



Port Jefferson Free Library

NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2026 YEOMAN NEWSLETTER

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119TH LIBRARY TRUSTEE ELECTION

Consider Becoming a Library Trustee

One five year seat is due to expire and will be filled by an election during the Annual Meeting on **Wednesday, January 6, 2027**. Interested persons are invited to apply. Applications are available at the Library Circulation Desk. A completed application includes a resume, a written statement of interest, and petition signed by at least twenty-five (25) members of the Port Jefferson Free Library Association. All applications must be received by **Friday, November 6, 2026**. To be eligible for consideration as a candidate, a person must be a member of the Port Jefferson Free Library Association; that is, she or he must be a resident of Union Free School District #6, and have a library card in good standing. In addition, he or she must be at least 18 years old.

Meet the Trustee Candidates

Monday, December 14, 2026

4:30 PM

119th Trustee Election

Wednesday, January 6, 2027

10:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Voting by paper ballot will take place. Absentee ballots will be available at the Circulation Desk **December 7, 2026 through January 5, 2027**.

Annual Meeting

Wednesday, January 6, 2027

5:00 PM

Please address all correspondence to:

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

OUR LANDSCAPE RENOVATION IS COMPLETE

Thank you for your patience during the work. A huge thank you to our designer, Board Trustee, Andrew Thomas. We designed the project to make our buildings more accessible and our grounds more enjoyable. Thanks to Organically Green and A & D Dynamic Designs masonry.



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THE MITTEN TREE

Donate new and gently used mittens, gloves, hats and scarves to be given to area children and adults through the Coalition for the Homeless. Donation collection starts **December 1**.

ADOPT A FAMILY

Bring holiday joy to a local family in need. Shop for a family's request and bring your donations to the Library for wrapping and delivery. Our Patrons have given generously year after year; thank you for taking care of each other.



ENGRAVED BRICKS

We are in the process of having the old brick's messages re-engraved on our new path. Most of the old bricks were barely read-able, and many were unreadable. We have done our best to collect the information.

If you or your family purchased a brick in the past and you don't see its replacement, please speak to staff at the circulation desk or email jennybloom@portjefflibrary.org. We are sorry for the loss of some information. We have tried very hard.

If you would like to purchase a new brick to be added to the path, please visit the library or our website. A 4" x 8" brick can be engraved with up to three lines of text with up to 14 characters per line. Each brick costs \$150. We'd love to have you be a fixture at the library.

DUMP THE JUNK: FALL CLEANING

This event will take place in our parking lot, which will be closed for parking for the entire day.

Saturday, November 7
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM



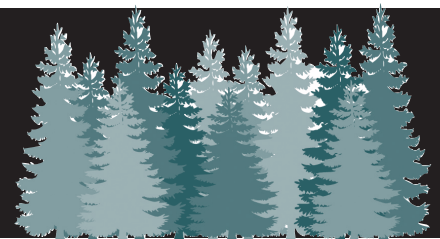
E-Waste Recycling: Bring your working or nonworking electronics. All data will be destroyed. Most electronics are accepted including computers, cell phones, printers, TVs, keyboards, cables, wires, circuit boards, and stereos. We cannot accept large appliances, microwave ovens, fluorescent bulbs, and alkaline batteries.

Shed the Meds Collection: Dispose of unused or expired medications. No liquid medications or sharps accepted.

Paper Recycling with Smart Shred Mobile: On-site shredding of personal documents. No binders, plastic, cardboard, or carbon paper.

TEEN CENTER

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PLEASE NOTE: Registration is required for all programs and begins on October 23rd. Our programs are limited to current Teen (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 and teens are expected to stay for the entirety of the program.

** Please evaluate for allergy concerns.*

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

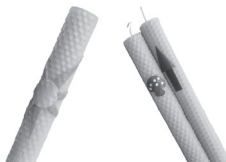
Sundays, November 1, 29 & December 27
1:30 - 3:00 PM

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

Beeswax Candle Making

Monday, November 2
5:00 PM

Craft with sheets of wax.



Pathfinder

Tuesdays, November 3
December 1 5:00 - 6:30 PM

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

3D Print & Design

Wednesday, November 4 4:00 PM
Design an object or choose one to print. Prints may take up to 2 weeks to process.

