



Port Jefferson Free Library

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You Have a CHOICE Every July.

Your household is welcome to join the Port Jefferson Free Library or Comsewogue Public Library July 2025 - June 2026. Renewing begins June 1 and switching libraries begins July 1. All household members must register at the same library. First time members can join at any time of year. Apply or renew in person with two proofs of residency showing name and street address in the Miller Place or Mount Sinai School District.

**Please call with questions: Port Jefferson: 631-473-0022
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SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2025



Begins Saturday, June 21 for all ages

See Department sections for details.

100 at 100

May 1, 2025 marks 100 years of the Port Jefferson Free Library at 100 Thompson Street.

The Library started in 1908 with a small group of women from Port Jefferson forming the Literary Society to organize a public library collection in a room above the C.F. Robbins grocery store at East Broadway and East Main. The library moved to a couple of interim rental locations before the purchase of our present property and the construction of the main room and basement which opened to the public a century ago. Those spaces are still used today and form the foundation off which additions and renovations led to our current footprint.

May 1st, we celebrate a century of service at 100 Thompson Street. Here's to the next 100!



ADVENTURELAND & LI AQUARIUM TICKETS

The Library is selling LI Aquarium tickets and will have tickets to Adventureland available beginning June 1. All ticket sales are final. No refunds or exchanges.

Tickets are for personal/family use and limited to 6 per patron.

Long Island Aquarium: \$28.00 child/senior (ages 3-12, 62 and up)

\$39.00 adult (age 13-61)

Adventureland: \$31.50 for all ages.

Valid from June 1, 2025 to October 5, 2025.



SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK AT 114



Saturday, August 2 3:00 PM

EastLine Theatre brings King Lear to the Library. The aged King's promise to bequeath the largest share of his empire to whichever daughter professes to love him the most tears apart the kingdom in Shakespeare's epic tragedy.

**THANK YOU
PORT JEFFERSON!**

Library Budget Passed

87 - Yes, 9 - No

We are happy to serve!

**SUMMER
HOURS**

COMING SOON

Memorial Day- Labor Day:

The Library is closed on Sundays

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TEEN CENTER

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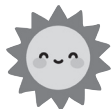
TEEN CENTER HOURS:

Monday - Thursday: 12:00 - 8:00 PM
Friday: 12:00 - 5:00 PM
Saturday: 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday: 1:00 - 5:00 PM
(Closed Sundays after Memorial Day)

PLEASE NOTE: Registration is required for all programs and begins on **April 23**. Our programs are limited to **Teens (grades 6-12)** with a **Port Jefferson Free Library Teen Card**. Please call to cancel your registration (631-509-5707) if you can not attend.

All programs are scheduled for one hour unless otherwise stated.

** Designates that food products used in this program may contain allergens.*



WELCOME GRADUATING 5TH GRADERS!

Congratulations, you're almost eligible to receive a Teen card. Beginning June 2nd, bring a parent/guardian to the Circulation Desk in the main library then start joining Teen programs and everything that the Teen Center offers.

We can't wait to see you in the Teen Center.



OPEN EARLY 11:00 AM on June 6 & 19

Doors open one hour earlier so you can chill, game, craft, or do homework with us.

NEW WEEKDAY SUMMER HOURS

Beginning June 23, the Teen Center will open one hour earlier, at 11 AM, on Mondays and Fridays.

Dungeons & Dragons *

Saturdays, May 3 & June 14 12:00 - 1:30 PM

Tuesday, May 20 5:00 - 6:30 PM

Journey on a side quest story to untold adventures. Stop in ahead of time to ask Khan the Librarian to help you build your character.

The College Admissions Essay

Sunday, May 4 2:00 PM

Gain insight into the college essay process. Parents and teens are encouraged to attend.

Star Wars Movie Night & Treats *

Wednesday, May 7 5:30 - 7:30 PM

Will the Rebel Alliance restore freedom and justice to the Galaxy? Enjoy the first Star Wars film, A New Hope.

Make a Mother's Day Candle *

Thursday, May 8 6:30 PM

Giftable and smells great.



Pressed Flower

Wooden Coasters

Friday, May 9 3:30 PM

Treat yourself or give it as a gift to someone special.

Paint a Pin Contest

Monday, May 12 5:00 - 6:30 PM

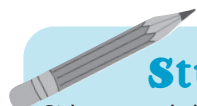
Friday, May 16 3:00 - 4:30 PM

Best decorated bowling pin wins a bowling gift card. Sponsored by Port Jeff Bowl. Pick one date.

Steam Gaming: Pico Park

Wednesday, May 14 5:00 PM

A multiplayer obstacle and puzzle game where you must work together to complete the levels.



Study Kits

Pick up a study kit which includes studying tips, supplies, and de-stress items. PJFL Teen Cardholders only, first come first served. No registration.

3D Print & Design

Thursday, May 15 4:00 PM

Design your own object or choose an object to print. Prints may take up to 2 weeks to process.

Mario Kart Tournament *

Wednesday, May 21 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Tuesday, June 24 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Compete on new DLC maps and use Nintendo characters in Mario Kart 8 Deluxe on the Nintendo Switch.



Spike Prime 101

Thursday, May 22 6:30 PM

Learn the basics of coding using Spike Prime.

Grilled Cheese & Trivia *

Friday, May 23 3:00 PM

Test your cheese knowledge and eat some freshly made grilled cheese sandwiches.

