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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 2026 - June 2027. 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 or online with two proofs of residency including photo ID, showing address in the Miller Place or Mount Sinai School District.

**Please call with questions: Port Jefferson: 631-473-0022
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SUMMER LEARNING PROGRAM 2026



Begins Saturday, June 20 for all ages

See Department sections for details.

DISCOUNT TICKETS

are available through the Library

Adventureland: Tickets are \$35 for all ages. Valid from June to October 5, 2026.

Long Island Aquarium: Tickets Are \$28.00 child/senior (ages 3-12, 62 and up) \$39.00 adult (age 13-61).

Whale Watching: Reduced price whale watching tickets with Viking Fleet out of Montauk. \$75 for adults and \$30 for children (\$25 savings). Each date has it's own code, so please have a date in mind when requesting the discount code.

Splish Splash Discount: Contact Adult Services for code

Gateway Playhouse: Stop by Adult Services to receive your discount voucher

All ticket sales are final. There are no refunds or exchanges on venue tickets. Tickets are for personal/family use and limited to 6 per visit.



BUS TRIP: YANKEES GAME

Tuesday, May 19

Meet at Village Hall: 3:00 PM



Celebrate America's 250th birthday with our national pastime. Enjoy luxury seats in center-field section 200 with Batter's Eye Deck access at the Yankees vs. Toronto Blue Jays. All inclusive food will be available until the first pitch and again 90 minutes into the ballgame. Transportation included.

Tickets: \$85 per person

GUITAR DUO IN THE PARK



Sunday, May 3

2:00 PM

Fresh air and classical guitar and flute performance presented by SBU doctoral student Fangfang Liu. Recognizable themes and traditional songs presented in the Park at 114. Please bring your own chairs or blanket.

Meet Brookhaven Town Clerk

Kevin LaValle

Wednesday, June 3

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

The Town Clerk's Office issues Birth, Marriage, and Death Certificates. Other offered services include Parking Permits for Persons with Disabilities, and Special Event Permits.



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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 beginning Memorial Day)



PLEASE NOTE: Registration is required for all programs and begins on April 22. Our programs are limited to Teens (grades 6-12)

Port Jefferson Free Library Cardholders. Call the Teen Center at 631-509-5707 if you need to cancel, so that we can call from the waiting list.

*All programs are scheduled for one hour unless otherwise stated. *Please evaluate for allergy concerns.*



WELCOME GRADUATING 5TH GRADERS!

Congratulations, you're eligible to receive a Teen card. Starting June 1st, bring a parent/guardian to the Circulation Desk in the main library to join Teen programs and everything that the Teen Center offers. We can't wait to see you!



Dino-Mascot Drawing Competition

May 4 - June 8

Submit your dinosaur for the Teen Center's Summer Learning Program mascot.

TEEN MOVIE FRIDAYS

May the 4th Be With You Movie & Pizza *

Star Wars III Revenge of the Sith

Monday, May 4 5:00 - 7:30 PM

Classic Movies:

Spirited Away Movie & Cookies *

Friday, May 29 3:00 - 5:00 PM.

Hook & Treats *

Friday, June 12 3:00 - 5:15 PM

Five Nights At Freddy's 2 Movie & Pizza *

Friday, June 19 3:00 - 4:45 PM

Pizza provided by the Friends of the Library.

Scrapbook Workshop

Monday, May 11 6:00 PM

Create with a variety of supplies.

Dungeons & Dragons

Tuesdays, May 12, May 26, June 2 5:00 - 6:30 PM

Journey on a side quest story. See Khan for help to build your character ahead of the program.

MTG: Modern Masters

Wednesday, May 13 5:00 - 6:30 PM

Button Making

Thursday, May 14 6:00 PM

All about Flowers

Friday, May 15 3:30 PM

Learn how to care for them and assemble a cone bouquet.

Paint a Pin

Sunday, May 17 2:00 PM

Customize a bowling pin courtesy of Port Jeff Bowl.



Teens vs. Librarians

Monday, May 18 6:00 PM

Minute to Win It-style games tournament.

Mario Kart Tournament

Tuesdays, May 19 & June 23 5:00 - 6:30 PM

Race to the finish-line in Mario Kart World & Mario Kart 8 Deluxe on the Nintendo Switch 1 & 2.

Flower Hair Ties

Wednesday, May 20 4:00 PM

Fashionable and functional.

Temporary Tattoos

Thursday, May 21 6:00 PM

Grilled Cheese & Board Games*

Friday, May 22 3:30 PM

Ready to Babysit

Saturday, May 23 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. Presented by Cornell Cooperative Extension.

Super Smash Tournament

Wednesdays, May 27 & June 10

5:00 - 6:30 PM

Choose your character to fight on the Switch.

DIY Slime

Thursday, May 28 5:00 PM

Teen Night at LI Explorium: Neon Signs

Friday, May 29 6:00 - 8:00 PM

For ages 11-15. Meet at the LI Explorium, 101 E Broadway, Port Jeff at 5:55 PM. Design and personalized room décor, enjoy pizza and drinks, and play a game. **Registration deadline is May 25 and a signed permission slip is required.**

Creative Writing

Saturday, May 30 3:30 PM

Tuesday, June 16 5:00 PM

Explore writing in different styles and receive constructive feedback. Sharing is encouraged, not required.

