Celebrating library power
Issue No. 290, July 2013

Summer Schedule
Closed July 4. Sunday hours resume after Labor Day.

Borrow an E-Reader
Nooks pre-loaded with New York Times bestsellers are available at the front desk! First-come, first-served. For Port Library Card Holders only.

Downloadables
Access downloadable audiobooks and e-books from the library. Library staff can assist with downloads to your tablet or smart phone.

Library at the LIRR
The library will be at the Port Washington station on Wednesdays from 7 to 9 a.m. from July 10 through September 4 with a collection of popular paperbacks. Sponsored by the FOL.

Facebook & Twitter
Find us on Facebook and Twitter for updates on services and programs for all ages. Find out what we’re reading and more.

Mobile App
PWPL Mobile is available in your app store. Download the library’s free app and easily manage your account, place holds, stay up to date on library events, and download ebooks and audiobooks. Smartphone users with the newest devices can even use the app to check out library materials. PWPL Mobile is available for iPhone and iPad, Android, Blackberry, Kindle Fire, and most other smartphones and tablets. Just search “PWPL” in your app store.

Maker Camp at the library
The maker culture is a contemporary movement or subculture that represents a technology-based extension of the DIY community. Typical interests include engineering-oriented pursuits such as electronics, robotics and 3-D printing, as well as more traditional activities such as metalworking, woodworking, and traditional arts and crafts. Since 2006, the maker movement has held regular events around the world. This summer, the PWPL joins the fray with our own maker activities. Story inside.

In the Martin Vogel Photography Gallery
Morris Getz: Photographs, July 5 through August 30

Morris Getz presented his exhibition Spanish Colors here in 2005. He writes this about his new show of graffiti images: “These photos were taken on film and converted to a Kodak CD file. Most of the images were taken in the 1980s and physically no longer exist. I printed these on an Epson printer. Every photographer who uses photography in an artistic way develops a vision of the world around him/herself. Sometimes that vision can be verbalized and sometimes it can only be felt. If I was forced to use words to explain my vision, I would say that I tend to deconstruct a whole subject and photograph its parts, thus making the image mine. I enjoy finding someone else’s art, almost always displayed in a public space, and then zooming in to find that just right combination of color and composition that my senses find exciting. Hopefully you will find these images exciting, too.” Mr. Getz is a 62-year-old retired teacher who grew up in Brooklyn and lived in Port Washington for the last 16 years. This year he moved to Charlotte, NC to be with family and enjoy the sun.

Prospect Expreeway Wall

Tenth Inspiration Gala
Saturday, September 28, 2013 6:30 pm
Port Washington Public Library

Library Foundation Gala: Save the Date

The Port Washington Library Foundation hosts its Tenth Inspiration Gala on Saturday, September 28. The Community Leadership Award will be given to Lucy Mazany, Senior Vice President of Valley National Bank. Georgia Devoyong will be the recipient of the Leonard Wurzel Public Service Award. Stay tuned for updates to our program in next month’s issue.

Prospect Expressway Wall
Highlights from the ESOL 20th Anniversary Celebration


Photos by Peter Bengelsdorf, Jackie Kelly and Nuran Mirdha.
The Friends of the Library thanks its
2013 FOL Book & Author
Luncheon Sponsors & Raffle Prize Donors

Over 300 library supporters attended the Friends of the Port Washington Public Library's 44th annual Richard D. Whittemore Book & Author Luncheon on May 17 at the North Hills Country Club. Thank you to all who attended, and to the following corporate and individual sponsors for their community spirit and exceptional generosity:

Gold Sponsors
The Amsterdam at Harborside
Ellen & Richard Fox
Susan Isaacs Foundation
Stuart Johnson

Silver Sponsors
Amy & Geoffrey Bass
Patricia Bridges, Bridges Pottery LLC
Citibank Port Washington
Community National Bank Great Neck
Joan Nahas
Claudia Rouhana
Jane & Martin Schwartz Family Foundation
Shake-N-Go Fashion Inc.
Pam & Larry Tarica
Tinu Thakore
Elaine & Leonard Wurzel

Bronze Sponsors
Karen & Ed Adler
Robert Lee Aitken
Myron Blumenfeld
Country Cleaners
Beth Horn
Minuteman Press Port Washington
Port Washington Tennis Academy
Karen Sloan
Hal Spielman, SuddenlySolo.org
Elise & Marvin Tepper
Kay & Leo Ullman