Magic the Gathering *

Tuesdays, May 27 & June 10 5:00 - 6:30 PM

Command the field against your opponents in our Commander styled MTG tournament.

Super Smash Bros. Tournament *

Wednesday, May 28 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Monday, June 23 3:00 - 4:30 PM

Choose your character and duel on the Nintendo Switch.

Jackbox Games

Thursday, May 29 6:30 PM

Bring your own device to participate in Jackbox games. Laptops available by request.

Ready to Babysit Certification

Saturday, May 31 12:00 - 3:00 PM

Develop the skills necessary for the responsibility of being a sitter; Child safety, Developmental stages, and How to plan age appropriate activities. Hands-on activities.

Console Classics *

Wednesday, June 6 3:00 PM

Play retro consoles.

Scrabble Night

Monday, June 9 6:30 PM

Challenge your peers.

Steam Gaming: Your Pick

Wednesday, June 11 6:00 PM

Play some old and some new games from the collection on our laptops.

Building with SPIKE Prime

Thursday, June 12 6:00 PM

Build robot parts with LEGOs and use ready-made code to perform tasks.

Scrapbook Workshop

Monday, June 16 6:30 PM

Craft and collage in this hands-on class.

Mini Comic Book

Tuesday, June 17 5:00 PM

Discover the process of creating a mini comic book.

LED Shadow Box

Wednesday, June 18 4:00 - 5:30 PM

Craft a uniquely layered art piece.

Chilling with Chester

Thursday, June 19 4:00 PM

Relax during finals with Chester, a therapy dog. First to come is the first to pet. No registration.

Shrinky Dink Keychains

Thursday, June 19 6:00 PM

Create, decorate, and watch them shrink before your eyes.

Taste Test: Pop Tarts *

Tuesday, June 24 3:00 PM

Pick your favorite flavors.

Infinite Craft Challenge

Wednesday, June 25 3:00 PM

Craft items fast in this virtual browser game.



Captain America 4 & Pizza *

Wednesday June 25 5:30 - 7:30 PM
Watch the newest Marvel film with Sam Wilson.

Hungry Hippos

Thursday, June 26 3:00 PM
A life-sized version!

Disney Trivia

Thursday, June 26 6:00 PM
Showcase your expertise on all things Disney.

Van Gogh Paint Night

Monday, June 30 6:00 PM
Paint in the style of Van Gogh.

Follow us on Instagram!
@portjeffteencenter



Congratulations to our own FIRST LEGO League Robotics Champions!



The library has hosted a robotics team for teens in grades 6-8 for the past eight years. This year's team advanced to Long Island's regional championship after winning the Champion's Award.

Congratulations Brian, Tucker, Yushan, Gideon, Landon, Jonathan, Alex, Nate, Ethan, Colin, Allison, Dominick, and Evan.

Teen Community Service Opportunities

Need community service hours? Visit portjefflibrary.org/teens/cs or scan here



Online Community Service

These opportunities are available on our website portjefflibrary.org/teens/cs

Book Review

Earn community service hours for writing reviews for young adult novels. 4 hours for each submitted review. (limit of 2 reviews per month).

Movie Review

Earn community service hours for writing reviews of PG or PG-13 movies. 4 hours for each submitted review that meets the required guidelines. (limit of 2 reviews per month).

Recycling Challenge

Earn community service credit by recycling bottles and helping keep the community clean. See the required guidelines on our website for details. (limit of 10 hours per month).

NEW: Rainbow Creations

Submit rainbow creations online by drawing, painting or crafting with colorful materials. Earn 1 hour of credit (limit of 1 per month).

Take-Home Community Service

These opportunities will be available for pickup in the Teen Center beginning Saturday, May 1. Receive two hours of community service credit for each completed envelope. (limit 1 of each envelope per month).

Recipe Book

Submit favorite recipes from family and friends to share at the library.

Origami Cranes

Greater decor for the Teen Center.

In-Person Community Service

These opportunities take place in the Teen Center at the stated time. You will receive one hour of community service for in-person opportunities.

Bookshop Organizers

Tuesdays, May 6 & June 3 5:00 PM

Location: Bookshop in Main Library

The Friends of the Library Bookshop sells gently used books. Earn community service by helping organize donated books.

Perler Bead Sorters

Saturday, May 10 2:00 PM
Help organize perler beads for future crafts.

Green Teens

Monday, May 12 3:30 PM
Build birdhouses for the community.

Teen Meet-Up

Tuesday, May 13 5:00 PM
Collaborate with librarians to plan future activities for the Teen Center.

Color-a-Smile

Thursday, May 15 6:00 PM
Color drawings for those in need of a smile.

Perler Bead Designers

Thursday, June 5 6:00 PM
Create objects with perler beads for Teen Center decorations.



SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2025

Color Our World:
Begins June 21

Unleash your creativity this summer and dive into a world of colorful stories. Visit portjefflibrary.org/teens for prize, program details, and registration with your Teen card beginning June 21st.

ADVENTURELAND TRIP

Saturday, June 21 9:45 AM - 4:00 PM

Depart from: Village Hall (North Side),
121 West Broadway, Port Jefferson

In person registration only.

A day filled with rides and games. The bus fare, park entry with unlimited rides, and lunch will be covered by the library.

Signed permission slips are required and must be returned by June 13th.

Children's Services



* This symbol indicates that this program may not be suitable for children with food allergies.