DIY Altoid Box

Monday, June 1 6:00 PM

Snacking Around the World*

Wednesday, June 3 6:00 PM

Identify where they are from.

MTG: Commander

Thursday, June 4 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Bring a deck or borrow one to duel.

Button Cluster Keychain

Friday, June 5 3:30 PM

Transform buttons into a keychain.

HOMESCHOOL HELP

Available 24/7 through Brainfuse. Visit portjefflibrary.org/homeworkhelp to access a live tutor.

Pressed Flower Mini Frames

Tuesday, May 5 5:00 PM

3D Print & Design

Wednesday, May 6 4:00 PM

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

MTG Deck Building

Wednesday, May 6 6:00 PM

Mother's Day Charms

Thursday, May 7 6:00 PM

Chocolate Dipping *

Friday, May 8 3:30 PM

Strawberries & pretzels in spring pastel colors.

Pathfinder

Saturdays, May 9 & June 27 2:00-3:30 PM

A tabletop role-play game built on Dungeons & Dragons 3.5 edition. See Nick for help building a character before the program.

Monopoly Masters

Monday, May 11 4:00 PM

Study Kits

Beginning June 1st, pick up a study kit which includes tips, supplies, and items to help you. PJFL Teen Cardholders only, first come first served. **No registration.**

Mario Party

Saturday, June 6

2:00 - 3:30 PM

Learn to Draw Chibi

Monday, June 8

5:00 - 6:30 PM

A step-by-step drawing class on these characters.

Gang Beasts & Munchkins*

Tuesday, June 9

6:00 PM

Telestrations

Saturday, June 13

2:00 PM

Play the visual version of the classic "Telephone"

Giant Scrabble Night

Monday, June 15 6:00 PM



Chillin' with Chester

Wednesday, June 17

4:00 PM

Destress during finals with Chester, a therapy dog.

Go Fishing

Thursday, June 18

3:00 PM

Celebrate National Go Fishing Day.

Jackbox Games

Thursday, June 18

6:00 PM

Bring a device with internet connection or borrow a laptop for this quiz-based party game.

Paint Night: Sunset

Monday, June 22

5:00 - 6:30 PM

Mancala Tournament

Wednesday, June 24

6:00 PM

Revolutionary Trivia

Thursday, June 25

2:00 PM

Test your knowledge of the American Revolution. Bring a device with internet or borrow a laptop.

Mini Mosaic Tile Coasters

Thursday, June 25

5:00 PM

After Hours:

Laser Tag & Ice Cream *

Friday, June 26

5:30 - 7:30 PM

Make your way through the obstacles against other teams and play some Nintendo Switch games while you wait. Ice cream will be provided after our games. **Arrive at 5:15 PM.**

Sand Art

Monday, June 29

6:00 PM

Make a colorful sand art creation.

VR & STEAM Gaming

Tuesday, June 30

4:00 PM

Donuts and Dino Doodles *

Tuesday, June 30

6:00 PM

Follow us on Instagram!

@portjeffteencenter



Teen Community Service Opportunities

Visit portjefflibrary.org/teens/cs or scan here



Online Community Service

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

Book Review

Review young adult books on your reading level. Earn 4 hours of credit for each book review submitted (limit of 2 reviews per month).

Movie Review

Review PG or PG-13 movies from any source of film, DVD or digital streaming service. You can earn 4 hours of credit for each review that meets the guidelines (limit of 2 reviews per month).

Recycling Challenge

Recycle bottles to earn community service credit hours (limit of 10 hours per month).

Take-Home Community Service

These opportunities will be available for pickup starting May 1st. Receive two hours of community service credit for each completed envelope. Limit one of each project per month.

Wooden Popsicles

Bookmarks

Community Service at the Teen Center

Registration is required. Community service hours are based on length of the program.

LEGO Organizers

Saturday, May 2

11:00 AM

Bookshop Organizers

Mondays, May 4, 18 & June 1

4:00 PM

The Friends of the Library Bookshop offers gently used books for a donation. Teens can earn community service credit by organizing our bookshelves.

Dino-Rama Decor

Saturday, May 16

2:00 PM

Make dinosaur-themed decor.

Teen Helpers

Thursday, May 21

4:00 PM

Organize materials for the summer.

Teen Meetup

Thursday, June 11

4:00 PM

Collaborate with our librarians to plan future activities for the library.

Perler Bead Sorters

Monday, June 15

4:00 PM

Help organize perler beads for future crafts.

Summer Learning Kick-Off Helpers

Saturday, June 20

11:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Assist the library with this outdoor event.

Perler Bead Designers

Monday, June 29

4:00 PM

Help design decorations for the library.

SUMMER LEARNING PROGRAM 2026

Unearth a Story: Dinosaurs! Begins June 20
Dinosaurs come to life this summer as we explore the Diniverse during Summer programs and learning challenges. Visit portjefflibrary.org/teens for details and to register with your PJFL Teen card.



AUTHORS Unlimited

Saturday, May 2, 2026

St. Joseph's University in Patchogue, NY
Visit authorsunlimited.org for details.

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.

Early Childhood Programs (Babies, Toddlers & Preschoolers)



Parent Toddler Workshop

Friday, May 1 10:00 AM
Ages: 18 - 36 months with an adult
 Play and meet other grownups and their children. **Please do not bring any snacks or drinks (for either child or adult).**

Lil Athletes

Monday, May 4: Soccer/Lacrosse
Ages: 20 - 36 months with an adult 10:00 AM
Ages: 3 - 5 years with an adult 11:00 AM
 Develop running, jumping, and balancing skills and play in the obstacle course.



