

Longwood Public Library March/April 2020 Newsletter

Annual Budget Vote & Trustee Election is Tuesday, April 7
See back page for details

Longwood Long Ago: History of the Longwood Community
Monday, April 20 at 6:30 pm
Registration is on going

Join our local history librarian for a trip down Middle Country Road and learn the history of the towns in our community. Items from the Thomas R. Bayles Room will also be on display.

Ask an Archivist
Call (631) 924-6400 x246 for an appointment

Local History Librarian and Certified Archivist Melanie Cardone-Leathers can help you sort through your family's documents, photos, and other personal items and create a plan to preserve them. Reserve a one-hour time slot to start preserving your family's history.

Earth Day Every Day

Saturday, April 25 from 10:00 am–12:00 pm
All are welcome to celebrate Earth Day at the library!
No registration necessary

- Make an upcycled craft and create a seed bundle to take home for your garden.
- Learn about the Wildlife Rescue Center and how you can help if you find an injured animal.
- Learn about local marine wildlife in a touch tank provided by Cornell Cooperative Extension.
- Explore various topics that can positively shape Earth's future from our tables of experts, like vegetarian cooking, beekeeping, and backyard chickens.
- Meet some chicks and ducklings from the Suffolk County Farm in Yaphank.
- The first 30 families or patrons to arrive will receive a handmade Earth Day tote bag filled with a recycled bird feeder made by the library's True North teen volunteers and a vegetable plant to take home to start their very own garden, donated by the Friends of the Library.

Tropical Rainforest Butterflies and Moths
Saturday, April 25 at 10:30 am
Registration begins April 1
Open to all

Steve Fratello will introduce you to the tremendous beauty and variety of tropical rainforest butterflies and moths with his displays collected during his numerous expeditions.

Suffolk County Septic Grant Info Session
Tuesday, March 24 from 7:00-8:30 pm
Registration is ongoing

Please join us and learn how you can take advantage of up to \$30,000 in County and State grants to purchase a state-of-the-art nitrogen reducing septic system.

BUS TRIP: Bateaux New York Cruise

Step aboard the all-glass, European-inspired Bateaux, and experience a sophisticated way to see New York Harbor's iconic landmarks, including the Empire State Building and the Statue of Liberty, with light narration and a live pianist. Enjoy a three-course lunch on this unique dining vessel.

Tuesday, June 16 from 9:00 am-5:00 pm

In-person registration April 22

Fee: \$100 per person

(Includes gratuity, lunch, and all transportation)

Cash (exact change) or credit card

Limit 2 seats with your adult LPL card

Tickets are non-refundable

1000K Books Before Kindergarten Winners: Carter, Jackson, Zoe and Ethan

Library Board Meetings

Budget Information Meeting

Wednesday, March 25 at 7:00 pm

Wednesday, April 15 at 7:00 pm

Library Closed

Sunday, April 12 – Easter

Hours

Monday–Friday: 9:30 am-9:00 pm

Saturday: 9:30 am-5:00 pm

Sunday: 1:00 pm-5:00 pm

The book drop is open 24 hours

CHILDREN'S CLASSES

Unless otherwise noted, all classes for children from birth through Pre-K are intended for parents and children together. Classes for children in grades K-6 are intended for children on their own.

Please adhere to all posted age/grade requirements for programs or registration will not be valid.

Please note that classes are now broken down by age group. Questions? Contact the Children's Reference Desk.

BABY, TODDLER & PRESCHOOL CLASSES

Storytime

Registration begins February 21

Be part of our storytimes where early literacy and fun come together! Each week we share stories, songs, action rhymes, and more with you and your child. This will create an experience beneficial to your child's development of early literacy skills. You will take home an activity to share with your child at the end of each session. These interactive storytimes support the Every Child Ready to Read @ Your Library initiative.

Choose from one of the following sessions Pajama Jam or Toddler Tales

Pajama Jam

Mondays, March 2, 9, and 16

from 6:30-7:00 pm

Children (2 years–Pre K)

Toddler Tales

Wednesdays, March 4, 11, and 18

from 10:00-10:30 am

Children (2-3 years)

Parent Toddler Workshop

Tuesdays OR Thursdays at 10:00 am

Children (walkers–35 months)

Tuesdays, March 3–March 31

Thursdays, March 5–April 2

Registration is ongoing

Parents and children will have a chance to spend time together filled with crafts, toys, songs, and games. This weekly program also includes a resource person who will discuss issues such as toilet learning, nutrition, child safety, and other parenting questions you may have.

Evening Library Playdate

Thursdays, March 12 AND 19 at 6:30 pm

Children (walkers–35 months)

Registration is ongoing

Are you unable to attend our day time sessions of Parent Toddler Workshop? Then join us for a two-week evening open playdate that allows parents and children to spend time together filled with toys, an art experience table, and library friends.

Preschool Playtime

Thursdays at 1:00 pm beginning on March 5–April 2

Children (3 years–Pre K)

Registration is ongoing

Join us for this weekly program with friends and fun where your child will have an hour of play and learn time in which stories and songs are shared followed by a related craft and free play.

Zumbini

Monday, March 9 at 10:30 am

Children (infant–4 years)

Registration begins February 21

Created by Zumba and BabyFirst, Zumbini is an early childhood education program that uses original music and movement to promote cognitive, social, fine and gross motor skills, and emotional development for young children.

Leprechaun Fun

Monday, March 16 at 11:00 am OR 2:00 pm

Children (2 years–Pre K)

Registration begins March 2

Come and have a shamrockin' good time as we learn about St. Patrick's Day through arts, crafts, and fun! Help Miss Kelli catch the leprechauns and bring some good luck home!

-Tots Night Out-

“Under the Big Top”

Wednesday, March 25 at 6:30 pm

Children (18 months–Pre K)

Registration begins March 13

Come have some fun before bedtime with A Time for Kids! There will be songs to sing, time to move and dance, and a circus-themed craft to do together!

Bunnies, Bunnies, Bunnies

Friday, March 27

Children (3 years–Pre K)

at 11:30 am OR 12:30 pm

Registration begins March 13

Judy Wilson will be here with her basket of baby bunnies and all the facts you need to know about baby rabbits and how they grow up!

You and Me Yoga

Friday, April 3 and 10

Children (18-35 months) at 10:00 am

Children (3 years–Pre K) at 11:00 am

Registration begins March 16

Join yoga instructor Mary for this class which will stimulate your child's physical, neurological, and emotional development in an engaging way that also gives the grown-up some gentle exercise in a supportive environment. *Both parent and child should wear comfortable clothes and be ready for movement.*

Shape Up!

Monday, April 6 at 10:30 am

Children (2-4 years)

Registration begins March 16

Children will make their own special shape book while discovering basic shapes through activities, sensory stations, and art!

Babies n' Books

Wednesday, April 8 at 10:00 am

Children (infant–17 months)

Tots n' Books

Wednesday, April 8 at 11:00 am

Children (18-35 months)

Registration begins March 16

Parents and their little ones will have an early literacy experience that includes an introduction to reading the best of board books, simple songs, and nursery rhymes.

-A Time for Kids-

“Blooming Babies”

Wednesday, April 15

Children (infant–17 months) at 10:00 am

Registration begins April 1

“Dog’s Colorful Day”

Wednesday, April 15

Children (18 months–Pre K) at 11:00 am

Registration begins April 1

Join A Time for Kids for singing, dancing, storytelling, and an adorable craft.

Spring Training with Jump Bunch

Friday, April 17

Children (2 years–Pre K) at 2:00 pm

Children (grades K-2) at 3:00 pm

Registration begins April 1

Children will learn basic baseball skills through games and fun activities. *Children should be dressed for movement and wearing sneakers.*

Baby Picasso

Monday, April 20 at 10:00 am

Children (12-30 months)

Registration begins April 10

Art Starts

Monday, April 20 at 11:30 am

Children (3 years–Pre K)

Registration begins April 10

Children will develop their fine motor skills as they maneuver items and learn to hold utensils such as paintbrushes and rollers while creating their very own masterpiece! Through our exploration we will focus on the process and not the final product. Don't forget to bring your smock!