Raffle Prize Donors
Alper's Hardware • Amalfi Restaurant & Pizzeria
Bayles Garden Center & Nursery • Beacon Pharmacy
Carnel's Printing • Chez Josee Salon • Doctor's Pharmacy
Entree Boutique • Evolution Pilates • Frank's Pizza
Fred Astaire Dance Studios Manhasset • Hair Studio
iDiner • Let There Be Bagels • Lou Babs & Moogs
Main Street Bakery & Café • Main Street Wine & Spirits
Marino's on the Bay • nuBest salon & spa • Pepe Rosso 24
PW Library Staff • Port Washington Water Taxi
Salem Pharmacy • Sullivan's Quay
And special thanks to S.F. Falconer Florist & Gifts for the donation of the table centerpieces.

Paris — A Movable, Musical Feast
Painters, poets and cultural prophets have always come together in this fabled city, and the rest of the world has followed suit. In 1889, even far-away Java came to the World Expo in Paris, inspiring Debussy with the sounds of the gamelan in the first public exchange between East and West. Strolling down any boulevard you might encounter Monet, Picasso, Pizarro, Hemingway, Cocteau or Stravinsky. Let pianists and Masterwork Conversationalists Matthew Harrison and Vlada Yaneva be your guides through this musical feast on Friday, July 12 at 12:10 p.m.

Maker Camp is coming
For Teens . . .
Video Game Tournament (and a side of Legos): July 11 at 7 p.m.
Stop Motion Animation: July 23 at 7 p.m.
Build Your Own Video Game: August 1 at 7 p.m.
Welcome Wednesdays! QR Code Challenge: 7th graders, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. from July 10 to August 7

Also featuring . . .
Friday, July 19 from 3 to 9 p.m. (lobby) — Makey Makey: Make a digital piano keyboard that is controlled by a bunch of bananas! Or create another quirky controller. The microcontroller circuit board turns anything with electroconductivity into a touch-sensitive controller. Suggested ages: All ages.

Thursday, July 25 from 5 to 9 p.m. (Children’s Room) — Squishy Circuits: Experiment with conductive play-doh. Electrolytes in the play-doh recipe let current from battery packs flow through the mixture. It can directly power small fans and/or LEDs. Combine it with resistant play-doh and build sculptures out of circuits. Fun but not shocking! Suggested ages: 5 - 10 year olds.

Friday, August 2 from 1 to 9 p.m. (lobby) — Hello World Arduino: Find out what an Arduino board is and see how it can be used to control the world around you! Watch how a computer gives it programming instructions to make LED lights blink at specified intervals or in patterns.

Field Trip Fridays
July 19 & August 9 at 7 p.m. Join us in the story circle for a virtual field trip to someplace new! We might journey to a chocolate factory or another planet. The destination will not be divulged until the day of the program. For children ages 5 and up with an adult. No registration required.
Keep Your Child Reading!

The following two programs begin June 24 and end August 15. Pre-registration is not required – sign-up when you are ready to begin and participate.

Dig Into Reading
Children entering grades 1 to 6 are invited to join. Keep track of the suggested activities and books you have read at home and receive prizes. At the end of the 8 week program, members who have read at least 6 books will receive a certificate, participation gift and a special invitation to the Children’s Room carnival on Friday, August 16.

Smart Start for Babies, Toddlers and Preschoolers
Learning begins at birth, so it is important to focus on early literacy skills even for the youngest children. To this end, we are offering a reading program for children ages birth to 5 years old with activities, gifts and programs. Participation is simple – just read, sing or do fingerplays with your child at home. Record the activities you have shared and we’ll have gifts for your child. Save the date for this special program, Dance Party with Lesley on Thursday, August 16.

Early Childhood
To register or inquire about availability for the following programs, please call Children’s Services at 883-4400, Ext. 150. Complete descriptions in our summer flier.

Park Story Time with Miss Lucy and Mr. Mike – Six Mondays beginning July 8 at 10:30 a.m. For children ages 5 years and under with an adult. Meets at The Blumenfeld Family Park, adjacent to Landmark. If weather is inclement, program will be held in the Story Circle at 10:45 a.m. No registration required.