Babies Boogie

Tuesday, May 5 10:00 AM
 Tuesday, June 2 10:00 AM
Ages: 3 - 18 months with an adult
 Shake, rattle and roll with Nicole Sparling.

Toddlers Tango

Tuesday, May 5 11:00 AM
 Tuesday, June 2 11:00 AM
Ages: 19 months - 4 years with an adult
 Clap, stomp, wiggle and giggle.



Dragons Love Tacos

Tuesday, May 5 5:30 PM
Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult
 Celebrate Cinco De Mayo with a story and craft.

Mix It Up Art Fun

Wednesday, May 6 10:30 AM
Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult
 We'll read *Mix It Up* by Herve Tullet and then practice mixing paint to create a masterpiece. **Please dress for mess.**

Foil Art Fun

Thursday, May 7 10:30 AM
Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult
 Shiny process art fun. **Please dress for mess.**

Tois Night Out

Thursday, May 7 6:00 PM
Ages: 18 months - 5 years with an adult
 An evening of family skill-building with A Time for Kids.

Let's Sing with Meghan VK

Friday, May 8 11:00 AM
 Thursday, June 4 11:00 AM
Ages: Birth - 5 years with an adult
 Encourage word and sound development and build communication skills.

PlayHooray Babies

Monday, May 11 10:00 AM
 Friday, June 5 10:00 AM
Ages: 3 - 17 months with an adult
 An introduction to nursery rhymes, books, music and creative movement.

PlayHooray Kids

Monday, May 11 11:00 AM
 Friday, June 5 11:00 AM
Ages: 18 - 36 months with an adult
 Music and movement to get the wiggles out and build coordination.

Dance Laugh Play

Tuesday, May 12 10:00 AM OR 11:00 AM
 Friday, June 12 10:00 AM OR 11:00 AM
Ages: Birth - 4 years with an adult
 Can't stop, won't stop movement with Miss Lauren. **Please sign up for only one session per date.**

Baby Start

Thursday, May 14 10:00 AM
 Monday, June 22 10:00 AM
Ages: 9 - 17 months with an adult
 Music and movement circle time with A Time for Kids, Inc.

A Time for Kids

Thursday, May 14 11:00 AM
 Monday, June 22 11:00 AM
Ages: 18 months - 5 years with an adult
 Music and movement story-time with a craft.



Music and Movement

Friday, May 15 & June 26 10:30 AM
Ages: 2 - 4 years with an adult
 Interactive activities with rhyming songs and instruments.

Little Sprouts and Friends

Monday, May 18 10:00 AM
 Thursday, June 18 10:00 AM
Ages: Birth - 16 months with an adult
 Move and sing with your child. **This program is for children who are not yet walking.**



Sprouts and Friends

Monday, May 18 11:00 AM
 Thursday, June 18 11:00 AM
Ages: 17 months - 5 years with an adult
 Move and sing with your toddler. **This program is for children who are walking.**

Pet Tales:

Woof-der-ful Stories

Wednesday, May 20 10:30 AM
Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult
 Dog stories and craft.

Tiny Talkers

Thursday, May 21 10:00 AM
 Thursday, June 25 10:00 AM
Ages: 18 months - 3 years with an adult
 Read, sing, and play with pediatric speech-language pathologist Kristina Potter. Learn strategies to encourage language development. **Please dress for mess.**

Hopping Good Story Time: Frogs

Monday, June 1 10:30 AM
Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult
 Amphibian tales and craft.



SUMMER LEARNING PROGRAM 2026

DINOSAURS!

Children ages new born to 12 years old are invited to join us for a Summer of dinosaur-themed crafts, story times, reading challenges, and performances. Earn prizes for reading and completing the learning challenges. The Summer Reading Program will begin on **Saturday, June 20 at 12:00 PM with our Summer Learning Kick-Off**. 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.

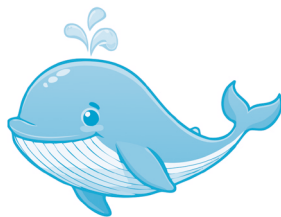


Park Tales: Seeds

Wednesday, June 3 10:30 AM
Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult
Stories in the Park at 114 and seeds to take home for your garden. **Please note: this program will be moved indoors in the case of inclement weather.**

World Oceans Day Story Craft

Monday, June 8 10:30 AM
Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult
Dive into stories and crafts.



Paint without Paint

Brushes: Summer Fun
Thursday, June 11 10:30 AM
Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult
Art using cool tools. **Please dress for mess.**

Shake 'N Make Music

Saturday, June 13 10:00 AM
Ages: 3 - 17 months with an adult
Ages: 18 months - 5 years with adult 11:00 AM
High-energy music and movement.

Tuney Tois

Monday, June 15 10:30 AM
Ages: 2 - 4 years with an adult
Practice colors, counting, body awareness and social skills in this high energy program.

