, a non-profit corporation that specializes in career coaching and professional development.

This program is hosted by the Port Washington Public Library and is made possible by a special grant received from Assemblyman Anthony D’Urso.

In the Karen and Ed Adler Gallery

Peter McGuggart
In Nature’s Realm
August 29 through September 30, 2018
Art reception Saturday, September 8 from 2 – 4 pm

During the month of September, the Adler Gallery will feature the artwork of Peter E. McGuggart. Peter's lush color pencil drawings depict the modest beauty of Long Island's low-lying fields and wetlands, capturing the nuances of light, atmosphere and color.

Peter McGuggart, a graduate of Parsons School of Design, has spent over 30 years in graphic design, working in the advertising industry. He was Senior Vice President, Creative Director, for Saatchi & Saatchi, Inc. As a resident of Manhasset, Peter's work has been exhibited with the Manhasset Art Association, the Art League of Long Island, and the Islip Art Museum. He is associated with the South Street Gallery in Greenport, NY and with Trapani Art & Frame in Manhasset and in Garden City. Made possible by PWPL Art Advisory Council.

About PWPL
The Port Washington Public Library is a center for community engagement, knowledge, and personal enrichment. We have been serving the Port Washington community since 1892.

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. Non-residents who work in Port Washington may also apply.
September
Adult & Family
Events

Priority seating at all events is reserved for Port Washington residents and cardholders.

EXHIBITS:
Peter McGuggart
In Nature’s Realm. August 29 through September 30 in the Adler Gallery. Join the artist for a reception on Saturday, September 8 from 2 – 4 p.m.

REGISTRATIONS:
In progress: Career Launch Pad, Resume Workshop, Job Search Strategies

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 11:
Job Search Boot Camp, Savvy Social Security, Savvy IRA Planning

EVENTS CALENDAR:

5 WEDNESDAY
Wednesday Western
Singing Guns (1950-91 min.). Notorious stagecoach robber Rhiannon (Vaughn Monroe) is appointed deputy when he saves the life of Sheriff Jim Caradac (Ward Bond) – he who himself shot! Ella Raines and Walter Brennan co-star in R.G. Armstrong’s Technicolor classic. 7:15 p.m.

6 THURSDAY
Career Launch Pad
Job seekers need to actively and continuously manage and possibly “relaunch” new careers/ jobs along the way. Career Launch Pad is a way to build a positive, action-oriented group that will meet monthly for four 2-hour sessions on the following dates: September 6, October 11, November 8, and December 6, from 10 a.m. to noon. Presented by professional career counselor, Karen McKenna, and made possible by the Career & Personal Finance Center. Register at pwpl.org/events or at the Library. 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

7 FRIDAY
Sandwiched In
Conspiracy or Hidden Truth? Every story has a competing side. Some are just fanciful enough to be true! This lecture takes a closer look into memorable moments in American history, from the assassination of J.F.K. to the moon landing. Join Thomas Egan for a spirited conversation. 12:15 p.m.

Around the World.
Cross the Andes in just 90 minutes with Dr. Ronald J. Brown. You won’t need your hiking boots. 3 p.m. Made possible by the Friends of the Library.

8 SATURDAY
Chilean artisan group Grupa Tinacria teaches you how to make textiles. An introductory session on Saturday, September 8 at 2 p.m. is followed by hands-on workshops on Wednesday, September 12 and Thursday, September 13 at 2:30 p.m. To register call 516-883-4400, ext. 147 or email ohanlorn@pwpl.org.

9 SUNDAY
Sunday Matinee Film
A 1933 Double Bill. First up, James Whale’s A Kiss Before the Mirror (69 min.). Attorney Paul Held (Frank Morgan) is defending Walter Bernsdorf (Paul Lukas) against charges that he murdered his unfaithful wife. Now Paul grows suspicious of his own wife, Maria (Nancy Carroll). After a brief intermission, Kurt Neumann’s Secret of the Blue Room (76 min.), in which three suitors agree to spend a night in a room where, twenty years earlier, a murder was committed. Lukas again stars, this time opposite Lionel Atwill and Gloria Stuart. 1:30 p.m.