Teen Jeopardy

Thursday, November 5 5:00 PM
What is "A good time at the Teen Center?"

TEEN MOVIES

Minions & Monsters Movie with Treats

Friday, November 6 3:15 - 4:45 PM
Watch the most recent Minions film.

Spider-man: Brand New Day Movie & Pizza

Monday, November 23 5:00 - 7:30 PM
Watch the newest Spider-man film.

Avengers: End Game Movie with Cookies & Cocoa

Monday, December 14 4:30 - 7:30 PM
Watch the previous Avengers film before Doomsday releases.

Paint a Gnome Figurine

Monday, November 9 6:00 PM



Music Production & Recording

Tuesday, November 10 6:00 PM
Learn the basics of recording, mixing, and mastering music using Garageband.

Calming Aromatherapy Playdough *

Thursday, November 12 5:00 PM
Relaxing fun.

Mario Party

Saturday, November 14 2:00 - 3:30 PM

Road to College

Sunday, November 15 2:00 PM
An information session for parents and teens in grades 9-12 about how to find your "best fit" college, how to apply for scholarships and financial aid, and tips on planning college tours, and using career aptitude tests.

Drop-in Board Games & Snacks

Monday, November 16 6:00 PM
Celebrate International Games Month.

Mario Kart Tournament

Wednesdays, November 18 & December 16
5:00 - 6:30 PM
Race to the finish line in Mario Kart World & Mario Kart 8 Deluxe on the Nintendo Switch 1 & 2.



Magic the Gathering Modern Masters

Tuesday, November 17 5:00 - 6:30 PM
Build a deck and duel.

Beaded Jewelry

Thursday, November 19 5:00 PM
Create bracelets, necklaces, or rings.

Creative Writing

Saturday, November 21 2:00 PM
Explore different styles of writing and receive constructive feedback. Sharing is encouraged, not required.

Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Wednesdays, November 25 & December 23
2:00 - 3:30 PM
Choose your character to fight on the Switch.

Air-Clay Snowmen

Monday, November 30 6:00 PM

Holiday Wreaths

Thursday, December 3 5:00 PM
Craft into the holiday spirit.

Winter Paint-by-Numbers

Monday, December 7 6:00-7:30 PM

Magic the Gathering: Commander

Tuesday, December 8 5:00 - 6:30 PM
Bring a deck or borrow a ready commander deck to duel.

Tea Time: Treat Taste Test*

Wednesday, December 9 5:00 - 6:30 PM
Trivia and tea is back with a twist.

Yarn Wrapped Trees

Thursday,
December 10
6:00 PM
Create festive decor.



All About Flowers

Tuesday, December 15
6:00 PM

Make seasonal bouquets increase your floral know-how.

Mug Designs

Thursday, December 17
5:00 - 6:30 PM

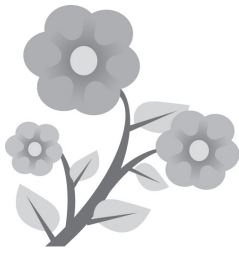
Use the cricut mug press.

Perler Bead Ornaments

Sunday, December 20 2:00 PM

Winter Scrapbook

Monday, December 21 6:00 PM
Bring your creativity.



Quesadillas & Trivia *

Tuesday, December 22 4:00 PM
Cheese trivia quiz with a side of yumminess.

Pasta-Making- Cavatelli!

Monday, December 28 5:30 - 7:00 PM
Use pasta boards to make embossed pasta.

Minecraft Party

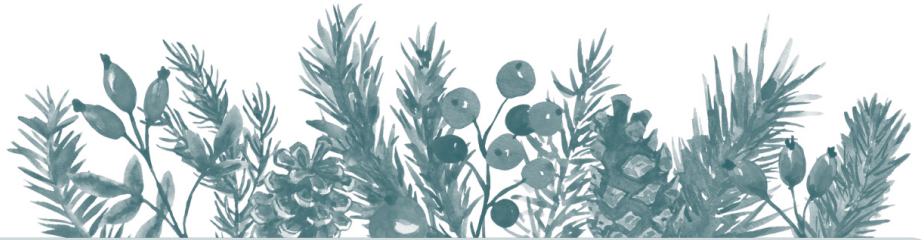
Tuesday, December 29 5:00 - 6:30 PM
Minecraft related treats & battle on mystery minecraft servers.