Little Sunshines

Tuesday, April 21 at 10:30 am

Children (infant–17 months)

Registration begins April 10

Join Miss Lorraine for a spring morning full of songs, rhymes, and flannel boards with your little ones. This is a great opportunity to meet other parents and library friends!

Rainy Day Duck

Thursday, April 23

Children (18-35 months) at 10:30 am

Children (3 years–Pre K) at 2:30 am

Registration begins April 10

Waddle into the library for some duck stories and crafts!

Babies Boogie

Tuesday, April 28 at 10:00 am

Children (infant–23 months)

Registration begins April 10

Toddlers Tango

Tuesday, April 28 at 11:00 am

Children (2-4 years)

Registration begins April 10

Boogie with your little one, sing along and have some fun! Nicole Sparling will be visiting for this wonderful movement class featuring instruments and music from around the world.

It's Library Budget Vote Day!

On Tuesday, April 7

Kids Can Vote from 9:00 am–9:00 pm

Children of all ages are invited to vote for their favorite authors, books, characters, and movies.

Each child who votes gets to pick a prize from our treasure chest!

SCHOOL-AGED CLASSES

Celebrate National Library Week — April 19-25

“FIND YOUR PLACE AT THE LIBRARY”

National Library Week is a great time to celebrate the contributions of our libraries and librarians! Visit us during this week for one of our great programs, discover our many services, and check out some materials. Guess the mystery book characters on our Mystery Board to be entered into a raffle to win a basket filled with books, games, and crafts!

Bees, Bugs and Butterflies

Tuesday, March 3 at 6:30 pm

Children (grades K-2)

Registration begins February 21

Children will learn about these amazing insects and their importance in our ecosystem. Then they will make a colorful craft and explore some science stations!

Intro to Google Drive & Docs

Thursday, March 5 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6) with parent

Registration begins February 21

Do you and your child need help navigating Google Drive and Google Docs? Join Longwood High School librarian Danielle for an informative and helpful guide to this online platform that your children will need to use in school as they head towards the middle school and junior high.

Games and Goodies Junior

Friday, March 6 at 6:00 pm

Children (grades K-2)

Games and Goodies

Friday, March 6 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins February 21

Come down to the library, have some snacks, play assorted board games, and Nintendo Switch! Goodies may include pretzels, cookies, apple juice, potato chips, brownies or fruit snacks. Snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

-Kiddie Café-

“Leprechaun Bait”

Wednesday, March 11 at 4:45 pm

Children (grades K-2)

Registration begins March 2

This month celebrate St. Patrick’s Day by making some “leprechaun bait” with Chex, white chocolate, Lucky Charms, and green M&Ms. This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Sculpty St. Patrick’s Day

Saturday, March 14 at 11:00 am

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins March 2

Join professor and artist Chris Vivas for a workshop using Sculpey clay to create necklaces in the shapes of charms, lucky amulets, and shamrocks. He will focus on components of ceramic hand-building techniques such as coil, pinch, and slab.

Paws for Reading

Wednesday, March 18

Wednesday, April 8

Starting at 4:30 pm

Children (readers–grade 6)

Registration begins March 2

Dogs can actually help children learn to read! Meet with a certified therapy dog and their owner for a 15-minute reading session.

Intro to 3D Printing

Fridays, March 20 and 27 at 6:00 pm OR 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins March 2

Join Miss Danielle and learn how to use Tinkercad software to build a 3D model that will be printed on the library's new Ultimaker 3D printer. Projects that you design will be available for pick up within a week after the last class.

Bunnies, Bunnies, Bunnies

Monday, March 23

Children (grades K-3) at 4:45 pm OR 5:30 pm

Registration begins March 13

Judy Wilson will be here with her basket of baby bunnies and all the facts you need to know about baby rabbits and how they grow up!

-Kindness Kids-

“Spring Cupcakes to Donate”

Tuesday, March 31 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins March 13

Earn one hour of community service while bringing joy to others and having fun! This month children will be decorating spring cupcakes to be donated to a local soup kitchen.

-Kiddie Café-

“Banana Pudding Pie”

Wednesday, April 1 at 4:45 pm

Children (grades K-2)

Registration begins March 16

This month kids will make and eat a banana pudding pie with banana pudding, mini pie crust, bananas, and whipped cream topping. This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Intro to Google Slides

Thursday, April 2 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6) with parent

Registration begins February 21

Do you and your child need help navigating Google Slides? Join Longwood High School librarian Danielle for an informative class about this presentation tool that children often use as they enter upper grade levels.

-Kindness Kids-

“Earth Day Every Day Prep”

Monday, April 6 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins March 16

Earn one hour of community service, while bringing joy to others and having fun! This month we will prepare crafts and activities for the library’s annual Earth Day Every Day program that will take place on Saturday, April 25.

Spring Chick Surprise Cupcakes

Monday, April 13

Children (grades K-2) at 4:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6) at 5:00 pm

Registration begins April 1

Chef Rob will show children how to decorate cupcakes with spring colors and a tasty surprise inside, topped with a spring marshmallow peep chick! This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Graffiti Logo

Thursday, April 16 at 6:30 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins April 1

Join professor and artist Chris Vivas for a workshop on the concept of art design in the form of graffiti art. This will be a hands-on workshop focusing on the creation of a personalized graffiti art logo.

Candy Construction

Friday, April 17 at 5:30 pm OR 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins April 1

Children will test their engineering and problem solving skills to complete building challenges using candy and other sweets. This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

April is National Poetry Month!

Visit the library where you can borrow a poetry book, take home a poem to carry in your pocket, and attend one of our poetry programs.

Ice Cream Poetry

Thursday, April 23 at 6:30 pm

Children (grades K-2)

Registration begins April 10

Children will listen to the poem “Bleezer’s Ice Cream” by Jack Prelutsky and then create their own silly ice cream flavors. Afterwards they will be treated to mini ice cream sundaes! The snack provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Haiku Terrariums

Friday, April 24 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins April 10

Children will explore the art of Haiku poetry and listen to some great examples of this poetic form. Then they will create their own Haiku poems which will be used as a backdrop in their tin terrariums which will be decorated with moss, sand, rocks, and other mini decorative plants and animals.

Watercolor Dragonflies

Wednesday, April 29 at 6:00 pm

Children (grades K-2)

Registration begins April 10

Watercolor Crocodile

Wednesday, April 29 at 7:00 pm

Children (grades 3-6)

Registration begins April 10

Art teacher Kim will teach children watercolor art techniques which they will use to create colorful watercolor masterpieces! Dress for a mess.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

The Great Playdate — Zumbini

Saturday, March 28 at 11:30 am

Families with children (infant–4 years)

Registration begins March 13

Celebrate the Great Playdate with us by singing, dancing and having fun with your library friends in Miss Lauren’s Zumbini class. Created by Zumba and BabyFirst, Zumbini is an early childhood education program that uses original music and movement to promote cognitive, social, fine/gross motor skill and emotional development for young children.

Then visit our Children’s Department to play in our early childhood area and discover all of the other early learning activities we offer throughout the year!

Homeschool Meet-Up

“Daytime Game Time”

Friday, March 6 at 2:00 pm

Children (grades K-6)

Registration begins February 21

Meet-up, have some snacks and play fun games. We will have assorted board games for you to explore as well as our Nintendo Switch! Goodies may include pretzels, cookies, apple juice, potato chips, brownies or fruit snacks. *Snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Homeschool Meet-Up

“Family Poetry Party”

Friday, April 24 at 11:30 am

Children (grades K-6)

Registration begins April 10

In celebration of National Poetry Month, listen to the poem “Bleezer’s Ice Cream” by Jack Prelutsky and create silly rhyming poetry. Then, we will explore the art of Haiku with the book *Hi, Koo* and create our own Haiku poems.