10 MONDAY
Virtual Visits
In Praise of Painting: Dutch Masterpieces. Join MMA docent Alice Schwarz for a preview of the upcoming exhibition at the Metropolitan Museum, which opens in October. 2:30 p.m. Made possible by the Friends of the Library.

Film
Dean (2016-94 min.). Writer, producer and director Demetri Martin also stars as Dean Saris, a young NYC-based illustrator coming to terms with his father, Robert (Kevin Kline), and falling in love with Nicky (Gillian Jacobs), who lives in LA. 7:15 p.m.

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Hypertension Screening
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12 WEDNESDAY
Medicaid Sign-Up Help
Free, walk-in assistance from the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital. 2:30 to 5 p.m.

Great Books.
For discussion: Bleak House by Charles Dickens. 2:30 p.m.

Nutrition Author Visit
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14 FRIDAY
Sandwiched In
Matisse and American Art. Henri Matisse has been a profound influence on American modern art from its beginnings and throughout the 20th century. Americans were among the first students when Matisse opened an art school in Paris in 1908. Matisse’s color, composition, and subject matter inspired generations of later American artists including Arthur Dove, Stuart Davis, Ellsworth Kelly, Helen Frankenthaler, Andy Warhol and Roy Lichtenstein. Join Vivian Gordon for this illustrated discussion. 12:15 p.m.

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17 MONDAY
Afternoon on Broadway
Wonderful Town. This 1953 musical, with book written by Joseph A. Fields and Jerome Chodorov, lyrics by Betty Comden and Adolph Green, and music by Leonard Bernstein, tells the story of two sisters who aspire to be a writer and actress, respectively, seeking success from their basement apartment in New York City’s Greenwich Village. Join Prof. James Kolb for this illustrated discussion. 3 p.m. MAC

Remembering Red Skelton
The beloved funnyman, who passed away this day in 1997, stars as Dodo Delwyn, a once-great comedian whose gambling and boozing have reduced him to fairground clowning, in The Clown (1953–91 min.), a drama from screenwriter Martin Rackin (adapting a Frances Marion story) and director Robert Z. Leonard. Jane Greer and Tim Considine co-star. 7:15 p.m.

19 WEDNESDAY
Wednesday Western
Five Guns to Tombstone (1961–71 min.), Prison escapee Matt Wade (Robert Karnes) tries to persuade his brother, reformed gunslinger Billy (James Brown), to participate in a hold-up. An Edward L. Cahn picture. 7:15 p.m.

20 THURSDAY
Nonfiction Book Discussion
The Swerve: How the World Became Modern by Stephen Greenblatt. Copies available at the information desk. 1:30 p.m.

3rd Thursdays at 3
Art with a College Degree: American University Collections. Today: Fogg Art Museum. Illustrated discussion with Marc Kompan. 3 p.m. AAC

21 FRIDAY
Sandwiched In
Night and the Cities. A private detective down on his luck. A beautiful woman with a shady past. Dead bodies in dark corridors. This is the world of film noir: a world of chain-smoking deceivers and loners, con artists and killers, drifters and doomed lovers, each double-dealing his way toward an uncertain and possibly fatal future. Join film historian Max Alvarez for a gripping look at the great crime melodramas of the 1940s and 1950s. 12:15 p.m.

Augmented Reality (AR) for the Perplexed
Our “For the Perplexed” series continues with our PWPL techerts demonstrating Augmented Reality (AR). This exciting technology allows users to add computer-generated elements to the real world – perfect for interior design, interactive storytelling, digital scavenger hunts, night sky viewing, and video gaming. Sounds amazing? It is! The best part is that many smartphones and tablets already have this technology available. Bring your devices to this workshop to try it out for yourself! 3:00pm

22 SATURDAY
PWPL will close at 1 p.m. on this day in preparation for the Library Gala.

Savvy Social Security
Presented by Foresters Financial Services, Inc., and made possible by the Career & Personal Finance Center. Register at pwpl.org/events or at the Library. 11:00 a.m.