Registration begins on the first of the month preceding the program date. Please call the Library if you are unable to attend a program in which you are registered, so that we may invite a child from the waitlist. If you fail to cancel 3 times, you will be removed from any additional programs in which you are registered.

Early Childhood Programs (Babies, Toddlers & Preschoolers)

Paint Without

Painbrushes: May Flowers

Thursday, May 1 10:30 AM

Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult

Try lots of cool tools to create colorful May flowers. *Please dress for mess.*

Merry Sensory

Friday, May 2 10:00 AM

Ages: 18 months - 3 years with an adult

Explore a variety of sensory-themed activities. *Please dress for mess.*

Dynamic Kids: Giddy Up!

Saturday, May 3 10:30 AM

Ages: 4 - 6 years without an adult

Train and ride a "horse", then join a race and rodeo. *Please wear sneakers.*

If You Give a Mouse

Story Time

Monday, May 5 11:30 AM

Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult

Stories by Author Laura Numeroff with songs and a craft.

Pasta Pasta

Tuesday, May 6 11:00 AM

Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult

Create crafty jewelry with colored pasta.

Pajama Jammy Jam

Tuesday, May 6 5:30 PM

Ages: 3 - 17 months with an adult

Ages: 18 months - 5 years with adult 6:30 PM

High-energy music and movement program. You wear the PJ's, Miss Heather brings the music.

TuneY Tois

Wednesday, May 7 10:30 AM

Wednesday, June 18 10:30 AM

Ages: 2 - 4 years with an adult

Explore colors, counting, body awareness, and social skills in this high energy program.



PlayHooray Babies

Thursday, May 8 10:00 AM

Friday, June 13 10:00 AM

Ages: 3 - 17 months with an adult

An introduction to nursery rhymes, books, music and creative movement.

PlayHooray Kids

Thursday, May 8 11:00 AM

Friday, June 13 11:00 AM

Ages: 18 - 36 months with an adult

Get the wiggles out and grow coordination.

Infant Massage

Friday, May 9 10:00 AM

Wednesday, June 11 10:00 AM

Ages: 6 weeks - 18 months with an adult

Licensed Massage Therapist Laura Morello teaches a gentle way of communicating with your child. *Please dress in comfortable clothes, and bring a blanket for the baby, one for yourself and the baby's favorite comfort toy.*

Process Art:

Paper Towel Tie Dye

Monday, May 12 10:30 AM

Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult

Hands-on art using watercolors. *Please dress for mess!*

Babies Boogie

Tuesday, May 13 10:00 AM

Tuesday, June 10 10:00 AM

Ages: 3 - 18 months with an adult

Shake, rattle and roll with Nicole Sparling.

Toddlers Tango

Tuesday, May 13 11:00 AM

Tuesday, June 10 11:00 AM

Ages: 19 months - 4 years with an adult

Clap your hands, stomp your feet, wiggle and giggle in this music and creative movement program.



Stories and Playtime in the Park

Wednesdays, May 14, 21 & June 4

10:30 AM

Ages: 18 months - 5 years with an adult

Nature themed stories and playtime in the Park @114. *This program will move inside in inclement weather.*

Tois Night Out

Wednesday, May 14 & June 11 6:00 PM

Ages: 18 months - 5 years with an adult

Focus on group learning and skill building with our friends from A Time for Kids.

Baby Start

Thursday, May 15 10:00 AM

Tuesday, June 24 10:00 AM

Ages: 9 - 17 months with an adult

Music, movement, fine and gross motor development and circle time with A Time for Kids, Inc.

A Time for Kids

Thursday, May 15 11:00 AM

Tuesday, June 24 11:00 AM

Ages: 18 months - 5 years with an adult

Music, movement, fine and gross motor development activities, storytelling and a craft.

Ice Cream Story Craft

Friday, May 16 10:00 AM

Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult

Ice cream tales followed by songs and a craft.

Doughnut Story Time

Saturday, May 17 12:00 PM

Ages: 3 - 5 years with an adult

Sweet stories and a craft.

Baby Singing Story Time

Monday, May 19 10:00 AM

Ages: Birth to 17 months with an adult

Move and groove with stories and songs for you and your baby.



Dance Laugh Play

Tuesday, May 20 10:00 AM OR 11:00 AM

Tuesday, June 17 10:00 AM OR 11:00 AM

Ages: Birth - 4 years with an adult

Can't stop, won't stop fun with Miss Lauren.

Please sign up for only one session.

Little Sprouts and Friends

Thursday, May 22 10:00 AM

Friday, June 6 10:00 AM

Ages: Birth - 16 months with an adult

Move and sing joyfully with your child. **This program is for children who are not yet walking.**

Sprouts and Friends

Thursday, May 22 11:00 AM

Friday, June 6 11:00 AM

Ages: 17 months - 5 years with an adult

Move and sing joyfully with your child. **This program is for children who are walking.**

Parent Toddler Workshop

Friday, May 23 & 30 10:00 AM

Ages: 18 - 36 months with an adult

Play with your toddler while meeting grown-ups and their children. **Please do not bring any snacks or drinks.**

Sensory Storytime

Tuesday, May 27, June 3 11:00 AM

Ages: 18 - 36 months with an adult

Enjoy stories, songs and sensory play.

Lil Athletes

Thursday, May 29 - Baseball/Basketball

Thursday, June 26 - Soccer/Lacrosse

Ages: 20 - 36 months with an adult 10:00 AM

Ages: 3 - 5 years with an adult 11:00 AM

Combining skill-specific fitness components (running, jumping, balancing) and the FUNdamentals of many sports (throwing, kicking, catching, shooting). An obstacle course will keep the children moving and engaged while working on core fitness activities.