Quail Incubation

We are excited to be incubating bobwhite quail this spring! Bobwhite quail are native to Long Island, but have diminished in numbers which has affected our natural ecosystem; particularly the growing number of ticks. To help cut down on the number of ticks present in parks, backyards and other natural areas, many organizations are incubating bobwhite quail. We are going to do our part and incubate this tiny natural superhero! The bobwhite quail is a ground hunter with a large appetite, and its daily menu consists of insects such as beetles, grasshoppers, caterpillars, spiders, and ticks. After the quail chicks hatch, we will keep them for two weeks before returning them to Ranger Eric Powers to be raised and released.

Family Yoga

Wednesdays, March 4 and 11 at 6:30 pm

Families with children (3 years–grade 3)

Registration begins February 21

Enjoy an evening of yoga with yoga instructor Mary. Please be sure that everyone in your family is dressed and ready for movement.

Morning at the Movies

Families with children

No registration required

Come and see a new release on our big screen with your family! See our calendar for movie details!

Frozen 2

Saturday, March 7 at 11:00 am

Spies in Disguise

Saturday, April 4 at 11:00 am

Animal Care and Awareness Workshop

Saturday, March 21 at 11:00 am

Families with children in (grades K-6)

Registration begins March 2

This workshop presented by Brookhaven Town Animal Shelter and Adoption Center is geared at helping children better understand the proper treatment of animals in an age appropriate and entertaining way. *Please note that the educators will also be bringing a dog with them to show examples of proper pet care and treatment.*

National Ravioli Day With the Baking Coach

Tuesday, March 24 at 5:30 OR 7:00 pm

Families with children in (grades K-6)

Registration begins March 13

Families will make one dozen raviolis together and take them home in a bakery box. **Each family must bring their own rolling pin and this program is 75 minutes long.** *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

-Explore It-

“STEAM Lab”

Friday, April 3 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm and 6:00-8:00 pm

Saturday, April 4 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Families with children

No registration necessary

The Craft Room will be transformed into a museum-like experience open for exploration for you to drop-in and discover. This month you are invited to tinker, invent, and experiment with all of our STEAM lab stations. Stations will include Ozobots, LittleBits, Code-a-pillar, Strawbees, and other fun activities.

Craft Closet Clean-Up

Monday, April 13 from 10:00-12:00 pm

Families with children

No registration necessary

Help us clean out our craft closet! Drop-in anytime between 10:00-12:00 pm and make some crafts that we have left over from other fun programs.

Perler Bead Art

Tuesday, April 14 from 10:00-11:30 pm

Families with children

(completed grades K-6)

No registration necessary

Drop-in and create Perler bead art together! We will have lots of colors and boards ready for your designs and then we will iron it all together for you.

Backyard Birds

Tuesday, April 14 at 7:00 pm

Families with children (3 years–grade 3)

Registration begins April 1

Learn about the birds that live in your very own backyard with Miss Rosemary in this fun filled, hands-on program. Each family will make a feeder for the birds and a craft to help them get ready for spring.

The Circus Guy

Wednesday, April 15 at 7:00 pm

Families with children (3 years–grade 6)

Registration begins April 1

Join The Circus Guy for a high energy juggling, magic, and comedy show. His passion for kid-friendly entertainment including magic, juggling, unicycling, balancing stunts, and humor will keep your whole family happy!

Book Character Celebration

Thursday, April 16 at 11:00 am

Families with children (through grade 2)

Registration begins April 1

Families are invited to listen to stories, play games, and create crafts along with your favorite book characters in celebration of National Library Week! This fun-filled literacy event is sure to bring your favorite books to life. Be sure to bring your camera !

Messy Monday

Monday, April 20 from 6:30-8:00 pm

Families with children

No registration necessary

Can't make it to any of our daytime art programs? Drop-in anytime between 6:30-8:00 pm to explore our art stations and create some open-ended masterpieces with your children! Dress for a mess!

UPCOMING IN MAY

Save the date! Screen-Free Week

May 3–May 9, 2020

Screen-Free Week is a national celebration where children and families spend seven days turning off entertainment screen media and turning ON life! It's a time to unplug and play, read, daydream, create, explore and spend family time with family and friends...and the library! Please join in on the screen-free fun with one or more of the Longwood Public Library's screen-free activities, plus if you visit the library this week and complete our scavenger hunt, you can enter a raffle to win a screen-free fun basket!

Mother Goose on the Loose

Friday, May 1 at 11:00 am

Children (infant–Pre K)

Registration begins April 20

Celebrate Mother Goose Day with a morning of rhymes, songs and stations of crafts and art activities!

Mother Goose Rhyme Time

Saturday, May 2 at 10:00 am

Children (infant–17 months)

Registration begins April 20

Can't make it to our weekday class? Join *A Time for Kids* for a Mother Goose celebration on Saturday morning!

Flower Garden Fun

Saturday, May 2 at 11:00 am

Children (18 months–Pre K)

Registration begins April 20

April showers bring May flowers! Join *A Time for Kids* for songs, rhymes and a flower garden craft to celebrate spring.

Check our May calendar online or in-house for early May programs that you may register for in late April

TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen Services programs are open to students in grades 7-12

Students who have not yet completed 6th grade are welcome to register for programs in our

Children's Department. Everyone who registers for a Teen Services program needs a valid LPL card

Authors Unlimited

Saturday, April 18 from 10:00 am-3:00 pm

Earn community service credit for attending this event, which celebrates reading by connecting teens and authors. It's a free program where teens and tweens get preferred seating! Attendees will get the chance to meet dynamic authors of young adult literature first at an author panel and then in smaller breakout sessions afterward. Books will be available for purchase with a chance to have them signed at the end of the day. For registration and other information visit <http://authorsunlimited.org>

Location: St. Joseph's College, 155 West Roe Blvd. in Patchogue

Irish Soda Bread

Friday, March 6 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Join the Baking Coach to make a classic Irish favorite to take home and enjoy!

This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Games & Goodies

Friday, March 20 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins March 4

Join us to play board games, video games on our Switch, and to enjoy delicious snacks! *The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Boating Safety Class

Friday, March 27 from 6:30-8:30 pm AND

Saturday, March 28 from 10:00 am-4:00 pm

Cost: \$40 due at time of registration

Cash (*exact change*)

In-person registration begins March 1

New York State Safe Boating Classes are now mandatory for anyone operating a boat, watercraft or Jet Ski in NY State. The law requires anyone born before Jan 1st of 1993 to complete a class by years end. The requirement is being phased in over a five year period and by 2025, everyone regardless of age MUST have a safe boating certificate. This class also certifies students 14 years or older to operate a Jet Ski in NY State. Students must be at least 10 years old to attend the class. Students must attend all class sessions to receive a certification.

DIY Book Letters

Thursday, April 9 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins March 23

Decorate a wooden letter of your choice with pictures and words from your favorite books. Then, paint a colorful background on canvas to attach your letter to and hang at home.

Teen Trivia

Thursday, April 16 from 2:00-3:00 pm

Registration begins March 26

What are the names of the three fairies in Sleeping Beauty? What animal has the largest ears? Come show off your knowledge of books, movies, music, animals, and more! *The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Registration is limited to either the Friday OR Saturday sessions.

Dungeons & Dragons

Friday, March 13 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

Friday, April 3 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins March 17

In this classic role-playing game, you create your character, choose how they interact with the story, and use dice to decide the outcomes of your actions. Perfect for beginners, this campaign will introduce you to the game and its rules while you play! If you've never joined us for Dungeons and Dragons before, you must call the Teen Services Department at **(631) 924-6400 x249** to set up an appointment with Dungeon Master Ms. Sukhu to create your character before you attend the program. As this is a group game, latecomers will not be admitted. *The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Saturday Dungeons & Dragons

Saturdays, April 11, 25, May 9, 23, June 13, 27

from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Registration begins April 1

Join us for a short campaign of Dungeons and Dragons! In this six-session program, explore a continuous story in which every decision matters. This series is designed for players with prior playing experience. These sessions will move at a faster pace as players should understand the basic rules. Latecomers will not be admitted. *The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Painted Jewelry Box

Friday, April 17 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins April 1

Join Linda O'Connell to paint a beautiful design on a wooden jewelry box just in time to give as a gift for Mother's Day! All supplies will be provided, but everyone should wear old clothes or bring a smock.