23 SUNDAY
Dominic Cheh. The pianist performs selections from Brahms, Liszt and others in a concert sponsored by the Music Advisory Council. Story in this issue. 3 p.m.

24 MONDAY
Savvy IRA Planning
Presented by Foresters Financial Services, Inc., and made possible by the Career & Personal Finance Center. Register at pwpl.org/events or at the Library. 7:00 p.m.

25 TUESDAY
Fiction Book Group
Continuing our celebration of the PBS Series The Great American Read, we will discuss Memoirs of a Geisha by Arthur Golden. Books are available at the Information Desk. 7:30 p.m.

26 WEDNESDAY
Great Books. For discussion: “An essay on Charles Dickens’ Bleak House” by Vladimir Nabokov. 2:30 p.m.

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Kindness Hall. Become more aware of the roadblocks that can impede our kindness. Allen Hecht is an Adjunct Professor at the Touro College Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center, and an Instructor in the Nassau Community College Workforce Development Program. Join him for this audio/visual discussion. 12:15 p.m.

SoundSwap Presents Hungrytown
Tony Traguardo hosts a SoundSwap event featuring the music of Rebecca Hall and Ken Anderson, better known as the award-winning folk duo Hungrytown. 7:30 p.m.

29 SATURDAY
The Music of The Beatles Rocks Main Street
Tony Traguardo is gathering a band of musicians to commemorate the Beatles’ rooftop concert of January 30, 1969. Join us for a momentous live event, featuring a set list that will simulate what the 1969 Beatles concert may have sounded like. The event will take place on the library terrace that looks out onto Main Street! 5 p.m.

30 SUNDAY
Port Washington Play Troupe Salutes Rodgers and Hart
Brian E. Long and David Barnett will present a tribute to songwriters Richard Rodgers and Lorenz Hart. “With a Song in My Heart” celebrates the timeless music of composer Richard Rodgers and lyricist Lorenz Hart. Featuring songs like “My Funny Valentine,” “Manhattan,” and “The Lady is a Tramp,” this 1-hour musical revue will delight lovers of the Great American Songbook. 3:00 pm.

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.

Port Writes
On the 4th Wednesday of each month, a welcoming group of writers discusses how to get work published. Contact Michael Chaplan at 516-674-0212 or uthtnc@aol.com for more info and to confirm meeting dates and times.

SPONSORSHIP KEY
AAC Art Advisory Council
CAC Children’s Advisory Council
HAC Health Advisory Council
MAC Music Advisory Council
NAC Nautical Advisory Council
Events Sponsored by the advisory councils are funded by donations to the Port Washington Library Foundation.

Events sponsored by Friends of the Library are noted in listings. FOL also provides refreshments for Sandwiched In.
**Rogers and Hart Tribute**

**Sunday, September 30 at 3 p.m.**

Brian E. Long and David Barnett will present a tribute to songwriters Richard Rodgers and Lorenz Hart. The director / musical director team were responsible for Port Washington Play Troupe’s acclaimed presentations of “Grease” (2013) and “Guys and Dolls” (2015) at the Landmark Theater. They have also appeared as featured performers in past Play Troupe presentations here at the library, including “Fair Liberty’s Call,” “Forever Plaid,” and “The Buddy Holly Story.”

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**Creative Photography Program**

**Wednesday, September 12 at 7:30 p.m.**

The Photography Club of Long Island welcomes award-winning photographer Marc Alter. Mr. Alter will show the audience how to spruce up their images with some new creative approaches in his presentation, **Creative Photography: The Rules & When to Break Them**. PCLI was founded in 1975 and hosts free monthly programs at the Port Washington Public Library as a community service from September through June each year. For more information, please visit www.pcliphoto.org.