Story Time Yoga

Tuesday, June 16 10:00 AM
Ages: 18 months - 3 years with adult 10:00 AM
Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult 11:00 AM
Bring characters to life with yoga poses. **Please bring a yoga mat or beach towel and a water bottle.**

Tie Dye Process Art

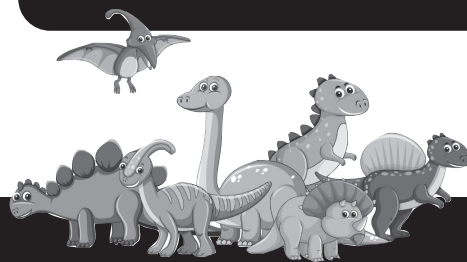
Wednesday, June 24 10:30 AM
Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult
We'll play with color and water to make some very cool art. **Please dress for mess.**

Dino-mite Art

Monday, June 29 11:00 AM
Ages: 2 - 5 with an adult
Celebrate some Jurassic friends while exploring a variety of art techniques and supplies.

summer Learning Kick-off

Saturday, June 20 12:00-3:00 PM
Celebrate the start of Summer Learning 2026. Sign up for our Summer Reading Programs, encounter a towering, dancing T-Rex, dig for fossils, cool off with Ralph's Ices, get your face painted, get up close with bones and fossils and meet live birds of prey.



Family Programs

Registration is not required unless otherwise noted.

Sunday Crafternoon

Sunday, May 3 & 17 2:00 - 4:00 PM
We will have a new craft to make each week.

Saturday Craft-a-bration

Saturday, May 9 & 23, June 6 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Spring in and create!

Family Clay Play

Wednesday, May 27 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Fun with clay for the whole family.

Summertime Bingo *

Wednesday, May 27 7:00 PM
Fill your game card with the librarians. **Registration is required.**

Dot Marker Madness

Wednesday, June 10 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Get ready, get set, dot!

Bubble, Music and Comedy Show: Unearth Your Story

Saturday, June 27 11:00 AM
Pop bubbles, dance, sing, laugh, use your imagination to connect with the coolest dinosaurs that ever walked this planet. The show is crafted to be inclusive for all, including children on the Autism Spectrum. **Registration is required.**

Music Of The Earth - Unearth a Story

Tuesday, June 30 11:00 AM
For families of children 4 years and up
An interactive, multicultural family show featuring instruments from around the world - including didgeridoos, drums & flutes, crystal singing bowls, and bagpipes. **Registration is required.**



SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS

Please register based on the grade child is currently attending.

LEGO Challenge

Monday, May 4 & June 8
7:00 PM

Grades K - 5

Work in teams to build on a theme.



Read to a Dog

Wednesday, May 6, 20, June 3, 17
5:30 - 6:30 PM

Ages: 5 - 12 years

Chester is a great listener. Build reading confidence and support the development of a love for reading. **Please call to register for your 10-minute reading session.**

Chess

Wednesday, May 6, 20, June 3, 17
7:00 PM

Grades 1 - 6

Develop strategies and sharpen skills. For all skill levels.



Prancing Mantis

Thursday, May 7

6:30 PM

Ages: 6 - 8 years

Praying mantis are a protected species. We'll craft one that will be safe from predators.

Community Youth Art Project: Hudson Canyon

Saturday, May 9

1:00 PM

Grades K - 6

Learn about Hudson Canyon and why it is special. After a short video presentation, you will paint draw sea creatures, landscapes, or ideas that inspire you based on what we've learned. Your art will be displayed in the Library to create awareness of this ecosystem.

Washi Tape Flower Art

Tuesday, May 12

7:00 PM

Grades 2 - 6

Make a colorful masterpiece on canvas.

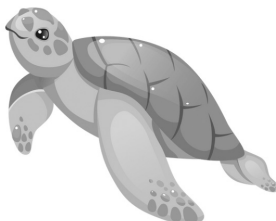
Homeschool: Turtles vs. Tortoises

Wednesday, May 13

12:00 PM

Grades K - 5

Turtle and tortoise-themed facts and STEAM activities to fit your homeschool curriculum.



Pressed Flower Tic Tac Toe

Thursday, May 14

6:30 PM

Ages: 7 - 9 years

Rocks and twigs and a few flowers tossed in, and now we're ready for a tournament!



Coding with Ozobots

Monday, May 18

6:30 PM

Grades 2 - 5

Learn the basics of coding by using colors and patterns to guide Ozobots to follow paths and complete challenges.

Abstract Smush Painting

Tuesday, May 19

6:30 PM

Grades 2 - 6

Use your hands and creativity to make cool art! Please dress for mess.

Photo Paper Watercolor Art

Tuesday, May 26

7:00 PM

Grades K - 4

Explore some painting techniques to get cool effects. **Please dress for mess.**

Plastic Spoon Bugs

Thursday, May 28

6:30 PM

Grades 3 - 5

Use paint and felt to create an insect habitat.

Hide The Popsicle Stick Art

Monday, June 1

6:30 PM

Grades 2 - 5

Craft a picture that includes a cleverly disguised popsicle stick - will others be able to find it?

Floating Chalk Art Prints: Galaxies

Tuesday, June 2

7:00 PM

Grades K - 4

Paper and chalk works of art.



Sunshine Yarn Painting

Tuesday, June 9

6:30 PM

Grades 2 - 5

Create a textured design on canvas.

Coffee Filter Tulips

Thursday, June 11

6:30 PM

Ages: 7 - 9 years

"I have two lips but cannot kiss, my colors can be hard to miss. What am I?" This program will solve this riddle.

Intro to 3D Printing Design

Monday, June 15

6:30 PM

Grades 3 - 5

Learn the basics of 3D design using Tinkercad as you follow step-by-step instructions to build a name plaque. Plaques will be printed and available for pick up after the program.