Jewelry with Juliana

Friday, May 1 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins April 13

Enjoy an evening of creativity with Juliana as you make a beautiful piece of jewelry to keep or give as a Mother's Day gift!

5-Hour Pre-Licensing Class

Saturday, April 18 from 10:00 am-2:30 pm

Cost \$40 due at time of registration

Cash (*exact change*)

Registration is ongoing

Phone and in-person registration only, no online registration

The five-hour pre-licensing class is required by the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles for all applicants who would like to schedule a road test. The class will be taught by an instructor from a local driving school and is open to both district and non-district residents ages 16 and up. You must bring your picture NY State Learner's Permit to class (temporary paper permits will not be accepted). Please also bring your lunch with you – you will not have time to leave for lunch.

Bookstormers:

After-School Book Club for 7th & 8th Graders

COME READ UP A STORM!

March – *Ghost* by Jason Reynolds

Wednesday, March 11 from 2:45-4:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Running is something that Ghost knows well, and he proves it by challenging the best sprinter on the elite Defenders track team to a race. When he wins, he's chosen to run on the team. Ghost could be the best sprinter in the city, if he manages to get along with his new teammates and outrun his past.

April – *Framed!* by James Ponti

Wednesday, April 8 from 2:45-4:00 pm

Registration begins March 11

Seventh-grader Florian Bates uses a technique he calls T.O.A.S.T. (Theory of All Small Things) to notice details most people don't. After moving to Washington D.C., Florian starts to teach his neighbor and new best friend, Margaret, T.O.A.S.T. What starts off as a game quickly turns serious, as the FBI recruits Florian and Margaret to help them solve a mystery involving a dangerous crime syndicate and one of the greatest art heists in history.

May – *The Witch Boy* by Molly Ostertag

Wednesday, May 6 from 2:45-4:00 pm

Registration begins April 8

For generations, the boys in thirteen-year-old Aster's magical community have trained to become shapeshifters, while the girls become witches. There's just one problem: for as long as Aster can remember, he's been fascinated by the spells the girls learn. When a group of shapeshifters goes missing, Aster must decide if he has the strength to use magic to save them, even if it means defying his family's traditions.

Register and pick up a copy of the book in the Teen Services Department of the Longwood Public Library. Our book discussion will take place after school in the library at the **Longwood Junior High School**.

Attendees who read the book and participate in the group book review at the program will receive 3 hours of community service.

The snacks provided may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

This program will take place in the library at the Longwood Junior High School.

A late bus will be provided at 4:00 pm, but you must be registered to attend.

***SAT Preparation Class**

Tuesdays, March 31, April 7, 21, & 28 from 6:00-8:00 pm

Cost: \$75 due at time of registration

Cash (*exact change*) or credit card

Registration is ongoing

Uncover the secrets of the SAT! Teacher Gregg Zehentner will teach you tips and tricks, and get you ready to take the test. All teaching materials will be provided. Bring a notebook, pen and calculator to class with you. In-person registration only.

TEEN COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

If you need community service hours or if you just like the idea of helping others, sign up for a fun program:

Baking to Donate: Shamrock Cupcakes

Monday, March 16 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Join The Baking Coach to decorate shamrock cupcakes that will be donated to a local soup kitchen.

This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Baking to Donate: Springtime Egg Cookies

Wednesday, April 1 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins March 16

Join The Baking Coach to decorate colorful springtime egg cookies that will be donated to a local food pantry. *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Operation Gratitude Bracelets

Tuesday, March 24 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR

Monday, March 30 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins March 6

Tuesday, May 12 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR

Thursday, May 14 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins April 28

Limited to one session per person per month

Design paracord bracelets that will be sent to soldiers through Operation Gratitude! Paracord bracelets can be used by soldiers in the field to build shelters and aid in rescue missions.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Gift Bags for Our Troops

Thursday, April 2 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins March 16

Decorate a drawstring sack with appliques and fabric paint that will be stuffed with goodies and mailed to troops serving overseas.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

The Hugs Project

Wednesday, May 6 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins April 21

Create a pocket-sized teddy bear to be donated to troops serving overseas, who will pass along your gift to children they meet during their daily routines or hospital visits.

Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service

***Book Review**

We are looking for teens who would be willing to read a newly published teen novel and write a brief review! To become a teen reviewer, stop by True North to pick up a community service book review packet and a book from our "New Fiction" section that has been published in the current or immediately preceding year. Then, draft a review based on our teen reviewer guidelines. You can select books at any time throughout the year!

Certificates for 3 hours of community service for each submitted review that meets our Teen Book Review Requirements

Drop-In Community Service

Looking for some extra community service? Spend some time in True North working on a variety of projects to help make a difference in our community! Call the True North Reference Desk at **(631) 924-6400 x249** to schedule a one hour time slot. Teens entering grades 7-12 may schedule one time slot per day and up to two time slots per month.

Seed Spree

Monday, March 2 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Help us sort peas, beans, flowers, and other seeds that will be available to our community's gardeners as part of our seed library!

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Decorating to Donate

Wednesday, March 4 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Join us to make some spring-themed decorations to donate to our local nursing home.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Placemats for Meal Services

Thursday, March 5 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Thursday, May 7 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins April 20

Weave paper placemats that will be donated to meal services organizations to distribute with their meals!

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Game Buddies

Friday, March 6 from 5:45-7:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Buddy up with the younger members of our Children's Department for some board game fun!

Certificate for 1.25 hours of community service

Craft Kits for Donation

Monday, March 9 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR

Thursday, March 12 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Monday, April 27 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR

Wednesday, April 29 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins April 8

Limited to one session per person per month

Help us prepare some simple crafts and activities that will be donated to service agencies in our community!

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Butterfly Homes

Tuesday, March 17 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR

Thursday, March 19 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins March 2

Limited to one session per person

Help the library create environmental goodie bags for the families who attend our Earth Day program in April! During these sessions, we'll design butterfly houses using recycled milk cartons, paints, and other materials.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Pom-Pom Rugs

Wednesday, March 25 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins March 9

Create fluffy pom-poms out of yarn, then tie them together to make a rug to donate!

Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service

Cards for Hospitalized Kids

Thursday, March 26 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins March 9

Thursday, April 30 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins April 13

Brighten up someone's day with a handmade card and a friendly message!

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Felt Napkin Rings

Monday, April 6 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR

Tuesday, April 14 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins March 19

Limited to one session per person

Create festive napkin rings that we'll wrap around utensils and donate to our local nursing homes and service agencies.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Woven Blanket

Monday, April 13 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration begins March 26

Learn to use a knitting loom to weave a piece of a blanket that will be donated to help keep someone warm.

Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service

Cat's Meow

Tuesday, April 21 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR

Wednesday, April 22 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins April 4

Limited to one session per person

Make some cat toys for the furry friends of our community to be donated to a local animal shelter!

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Talking Newsletter

Thursday, April 23 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins March 28

Narrate the audio version of the newsletter for the library's website for the visually impaired.

Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service

DIY Dog Toys

Monday, May 4 from 7:00-8:00 pm OR

Tuesday, May 5 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins April 15

Limited to one session per person

Design rope toys that will be donated to our local animal shelter!

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Upcycled Bird Feeders

Tuesday, March 3 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Help the library create environmental goodie bags for the families who attend our Earth Day program in April! During these sessions, we'll design and build colorful bird feeders using recycled plastic bottles, paints, and other materials.

Certificate for 1 hour of community service

Earth Day Bags and Bookmarks

Wednesday, April 15 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration begins March 28

Help the library create environmental goodie bags for the families who attend our Earth Day program in April! During this session, we will be making Earth Day bookmarks and adding the finishing touches to our tote bags, upcycled bird feeders and butterfly homes.

Certificate for 1.5 hours of community service

Earth Day Every Day Assistance

Saturday, April 25 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Registration begins April 8

Help kids and community members celebrate Earth Day at the library by running simple craft and activity stations.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Finding Part-time Work in Retirement

Wednesday, March 18 from 4:00-5:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Are you retired or soon to be retired and thinking about working part-time? If so, you won't want to miss this workshop conducted by career counselor and retirement coach Richard Gluck. You will learn job search strategies and tactics, ways to leverage your strengths, tips for networking and negotiating, and much more.