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**“Food & Nutrition: What Everyone Needs to Know”**

**Wednesday, September 12 at 7:30 pm**

Join us for a visit from Schreiber graduate P.K. Newby, SCD, MPH, MS, a Harvard-trained nutritionist, who will discuss her newest book, “Food & Nutrition: What Everyone Needs to Know,” published by Oxford University Press. A gastronome and food blogger, P.K. has cooked with Nigella Lawson on ABC’s “The Taste,” and is focused on planet-conscious eating. She is an Adjunct Associate Professor at Harvard, and an award-winning educator. Her research, which focuses on the connection between diet, obesity, and chronic disease, has resulted in this accessible book, written in Q & A format, which separates nutrition science from nonsense, and offers sensible eating guidelines in a culture of nutrition confusion. Ms. Newby’s multi-disciplinary training spans the biological, social, and public health sciences, affording her a unique perspective on current food problems and possible solutions. Her mission is to help people to create healthier diets for themselves, and ultimately to contribute to a more sustainable future for our planet. Copies of her book will be available for purchase, and planet-conscious snacks will be served!

*Made possible by PWPL Health Advisory Council*

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**The Music of THE BEATLES**

**Rocks Main Street on Saturday, September 29 at 5 p.m.**

January 30, 2019 marks the 50th anniversary of the Beatles’ final live performance, which took place on the roof of Apple Records in London. The brief midday concert, the result of a somewhat forced ‘compromise’ between the group’s members, delighted fans and passersby, and also shut down London traffic for the afternoon. Paul McCartney had wanted the band to play for select fans in an exotic setting — a boat in the Pacific, an amphitheater in Tunisia, amidst the Great Pyramids, etc. — but the other Beatles simply did not have the energy or desire to make it happen. Film and recording crews captured the rehearsals and the rooftop show, for intended use as the foundation of the Beatles’ next album, tentatively titled “Get Back.” In the end, however, they would be edited down into the movie and soundtrack album “Let It Be,” released long after the Beatles had lost interest in the whole project, and were on the verge of breaking up.

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Banned Books Week • September 23-29
Banned Books Week is an annual celebration that encourages readers to learn about censorship and celebrate their First Amendment right to read freely. The 2018 theme, “Banning Books Silences Stories,” is a reminder that everyone needs to speak out against the tide of censorship.

Conquering Standardized Tests
Tuesday, September 25 at 7 p.m.
Teens and parents are invited to learn about the different formats and scoring systems for tests and the different strategies and skill sets necessary to optimize your score. Barbara Becker, a leading test-taking expert, educator and essay mentor, will lead this one-hour seminar. Register at www.pwpl.org/teens or by calling TeenSpace at 516-883-4400 x148 beginning September 6.

Next Month:
Zombie Makeup Workshop
Tuesday, October 9 at 7 p.m.
Get ready for Halloween while learning about zombies and transforming yourself into a creature using latex, face paint and tissue paper. Register online at www.pwpl.org/teens or by calling 516-883-4400 x148 beginning September 6.

YALSA’S TEENS’ TOP TEN:
The Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) Teens’ Top Ten lets teens nominate and choose their favorite books of the previous year. Vote for your top choice through Teen Read Week, October 7-13. Check out the list of nominated titles here www.ala.org/yalsa/teenstopten and don’t forget to vote! Here are a few of the nominated books.

Wonder Woman: Warbringer by Leigh Bardugo
Determined to prove herself to her legendary warrior sisters, Diana throws away her chance at glory and breaks Amazon law, risking exile, to save a mere mortal who is unwittingly fated to bring about an age of bloodshed and misery.

Defy the Stars by Claudia Gray
Teenaged soldier Noemi and an enemy robot, Abel, who is programmed to obey her commands, set out on an interstellar quest to save her home, Earth colony Genesis.

Waste of Space by Gina Damico
Cast in a bogus reality show designed to emulate a space mission, 10 teens become subject to the drama and scrutiny of fame before their communication is severed and they are challenged to survive while trapped in a desert warehouse set.

One of Us is Lying by Karen M. McManus
When the creator of a high school gossip app mysteriously dies in front of 4 high-profile students, all 4 become suspects.

