Meet Gail Sheehy

The Friends of the Library’s Meet the Author Fall series continues with Gail Sheehy on Thursday, October 2 at 7:30 p.m. The author of the New York Times bestseller, Passages, returns with her inspiring memoir — a chronicle of her trials and triumphs as a groundbreaking journalist in the 1960s, as an iconic guide for women and men seeking to have it all, and as one of the premier political prophets of modern times.

Candid, insightful, and powerful, Daring: My Passages (William Morrow, September 9, 2014) is the story of the unconventional life of a writer who exposed violent prostitution on the streets of New York City, marched with civil rights protesters in Northern Ireland as British paratroopers opened fire, and sought out Egypt’s president Anwar Sadat when he was targeted for death after making peace with Israel.

Passages was named by the Library of Congress as one of the ten most influential books of our time. As a literary journalist, Sheehy was one of the original contributors to New York magazine and has been a contributing editor to Vanity Fair since 1984.

Books will be available for purchase and signing. Refreshments will be served. The Friends of the Library’s Meet the Author series has previously brought such notable writers as Philippa Gregory, Nelson DeMille, Roger Rosenblatt and Eric Fischl to the Library.

Meet Gail Sheehy

October schedule
We will be open 1 to 5 p.m. on October 13 in observance of Columbus Day.

FOL Paperback Swap
The Friends of the Library’s popular Paperback Swap returns Saturday, October 25 from 1 to 4 p.m. Bring your gently used adult, teen and children’s paperbacks to the library’s meeting room for a free, friendly swap. We will accept hardcover children’s books including board books. No more than 20 books per person. Books are not accepted in advance. We stop accepting items at 3:30 p.m. Browsers welcome!

Italian Heritage Month
The Library is celebrating Italian Heritage and Culture Month with a series of performances, films and lectures throughout October. We begin with the film Mediterraneo on Monday, October 6 at 7 p.m. See calendar listings for additional events and details.

Many programs sponsored by John Michael Marino Lodge #1389, Order Sons of Italy in America.

Health screenings
The St. Francis Hospital outreach van will visit the library on Monday, October 20th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nurses will be on hand to perform free general health screenings, and will be available to advise the public. The van will be parked on the south side of the library parking lot.

Piano Concert
On Sunday, October 19 at 3 p.m., the Music Advisory Council presents acclaimed pianist Yun-Chin Zhou. The young virtuoso will perform selections from Barber, Liszt and others.

Free online courses
Free access to online learning service lynda.com continues, following our year-long pilot launch. The popular site is available to Port patrons both onsite, at home and on mobile devices. The link can be found on our website homepage as well as on the Research page. A library card number is required.

Coming in November
On November 11, in observance of Veterans Day, Professor James Coll will discuss freedom and democracy, and explore how these concepts have shaped our nation.

Rose Nestler exhibits Softscape

Originally from Seattle, Rose Nestler currently lives and works in Brooklyn, where she is an artist in residence at a Chashama Studio Program in the Brooklyn Army Terminal. Through installation, drawing and sculpture Rose develops spaces that are illusionary yet familiar. Themes of historical architecture, ornamental objects and untamed natural landscapes create the formal basis for her works.

“I use materials that reference the craftsmanship of decorative objects such as porcelain or upholstery,” Rose says. “With materials not usually destined for fine art I am able to access and manipulate a visual memory that is connected to the human experience of habitation.”

“As an artist I am interested in this experience because it allows me to play with the feelings of comfort or protection that many architectural spaces inspire while also examining the adverse feelings a space can evoke such as, anxiety, hesitancy or sorrow.”

See Softscape in the Main Gallery from October 2 through 31.
10th Annual Long Island Talent Celebration

Once again, popular WFUV deejay John Platt has agreed to host our annual salute to local talent. Our 10th anniversary show features three outstanding acts.

Singer-songwriter and bassist Roger Street Friedman was born on Long Island and is currently based in Brooklyn. Friedman’s sound is a diverse blend of folk, blues, R&B, rock n’ roll, and country – concise and powerfully introspective, intimate, and filled with warmth.

Originally from New Jersey, Katie Pearlman arrived on Long Island a few years ago. She is one of those difficult-to-categorize artists – fluent in percussion and the guitar, drawing inspiration from multiple styles.