Life After Retirement

Thursdays, March 26–April 23 from 3:00-4:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

This class facilitated by a Social Work Intern from Stony Brook University will discuss how to live your best life in retirement. Attend one, two or all.

Career Coaching

Tuesdays, March 10 OR

April 14 from 4:00-7:00 pm OR

**Saturdays, March 21 OR April 18
from 10:00 am-1:00 pm**

Career advisor Richard Gluck, will assist you one-on-one with your resume, give direction on a new career path, and help you navigate the ever-changing world of job searching. Call the Adult Reference Desk at **(631) 924-6400 x250** or register in-person for appointments. No walk-ins.

The Hardest Part of Loving Our Pets: Saying Good-Bye

Monday, March 16 from 3:00-4:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

Janet Zimmerman is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker with over 30 years of experience. She helps clients deal with separation and loss, including the loss of their beloved pets. With Janet's guidance, you can help move ahead in your life—not by “getting over it,” but by turning your grief into warm memories and empowering you to feel whole again.

American Sign Language for Beginners

Fridays, March 20, 27, April 3, 10 from 2:30-4:30 pm

Registration begins March 2

Certified TESOL and ASL teacher, Jason Wong, will teach you the basics of American Sign Language. This course is designed for maximum learning and fun! This is not your average class!

Wednesdays, March 25 and April 29

from 2:00-3:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

John Merenda discusses today's hot topics in the news.

Lisa Joy Walters:

Widow Walking Forward

Wednesday, April 8 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Widow Walking Forward is an uplifting and informative podcast created to bring joy where there is grief. Lisa Joy has been a widow for over four years. It is her mission to share the lessons she has learned on moving forward after losing a spouse or loved one. Listen to her discuss ways in which you can move grief out of the darkness and into the light.

Armed Forces Week Celebration: Heroes for Heroes

Thursday, May 14 at 6:00 pm

Registration begins April 20

Longwood Public Library is hosting a special event to honor the veterans and current military personnel in our community. A light dinner and musical entertainment will be provided by the Friends of the Library. **We just need your branch and period of service. Each veteran may bring a guest.**

New York Blood Bank Blood Drive

Monday, April 6 from 1:00-7:00 pm

No registration required

Donating blood is easy and our blood supply relies exclusively on the generosity of volunteer blood donors. You may donate if you are at least 17 years old (16 years old with written consent from parent or legal guardian), weigh at least 110 pounds, and are in good health. Please call **1-800-688-0900** with any questions regarding your eligibility.

Train Trip to NYC

Saturday, April 11, on the 9:39 am train

from LIRR's Ronkonkoma Train Station

Fee: \$10.25 per ticket round trip

Cash only (*exact change*), non-refundable

LIRR ticket prices are subject to change without prior notice.

Children 4 years old and under ride free.

Ticket sales begin Saturday, March 14

at 9:30 am at the Circulation Desk

Limit 4 tickets per adult LPL cardholder

Travel as a group at a reduced rate from the Ronkonkoma Railroad Station to Penn Station NYC.

Please remember that you must sit in the first two cars of the train. This is because you'll be

travelling under a library group ticket for the westbound leg of the trip only. For your return

(eastbound) trip, you may use your individual ticket for any other train that day and may sit wherever you like.

** Schedules are subject to change without notice, so please check the LIRR website for important updates and schedule changes prior to your trip. **

GAMES

Hey! Let's Play!

Fridays from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

No registration required

Chess? Checkers? Bridge? Canasta? Want to play? Bring along your friends or find others to share a game on Friday mornings. Bring your playing cards, your Mah Jongg sets, and your other favorites.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON MOVIE

No registration All ages welcome

Harriet

Saturday, March 7 at 2:15 pm

Starring Jennifer Nettles,
Joe Alwyn, and Cynthia Erivo.

Based on the thrilling and inspirational life of an iconic American freedom fighter, the movie tells the extraordinary tale of Harriet Tubman's escape from slavery and transformation into one of America's greatest heroes. Her courage, ingenuity, and tenacity freed hundreds of slaves and changed the course of history. **(Drama, PG-13, 125 mins.)**

Midway

Saturday, April 4 at 2:15 pm

Starring Woody Harrelson,
Luke Evans, and Ed Skrein.

The Battle of Midway, a clash between the American fleet and the Imperial Japanese Navy marked a pivotal turning point in the Pacific Theater during WWII. The film, based on the real-life events of this heroic feat, tells the story of the leaders and soldiers who used their instincts, fortitude, and bravery to overcome the odds. **(Drama, PG-13, 138 mins.)**

WATCH-A-MOVIE WEDNESDAY!

No registration All ages welcome

Every Wednesday at 2:15 pm

Too busy to watch a movie this weekend? If so, why not...Watch-a-Movie Wednesday?

Every Wednesday at 2:15 pm, the library shows a newly released film for all to enjoy.

Come on in, sit back, and relax to a great film every week... without filling up your weekends!

MARCH/APRIL SELECTIONS

MARCH 4 *Ad Astra*

(Sci-fi/Action, PG-13, 123 mins.)

Starring Brad Pitt & Tommy Lee Jones

MARCH 11 *Downton Abbey*

(Drama, PG, 121 mins.)

Starring Joanne Froggatt & Matthew Goode

MARCH 18 *Judy*

(Drama, PG-13, 119 mins.)

Starring Renee Zellweger & Jessie Buckley

MARCH 25 *Gemini Man*

(Action, PG-13, 117 mins.)

Starring Will Smith & Mary Elizabeth Winstead

APRIL 1 *Maleficent: Mistress of Evil*

(Family, PG, 118 mins.)

Starring Angelina Jolie & Elle Fanning

APRIL 8 *Ford V Ferrari*

(Action, PG-13, 152 mins.)

Starring Christian Bale & Matt Damon

APRIL 15 *A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood*

(Drama, PG, 109 mins.)

Starring Tom Hanks & Christine Lahti

APRIL 22 *Playing with Fire*

(Family/Comedy, PG, 96 mins.)

Starring John Cena & Judy Greer

APRIL 29 *Dark Waters*

(Drama, PG-13, 127 mins.)

Starring Mark Ruffalo & Anne Hathaway

Please note that films may be rated PG or PG-13.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Books will be available at the Circulation Desk one month prior to the book discussion.

Registration is ongoing and required for the Daytime and Nighttime book discussions

The 2020 Long Island Reads Selection

Author Event

Light From Other Stars by Erika Swyler

Sunday, April 19 at 2:00 pm

Location: The Plainview-Old Bethpage Library

Event registration begins March 2 online at longislandreads.org

Long Island Reads will honor Erika in person at an award ceremony and author talk.

Daytime/Nighttime Book Discussion

Light From Other Stars by Erika Swyler

Tuesday, April 7 at 7:00 pm OR Thursday, April 16 at 3:15 pm

Eleven-year-old Nedda Papas is obsessed with becoming an astronaut. In 1986 in Easter, a small Florida Space Coast town, her dreams seem almost within reach – if she can just grow up fast enough. Theo, the scientist father she idolizes, is consumed by his own obsessions. Laid off from his job at NASA and still reeling from the loss of Nedda's newborn brother several years before, Theo

turns to the dangerous dream of extending his daughter's childhood just a little longer. The result is an invention that alters the fabric of time.

Daytime Book Discussion

On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous by Ocean Vuong

Thursday, March 19 at 3:15 pm

On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous is a letter from a son to a mother who cannot read. Written when the speaker, Little Dog, is in his late twenties, the letter unearths a family's history that began before he was born – a history whose epicenter is rooted in Vietnam – and serves as a doorway into parts of his life his mother has never known, all of it leading to an unforgettable revelation.

Nighttime Book Discussion

Mobituaries: Great Lives Worth Reliving by Mo Rocca

Tuesday, May 5 at 7:00 pm

Mo Rocca has always loved obituaries—reading about the remarkable lives of global leaders, Hollywood heavyweights, and innovators who changed the world. But not every notable life has gotten the send-off it deserves. His quest to right that wrong inspired *Mobituaries*, his #1 hit podcast.