Glowing Chalk Art Flowers

Tuesday, June 16

7:00 PM

Grades 2 - 5

Use flower templates and brightly colored chalk pastels to make a night garden bloom.

Homeschool: The Sun

Wednesday, June 17

12:00 PM

Grades K - 5

Sun-themed facts and STEAM activities to fit your homeschool curriculum.

Artsy Sharpie Drawings

Thursday, June 18

7:00 PM

Grades 3 - 5

Drip alcohol on colored markers for a sensational technique.

Eric Carle Inspired Collage Art

Thursday, June 25

3:00 PM

Grades K - 4

Transform painted paper into art inspired by Eric Carle on his birthday. **Please dress for mess.**

Tiny Dino Diorama

Monday, June 29

6:30 PM

Grades 3 - 5

Build a prehistoric world in a box with dinosaurs, volcanoes, and lush Jurassic scenery.

Straw Paint Volcano Craft

Tuesday, June 30

6:30 PM

Grades K - 3

Your breath will make a volcano come to life.



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. **PJFL cardholders may register for ALL programs beginning April 22. Outside library cardholders may register beginning April 29. Online programs with a pick-up kit are ONLY ONE KIT PER LIBRARY CARD.**

PLEASE NOTE: There is a limit of two spots per library barcode for each in-person art and cooking workshop.



Discussion Groups



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

Tuesday Morning Book Discussion

Tuesday, May 12 & June 9 10:00 AM

May: *My Friends* by Fredrik Backman

June: *Beautiful Ugly* by Alice Feeney

New Voices Book Discussion Group

Thursday, May 14 & June 11 11:00 AM

May: *Flashlight* by Susan Choi

June: *Crying in H Mart* by Michelle Zauna

Big Magic Tuesday Night Book Group

Tuesday, May 19 & June 16 7:00 PM

May: *Everything is Tuberculosis* by John Green

June: *The Secrets Between Us* by Thrity Umrigar

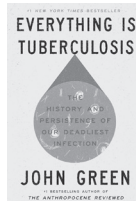
Literary Lions Book Club

Wednesdays, May 27 & June 24

2:00 PM

May: *True Grit* by Charles Portis

June: *Nickel Boys* by Colson Whitehead



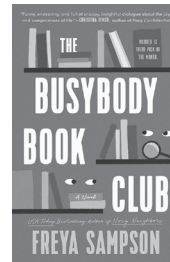
Fourth Fridays Book Group

Fridays May 15 & June 26

11:30 AM

May: *Never Let Me Go* by Kazuo Ishiguro

June: *The Busybody Book Club* by Freya Sampson
(ROSE CARACAPPA SENIOR CENTER)



Great Decisions

Discussion Group

Wednesday, May 27 & June 24 7:00 PM

Discuss topics of contemporary concern.

May: *Ukraine and the Future of European Security* by T. Wright

June: *Multilateral Institutions in a Changing World Order* by S. Bessent and B. Yuruk
(ZOOM)

DEFENSIVE DRIVING

IN PERSON COURSE

Monday June 15 AND Tuesday June 16
5:30-8:30 PM

Qualify for auto insurance savings and receive up to a 4-point reduction on points accumulated in the past 18 months with this DMV-approved course. **Registration is only IN PERSON with a \$33 check or money order made payable to "Empire Safety Council."**

NOTE: You must attend both evenings. If you are more than three minutes late, you will not be allowed to enter.

The library cannot assist with issues involving certificates.



Popcorn is provided.

Film Matinees



Box Office Features

Hamnet (126 min.)

Friday, May 8

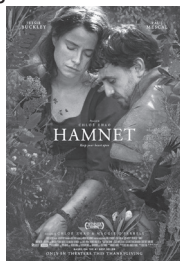
2:00 PM

William Shakespeare falls for the free-spirited Agnes. Their whirlwind romance leads to marriage and three children. When tragedy strikes, their bond is tested through grief and resilience.

Springsteen: Deliver Me From Nowhere

Friday, June 5 2:00 PM

Biopic chronicling the making of Bruce Springsteen's 1982 "Nebraska" album. (119 min.)



Foreign Film Festival

Vermiglio (Italian)

Friday, May 22

2:00 PM

1944, Vermiglio, a remote mountain village. The arrival of Pietro, a deserter, into the family of the local teacher, and his love for the teacher's eldest daughter, will change the course of everyone's life. (119 min.)

Sentimental Value (Norwegian)

Friday, June 19

2:00 PM

Sisters Nora and Agnes reunite with their estranged father, Gustav, a once-renowned director who offers Nora a role in what he hopes will be his comeback film. (133 min.)

Silver Screen Showing

A League of Their Own (128 min.)

Friday, May 29

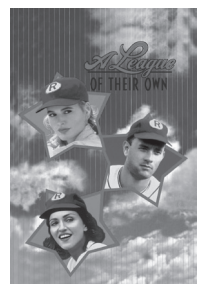
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As America's stock of athletic young men is depleted during World War II, a professional all-female baseball league springs up in the Midwest.

Cool Hand Luke

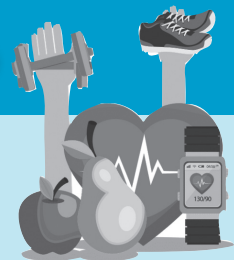
Friday, June 26 2:00 PM

A nonconformist convict in an early 1950s Florida prison camp refuses to submit to the system. (126 min.)



