



Large Print Newsletter FALL 2020

Port Jefferson Free Library

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Contact Adult Reference with questions

FRONT COVER

We're open!

Welcome back! Please note our reopening guidelines:

- *Walk Through Service* - No congregating, lingering or gathering. Please follow all entry and exit signs.
- *Masks Required* - Those older than two years old must wear a mask to enter per NYS Executive Order 202.17
- *Social Distancing* - All visitors must stand 6 or more feet apart.
- *Limited Capacity*- Occupancy is limited to maintain social distancing. Visits are limited to 30 minutes.
- *Limited Computer Use* - 30 minute computer workstations are available. Bring your own laptop or borrow one. Sign in at Reference.
- *Pickup Service* - Call ahead to place your order and pick up your materials from our front vestibule during regular library hours.

FROM THE DIRECTOR

We are so excited to be able to welcome our patrons back in the building! We want you to know, we have taken the proper precautions to ensure social distancing and proper disinfecting of all materials. During the month of July, the Board of Trustees of the Library voted to cancel the 2020-21 Library budget vote and have a

0% increase to the Operating Budget of the Library. The Board felt that with the current pandemic, high unemployment and staged tax increases due to LIPA, it would be unfair to our community to pursue an increase in taxes this year. They feel it is the responsible direction to take so that the Library can meet our community's needs without incurring significant additional expenses and burden during these troubling times. Be sure to visit our Library and utilize all it has to offer, both online and in person. We look forward to seeing you! - Tom Donlon, Library Director

FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Three Trustee seats on the Library Board are due to expire, and will be filled by an election during the Annual Meeting in January 2021. Two five-year terms are expiring along with an unexpired one-year term. Interested persons are invited to apply. Applications will be available at the Library Circulation desk beginning September 21. Previous experience in libraries or library governance is helpful. Further information will be included in our next newsletter. Please address all correspondence to:

Election Committee
Port Jefferson Free Library
100 Thompson Street, NY 11777

LIBRARY HOURS

Main Library: 631-473-0022
Monday - Friday 9:30 AM - 9:00 PM
Saturday 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday 1:00 - 5:00 PM
Teen Center: 631-509-5707
Monday - Friday 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Saturday 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday 1:00 - 5:00 PM

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Board of Trustees Meetings

Monday, September 28 6:00 PM

Monday, October 26 6:00 PM

Library Closed

Monday, September 7 Labor Day

Free WiFi Spot

Personal Listening Systems

Wheelchair Accessible

The Library is glad to provide reasonable accommodations for patrons with special needs. Please call us at least two weeks prior to the program to make arrangements.

The Port Jefferson Free Library does not discriminate in employment or the provision of services.

By being a participant in our programs, your photo may be used in Library publicity

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CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Email us anytime! children@portjefflibrary.org

Welcome back!

Welcome back to the Children's Department! We missed you! The Children's Librarians are so excited about returning to the Library. We know it's not quite the same, but we're all so happy we get to see you!

Right now, you can come up to Children's to browse books, movies, Launchpads, audiobooks, videogames and Bookpacks for check-out.

All toys, puzzles, games, theme-kits, Make-It kits, Leapfrog Readers and department video game systems are currently unavailable for use or check-out.

Congratulations Summer Reading Participants!

Congratulations to all of the Listeners and Readers who participated and completed the 2020 Summer Reading Program, *Imagine Your Story*. We hope you all had a great time reading books and completing the many challenges of the program.

Online Programs

Our Children's Librarians and some of your favorite programmers will continue to bring you fun and creative virtual programming including story times, cooking demonstrations, music & movement programs, paint nights, 3D printing, game nights, Nintendo Switch meet-ups and MORE! Be sure to check our calendar for dates, times and details.

Grab & Go Programs

We're thrilled to offer "Grab & Go Programs", where the Library provides the special materials needed for the craft or project being made in one of our virtual programs. Simply register for the program from our Events Calendar. Then one week before the date of the program, contact us to arrange pick-up. Craft along with the Children's Librarian on the date of the program!