REMINDER: March Nighttime Book Discussion

Top Dog: The Story of Marine Hero Lucca is on Tuesday, March 3 at 7:00 pm

Titles & Treats

Tuesdays, March 24 and April 21 from 2:30-3:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

Come and hear about interesting yet-to-be-released books as well as our favorites and classics. You are encouraged to share some of your favorite titles with the group, or just sit back, relax, and enjoy some good book chats. Treats provided for your literary taste buds!

Spring Writing Workshop

Mondays, April 6, 13, 20 AND 27 from 2:00-4:00 pm

Registration begins March 9

Springtime is the perfect season to sharpen your pencils and start your creative juices flowing! Join Anne Kelly-Edmunds for this spring writing session.

Spoken Word

Friday, April 24 from 2:30-3:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

Celebrate National Poetry Month with Longwood Librarians. We will read poems from various poets, centuries, cultures, and styles. Relax and listen to poetry while you enjoy refreshments. We would love to hear some of your favorite poems too!

ADULT SERVICES

Medicaid Enrollment Assistance for the Aged, Blind and Disabled

Tuesdays, March 3, 24 and April 7, 28 from 12:00-4:00 pm

First come, first served, no appointment necessary

Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council's facilitated enrollers will assist the aged, blind, and disabled populations to enroll in the following programs: Medicaid, Medicaid Buy-In for Working People with Disabilities (MBI-WPD), Medicaid Spend-Down, Medicare Savings (MSP), and Medicaid for Institutional Care in a Nursing Home. For more information, please call the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council at **(631) 435-3000**.

HICAP

Medicare/Medicaid Assistance

Tuesdays, March 3 and April 7 from 10:00 am-12:30 pm

Call (631) 924-6400 x250 for appointment. No walk-ins.

This free, confidential counseling service is available to assist you with your entitlement benefits.

Senior Advocate

Monday, March 9 from 2:30-4:30 pm

First come, first served, no appointment necessary

A representative from the Suffolk County Office of the Aging will assist seniors to fill out forms and learn about various county-wide programs and services. Based on your situation, she can also direct you to other appropriate agencies.

The 2020 Census is almost here!

Responses to census questions provide a snapshot of the nation. Our community benefits the most when the census counts everyone. When you respond to the census, you help our community get its fair share of the more than \$675 billion per year in federal funds spent on schools, hospitals, roads, public works, and other vital programs. Look for your invitation to participate in the 2020 Census in the mail. You will have the option to respond to the census questionnaire online, by mail or by phone.

Laptops will be available in the Adult Department to complete the questionnaire. Make sure to bring your invitation code!

The SLED

Tuesday, March 24 from 10:00 am-4:00 pm

The SLED, Suffolk Cooperative Library System's mobile van will be here to answer questions you may have regarding the 2020 Census. There will be computers on board for you to complete the questionnaire, so don't forget your invitation code!

MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT

Jamory

Fridays, March 13 & April 10 from 6:30-8:00 pm

No registration required

Bring your instrument for a community jam session! Open to all.

Compass

Sunday, March 15 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration ongoing

This unique ensemble will perform original arrangements and beautiful interpretations of works by Marcel Khalife, Rafael Landestoy, Mohammed Abdel Wahab, and Chick Corea!

Ludwig Van Beethoven:

His Music and Influence

Sunday, March 22 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

Join Dan Lupo for an enlightening talk and live piano performance to gain an understanding of this complicated genius and learn how over 150 years later he is still influencing the world today.

Jamory Concert

Sunday, March 29 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration ongoing

Join our second Jamory concert with local musicians performing impromptu arrangements of blues, rock, rockabilly, folk, and jazz favorites. Audience members are invited to play or sing along. Open to all!

The Common Good

Sunday, April 5 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration ongoing

The Common Good will perform a variety of American roots music from old-time string band music to modern jazz-influenced blues.

Spring Fling Comedy Fest With Chris Roach

Sunday, April 19 at 2:00 pm

Registration begins March 11

Chris Roach is a fast-rising comedian/actor born and raised in New York. He has brought his unique and self-deprecating sense of humor to some of the biggest and best-known stages in the country, including Gotham Comedy Club, Comic Strip Live NYC, The Borgata in Atlantic City, and The Paramount in Huntington. Chris will be introduced by local comic and Longwood graduate, Jack Cloonan. Don't miss out on this afternoon of laughs!

Nueva Gennarecion

Sunday, May 17 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration begins April 4

Join us for an afternoon of Latin Jass, Bossa Nova, and Flamenco Rumba-style music.

Paul Effman Band

The Fabulous Forties

Sunday, June 14 from 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration begins May 2

Enjoy new arrangements of '40s standards that will warm the hearts of those who came of age during World War II.

ARTS & CRAFTS

Beginner Crochet

Thursdays, March 19, 26, April 2, 9, 23

from 5:00-6:30 pm

Registration begins February 26

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

In this five-session workshop learn how to read a pattern and how to create basic stitches. A beginner-friendly cowl pattern will start you on your first project. Materials needed for the class include 1 Bernat Pop Yarn Cake (280 yds.), size "I" crochet hook, small scissors, and a yarn needle.

Beginner Plus Crochet

Thursdays, March 19, 26, April 2, 9, 23

from 7:00-8:30 pm

Registration begins February 26

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

This five-class workshop will help you expand your basic skills and create new crochet stitch patterns by making a throw-sized shell stitch blanket. Materials needed for class include 2 skeins each of 3 different colors of Red Heart Super Saver Yarn (7 oz. each) or 3 skeins of 2 colors for a striped look, a size "I" crochet hook, small scissors, and a yarn needle.

Coloring Experience

Friday, March 20 from 6:30-8:00 pm

Monday, April 20 from 10:30 am-12:00 pm

Registration ongoing

Join us for coloring, snacks, and relaxing music.

Needle-Felted Bunny

Saturday, March 21 from 2:00-4:00 pm

Material fee: \$15 due upon registration

Cash (*exact change*) or credit card

In-person registration begins February 29

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join fiber artist Michele Miroff and learn how to make an adorable needle-felted bunny just in time for spring!

Victorian Aromatherapy

Friday, March 27 from 5:30-6:30 pm OR 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins March 2

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Learn how aromatherapy and herbs were used during the Victorian era. Make a beeswax sachet with pressed flowers and a gorgeous floral body spray to take home.

Paint Pouring

Friday, April 3 from 10:30 am-12:00 pm OR

Monday, April 13 from 1:00-2:30 pm

Materials fee: \$5 due upon registration

Cash (*exact change*) or credit card

In-person registration begins Saturday, March 7

Limit 1 registration per adult LPL cardholder

Learn some basic paint pouring techniques and create a masterpiece. All materials will be provided. Wear old clothing as paint pouring is a fun but messy art form!

Earring Extravaganza

Wednesday, April 29 from 7:00-8:30 pm

Material fee: \$6 due upon registration

Cash (*exact change*) or credit card

In-person registration begins March 14

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join Juliana for a relaxing and creative evening of jewelry making. Choose from a huge selection of beads to make two pairs of earrings. Bring round nose pliers if you have a pair.

Magic of Aromatherapy

Wednesday, May 6 from 5:30-6:30 pm OR 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins March 27

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

In this whimsical class we will discuss essential oils and their place in the world of enchantment. Students will make an uplifting "sprite spray" and a grounding "dragon's blood" body balm to take home.

*All programs with a material fee require exact change or major credit card unless otherwise noted. The library will try to accommodate refund requests made one week prior to the scheduled program - date, unless advertised as "Non-refundable." Requests can be made at the Adult Department Desk.

SMILEAWHILE

SmileAwhile is geared towards patrons with sensory issues, those on the autism spectrum, or those who have other specific needs. *As with all of our programs, everybody is welcome to attend.*

SmileAWhile With Bunnies, Bunnies, Bunnies

Friday, March 27 from 10:30-11:30 am

Registration begins March 6

Celebrate the beginning of spring with baby bunnies! Judy will teach us about rabbits and their young. There will be a basket of baby bunnies for a meet and greet.