Dance Tales

Monday, June 2 11:30 AM

Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult

Let's listen to stories and move to catchy tunes.

Tiny Movers

Thursday, June 5 10:00 AM OR 11:00 AM

Ages: 18 months - 5 years with an adult

Stretch, dance and learn breathing techniques with your little one. **Please sign up for only one session.**

Snail Tales Story Craft

Monday, June 9 10:30 AM

Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult

Slow down for stories and a craft.



Tasty Tales:

Summertime Treats

Thursday, June 12

10:30 AM

Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult

Listen to stories featuring some of our favorite summer foods.



Messy

Storytime at the Park

Monday, June 16

11:30 AM

Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult

Messy themed stories and bubble art in Park @114. **This program will move inside in inclement weather.**

Summertime Storytime

Friday, June 20

10:00 AM

Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult

Enjoy summer stories, songs and a craft.

Shake 'N Make Music

Saturday, June 28

Ages: 3 - 17 months with an adult 10:00 AM

Ages: 18 months - 5 years with adult 11:00 AM

Join in high-energy music and movement.



Family Programs

Registration is not required unless otherwise noted.

Sunday Crafternoon

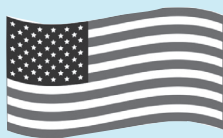
Sunday, May 4 & 18 2:00 - 4:00 PM

Drop in and make a new craft each week.

Red, White & Blue Crafternoon

Saturday, June 14 12:00 - 2:00 PM

Drop in to make a festive Flag Day craft.



Art in the Park @114

Thursday, June 19 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Get creative with us in the Park @114.

SRP Kick-Off:

Peira Puppet's Carnival of Colors

Saturday, June 21 1:00 PM

What happens when you put a Talented Tuna, a Colorful Bug Collector, a Magic Paint Brush and

a Wonder Chicken in the room with unlimited art supplies? You get Steve Petra's Carnival of Colors! **Registration is required.**

Dot Marker Madness

Monday, June 23

10:00 - 4:00 PM

Drop in and create.



Craft Closet Cleanout

Wednesday, June 25

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

A craft-a-palooza with a variety of materials to get your creativity flowing.

Summertime Bingo *

Wednesday, June 25

7:00 PM

Miss Tiffany and Miss Margaret help you fill up your game card. **Registration is required.**

Block Party

Friday, June 27

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

School's out! Bring the whole family to build - Legos, Mega Bloks, and Magna Tiles.

Science Heroes: Adventure of the Missing Color

Monday, June 30

1:00 PM

Hands-on experiments and interactive stories designed to get kids excited about the science all around us. We'll celebrate scientists who color our world. **Registration is required.**



School Age Programs

Please register based on the grade child is currently attending.

Dynamic Kids: Giddy Up!

Saturday, May 3 10:30 AM
Ages: 4 - 6 years without an adult
 Train and ride a "horse", then join a race and rodeo. **Please wear sneakers.**

Pressed Flower Bookmarks

Monday, May 5 6:30 PM
Grades 3 - 5
 Can anyone have too many bookmarks?

Washi Tape Frames

Tuesday, May 6 7:00 PM
Grades K - 5
 A craft to give to someone special.

Read to a Dog

Wednesday, May 7, 21, June 4 5:30 - 6:30 PM
Ages: 5 - 12 years
 Chester is a great listener. Build reading confidence and grow a love for reading. **Please call to register for one 10-minute session per date.**

Chess

Wednesday, May 7, 21, June 4, 18 7:00 PM
Grades 1 - 6
 Strategies and skills for beginners and more experienced Chess players from an instructor from the Long Island Chess Nuts.



Graphic Novel Club & Craft

Thursday, May 8: El Deafo 7:00 PM
Thursday, June 12: The Night Librarian
Grades 3 - 5
 Pick up your free copy of the book in the Children's Department and join the discussion with a related craft or activity.

Legó Challenge



Monday, May 12 and June 9 7:00 PM
Grades K - 5
 Work in teams to build a themed creation.

Galaxy Art Painting

Tuesday, May 13 6:30 PM
Grades 3 - 6
 Paint a galaxy full of stars. **Please dress for mess.**

Sharpie Coasters

Thursday, May 15 7:00 PM
Grades 3 - 5
 Use rubbing alcohol and Sharpie markers to make a set of colorful coasters.

Garden Suncatcher

Monday, May 19 7:00 PM
Grades 3 - 5
 Repurpose a Mason jar lid into an eye-catching garden ornament.

Mixed Media Sheep

Tuesday, May 20 6:30 PM
Grades K - 2
 Use a variety of materials to make a sheep.

Button Flower Bouquet

Thursday, May 22 6:30 PM
Grades 3 - 5
 Make a colorful bouquet with a salt or pepper shaker.

Flower Bean Mosaic *

Saturday, May 24 12:00 PM
Grades 1 - 4
 Use various colors to craft a garden.

PJFL Homeschool:

Backyard Birds 12:00 PM
Wednesday, May 28
Grades K - 5
 Bird themed facts and STEAM activities to fit your homeschool curriculum.

Pipe Cleaner Flowers

Wednesday, May 28 6:30 PM
Grades 3 - 6
 A crafty creation.

Sea Glass Birds

Thursday, May 29 6:30 PM
Grades 2 - 4
 Transform a gift from the sea into a work of art.