Take & Make

The Children's Department is also providing "Take & Make Kits", filled with everything you need to complete a craft, project or STEAM activity at home on your own. They will be located in the Children's Department for pickup.

Back To School Resources on our Website

Need help with school work? All you need is your library card! Click on "Children" and select "Home-work and Research" from the drop down menu. Here you'll find the so many fantastic FREE resources, and so much more!

- *Scholastic Teachables*: Printable books, worksheets, lessons for teachers and students in grades Pre-K-7th
 - *Brainfuse Live Homework Help*: On demand, anytime, anywhere eLearning and Live homework help with online tutors.
- *GALE Kids InfoBits*: Research for students in kindergarten - 5th grade.
- *MUZZY*: Foreign language learning courses for children

Teen Center Says....HEY TEENS!

We are back and want to see YOU again!!! Welcome back to the Teen Center! We've missed you guys. We're open for limited browsing and item checkout. Remember that our programs are still online, but check below for some new updates in teen programs, supply pickups and To-Go Craft Kits coming in September.

Stay safe and healthy,
Teen Center Librarians & Staff.

Online Programs

These are just a few of our awesome online programs! Check our calendar for dates, times and new weekly additions!

Online Games

Join the Teen Librarians to stream a live gameplay of Jackbox Party Games, Use Your Words, Pictionary, Slither (and maybe even Minecraft) and many more.

Online Teen Meetups

Do you miss coming to the Teen Center? Khan, Venus and Erin have missed you. Come and talk to us and your Teen Center friends while the library is closed. You can log-in with any device.

Online Cooking and Baking Demonstrations

The librarians are back in the virtual kitchen, cooking and baking up some tasty dishes with your favorite programmers. Coming soon: Supply pickups for cooking programs! We'll supply the non-perishable items and you supply the rest!

Pick-Up Programs

The Teen Librarians are doing various interactive programs and giving you the supplies you need such as Minute to Win It, Shrinky Dink, Spooky Slime and more. Pick up program supplies are now available. You'll be notified when your supplies are ready.

Teen Center To-Go Craft Kits

Feeling crafty? Create something amazing with the help of Teen Center's Craft Kits To-Go! These kits come with the instructions and most, if not all, of the materials you need to make your own art or craft. Each week will be a different craft kit! Just come to the Teen Center on September 1st and ask for a kit to-go! Supplies are limited and for PJFL YA cardholders only.

Online Community Service Opportunities

Check the Teen Community Service webpage for more details on how to earn community service through these several opportunities! YA PJFL Cardholders only: portjefflibrary.org/teens/community-service/

Book Reviews: Reviewing young adult novels, e-books or print, on their reading level. You will earn 2 hours of credits for each submitted book review that meets the required guidelines. Earn up to 4 hours of credits per month.

Rainbow Creations: Submit rainbow creations online by drawing, painting or crafting with colorful materials. You will earn 1 hour for each submission and can earn up to 2 hours of community service per month. Check out more info and required guidelines on our website.

Flicks & Review: Earn community service by reviewing PG and PG-13 films from any source of film, DVD or digital streaming services. You will earn 2 hours of community service for each submitted movie review that meets the required guidelines. Earn up to 4 hours of community service credits per month.

Pickup Community Service

Butterfly Art: Stop in and pick up a paper butterfly pack to decorate. Each pack will have 5 butterflies and teens will receive a maximum of 2 hours per month.

Perler Bead Organizers: Stop in and pick up a mixture of perler beads to sort. One 1 per packet organized, with a maximum of 2 hours per month.

Follow us on Instagram! @portjeffteencenter

The Teen Center has created an Instagram page to keep in touch with you virtually! Follow us because you never know who might make an appearance. Who will be the first librarian in a pic? Venus? Khan? Sarina, probably not camera shy Erin! Learn about things you may not have known the library offers and stay in touch!

Need Online Homework Help?

BrainfuseFREE with you library card!
<https://portjefflibrary.org/teens/homeworkhelp/>

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ADULT REFERENCE

Online Programming

All online programs can be accessed through our Events Calendar. Please note that many programs require registration. Check the calendar or call us for details!