Play Pals: Session I – Tuesdays, July 9, 16, 23 at 10:30 a.m. For ages 18 to 29 months with an adult – children must be 18 months old by July 9. Registration began June 24 – call for availability.

Preschool Story Time – Six Tuesdays beginning July 9 at 2:30 p.m. For children ages 3½ to 5 years without an adult. No registration required.

Toddler Story Time – Six Wednesdays beginning July 10 at 11:30 a.m. For children ages 2½ to 3½ years with an adult. No registration required.

Pajama Story Time – Wednesdays, July 10, 24 and August 14 at 7 p.m. For children of all ages with an adult. No registration required.

Book Babies – Six Thursdays beginning July 11 at 10:30 a.m. For ages birth to 17 months with an adult. No registration required.

Park Story Time – Six Fridays beginning July 12 at 10:30 a.m. For children ages 5 years and under with an adult. Meets at The Blumenfeld Family Park (adjacent to the Landmark). If weather is inclement, program will be held in the Story Circle at 10:45 a.m. No registration required.

Mosaic Sun Catcher – Saturday, July 20 at 12:30 p.m. For children ages 3½ to 5 years with an adult. Registration begins July 8.

Play Pals: Session II – Tuesdays, July 30 and August 6, 13 at 10:30 a.m. For ages 18 to 29 months with an adult – children must be 18 months old by July 30. Registration begins July 22. Priority to first time registrants.

Water Magic – Saturday, August 3 at 1 p.m. For children ages 3½ to 5 years with an adult. Registration begins July 22.

School-Age Kids
To register or inquire about availability for the following, please call Children’s Services at 883-4400, Ext. 150. Complete descriptions in our summer flier.

Summer Fun for Families
Summer Reading Program Kick-off: Prestino’s Magic Show – Friday, July 12 at 7 p.m. For children entering grades 1 to 6 with an adult. No tickets required.

Field Trip Friday – Friday, July 19 at 7 p.m. Join us in the story circle for a virtual field trip to someplace new – maybe a chocolate factory or another planet. The destination will not be divulged until the day of the program. For children ages 5 years and up with an adult. No registration required.

Family Film – Friday, July 26 at 7 p.m. Bring a blanket and a picnic dinner and we’ll supply the popcorn! No tickets or registration required. The Princess Bride (1987 – 96 min.). Rated PG for parental guidance.

Family Night: Lego Challenge – Wednesday, July 31 from 7 to 8 p.m. For families with children ages 5 years and up. Registration begins July 19.

Family Night: Bingo – Wednesday, August 7 from 7 to 8 p.m. For families with children ages 5 years and up. Registration begins July 19.
The Jobs & Careers Information Center is now offering monthly small group workshops. Karen McKenna will facilitate.

Resume & Cover Letter Preparation
Saturday, July 13 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Job Search Strategies
Saturday, August 10 from 1 to 3 p.m.

These workshops are free of charge but registration is required. Sign up for one or both by stopping by the Reference Desk, or by calling 516-883-4400, Ext. 111.

Karen McKenna is a career and outplacement coach, trainer, and writer with over 25 years of business experience across multiple industries. She has worked for The Council for Adult and Experiential Learning (CAEL), Drake Beam Morin (DBM), Estée Lauder, Tuesday’s Children and Winthrop University Hospital. Passionate about helping people find their way in life, Karen advises clients on how to effectively navigate today’s challenging job market, tapping into valuable resources based on their individual goals.

Topical Tuesday
77 to 1: Why Feminism is Still Necessary

Over the past hundred years, women have gained rights, but there are many still to be realized. Women face objectification through the media, unequal pay in the work force and generalized misogyny in numerous aspects of their lives.

Feminism is necessary in order to change the way women are viewed in our society, and to recognize women not as a secondary sex, but every bit as human and deserving of the respect and opportunities afforded men.

Join Emma Podolsky, who will be a senior at Paul D. Schreiber Senior High School this fall, for an exploration of this topic on Tuesday, July 9 at 7:30 p.m.

Emma has been active in feminist and other women-based school-wide programs at Schreiber.

Refreshments will be served. This program is sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Rescuing Port’s Past

Working in the library’s Local History Collection is like digging for treasure every day and conducting salvage operations at the same time. When rare, damaged or abandoned documents or photographs are brought in, our first job is to assess their condition and make repairs.