Butchers Blind, from Bellsero, has a sound that harkens back to a time before rock and roll was divided into dozens of sub-genres. The band features Pete Mancini on guitar and vocals, Paul Cianciaruso on drums and vocals, Brian Reilly on bass, and Christopher Smith on piano.

Join us on Sunday, October 26 at 3 p.m. for this musical extravaganza. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

New nook books

Our e-readers are preloaded with dozens of popular titles. No hold lists, no downloading and no tech expertise necessary. Ask for one at the circulation desk.

Twenty-five new titles have been added, including:

- The Boys in the Boat by Daniel James Brown
- The Goldfinch by Donna Tartt
- The Heist by Daniel Silva
- I Am Pilgrim by Terry Hayes
- The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd
- The Light Between Oceans by M.L. Stedman
- The Matchmaker by Elin Hilderbrand
- The Monuments Men by Robert M. Edsel
- One Plus One by Jojo Moyes
- Orange is the New Black by Piper Kerman
- Orphan Train by Christina Baker Klein

Step inside the Digital Bookmobile and explore the world of e-reading

Join us in the Library’s parking lot on Sunday, October 5 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. for the OverDrive Digital Bookmobile’s Port Washington visit. This stop on the national tour (www.digitalbookmobile.com) will showcase the Library’s free downloadable eBook and audio book services. Readers of all ages will learn how to access eBooks from the library through interactive demonstrations and high-definition instructional videos.

A gadget gallery – featuring Kindle Fire and Paperwhite, iPad Mini, Android Galaxy Tablet, NOOK HD, Sony Reader, Windows Phone 8, and more – will help visitors discover portable devices that are compatible with the library’s download service.

The Digital Bookmobile is housed inside an 18-wheel tractor-trailer. This 74-foot community outreach vehicle is a high-tech update of the traditional bookmobile that has served communities for decades. The vehicle is equipped with broadband Internet-connected PCs, high definition monitors, premium sound systems, and a variety of portable media players, all of which help visitors explore PWPL’s digital service. Interactive learning stations give visitors an opportunity to search the library’s digital media collection, use supported mobile devices, and sample eBooks, audio books, music, and video.


Once the digital titles have been checked out, they can be enjoyed in the browser or transferred to a computer or a supported mobile device. Many audio titles can also be burned to audio CD. At the end of the lending period, titles will automatically expire and are returned to the digital collection. There are never late fees or damaged items.

A Conversation with Jeanine Tesori

Landmark on Main Street and the Port Washington Public Library are excited to welcome Port Washington native Jeanine Tesori back to the Landmark theater.

Jeanine has written four Tony-nominated scores for Broadway: Twelfth Night; Thoroughly Modern Millie; Caroline, or Change; and Shrek the Musical.

Her 1997 Off-Broadway musical, Violet, opened on Broadway this spring, starring Sutton Foster, and has garnered four Tony Nominations including Best Musical Revival. Jeanine will be interviewed by playwright and writer/producer Diana Son.

Free admission to all Conversations programs thanks to the Angela & Scott Jaggar Foundation.
Explore nautical history with the Martus collection

Join the Nautical Advisory Council on Thursday, October 23 at 7:30 p.m. as they celebrate Port’s nautical heritage with an overview of the Virginia Marshall Martus Collection.

In the middle years of the 20th Century, there were several places in Port Washington that catered to the needs of boaters. One of the best known from that era was the firm of A&R Marshall, where Inspiration Wharf is now located.

The “A&R” in the name referred to Albert Marshall and his son Ray. Ray’s daughter Virginia, known to all as “Ginger,” was interested in local history and nautical history in general, and was one of the founders of the Library’s Nautical Advisory Council.

Ginger donated a trove of materials to the Library, including photographs, interview materials, press clippings, and artifacts relating to the firm, the Marshall family, and the history of Port Washington. Her collection is archived in the Library’s Local History Center.

Additional materials will be on display in the Community Gallery during the month of October.

Save the Date: FOL University returns on November 2

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

Modeled on the concept of a one-day university, this event features lectures by two scholars on timely and fascinating topics. The first scholar will be John McWhorter, Associate Professor in the English and Comparative Literature department at Columbia University. Dr. McWhorter has written many books on language including Our Magnificent Bastard Tongue: The Untold Story of English and the recently published The Language Hoax: Why the World Looks the Same in Any Language. In his return appearance at the Library Dr. McWhorter will be discussing texting and its relationship to writing.