Art Programs - Have fun learning a new skill or just hop in and meet up with fellow lovers of the arts. *We are preparing take home material kits to follow along from home. Call us or register online!*

Fall Painted Sign:

Wednesday, September 16 - 3:00 PM

Scarecrow Hat Wall Hanging:

Thursday, September 24 - 7:00 PM

Peacock Wine Glasses:

Thursday, October 8 - 7:00 PM

Day of the Dead Succulent Planter:

Tuesday, October 20 - 11:00 AM

Cooking Classes with Chef Rob - Join Chef Rob online for an array of cooking demonstrations!

Apple Galette:

Monday, September 14 - 7:00 PM

Salmon Fuji Apple Burgers:

Tuesday, September 29 - 7:00 PM

Beef and Butternut Squash Stew:

Thursday, October 1 - 7:00 PM

Harvest Apple Brownies:

Wednesday, October 14 - 7:00 PM

ESOL & English Conversation - Join Certified ESOL Instructor Mary Leming online for this free ongoing workshop open to adults, whose first language is not English. Meets Thursdays & Saturdays.

Fitness and Health - Join us for online pilates, yoga, meditations, crystal bowls, holistic chakra, Tai Chi and more. Interact with a live instructor or just listen in and enjoy from home!

Game Nights - Join us for online game nights for adults including trivia, pictionary and more!

Lectures and Tutorials - Our lectures and tutorials range from financial planning and armchair travel to technology and nature.

Save the Date for some great upcoming lectures:

Enrico Fermi: Voyage to a New World

Monday, October 5 - 7:00 PM

The Six Strangest Presidential Elections (so far)

Wednesday, October 7 - 7:00 PM

Haunted Lighthouses

Wednesday, October 21 - 6:30 PM

One-On-One Medicare Counseling by Telephone

The First Friday of Every Month

Online Discussion Groups - Many of our discussion groups are now meeting online! Join New Voices, PJ Page Turners, Historical Happenings, Fourth Fridays and Great Decisions! Downloads in eBook or eAudiobook format and print copies may be requested by calling the library.

Dump the Junk:

Paper Shredding

Saturday, October 10- 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Electronics Recycling

Saturday, October 24- 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

These are just a few of our upcoming programs! We are always adding new programs. Check our events calendar or subscribe to our email blasts to stay informed of all our great offerings.

Online Learning

- **Learn a Language:** Yes! You can learn a language! *Pronunciator* is a free and fabulous resource that you can access with your library card! portjefflibrary.org/language
- **Universal Class:** Access high quality, online courses to help you learn the skills needed to achieve your goals. Earn a certificate or simply view the videos. All courses are self-paced and have a real instructor to better assist with your learning. portjefflibrary.org/online-learning

Helping Hands

Our Helping Hands program for all ages is available remotely!

Connect with a Social Worker one-on-one to help with any problems you may be experiencing. Helping Hands is also offering

support groups, open forums and programs to help you cope during this difficult time. For more details email helpinghands@portjefflibrary.org

Passport Service

If you are getting a new passport or need a new photograph, make an appointment with one of our Librarians! Please note we are only able to process new passports. Call the Adult Reference Desk or go to portjefflibrary.org/passport for further details.

Hours:

Mondays- 2:00-7:00 PM

Tuesdays- 5:00 - 8:00 PM

Wednesdays- 10:00 AM-1:00 PM

Thursdays- 10:00 AM-7:00 PM

Fridays-10:00 AM-4:00 PM

Online Resources

At Home Resources webpage: portjefflibrary.org/athome

Watch, Listen & Read

- *Hoopla* - eBooks, eAudiobooks, Movies & TV Shows
- *Kanopy* - Documentaries and Indie Films
- *Overdrive & Libby* - eBooks/eAudiobooks

Learn & Explore

- *Ancestry* - Search your family tree!
- *Consumer Reports* - Research before you buy!
- *Law Depot* - Get your legal documents in order!
- *NextReads* - Find your next favorite book!