Registration is required unless otherwise noted.

Health and Fitness



One-On-One Medicare Appointments

Meet with an expert to discuss your Medicare questions. Learn the differences between plans. Call Adult Services to book your in-person appointment.

Crystal Bowls Meditation

Tuesdays, May 19 and Monday, June 1
10:00 AM

A guided meditation followed by Crystal Singing Bowls aimed at rebalancing your energy.

Mindfulness Meditation

Mondays, May 11 and June 8 7:00 PM
Practice being in the present and learn to interrupt negative thinking. (ZOOM)

Narcan Training

Tuesdays May, June 9 and
Saturdays May 30, June 27
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

The Phoenix House of New York will give free Narcan and instruct you on how to administer it in an emergency to reverse the effects of an Opioid overdose. One New York resident dies of an overdose every three hours.

Saturday Morning Yoga with Laurel Frey

Saturdays, May 9, 16, 23, 30 and June 6
10:00 AM

Certified Instructor-led five-session workshop. Please note: There is a \$20 fee payable by check written to Laurel Frey due upon registration.

Cardio Sculpt

Wednesdays, May 20, 27 and
June 3, 10, 17, and 24 10:00 AM

Strength and sculpting class using moves that are both cardio and strength focused. Please have a sturdy chair, preferably without arms, as well as a rope or belt, and a semi deflated ball or a pillow. Free weights can also be used. Participants must be able to stand during portions of the class (ZOOM)

Reiki

Thursdays, May 21 and June 18 7:00 PM

Annalee Jackofsky guides a brief meditation and a short reiki session. Wear comfortable clothes and bring a yoga mat or towel and a blanket.



Blended Yoga

Wednesdays, May 27 and June 3, 10, 17
10:00 AM- 11:00 AM

Join Certified Yoga Instructor Laurel Frey for this five session workshop featuring a blend of chair and traditional yoga. Please note: There is a \$20 fee payable by check only written out to Laurel Frey due upon registration.

Strength Training with Jackie

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

In this total body workout series we focus on toning our bodies while improving our strength. This class is beginner friendly while 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 with a rain date of 7/2.

Introduction to Hypnosis: Anxiety

Tuesday, June 2 6:00 PM

Learn what hypnosis is, how it works, and how it can be applied in daily life. Experience a guided hypnosis session tailored to manage anxiety. Bring a yoga mat or blanket.

Sound Bath Meditation

Tuesday, June 9 3:00 PM

Guided relaxation and breath work followed by vibrational frequency instruments including crystal singing bowls, chimes, ocean drum, shruti box and voice. Please bring a yoga mat, blanket and/or pillow for your comfort. In the event that you are not comfortable on the floor, chairs will also be provided.

LANGUAGE & Literacy

English Conversation Group / Grupo de conversación en inglés

Saturdays 11:15 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

Get help studying for the Naturalization Exam. Call Adult Services to make an appointment with Certified ESOL Instructor Mary Leming.



Summer Learning Program 2026

June 20 - August 8

Sign up online or in person, and stop by the Adult Desk to receive your registration bag. Earn a raffle ticket for each book you read and complete summer learning challenges to be entered to win weekly raffles.



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Please note: Registration is required.

One-On-One Genealogy Appointments

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



Ebook One-On-One Appointments

Book your 20 minute, one on one 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 using and be sure to bring passwords.

Youth Enrichment Services Table

Friday, May 8 & June 12 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
YES is part of the Community Mental Health Promotion and Support (COMHPS) team of Suffolk County. Their mission is to raise awareness about mental health wellness through free emotional support, activities, screenings, and referrals to licensed professionals. All of their services are available in both English and Spanish.

Retirement: Making Your Money Last

Wednesday, May 13 7:00 PM
Strategies to help you fulfill your retirement expectations. We'll explore concerns such as inflation, health care expenses and market volatility and ways to prepare in advance for things that may not go as expected.

People's ARC of Suffolk Table

Tuesday, May 19 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Meet Staff to learn how People's Arc of Suffolk serve children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities with the aim to create communities where people of all ages and abilities can enjoy life to its fullest.



One-Shot Sessions

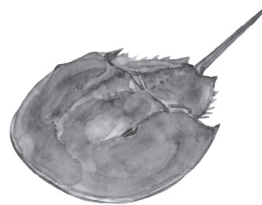
Mondays, May 18 & June 15 6:00 PM
Take a journey through a one-shot story. Veteran or novice, all are welcome! Create a new character and bring a fantasy world to life. Each session is unique so attend one or both sessions.

Wild Birds: Whacky, Weird & Wonderful

Wednesday, May 20 6:00 PM
Birds can dance, fight, and blow bubbles during courtship. They can stay in the air for months; They can protect themselves by vomiting! Dianne Taggart will use photos and fun facts to introduce you to a world of birds.

All About Horseshoe Crabs

Wednesday, May 20 7:00 PM
Learn about these marine arthropods that are a common sight on Long Island beaches. An EEPA event (ZOOM)



Lyme's Disease

Thursday, May 21 12:00 PM
Learn about ticks and tick-borne diseases, presented by Gerald T. Simons, PA-C. An EEPA event. (ZOOM)

250 Years of Long Island History

Thursday, May 21 7:00 PM
Celebrate 250 years of American independence. Eco-Photo Explorers will explore Long Island's wartime activities, technological achievements, cultural milestones, and famous events in this fast-paced travel through the history of Long Island. (ZOOM)

Sports Cards Collecting & Memorabilia

Thursday, May 28 10:00 AM
Learn about vintage vs. modern cards, investment cards, how to evaluate and grade cards, ways to liquidate, about autographs, breakers, influencers and hobby trends.