Following a brief refreshment break, History Professor Joseph Dorinson of Brooklyn College will speak on political satire.

Sponsored by the Epstein Family in memory of Professor Edmund Epstein.

The Library’s Jobs & Careers Information Center presents

Job Search Boot Camp

An 8-week intensive workshop designed to help participants obtain employment through networking

October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 & November 6, 13, 20 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Registration in progress, in person or by calling 516-883-4400, Ext. 149.

Learn to:
- conduct an effective job search
- use LinkedIn and other forms of social media
- develop job objectives and time management skills
- form a personal brand and elevator pitch
- create an effective resume and cover letter
- build a network

Job Search Boot Camp will be presented by Maria Themistocleous-Frey, President and Founder of Executive Consultants of New York, a business that specializes in career coaching and professional development.

This program is hosted by the Port Washington Public Library and funded by a grant received by the Port Washington Library Foundation.

Computadoras en español

Las clases serán el sábado 11 de octubre y el 18, de 2 a 4 p.m. Para registrarse, póngase en contacto con Haydee Buítron a 883-4400, Ext. 149.

Computers in Spanish

Classes offered on Saturday, October 11 and 18, 2 to 4 p.m.

To register, contact Haydee Buítron at 883-4400, Ext. 149.

Adolescent Angst: Sorting out your teenager’s mental health

Join us on Wednesday, October 15 at 7:30 p.m. for a panel presentation by mental health experts who will discuss their experience treating adolescents with anxiety, depression and other mood disorders. They will offer strategies for parents who are trying to keep their kids on track so they can live happy, healthy and productive lives.

Neuroscientist Dr. Stephen Dewey will begin the conversation with an overview of brain changes and drug usage that may lead to mental health issues. Dr. Linda Carmine, Dr. Bradford Tepper and Dr. James Snyder will address issues of psychotherapy and pharmacology. Our panelists will also take questions from the audience.

Stephen Dewey, PhD has conducted research for over 25 years on the effects of addictive drugs on the human brain, and has worked on the development of treatments for drug abuse. His current research program is at the Center for Neurosciences at the Feinstein Institute for Medical Research at North-Shore-LIJ.

Linda Carmine, M.D. is the Director of the School Health Program, Division of Adolescent Medicine, Cohen Children’s Medical Center, North Shore-LIJ Health System.

Dr. James Snyder, M.D., is the President and Founder of Long Island Psychiatric in Roslyn and the author of Jimmy Racecar, a children’s book dealing with self-esteem issues and ADHD.

Bradford Tepper, M.D., a Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association, has a private practice on Long Island.

Co-sponsored by the Fay J. Lindner Foundation and the Health Advisory Council.
Welcome to the page for Children’s Services. Be sure to look here for upcoming exhibits, programs and articles relating to Children’s Services and the Parenting Information Center. Parents: Please comply with the age guidelines for these programs and be prepared to show proof of local residency.

Early Childhood

To register or inquire about the following programs, please call Children’s Services at 883-4400, Ext. 150. To register online, visit www.pwpl.org/childrensroom.

Parent Child Workshop
Wednesdays, October 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29 from 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
For children ages 18 to 29 months with an adult. Registration began September 20 - call for availability.

Baby Rhyme Time
Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.
For children ages birth to 17 months with an adult. No registration required.

Tell Me a Story
Fridays at 10:30 a.m. or 3:30 p.m.
Listen to classic and favorite picture books. For children ages 3 to 5 years without an adult. No registration required.

PlayHooray
Monday, October 6
A preschool music and movement program. Ages birth to 17 months with an adult at 10 a.m. Ages 18 months to 2 ½ years with an adult at 11 a.m. Ages 2 ½ to 5 years with an adult at 12 p.m. Registration began September 29 – call for availability.

Sing and Swing Story Time
Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.
For children ages 18 months to 3 years. No registration required.

Story Time with Miss Susie and Mr. Mike
Monday, October 20 at 10:30 a.m.
For children of all ages with an adult. No registration required.

Halloween Craft
Monday, October 27
Enjoy a holiday craft, stories and fingerplays. Ages 18 to 36 months with an adult at 11 a.m. Ages 2 ½ to 5 years with an adult at 12 noon. Registration begins October 20.

Pajama Story Time
Wednesday, October 29 at 7 p.m.
Come in your pajamas and listen to bedtime stories. For children ages 3 to 6 years with an adult. No registration required.