Paper Plate Weaving

Monday, June 2 7:00 PM
Grades 3 - 5
 Practice your weaving skills to create a bowl.

Bicycle Extravaganza

Tuesday, June 3 6:30 PM
Grades K - 3
 Celebrate World Bike Day with stories and a craft.



Washi Tape Hot Air Balloon Craft

Tuesday, June 10 6:30 PM
Grades 3 - 5
 Let your imagination fly away with you.

Slime Time: Galaxy Slime

Wednesday, June 11 7:00 PM
Grades 3 - 6

No-Sew Smiley Pillow

Monday, June 16 7:00 PM
Grades 3 - 5
 Make a comfy pillow for the summer.

Driveway Signs

Thursday, June 1 1:00 PM OR 2:00 PM
Grades 1 - 5
 Design a colorful driveway sign that will give a surprise come night time. **Please sign up for only one session.**

MagiC Unpoppable Bubbles

Thursday, June 19 6:30 PM
Grades 4 - 6
 A STEM project using 4 common ingredients found in every kitchen.

Summer Journals

Monday, June 23 6:30 PM
Grades 3 - 5
 Design a journal to hold your summer memories.

Ceramic Shells Paint Night

Monday, June 30 7:00 PM
Grades K - 5
 Paint a keepsake dish to hold your special trinkets. **Please dress for mess.**



SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2025

Color Our World

We invite children from Birth to 12 years old to join us for our color-themed crafts, story times, explorations, performances, and more. From infants and preschoolers to school-aged children, all are invited to join and earn prizes for reading. The Summer Reading Program will kick off on **Saturday, June 21 at 1:00 PM** with **Petra Puppet's Carnival of Colors**. Registration for the Summer Reading Program will begin that day, either online through a link on the PJFL Children's homepage (portjefflibrary.org/children) or in person at the Library.



Adult Services



Registration Information: All fees for Adult Programs are required at registration. You must have a valid Suffolk County library card to register for programs. If you are unable to attend, please let us know as soon as possible. Registration is required unless otherwise noted and is ongoing for all Adult cardholders. We offer online and in person programs. Locations are noted in each program description. **PJFL cardholders may register for ALL programs beginning April 23. Outside library cardholders may register beginning April 30.**

Online programs with a pick-up kit are **ONLY ONE KIT PER LIBRARY BARCODE**. Please do not register if you may not be able to attend.

If you cancel, or do not show up to three programs without informing us, you will be held from registering for future programs.

PLEASE NOTE: There is a limit of two reservations per library barcode for in person art and cooking workshops.



Discussion Groups

No registration is required. To pick up a copy of a book, please stop by the Adult Services Desk.



New Voices Book Discussion Group

Thursday, May 8 & June 12 11:00 AM

May: *The Yellow House* by Sarah M. Broom

June: *Manhattan Beach* by Jennifer Egan

Tuesday Morning Book Discussion

Tuesday, May 13 & June 10 10:00 AM

May: *James* by Percival Everett

June: *How to Read a Book* by Monica Wood

Historical Happenings Book Discussion

Saturday, May 17 10:00 AM

Title: *Inland* by Tea Obrecht

Big Magic Tuesday Night Book Group

Tuesday, May 20 & June 17 7:00 PM

May: Long Island Reads: *On Fire Island* by Jane L. Rosen

June: *It Starts With Us* by Colleen Hoover

Great Decisions Discussion Group

Wednesday, May 28 & June 25 7:00 PM

Discuss topics of contemporary concern.

May: Int'l Cooperation on Climate Change by J. Busby

June: *The Future of NATO & European Security* by K. Schake (GOTOMEETING)

Fourth Fridays Book Group

Friday, May 23, June 27 11:30 AM

May: *Vera Wong's Unsolicited Advice for Murderers* by Jesse Q Sutanto

June: *Loyalty* by Lisa Scottoline (ROSE CARACAPPA SENIOR CENTER)



Defensive Driving

ONLINE COURSE

Monday, June 2 AND Tuesday, June 3
5:30 - 8:30 PM

Reduce auto insurance costs and receive up to a 4-point reduction for points accumulated in the past 18 months with these DMV-approved courses. **Registration is IN PERSON only. \$33 fee is payable by check or money order ONLY to "Empire Safety Council."** Please register as soon as possible, as a minimum number of attendees is needed for course to proceed. *Please note: If you are over three minutes late, you will not be allowed to attend. The library is unable to assist in any issues involving certificates.*

You must attend both sessions. (ZOOM)



Join us twice per month for a Friday afternoon matinee. Snacks provided.

Film Matinees



Box Office Features

Conclave (120 min.)

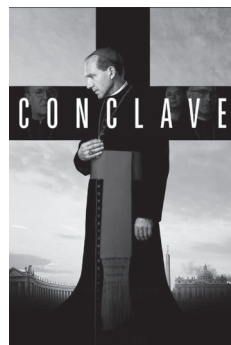
Friday, May 9 2:00 PM

Cardinal Lawrence is tasked with running this covert process after the unexpected death of the beloved Pope. Once the Catholic Church's most powerful leaders have gathered and are locked together in the Vatican, Lawrence uncovers a trail of deep secrets.

A Complete Unknown (141 min.)

Friday, June 6 2:00 PM

New York, 1961. Against the backdrop of a vibrant music scene and tumultuous cultural upheaval, a 19-year-old from Minnesota named Bob Dylan arrives with his guitar and revolutionary talent, destined to change the course of American music. **Rated R**



Foreign Film Festival

Sweet Bean (Japanese) 113 min.