SCORE: Starting Your Business

Thursday, May 28 7:00 PM
Learn the basics of how to start your own business with a SCORE volunteer; business plans, financing, and basic marketing.

Talking the Bill of Rights: Part 5

Friday, May 29 6:00 PM
The continuation of our semisecular Talking History series, with lawyers-turned-librarians Mara Zonderman and Terry Lucas to discuss The Bill of Rights. An EEPA event. (ZOOM)

NY Baseball: The Great Players, Teams, & Innovations

Thursday, June 4 6:30 PM
Since the 1800s, New York has played a defining role in shaping baseball history. A fun and informed discussion of the national past-time. An EEPA event. (ZOOM)

Pop Culture Trivia and Pizza

Wednesday, June 10 3:00 PM
Join our adult librarians for an afternoon of pop culture trivia and pizza sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Come on your own or bring a team.

Stonewall: Then and Now

Thursday, June 10 7:00 PM
The history and significance of Stonewall presented by the Stonewall National Monument Visitor Center to celebrate Pride Month. An EEPA event. (ZOOM)

Talking the Bill of Rights: Part 6

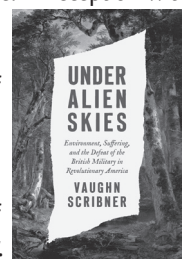
Friday, June 12 6:00 PM
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African American Communities of Long Island

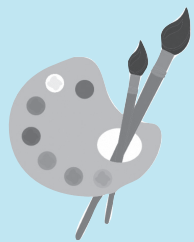
Wednesday, June 17 7:00 PM
Learn about Gordon Heights, Sag Harbor, and other historical African American communities on Long Island. An EEPA event. (ZOOM)

Celebrate 250 - Author Reception with Vaughn Scribner "Under Alien Skies"

Tuesday, July 7 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
The Revolutionary War is often celebrated as the birth of American republicanism, liberty, and representative democracy. British and Hessian troops sent 3,000 miles across the Atlantic Ocean found themselves strangers fighting in a strange land. *Under Alien Skies* won the 2025 Society of the Cincinnati Prize and was a Finalist for the Gilder Lehrman Military History Prize. A reception with the author will follow. This program presented in collaboration with the Town of Brookhaven, Stony Brook University Dept. of History and the Robert David Lion Gardiner Foundation, The Village of Port Jefferson, and the Library.

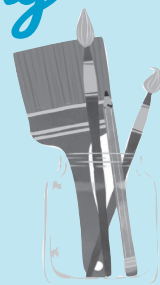


Make It! Arts, Crafts, & Cooking



Registration is **required** unless otherwise noted. PJFL cardholders may register for ALL "Make It" programs beginning **April 22**. Outside library cardholders may register beginning **April 29**.

Online programs that include a pick-up kit are ONLY ONE KIT PER LIBRARY BARCODE.
PLEASE NOTE: There is a limit of two spots per library barcode for each in person workshop.



Long Island Quilters

Mondays 1:00 PM
 Bring your sewing machine and a project, or stop by to learn more. Please call 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.**

Spring Picture Frame

Thursday, May 14 6:30 PM
 Make paper flowers and butterflies and then paint and decorate a wooden frame.

Fresh Mozzarella Making with Chef Brian

Saturday, May 16 2:00 PM
 A hands-on workshop to make your own fresh mozzarella and then sample it on bruschetta (Italian tomato, onion, pepper, cucumber salad and crisp Italian bread rounds).

Seashell Planter

Tuesday, June 2 11:00 AM
 Pick up your kit then follow along online to transform a terra cotta planter into a seashell plant holder. One kit per library barcode.

Simply Creative Cooking with Chef Rob

Wednesday, June 3 1:00 PM
 Chef Rob will demonstrate and provide samples of Tuscan style tomato and ciabatta salad with barbeque vegetable lettuce cups.

Felting Workshop:

Make a Purse

Saturdays, June 6, 13 and 20 2:00 PM
 Learn to create non-woven fabric by matting, condensing, and tangling wool fibers with Sharon Barnes Bring the following materials: 420 yards of worsted weight wool yarn, size 11 US double pointed needles, size 11 US circular needles and a pack of post-its.

Cricut Club

Thursday, June 18 3:00 PM
 Complete a project and learn about the Cricut. Basic computer skills required. **Port Jefferson Cardholders ONLY.**

Semiquincentennial Celebration: Introduction to Food History

Thursday, June 25 6:00 PM
 The Ketcham Inn's historic tavern cook Diane Schwindt introduces us to historical cooking from the days of yore. Samples will be shared.

Mosaic Votive Candleholder

Monday, June 29 3:00 PM

Design a tealight using mosaic accents, glass and shell pieces. All materials provided.



Performances/Enrichment

Classical Guitar & Flute Duo in the Park

Sunday, May 3 2:00 PM
 Fresh air and classical guitar and flute performance presented by SBU doctoral student Fangfang Liu. Recognizable themes and traditional pieces presented in the Park at 114. Please bring your own chairs or blanket.