“Creative Readers” Celebrates!
Creative Readers celebrated receiving the National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award by having a party for participants, families, teen volunteers and friends. Only 12 programs in the country received this 2017 award for Creative Youth Development. It was the only library program honored. Creative Readers is an arts and literacy inclusion program of the Port Washington Public Library with support from Port SEPTA, where books are turned into a multisensory experience using theatre, art, music and movement. The party activity was based on the book, “I Want a Party!” and everyone acted out “Wave Goodbye!” before the party ended.

Elise May, Program Director and Developer, thanked all those involved, PWPL Library Director and staff, SEPTA, CR staff and teen volunteers, in helping to make the program the success that it is. Assemblyman Tony D’Urso presented a congratulatory citation and Nassau County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton sent one as well. “We are so fortunate to have the amazing support we receive from all involved in the program,” May shared. “Many thanks also go to Spectrum Designs Foundation and The Nicholas Center who generously donated celebratory T-shirts for all the participants and volunteers.”

Thanks to the NAHYP award, Creative Readers had its first summer camp in July! Fall sessions start in October. Look for registration information on the Kids’ Page in this issue.
Early Childhood
Register online at pwpl.org/childrensroom

Sing and Swing Story Time
Fridays, September 7, 14, 21, 28 at 9:30 or 10:30 a.m.
Interactive stories, rhymes and songs emphasize early literacy skills and help instill a lifelong love of learning. For children ages 18 to 36 months with an adult. Admittance is on a first come first served basis for 50 participants for each time slot. Numbered tickets will be available ½ hour before each start time.

Ready Set Story Time
Mondays, September 17, 24 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 50 participants for each time slot. Numbered tickets will be available ½ hour before each start time.

Preschool Story Time: Session I
Tuesdays, September 18, 25 and October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 at 10:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m.
You and your child will enjoy great stories, songs and fingerplays, while your child develops essential early literacy skills. For children ages 2 1/2 to 5 years with an adult. Online registration begins September 4.

A Time For Kids
Monday, October 1 at 10:30 or 11:45 a.m.
Ms. Karen presents educational activities, movement, music and a craft. For children ages 18 months to 5 years with an adult. Online registration begins September 24.

1-2-3 Play with Me
Wednesdays, October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 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, mindful parenting, movement and the importance of play. For children ages 18 to 36 months with an adult. Online registration begins September 24. Please bring a yoga mat or towel on October 3.

Baby Rhyme Time: Session I
Thursdays, October 4, 11, 18, 25 and November 1 at 9:30 or 10:30 a.m.
A lapsit story time filled with songs, music and bouncing rhymes that emphasizes early literacy skills and introduces babies to the magic of books. For children ages birth to 17 months with an adult. Online registration begins Sept. 24.

Kindergarten Through Sixth Grade
Register online at pwpl.org/childrensroom

Intergenerational Chess
Sundays, October 14, 21, 28 and November 4 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.
Join the Long Island Chess Nuts and learn how to play chess and improve your skills. Children ages 6 to 12 years are invited to join the four week series with a parent, grandparent or favorite adult. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library in memory of Lawrence Kamisher. Online registration begins October 1.

Third and Fourth Grade Book Discussion
Thursday, October 18 from 4 to 4:45 p.m.
Online registration begins October 1. Books available at time of registration. Kids should pick up their first book and complete reading by October 18.

Fifth and Sixth Grade Book Discussion
Tuesday, October 30 from 7:15 to 8 p.m.
Online registration begins October 1. Books available at time of registration. Kids should pick up their first book and complete reading by October 30.

Creative Readers
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. First session dates are Oct. 13, 20, 27 and Nov 3, 10, 17. Facilitated by Program Director Elise May and presented by the Port Washington Public Library with support from Port SEPTA. For registration and information please email creativereaders@optimum.net or visit the Creative Readers page on the PWPL website.

Parent Child Home Program
The Port Washington Public Library’s Parent Child Home Program had a wonderful year with 2 children graduating. The PCHP is an innovative home-based literacy, school readiness and parenting program serving families of diverse populations that prepares children for academic success. PCHP believes that children learn best through play and that learning can be fun. Congratulations to our most recent graduates! This initiative is sponsored by the Port Washington Library Family Place and funded by donations to the Port Washington Library Foundation.