Friday, May 23 2:00 PM

Burdened with a heavy and ever-increasing debt, a dorayaki baker hires a kind ageing woman, after tasting her delicious surprise. Little by little, she unravels her beautiful inner world.

The Seed of the Sacred Fig (Persian) 166 min.

Friday, June 20 2:00 PM

In Tehran, the exemplary family of an investigating judge is tested by the dramatic events following a young woman's death in police custody.

Registration is required
unless otherwise noted.

Health and Fitness



One-On-One Medicare Appointments

Discuss your Medicare concerns with an expert. Learn the differences between Medicare plans and their coverages. Call Adult Services to book your appointment.

Narcan Training

Wednesdays, May 7, 28 6:00 - 8:45 PM

Narcan is a nasal spray that can reverse the effects of an opioid exposure. The Phoenix House of New York will be on hand to give out free Narcan and instruct people on how to administer it. One New York resident dies of an overdose every three hours. This is an informal training.

Bird Flu: Should I be Worried?

Thursday, May 8 7:00 PM

Dr. Andrew G. Clair, Ph.D. discusses the history, science, and concerns surrounding the Avian Flu and current CDC recommendations. An EEPA Event. (ZOOM)

Blood Pressure Screening

Fridays, May 9 & June 6 3:30-4:30 PM

A clinician from St. Charles Hospital will check your blood pressure and discuss disease prevention and health maintenance. No registration; walk-in basis.



Knee Pain Workshop

Tuesday, May 13

6:30 PM

Join physical therapist and chiropractor Dr. David Stern to learn the common causes of knee pain, basic knee anatomy, and the best methods to treat knee pain.



Chairobics and Strength

Wednesdays, May 14, 21, 28 June 4, 11, 18 10:00 AM

Strength training, balance, aerobics and flexibility. Most of the exercises are performed seated. Please have a sturdy chair available, preferably without arms. We also use a rope or belt, a semi deflated ball or a small pillow, and your own free weights. All exercises can be modified to suit your level. (ZOOM)

Reiki

Thursday, May 15 & June 12 7:00 PM

Reiki master & Yoga teacher Annalee Jackofsky offers a brief guided meditation and a short reiki treatment. Wear comfortable clothes and bring a yoga mat or towel and a blanket.

Saturday Morning Yoga with Laurel Frey

Saturdays, May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 14 10:00 AM

Five session series with Certified Yoga Instructor Laurel Frey. **Please note: There is a \$20 fee payable by check payable to Laurel Frey due upon registration.**

Crystal Bowls Meditation

Monday, May 19 or June 16 10:00 AM

Susan guides you through a relaxation meditation and then shares the calming sound of Crystal Singing Bowls.

Mindfulness Meditation

Mondays, May 19 and June 23 7:00 PM

Focus on being in the present moment to help you cope with anxiety and interrupt negative thinking. (ZOOM)



Understanding Spiritually

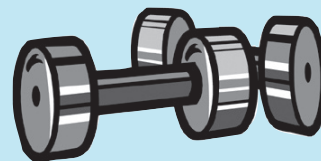
Thursday, May 22 7:00 PM

Take a look at spirituality in a whole new way. Learn about how emotions are a crucial part of the spiritual journey, along with thinking patterns. You will start to see and receive the awareness to put you in the right direction. Through meditations, navigate a deeper connection with your emotions. (ZOOM)

Strength Training with Jackie

Wednesdays, May 28, June 4, 11*, 18, 25 6:00 PM

A total body workout to tone and improve our strength. This class is beginner friendly while still providing a challenge to regular exercisers. Bring a mat, 2 hand-held weights (1-5 lbs.), and a water bottle. *6/11 class will be held in the Park at 114 with a rain date of 7/2.



Shoulder Pain Workshop

Thursday, June 5 6:30 PM

Physical therapist and chiropractor Dr. David Stern teaches the common causes of shoulder pain, basic shoulder anatomy, and the best methods to treat shoulder pain.

LANGUAGE & Literacy

English Conversation Group / Grupo de conversación en inglés

Saturdays

11:00 AM

Practice spoken English in a relaxed atmosphere. Free, no registration required. Open to all adults, 18 and older. Group is led by Certified ESOL Instructor Mary Leming. (IN PERSON & GOTOMEETING)

Citizenship Help by Appointment / Ciudadanía con cita

Are you studying for the Naturalization Exam? Call 631-473-0022 today to make an appointment for help with Certified ESOL Instructor Mary Leming.

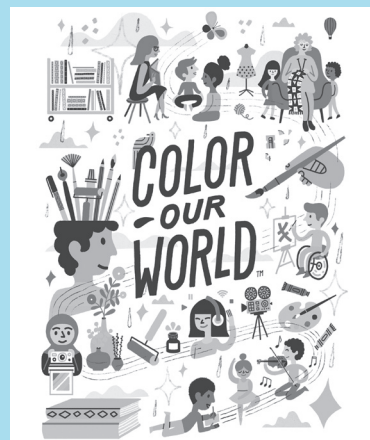


Summer Reading Program 2025

COLOR OUR WORLD

June 21 - August 11

Sign up and receive a bag filled with all the materials needed for our community art show (details will be included). Sign up online or in person, but be sure to stop at the Adult Desk to receive your "swag bag". For each book you read, enter a raffle ticket for the basket of your choice. Return your completed work of art and it will be displayed in the Front Reading Room. There will also be a Summer Learning challenge. Complete the pallet and you will be entered to win a gift card from the Friends of the Port Jefferson Free Library.