Acoustic Guitar Open Mic

Tuesdays, May 19 and June 23 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM
 A welcoming space for guitarists to gain performance experience, and for audience members to hear local musicians. Acoustic only - no electric equipment.

Play Readers Parlor

Tuesday, May 26 6:00 PM
Tuesday, June 30 6:00 PM
 Get into character in a group play reading. Play will be decided based on the number of participants.



Travel with the Library

Historic Walking Tours with Ava

Monday, May 18 and Friday, June 12 12:00 PM
 A guided group walking tour of Port Jefferson village. Meet at the library and learn local history as you walk the village.

Kayak Tours with Paumanok Tours

Saturday, June 13 10:00 AM from Port Jefferson Harbor
Sunday, August 23 9:00 AM from Setauket Harbor
 Paddle and explore local waterfront homes, plants and wildlife from our waterways. Kayak rental is included for this 1 hour paddling tour.

Do As You Please Bus Trip into NYC

Wednesday, June 17 Depart: 9:00 AM
Fee: \$25 per person
 Ride together on a Hampton Jitney into NYC. See the sights, eat delicious food, shop 'til you drop ...it's up to you. Depart at 9:00 AM from Village Hall. City pick up will be at 6:00 PM (Sharp!) 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.

The Friends of the Port Jefferson Free Library

Enhancing the Library Community with Dedication & Donations

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. please limit donations to one box a day. the Friends are unable to assist with picking up donations from homes. Donations are accepted during our hours of operation. Do not leave books outside the library.

Donation Guidelines

We accept: hardcover and paperback books for children, teens, and adults in good condition. We prefer newer titles published within the past decade, including both contemporary and classic fiction and popular non-fiction genres such as cookbooks, biographies, and history are also accepted.

- I am a new member
- I am renewing my membership
- I am interested in volunteering at the bookshop
- I am interested in volunteering for special events
- Individual (\$5)
- Family (\$10)
- Very good Friend (\$25)
- Lifetime Member (\$500)

FRIENDS MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please complete this form and include it with your check payable to:

Friends of the Port Jefferson Free Library
100 Thompson Street, Port Jefferson NY 11777

Date: _____ Name: _____
Address: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
E-mail: _____ Telephone: (____) _____

Items we do not accept: We cannot accept dusty, damaged, discolored, damaged, missing pages, broken bindings, water damage, or soiled, musty or odiferous. Additionally, we do not accept outdated travel books, computer manuals, encyclopedias, textbooks, or reference books (including dictionaries and almanacs), books that have been discarded by other libraries, audio cassettes/CD, or DVD/VHS tapes.



SERVICES

For more information on any of these services, please contact the Adult Reference Desk.

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American Sign Language (ASL)

Interpreters: An ASL Interpreter may be requested for any program.

Braille Format: The Library is able to transcribe any library produced print material into braille.

If you are interested in either of the above services, contact Adult Services at least two weeks in advance.

Andrew Heiskell Braille & Talking Books

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Ask about having materials delivered to your home.

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Discounts with your PJFL card

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Museum Passes may be reserved online. We have a limited selection of FREE museum passes available for adult PJFL cardholders.

Helping Hands- Social Workers

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Charging Station

One-on-One Device Advice

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Tech to Take Home

Games & Gadgets

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Kindle Paperwhites:

Pre-loaded with popular titles

Mobile Hotspots:

Free WiFi at Home

3D Print Service

[\\$1 per hour](http://portjefflibrary.org/3dprinter-)

Featured Database



EXHIBITIONS & DISPLAYS

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

May

TALL CASE:

Watercolors by Frank Schipani

June

BOTH CASES:

Art by frank&hide

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.



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HOMWORK HELP

Available 24/7 through Brainfuse. Visit portjefflibrary.org/homeworkhelp to access a live tutor.



Long Island Ducks Game

Saturday, June 18

6:35 PM

Enjoy a summer night of baseball and fireworks. The Long Island Ducks take on the Lancaster Stormers. 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 the 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.

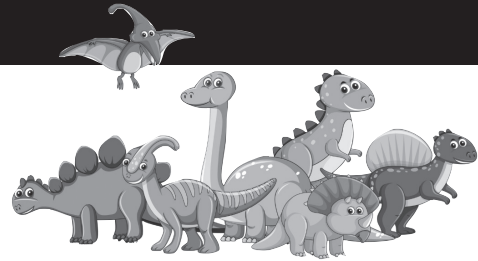


A PREHISTORIC PARTY FOR ALL AGES summer Learning kick-off

Saturday, June 20

12:00-3:00 PM

Celebrate the start of Summer Learning 2026. Sign up for our Summer Reading Programs, encounter a towering, dancing T-Rex, dig for fossils, face painting, cool off with Ralph's Ices, get up close with bones and fossils and meet live birds of prey.



LIBRARY HOURS

Main Library 631-473-0022
Monday - Thursday 9:30 AM - 9:00 PM
Friday - Saturday 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday 1:00 - 5:00 PM

Teen Center 631-509-5707
Monday - Thursday 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Friday 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Saturday 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday 1:00 - 5:00 PM

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS

Monday, May 18 5:00 PM
Monday, June 22 5:00 PM

LIBRARY CLOSED

Sunday, May 10 Mother's Day
Sunday, May 24 Memorial Day
Monday, May 25 Memorial Day



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