DIY Slime

Wednesday, December 30 2:00 PM

Follow us on Instagram!

@portjeffteencenter



Teen Community Service Opportunities

All sessions earn 1 hour of community service unless otherwise indicated.

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 credit by reviewing young adult novels on your reading level. You can earn 4 hours of credit for each book review you submit (limit of 2 reviews per month).

Movie Review

Earn community service credit by reviewing 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 our guidelines (limit of 2 reviews per month).

Recycling Challenge

Earn community service credit by recycling bottles. You can earn hours of community service credit for each entry (limit of 10 hours per month).



In-Person Community Service

Bookshop Organizers

Mondays, November 9 & December 7 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.

Magic Card Organizers

Saturday, November 7 11:00 AM
Sort cards for the Teen Center.

Instapagers

Monday, November 16 4:00 PM
Assist the librarians with creating instagram content.

Costume Design

Sunday, November 22 2:00 PM
Make a costume for our dog statue.



Teen Meetup

Monday, November 30 4:00 PM
Collaborate with our librarians to plan activities.

Paint a Mini Winter Canvas

Tuesday, December 15 4:00 PM
Help decorate the Teen Center.

Perler Bead Sorters

Monday, December 21 4:00 PM
Sort beads for projects.



Take-Home Community Service

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

Color-A-Smile

P.S. I Love You Hearts

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)

Park Tales: Leaves

Monday, November 2
Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult
Un-be-leafable stories in the Park at 114. **This program will be moved indoors in case of poor weather.**

11:00 AM



PlayHooray Babies

Wednesday, November 4
Tuesday, December 1
Ages: 3 - 17 months with an adult
An introduction to nursery rhymes, books, music and creative movement.

10:00 AM

10:00 AM

PlayHooray Kids

Wednesday, November 4,
Tuesday, December 1
Ages: 18 - 36 months with adult
Music and movement to get your wiggles out and develop coordination.

11:00 AM



Lil Athletes

Thursday, November 5 - Soccer/Lacrosse
Thursday, December 3 - Baseball/Basketball
Ages: 20 - 36 months with adult
Ages: 3 - 5 years with an adult
Running, jumping, and balancing skill development and play in the obstacle course.

10:00 AM

11:00 AM

Tots Night Out

Thursday, November 5
Ages: 18 months - 5 years with an adult
An evening of family skill building with A Time for Kids.

6:00 PM

Music and Movement

Friday, November 6,
December 18
Ages: 2 - 4 years with an adult
Interactive activities with rhyming songs and instruments.

10:30 AM

Shake 'N Make Music

Saturday, November 7
Ages: 3 - 17 months with an adult
Ages: 18 months - 5 years with adult
High-energy music and movement.

10:00 AM

11:00 AM



Let's Sing with Meghan VK

Monday, November 9
Tuesday, December 15
Ages: Birth - 5 years with an adult
Encourage word and sound development to build communication skills.

11:00 AM

11:00 AM

Super Soccer Stars

Tuesday, November 10
Thursday, December 10
Ages: 2 - 3 years with an adult
Ages: 4 - 6 years with an adult
Build self-confidence and socialization skills while improving soccer skills and coordination.

10:00 AM

11:00 AM



Infant Massage

Wednesday, November 11
Tuesday, December 8
Ages: 1 month - 18 months with an adult
Licensed Massage Therapist Laura Morello teaches a tender way to communicate with your baby. *Please dress in comfortable clothes, bring a blanket for the baby, and one for yourself along with baby's favorite comfort toy.*

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Paint without Paint Brushes: Turkeys

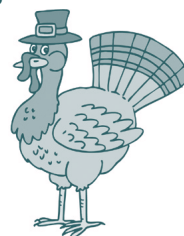
Thursday, November 12
Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult
Art using cool tools. *Please dress for mess.*

Baby Start

Friday, November 13
Wednesday, December 9
Ages: 9 - 17 months with an adult
Music, movement, fine and gross motor development and circle time with A Time for Kids, Inc.

10:00 AM

10:00 AM



A Time for Kids

Friday, November 13
Wednesday, December 9
Ages: 18 months - 5 years with an adult
Music, movement, fine and gross motor development activities, stories and a craft.