Kindergarten through Sixth Grade

To register or inquire about the following programs, please call Children’s Services at 883-4400, Ext. 150. To register online, visit www.pwpl.org/childrensroom.

After School Story Time
Wednesdays from 4 to 4:30 p.m.
For children ages 4 to 7 years without an adult. No registration required.

Intergenerational Chess Workshop
Sundays, October 5, 12, 19 and 26 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 enjoy the game with a parent, grandparent or favorite adult. Registration began September 24 - call for availability. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library in memory of Lawrence Kamisher.

Graphic Novel Book Discussion
Tuesday, October 14 from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m.

Book Bunch
Thursday, October 23 from 4 to 4:45 p.m.

Page Turners
Tuesday, October 28 from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m.

It’s Halloween

Holiday Show
Skeleton Bones and Pumpkin Pie
Friday, October 24 at 4 p.m.
Get up and sing along with talented singer/songwriter Jay Mankita. You’ll hear Halloween songs like the classic “Monster Mash.” For children ages 5 years and up with an adult. Tickets required and will be available in the Children’s Room beginning October 10. Sponsored by the Children’s Advisory Council and funded by donations to the Port Washington Library Foundation.

Monster Memorabilia
Get in the Halloween spirit with Jonathan Guildroy’s display from his collection of monster memorabilia. Jonathan has worked in the library for 38 years and is currently director of Media Services. The exhibit will include vintage monster movie magazines, buttons, photographs, postcards, toys and will even include Sculpey monsters modeled by Jonathan.
The English for Speakers of Other Languages program celebrated this year’s success with a Certificate Ceremony and Party. Students earning 25 hours or more of English study received certificates. Our dedicated volunteer tutors received certificates recognizing their enthusiastic commitment to the program.

Photos by: Peter Bengelsdorf, Melinda Gao and Lixia Neville.

ESOL celebrates another year of success

The Local History Center celebrates Archives Week with Connections, a photographic exhibition that looks at personal connections to historical works of art and photographs. On display in the Reading Room through December. The Local History Center houses photographs, manuscript collections, oral histories, maps, and folk arts projects. Visit us at www.pwpl.org/localhistory, or in-person, Monday through Wednesday.
What’s new in TeenSpace for grades 7 through 12?

Wii U Wednesdays
3:30 to 5 p.m.
Join us after school to play your favorite video games on the big screen. Check our website for specific dates. No registration required. For grades 7 through 12. FREE

Teen Read Board
October 1-5
Pick your favorite book and bring it to TeenSpace. We’ll display your photo and review during Teen Read Week.

Teen Babysitting Workshop
October 9, 16, 23 and 30 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.
A free 4-session series for students grades 7 through 12. Topics include basic child care, minor first aid, handling emergencies and entertaining children. Registration is already in progress.

Teen Fine Fix
Are fines holding you back from using your library card? Teens are invited to visit the library during October to have overdue fines removed from their accounts. Pick up a coupon in TeenSpace or print one from the TeenSpace webpage. Limit one coupon per teen patron. Replacement costs of lost library materials are not eligible.

Teen Read Week
October 12 through 18
The Library, in conjunction with the American Library Association, invites you to celebrate “Teen Read Week.” “Dreams into Reality @ Your Library” is the theme of this year’s national initiative to encourage teens to read for the fun of it. Teen Read Week activities co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Be a Book Buddy
Saturday, October 25 at 9:30 a.m.
If you are in grades 7 through 12 and can volunteer 1 or 2 regularly scheduled hours each week to read aloud to a young child, you can be a Book Buddy. Just register for a 1 hour training session in read-aloud techniques and selection of age-appropriate reading materials for children. Free registration begins October 1 in TeenSpace. Share a book, make a friend, be a role model.

Meet the Babysitters Reception
Thursday, October 30 from 5:30 to 6 p.m.
An opportunity for parents of young children to meet our new “graduates” of the Teen Babysitting Workshop. Co-sponsored by the Parent Resource Center.

American Red Cross CPR Certification Course
Saturday, November 1 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Learn how to reduce the risk of injury to infants and children, respond to emergency situations, care for an infant or child who stops breathing, and perform CPR. Presented by Ildiko Catugno, a certified Red Cross CPR/AED/First Aid instructor. Certificates will be issued. In-person registration begins October 13 in TeenSpace. Grades 7-12. Workshop fee $5. Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library.