The above image of four children riding in a goat cart is a case in point. As one of 62 glass plate negatives saved from destruction by donor Andra Kustin, it was carefully cleaned, scanned and digitally restored by our in-house expert Tal Hurwitz. This enabled us to see small details such as the name on the wagon (Tam O’Shanter), ages of children, clothing styles, house architecture and the ladies in the background. We concluded that the photograph was taken at the turn-of-the-century on the Olandt property on North Maryland Street. William, the father, was a local purveyor of eggs and butter. The pride of the children in the cart delightfully captures this moment in time.

Photographs can fade and crack, wilt and peel. They can come in varying sizes from 2x2 to 10x14, and various formats, such as negatives, prints, tintypes and slides. Whatever their condition, we welcome the challenges of making our Port Washington local history collections safe and accessible. Many thanks to the donors who have added to the history of our town through the lenses of time.

Hootenanny

Tony Traguardo hosts our fifth hootenanny, in which the library transforms into a 1960s coffee house on Wednesday, July 24 at 7:30 p.m. Local musicians, singers and songwriters come together for an evening of music that offers our audience unique musical team-ups and performances. A number of talented Hootenanny regulars, including Glenn McCready (pictured above) and exciting first timers will perform.
TEEN SUMMER READING CLUB
Port students entering grades 7-12 are invited to participate. Read books, write mini-reviews, win prizes! Registration in progress in TeenSpace or online at pwpl.org/teenspace. Visit for a complete packet of reading club materials while supplies last.

TEEN EVENTS
In-person registration in progress. Programs are open to Port Washington teens entering grades 7-12 in September. Notification of withdrawal must be given at least five business days before the program date in order for refunds to be made. Program fees are non-transferable. Call 883-4400, Ext. 148 for information.

FOOD ALLERGY DISCLAIMER: Participants concerned with food allergies need to be aware of this risk. The Library will not assume any liability for adverse reactions to foods consumed or items one may come in contact with.

Tuesday, July 9 at 7 p.m.
Ring Bling Jewelry Making
Create one of a kind rings with Krafts with Karen. Workshop fee: $5.

July 10 - August 7 11 a.m to 9 p.m.
Welcome Wednesdays!
QR Code Challenge
Calling incoming 7th graders. Learn about TeenSpace and the resources available at the library. This scavenger hunt will challenge you to scan QR codes in the library to reveal clues. Bring your smart phone or borrow one of ours. Free!

Thursday, July 11 at 7 p.m.
Video Game Tournament
(with a side of Legos)
Play against each other and test your skills. Various genres of games will be available. Presented by 2x-Treme. Workshop fee $5.

Tuesday, July 16 at 7 p.m.
Port Pasta Party
Learn to make homemade pasta with Jo-Ann Tiranno. Workshop fee: $5.

Wednesday, July 17 & 31 at 7 p.m.
Teens Talk Books: Summer Series
Beat the heat and join the fun! The first book will be available for pick-up at time of registration. Free.

Thursday, July 18 at 7 p.m.
Bow Wow Biscuit Bake
The Baking Coach will lead this workshop to benefit shelter dogs, and community service credit will be awarded. Workshop fee $5.

Tuesday, July 23 at 7 p.m.
Stop Motion Animation
Create hands on animation with posable figures, digital cameras and movie lights with the Long Island Motion Picture Arts Center and Museum. Workshop fee $5.

Thursday, July 25 at 7 p.m.
South of the Border Cooking
Make tasty Mexican inspired snacks with Chef Frank. Workshop fee $5.

Tuesday, July 30 at 7 p.m.
Cupcake War!
Decorate your one-of-a-kind cupcake and compete against your peers to become the ultimate cupcake champion with instructor Allison Paulo. Workshop fee $5.

Tuesday, August 1 at 7 p.m.
Build Your Own Video Game
The Game Builders Academy will show you how to make your own game using their game maker software. Workshop fee $5.

Tuesday, August 6 at 7 p.m.
Zumba Fitness
Latin rhythms and easy-to-follow dance moves with instructor Diane Phillips. Workshop fee: $5.

Thursday, August 8 at 7 p.m.
Can You Dig It?
A forensic Workshop with Hands on Science. Teams dig through bones and are challenged to hypothesize about the origin, types and names of the different bones. Workshop fee $5.