Lectures, Technology, and Education



Please note: Registration is required.

One-On-One Genealogy Appointments

Meet virtually with a Genealogist to develop your research plan, look up records and get your questions answered. To get the most out of the session, please fill out a short questionnaire upon registration. Call the Reference Department to book your appointment. (ZOOM)

Ebook One-On-One Appointments

Wednesdays, May 7 or June 18

2:00 - 4:00 PM

Book your 20 minute appointment with a librarian to learn how to download eBooks and Audiobooks through Libby with your library card. Please specify what device you will be bringing and be sure to bring any necessary passwords.



One-Shot Sessions

Monday, May 19

6:00 PM

Monday, June 16

6:00 PM

Veteran or novice, all are welcome! Create a new character and explore a fantasy world brought to life. Each session is unique so feel free to attend one or both sessions.

Songbirds of Long Island

Monday, May 5

6:30 PM

Using photos and recordings, Dianne Taggart, long time birder, will tell us about which to keep an eye and ear out for in June. Celebrate Port Jeff's Tree Committee's "Year of the Tree".



Advance Directives and Powers of Attorney

Wednesday, May 14

1:30 PM

Britt Burner Esq. discusses the importance of having a Power of Attorney and a Health Care Proxy in place. Learn what you need to know about advance directives and living wills and strategies to help protect your assets.

Ways to Become More Self-Sufficient

Tuesday, May 20

7:00 PM

Do you dream of having a garden, raising baby chicks or preserving food? Learn to become less reliant on the grocery store whether your garden is big or small. Education will include recipes to try at home. An EEPA Event. (ZOOM)

3D Printed Models with Tinkercad

Thursday, May 29

7:00 PM

Ever wanted to make your own 3D design, but didn't know how? Join Jon in this hands-on computer class and make your own 3D printed design. You will create a file to be printed and picked up later at the library. No prior experience required.

Edible Native Plants

Monday, June 2

6:30 PM

Learn about plants that will thrive in your yard and provide a delicious, healthy harvest. Celebrate Port Jeff's Tree Committee's "Year of the Tree".

ADHD-Friendly Strategies for Getting Things Done

Tuesday, June 3

6:30 PM

Learn ADHD-friendly strategies to manage tasks, reduce overwhelm, and help you get things done with less frustration.

Deception Island:

Diving in a Restless Volcano

Monday, June 9

7:00 PM

Deception Island is a volcanic island located in the South Shetland Islands off the Antarctic Peninsula. With frequent eruptions, this volcano is now the home to Antarctic Fur Seals, Southern Elephant Seals and the world's largest colony of Chinstrap Penguins. Join the Eco-Photo Explorers as they examine the fascinating history of this foreboding place and discover the rich diversity of life here. Plunge beneath the icy waters into the caldera of this restless volcano on a unique Scuba dive documenting life below the surface. (ZOOM)

The Wonders of Ancient Egypt

Thursday, June 19

6:30 PM

Egypt's unique culture and remarkable accomplishments continue to captivate our imaginations from the time of the Great Pyramids in the Old Kingdom, to King Tutankhamun's reign in the New Kingdom and to today.

Intro to AI: Understanding the Basics

Tuesday, June 24

7:00 PM

A beginner-friendly workshop that breaks down what AI is, how it works, and why it's becoming an essential tool in everyday life. Learn how AI can help with tasks like writing, research, organization. Learn how to interact with it effectively. No tech experience needed, just bring your curiosity.

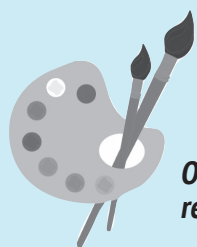


Revocable Trusts

Wednesday, June 25

2:00 PM

Demystify the debate between having a will or a trust in place. Understand the benefits of each document and how one size may not fit all when it comes to your Estate Plan.



Make It! Arts, Crafts, and Cooking

Registration is **required** unless otherwise noted. PJFL cardholders may register for ALL "Make It" programs beginning **April 23**. Outside library cardholders may register beginning **April 30**.

Online programs that include a pick-up kit are ONLY ONE KIT PER LIBRARY BARCODE. Please do not register if you may not be able to attend. If you cancel, or do not show up to three programs without informing us, you will be held from registering for future programs.

PLEASE NOTE: There is a limit of two spots per library barcode for Make It workshops.



Long Island Quilters

Mondays

1:00 PM

Bring your sewing machine and a project, or stop by to learn more. Please call the library or check our online calendar to find out if the group is meeting each week. Registration is not required.

PJFL Mah Jongg Club

Fridays

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Open to all levels of play. Bring your set of tiles if you have one. **Registration is not required.**

Spice up your Spring with Chef Rob

Thursday, May 1

2:00 PM

Enjoy a BBQ Chicken Chili recipe from Chef Rob's days as a head Chef in the Hamptons.

Mother's Day Crystal Pendant

Wednesday, May 7

6:30 PM

Create a unique, wire-wrapped pendant with Susan Ferro. Crystals have many healing features and can be used to comfort and calm us, help us

to sleep, meditate, think more clearly and stay focused. All supplies are included in this beginner-friendly hands-on demonstration class.