SmileAwhile With a Unicorn Craft

Friday, April 17 from 10:30 am-12:00 pm

Registration begins March 6

One of the most popular mythological creatures of all time is the unicorn. April 9 is National Unicorn Day so join us to decorate a beautiful unicorn ornament. It may even bring some magic into your home!

If there are any accommodations you need to make this program more accessible to you, please let us know.

FOOD & COOKING

The Savvy Sightseer: A Visit to Ireland

Tuesday, March 17 from 2:30-3:30 pm

Registration begins February 26

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Experience the beauty and enchantment of Ireland, a magical island of isolated moors, coastal towns, and bustling cities. The Savvy Sightseer, Jeanne Schnupp, will bring tasty treats for you to sample. These delights include Orange Hazelnut Scones, Chocolate Potato Cake, and Irish Soda Bread made from an old family recipe!

Chef Rob: A Fiesta to Remember

Friday, April 24 from 4:30-5:30 pm OR 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins March 30

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Join Chef Rob as he creates a delicious Hawaiian BBQ chicken with pineapple slaw and Cajun shrimp tacos with a mango tomato salsa; served with a chilled strawberry lemon and lime cooler. Yum!

DRIVING SAFETY

General Defensive Driving

Saturdays, March 14 OR April 18

from 10:00 am-4:00 pm

**Wednesday AND Thursday evenings,
March 25 and 26 OR April 29 and 30
from 6:00-9:00 pm**

You MUST attend both evenings to obtain your certificate

Fee: \$35 required at first class

Cash (*exact change*) or credit card

Seniors ages 62+ and veterans pay \$30

Registration is ongoing

Completion of this course helps those who attend to become better, safer drivers, and may include a reduction of violation points on your license and a discount on automobile insurance.

AARP Smart Driver Course

Monday, March 30 from 10:00 am-4:30 pm OR

Wednesday AND Thursday evenings

April 22 and 23 from 5:00-8:00 pm

Fee: \$20 fee AARP members or

\$25 non-members

Check or money order, payable to AARP, due at first class.

Registration is ongoing

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

AARP's program is a refresher driving course designed for motorists age 50 and over.

Members must bring AARP card the day of class to get member discount.

HEALTH & FITNESS

Managing Your Chronic Illness

Tuesdays, March 10, 17, 24, 31, April 7, 14

from 2:00-4:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Join us for a six-week interactive and fun workshop for people and their families or caregivers who are living with chronic conditions. Sponsored by the Long Island Health Collaborative, this program will explore healthy eating, easy to follow exercises, stress management, medication management, and improving communication with your healthcare team.

Lunch and Learn Stroke Prevention

Thursday, March 19 from 12:30-2:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

Quantum Rehabilitation and Nursing will talk about the prevention and treatment of stroke and head injuries with Lisa Foundas, the clinical manager of Neuro Rehab Services. Tom Focarile, a physical therapist from St. Charles, will talk about fall, home safety, and home modifications.

A light lunch will be served.

Cardio Dance Fitness

Saturdays, March 21, 28, April 4, 11

from 10:00-11:00 am

Registration begins March 2

This four-session class is a fun, full-body workout that uses a variety of moderate and low-impact aerobics steps to help you reach your fitness goals. Dress for a workout and bring a water bottle.

Dining With Diabetes

Wednesday, April 1 from 1:00-3:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

To register please call Jane Juran of Cornell Cooperative Extension at (631) 852-4957

Without sacrificing flavor, this workshop will teach participants how to prepare nutritious meals that align with their health goals. Participants will prepare and enjoy three new recipes. Cooking supplies and ingredients will be provided.

Diabetes Education Workshop

Thursdays, April 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14 from 10:00 am-12:30 pm

To register please call Jane Juran of Cornell Cooperative Extension at (631) 852-4957

This six-session workshop facilitated by two trained educators, including a nutritionist covers techniques to deal with the symptoms of diabetes; appropriate exercise for maintaining and improving strength and endurance; healthy eating; appropriate use of medication; and working more effectively with healthcare providers. Classes are highly participative, where mutual support and success will build the participants' confidence in their ability to manage their health and maintain active and fulfilling lives.

Tai Chi for Arthritis and Fall Prevention

Mondays AND Thursdays May 4–July 2 from 3:00-4:00 pm

Registration begins March 18

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

This eight-week program that meets twice a week on Monday and Thursday afternoons uses the principles and movements of Tai Chi to help older adults improve their balance and increase their confidence in doing daily activities. A certified instructor from Stony Brook University Hospital will conduct the classes.

Healthy Libraries

First-come, first-served, no registration necessary

As part of the Healthy Libraries program, supervised students from the Stony Brook School of Nursing and School of Social Work will be at the library to share information on various topics pertaining to health.

Nutrition Counseling

Tuesday, March 3

from 10:30 am-12:00 pm

Social Work Intern

Tuesdays, March 3–May 12

from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Student of Public Health

Tuesdays, March 3–May 12

from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Blood Pressure Screenings

Tuesdays, March 3, 31

from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Nature & Environment

Gardening With Deer

Monday, March 9 from 2:30-3:30 pm

Registration is ongoing

There are beautiful plants deer don't like to eat! Incorporate these perennials, annuals and shrubs in your landscape to create an attractive yard with three seasons of bloom. Also learn about physical and scent strategies to reduce deer browsing in your yard.

“Hoppy Hour” for Adults

Monday, March 23 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration begins March 2

Limit 1 registration per LPL cardholder

Explore the world of rabbits in this educational program designed for adults. Judy Wilson will bring baby bunnies for a special meet and greet!

Spring Bird Watch Walk at Wertheim

Saturday, May 2 from 9:30-11:30 am

Rain date: Saturday, May 16

Registration begins April 1

Join biologist and bird enthusiast Byron Young for an informational bird watch walk through Wertheim National Wildlife Refuge. Bring your binoculars and sunscreen.

New York State's Citizenship Emergency Preparedness Program

Tuesday, April 21 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Registration is ongoing

This program gives residents the knowledge and tools to prepare for emergencies and disasters, respond accordingly, and recover as quickly as possible to pre-disaster conditions. The program was designed by the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services and covers a broad range of emergency preparedness topics such as developing a family emergency plan, stocking up on emergency supplies, and registering for NY-Alert the free statewide emergency alert system.

Participants will receive a training certificate and a wallet-sized “Z-Card” with emergency preparedness information.

Free Technology Classes

All Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Publisher classes are taught using Microsoft Office 2010 programs. Out-of-district patrons can register a week before the program date.

Computer Basics

Please note: You must register for all of these classes individually!

Computer Kindergarten

Tuesday, April 14 at 10:00 am

This is a slow-paced, user-friendly class for first-time Windows computer users. We will cover turning the computer on, the desktop, using the mouse, opening and closing programs, understanding Windows elements, getting out of trouble, and turning the computer off.

Computer 1st Grade

Tuesday, April 21 at 10:00 am

Prerequisites: Computer Kindergarten.

Learn how to work with MS Word, including how to input, insert, move, and erase text. Learn basic word processing skills, how to save a file, and understand MS Word commands.

Computer 2nd Grade

Tuesday, April 28 at 10:00 am

Prerequisites: Kindergarten and 1st Grade.

This hands-on class covers working with graphics in MS Word, using Windows drawing and painting tools, and using copy and paste.

Computer 3rd Grade

Tuesday, May 5 at 10:00 am

Prerequisites: Kindergarten and 1st Grade.

Organize your files on your computer!

This class provides an understanding of the Windows file management structure including drives, folders, and files. Learn how to create folders, copy and move files, and delete folders files.

Computer 4th Grade

Tuesday, May 12 at 10:00 am

Prerequisites: Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Grade.

This class covers using the Windows Desktop to enhance the user's work environment by creating and arranging icons, working with the Recycle Bin and display properties, installing new programs and uninstalling existing programs, using Help features, and searching on your computer.