11:00 AM

11:00 AM

Tissue Box Turkeys

Monday, November 16
Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult
Turkey tales and a Thanksgiving centerpiece.

10:30 AM

Babies Boogie

Tuesday, November 1
Monday, December 7
Ages: 3 - 18 months with an adult
Shake, rattle and roll with Nicole Sparling.

10:00 AM

10:00 AM

Toddlers Tango

Tuesday, November 17
Monday, December 7
Ages: 19 months - 4 years with an adult
Clap, stomp, wiggle and giggle.

11:00 AM

11:00 AM

Story Time Yoga

Wednesday, November 18
Friday, December 4
Ages: 18 months - 3 years with adult
Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult
Bring characters to life through yoga poses. *Please bring a yoga mat or beach towel and a water bottle.*

10:00 AM

11:00 AM



Little Sprouts and Friends

Thursday, November 19
Thursday, December 17
Ages: Birth - 12 months with an adult
Move and sing with your infant. *This program is for children who are not yet walking.*

10:00 AM

10:00 AM

Sprouts and Friends

Thursday, November 19
Thursday, December 17
Ages: 12 months - 5 years with an adult
Move and sing with your toddler. *This program is for children who are walking.*

11:00 AM

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Parent Toddler Workshop

Friday, November 20
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).*

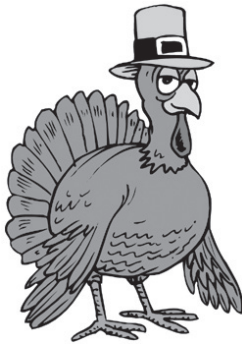
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Turkey Tales

Saturday, November 21
12:00 PM

Ages: 2 - 5 years with
an adult

Gobbling good
stories and craft.



TuneY Tois

Monday, November 23
Wednesday, December 2
10:30 AM

Ages: 2 - 4 years with an adult

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

Grateful Reads Story Craft

Tuesday, November 24

5:30 PM

Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult

Stories and cornucopia craft just in time for
Thanksgiving.

Dance Laugh Play

Monday, November 30 10:00 AM OR 11:00 AM

Monday, December 14 10:00 AM OR 11:00 AM

Ages: Birth - 4 years with an adult

Can't stop, won't stop movement with Miss Lau-
ren. *Please sign up for only one session per date.*

Tasty Tales: Holiday

Treats Story Time

Tuesday, December 8

5:30 PM

Ages: 2 - 5 years with an adult

Stories about traditional holiday foods.

Tiny Talkers

Tuesday, December 29

10:00 AM

Ages: 18 months - 3 years with an adult

Read, sing, and play to encourage language devel-
opment with pediatric speech-language patholo-
gist Kristina Potter. *Please dress for mess.*

A Christmas Carol

The Children's Department will display our wide
variety of versions in 12 different languages of the
Christmas classic during the Dickens Festival.



School Age Programs

*Please register based on the grade
the child is currently attending.*

Read to a Dog

Wednesday, November 4 & 18,
December 2 & 16 5:30 - 6:30 PM

Ages: 5 - 12 years

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

Chess

Wednesday, November 4 & 18,
December 2 & 16 7:00 PM

Grades 1 - 6

Develop strategies and sharpen skills. For all
skill levels.



Petite Picassos: Scarecrow

Wednesday, November 11

1:00 PM

Grades K - 6

Miss Maria will teach a step-
by-step art lesson.



Native American Heritage Month Art Explorers - Maria Martinez

Wednesday, November 11

7:00 PM

Grades 1 - 5

Learn about a famous Pueblo artist and paint
clay pots inspired by her work.

Turkey Tea Light

Thursday, November 12

7:00 PM

Grades 3 - 5

A decoration to glow up your Thanksgiving table.

Balloons Over Broadway Craft

Monday, November 16

6:30 PM

Grades 1 - 4

A tin foil balloon project to celebrate the 100th
Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

Shaving Cream Art: Marble Turkeys

Tuesday, November 17

6:30 PM

Grades 1 - 5

Play with color. *Please dress for mess.*

Homeschool: Animals that Burrow

Wednesday, November 18

12:00 PM

Grades K - 5

Animal facts and STEAM activities to fit your
homeschool curriculum.

Lego Challenge

Monday, November 9 & December 14
7:00 PM

Grades K - 5

Work in teams to build a themed creation.