Pressed Flower Mason Jar

Thursday, May 15

2:00 PM

Pick up your materials and follow along online to make this Spring-themed centerpiece. Please note one kit per library barcode. **(FACEBOOK)**

Knitting Workshop

Saturdays, May 17, 24, 31 & June 7 2:00 PM

Sharon Barnes teaches purl and basic knit stitches. Please bring the following supplies to the workshop: Learning to Knit Quick Study Sheet, Red Heart Super Saver Yarn (Variegated), Size 10 US Short Knitting Needles, Scissors, Plastic Seam Pins, Knit-Check Stitch Gauge (Susan Bates) and Large Eye Darning Needles.

Alcohol Ink Floral Tile

Tuesday, May 20

6:30 PM

Create a vibrant ceramic tile in this hands-on workshop. All materials provided.



Cricut Club

Wednesday, June 4

11:00 AM

Learn about the Cricut machine in this hands-on session. Space is limited. **Basic computer skills are required.**

Beaded Hemp Macrame Bracelet (PART 1)

Tuesday, June 10

6:30 PM

Learn a variety of macrame knots and go home with a completed bracelet. **Must be available to attend both sessions (June 26 is PART 2).**

Draw and Listen Workshop

Tuesday, June 17

6:30 PM

Listen to soothing live guitar while you try your hand at drawing from a still life.

Simply Creative - Chef Rob Scott

Wednesday, June 25

2:00 PM

Chef Rob will demonstrate making Asian orzo chicken and vegetable salad with toasted almonds and roasted zucchini flatbread with arugula and goat cheese. Everyone will receive a sample to taste.

Mini Macrame Plant Hanger (PART 2)

Thursday, June 26

6:30 PM

Use knots learned in the bracelet workshop to make a plant hanger. All materials are provided and each patron will take home a real plant. **Must be available to attend both sessions. (See PART 1- June 10).**

Travel/Enrichment

Historic Walking Tours with Ava

Saturday, May 10

3:00 PM

Thursday, May 29

6:00 PM

Friday, June 6

11:00 AM

Meet at the library and learn about local history as you walk around the village.

Do As You Please Bus Trip into NYC

Tuesday, June 17

Depart: 9:00 AM

Fee: \$25 per person

Ride together on a Hampton Jitney bus. See the sights, eat, shop 'til you drop ...it's up to you! Departure is at 9:00 AM from Village Hall and pick up will be at 6:00 PM at Bryant Park. Please note: Should the trip be canceled due to unforeseen circumstances, the library is not responsible for patron purchase of outside event tickets.



KAYAK TOUR OF SETAUKET HARBOR

with Paumanok Tours

Saturday, June 7

9:00 AM

Paddle along the shore to glimpse beautiful homes and wild-life in Setauket Harbor. \$25 fee includes kayak rental and 1 hour tour, and is due upon registration payable by check only to Paumanok Tours.



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The Friends of the Library Used Bookshop is now in the main library building. The Friends volunteers have been inundated with books in poor condition that have to be recycled upon receipt. To prevent this, please follow these donation guidelines: People are requested to limit their donations to one box that they can carry. The Friends are unable to assist with retrieving donations from you nor do they do pickups from homes. Donations are accepted during our hours of operation, do not leave books outside the library.

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Download printable lesson plans, reading passages, games and puzzles, clip art, bulletin board ideas, and skills sheets for kids in any grade.

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If you would like to display your work, please visit portjefflibrary.org/display or contact Adult Services at 631-473-0022.

May Display Cases:

TALL CASE: Watercolors by Frank Schipani
MUSEUM CASE: "Monsters and Machines:
 a Model Journey Through Time"
 by Glenn Holt

June Display Cases:

Beach Paintings and Shells
 by David Capella

Craft Swap: Thank You!

Thank you to the generous donors who provided craft materials to our annual Craft Swap. You made your fellow crafters very happy. Join us to celebrate Craft Month next March with an all new Craft Swap.



SRP Kick-off: Petra Puppet's Carnival of Colors

Saturday, June 21

1:00 PM

Families of children 4 years and up

What happens when you put a Talented Tuna, a Colorful Bug Collector, a Magic Paint Brush and a Wonder Chicken in the room with unlimited art supplies? You get Steve Petra's Carnival of Colors! **Registration is required.**



Long Island Ducks Game

Saturday, June 28

6:35 PM

Start your summer season off with a night of baseball and fireworks. The Long Island Ducks take on the Hagerstown Flying Boxcars. Tickets are **\$10 each** and will be available for pick-up at the Library prior to the game. In person registration is required and payment must be made at time of registration at Adult Services Desk. **NO REFUNDS will be given.**

Transportation to Fairfield Properties Ballpark (3 Court House Dr, Central Islip, NY 11722) is not provided. The Library is not responsible for accommodating rain dates or cancellation of the game.



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**FREE
COMIC
BOOK
-DAY-**

Saturday, May 3

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

We'll have free graphic novels and manga! Limited supplies available, so stop in early. Enter to win a raffle provided by the Friends of the Library.

TUESDAYS: Go online to make an appointment today

One-on-one appointments with our social worker are available over the phone. Schedule an appointment to receive individual and confidential support, and assistance. No issue is too large or too small, and support is available for all ages.

Visit portjefflibrary.org/helpinghands for more information and to make an appointment.

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Friday - Saturday 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS

Monday, May 19

5:00 PM

Monday, June 23

5:00 PM

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Sunday, May 11

Mother's Day

Sunday, May 25

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Monday, May 26

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