Computer 5th Grade

Tuesday, May 19 at 10:00 am

Prerequisites: Computer Kindergarten and Computer 1st Grade.

Learn about the Internet in this slow-paced class for new computer users. Topics include what's needed to get started, how to use browser software, how to search for information, and much more.

Computer 6th Grade

Tuesday, May 26 at 10:00 am

Prerequisites: Computer Kindergarten and Computer 1st Grade.

Learn about e-mail in this slow-paced class for new computer users. Topics include how to create an e-mail address, create a new e-mail message, reply to a message, and much more.

iPhone/iPad:

Photography Basics

Thursday, March 12 at 6:30 pm OR

Monday, March 16 at 10:00 am

Ever struggle to take a good photo on your smartphone? Learn how to take pictures and organize them on your iPhone or iPad!

Android: Photography Basics

Monday, March 23 at 10:00 am OR

Thursday, March 26 at 6:30 pm

Learn how to take pictures and organize them on your Android smartphone or tablet!

Microsoft Excel Basics

Saturday, March 21 at 2:00 pm

Learn the basics of Microsoft Excel- Microsoft's popular spreadsheet program! We'll review entering and formulas, creating tables, and much more!

Chromebook Basics

Thursday, April 2 at 6:30 pm OR

Monday, April 13 at 10:00 am

Have a new Chromebook? Learn how to browse the Internet, manage files and access Google services on your Chrome OS device.

Microsoft Excel: Beyond the Basics

Saturday, April 4 at 2:00 pm

Prerequisites: Microsoft Excel Basics, basic Excel experience

Want to learn how to do more with Microsoft Excel? This class is for you! We'll take a closer look at Microsoft Excel and learn how to do more with this versatile spreadsheet program.

Streaming 101: Cable TV Alternatives

Monday, April 6 at 6:30 pm OR

Monday, April 13 at 2:00 pm

Roku, Amazon Firestick, Chromecast, Apple TV: there are more options than ever for watching television! In this lecture, we'll guide you through different streaming programs and services so you can make the best choice.

Tinkercad Basics

Monday, April 27 at 2:00 pm OR 7:00 pm

Learn 3D modelling with Tinkercad, a free software for beginners! We'll go over the basics and practice making a design.

Tech Thursdays

Open Lab is every Thursday **from 10:00 am-1:00 pm**

Did you attend one of our classes or one-on-one appointments, but you still need to practice the skills you learned? Need help searching the Internet, applying for a job or using Microsoft Word?

Come to the Computer Lab, where we will have an instructor on hand to assist you with whatever you are working on. **No need to register, just drop in!**

Library Gallery Exhibit March – April

All are welcome to view the diverse works of Longwood High School's art students. Over the years, these talented, young artists have created and submitted a wide range of items ranging from jewelry and sculpture, to portraiture and abstract art. Everyone is sure to spot something that will catch their creative eye.

FRIENDS RAFFLE

LI Aquarium Fun Basket

Includes 4 LI Aquarium tickets!

\$1 for 1 raffle ticket

\$5 for 6 raffle tickets

\$10 for 14 raffle tickets

\$20 for 30 raffle tickets

Drawing will be held on May 17.

Purchase tickets at Circulation Desk

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY FUNDRAISER

GARDEN TEA PARTY

Sunday, April 26 from 12:00-3:00 pm

Raffles, Plant Sale, Hat Contest

BRING YOUR FAVORITE TEA CUP!

REGISTER BY APRIL 16

Purchase tickets at the Circulation Desk or by mail.

Registration form is available online at

longwoodlibrary.org/friends

Fee: \$25 due at time of registration or \$30 at door

Location: Coram Firehouse

Remember to Vote, Tuesday, April 7, 2020 – 8:00 am-9:00 pm 2020-2021

Annual Budget Vote & Trustee Election

Annual Message to the Community

2019 was a great year at the LPL!

Our talented and dedicated staff always strives to provide the best service to the Longwood community. This year we quadrupled our bandwidth, improving Internet access (wired and wireless) throughout the building. We added many new items to our very popular Equipment & Gadgets collection, including Rokus, mobile scanners, more lawn games and so much more! We continued our annual author program with a visit from bestselling author and sports commentator Mike Lupica. We added new features to the Learn & Play children's garden, and we held our first-ever 1,000 Books before Kindergarten Celebration to recognize the children and families who've completed this impressive goal.

We will hold our Annual Budget Vote and Trustee Election on Tuesday, April 7, from 8:00 am to 9:00 pm in the Library Community Room. The Library Board of Trustees is pleased to announce that there will again be no override of the state tax cap. Details of the proposed budget are shown here and will be available in the library and online in early March. The Board will hold a budget information meeting on Wednesday, March 25 at 7:00 pm. Completed petitions for library trustee are due by 5:00 pm on Monday, March 9, and information about trustee candidates will be available in the library and on our website shortly thereafter.

If you have any questions about the budget, running for trustee or the library in general, please contact Library Director Lisa Jacobs, at (631) 924-6400 x275, or by email at lisa@longwoodlibrary.org.

A Few Statistics from 2019

- Library visits totaled more than 230,000
- More than 498,000 physical items were checked out or renewed; more than 132,000 eBooks, audio and video were streamed or downloaded
- Public computers were accessed more than 55,000 times; the Wi-Fi was accessed more than 116,000 times
- Our new, accessible and mobile-friendly website, longwoodlibrary.org, was accessed more than 260,000 times
- Free museum passes were borrowed more than 1,900 times, saving taxpayers almost \$74,000. The majority of our museum passes are now conveniently available as printable passes!

What are we planning for the coming year?

- No more overdue fines on most library items
- A new coffee/snack area near the entrance
- Utilizing our new 3D printer and adding more STEAM/Maker programs for all ages: look for programs labeled The Maker Place
- Continuing to expand our Equipment & Gadgets collection
- Expanding on our new Healthy Libraries Partnership (HeLP) with Stony Brook University
- Adding new backyard features for children and families, thanks to a grant from Assemblyman DeStefano

Please Vote

The Library Board of Trustees is committed to offering excellent library service while keeping the budget below the state-mandated tax cap. We thank you for your support throughout the year, and ask you to come in and vote on April 7.

Voter Registration Information

REQUIREMENTS TO VOTE IN THIS ELECTION

- You are at least 18 years of age
- You are a citizen of the United States
- You have been a resident of Longwood Central School District for at least 30 days
- You have voted in any general, school or other election in the last four years

VOTER REGISTRATION

Registration is available every school day through April 2 at the Longwood Central Office, 21 Everett Drive, Yaphank

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Mailed applications must be completed and received by the District Clerk on or before

Tuesday, March 31, 2020.

(Applications are available at the library.)

Longwood Public Library Proposed Budget 2020-2021

	Current Budget 2019-2020	Proposed Budget 2020-2021
Materials & Supplies	\$911,000	\$917,000
Items for library collections		
Library programs		
Office & custodial supplies		
Professional & Consulting Services	\$113,000	\$113,500
Legal, treasurer, auditor		
Library Operations	\$288,500	\$288,000
Software		
Printing & postage		
Service contracts		
Training		
Building Operations	\$375,250	\$364,950
Utilities		
Insurance		
Building & property maintenance		
Equipment	\$80,000	\$85,000
Furniture		
Computer hardware		
Fixed Employee Benefits	\$1,356,560	\$1,395,320
NYS Retirement		
Health insurance		
Workers compensation		
Unemployment & disability		
Salaries	\$3,689,239	\$3,816,450
Bond Payment	\$1,152,006	\$1,159,906

Subtotal	\$7,965,555	\$8,140,126
LESS ANTICIPATED REVENUES	\$208,500	\$238,500
Amount to be raised by taxation	\$7,757,055	\$7,901,626

The proposed operating budget for 2020-2021 is below the NYS tax cap. It is estimated that the adoption of this budget will raise the library's tax rate to \$15.22 per \$100 of assessed valuation. This would increase the average homeowner's tax payment by \$6.35 per year.

Budget information meeting on **Wednesday, March 25 at 7:00 pm.**

La información del presupuesto también estará disponible en español en la biblioteca y en línea