Make Your Own Library Bag

Tuesday, November 10

6:30 PM

Grades K - 5

A book bag with a spot for
your card so you'll be ready
for checkout.



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and scarves to be given to area children and adults
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for a family's request and bring your donations to
the Library for wrapping and delivery. Our Pa-
trons have given generously year after year; thank
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Cranberries Galore *

Thursday, November 19

6:30 PM

Grades 2 - 4

It's cranberry STEAM season. Watch them dance and turn into Oobleck.

A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving Treat *

Monday, November 23

6:30 PM

Grades 1 - 5

Watch the classic holiday movie and make Snoopy's favorite treat-filled cornucopia.

Holiday Countdown Calendar

Monday, November 30

6:30 PM

Grades K - 5

Use paper chains to mark the days.

Grinch-A-Bration

Tuesday, December 1

6:00 PM

Grades K - 4

Crafts inspired by the Mean One himself to help your heart grow three sizes.



Pine Cone Snowy Owls

Thursday, December 3

6:30 PM

Grades 1 - 3

Watch how your owl will be camouflaged when it snows.

Polar Bear Symmetry Craft

Thursday, December 10

6:30 PM

Grades PreK - 2

Make an Un-Bear-ably cute Polar Bear.

Contact Paper Snowman Craft

Tuesday, December 15

6:30 PM

Grades 1 - 4

Build a mess-free frosty friend to last through winter.



Homeschool: Evergreen Trees

Wednesday, December 16

12:00 PM

Grades K - 5

Tree facts and STEAM activities to fit your home-school curriculum.

Paper Roll Fireworks

Tuesday, December 29

6:30 PM

Grades 2 - 5

Transform paper towel rolls into fabulous, festive fireworks.

Kids Voting Box: Vote for your favorite character

November 1 - 3

The Children's Room is holding an election. Stop by to cast your vote for your favorite book character.



Family Programs

Registration is not required unless noted.

Sunday Crafternoon

Sundays, November 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29,
December 13, 20 & 27

2:00 - 4:00 PM

Make a new craft each week.

Get Out The Vote Craft

Monday, November 2

5:00 - 8:00 PM

A drop in craft to celebrate Election Day.

Blocks and Board Games

Wednesday, November 25

11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Monday, December 28

11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Bring the family to build and play.

Dickens' Festival Carols and Crafts

Saturday, December 5

11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sunday December 6

2:00 - 4:00 PM

Sing along to holiday tunes and watch versions of A Christmas Carol while you craft.



Gingerbread House Workshop *

Monday, December 7

6:30 PM OR

Saturday, December 12

3:00 PM

Families with children 4 - 12 years old

Work together to decorate with Royal icing and candy provided. **One session only and one house per family.**

Family Ornament Workshop

Wednesday, December 9

7:00 PM

Families with children 3 - 12 years old

Craft one ornament to contribute to our Department's tree and another to hang at home. **Registration is required.**

Pajama Story Time *

Thursday, December 17

7:00 PM

Wear your coziest pjs to the library. We'll hear holiday stories, sing carols and sip hot chocolate around the fireplace in the Library's historic Front Room. **Registration is required.**



Holiday Movie Time: Polar Express *

Monday, December 21

6:00 PM

Get in the spirit with the *Polar Express* and some Hot Hot Hot Hot Chocolate.

Winter Clay Play

Tuesday, December 22

6:30 PM

Squishy fun for the whole family.

Winter Movie: Jim Carrey's How the Grinch Stole Christmas *

Saturday, December 26

12:00 PM

Don't be a Grinch! Watch with us and library snacks.

New Year's Craft-a-Bration

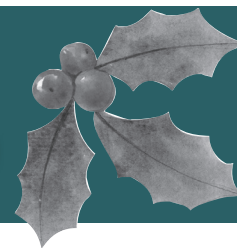
Wednesday, December 30

12:00 - 8:00 PM

Craft in the new year!



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 October 21. Outside library cardholders may register beginning October 28. Online programs with a pick-up kit are ONE KIT PER LIBRARY CARD.**



BOOK 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

Tuesdays, November 10 & December 8
10:00 AM

November: *Livonia Chow Mein*

by Abigail Savitch-Lew

December: *Keeper of Lost Children*

by Sadeqa Johnson

New Voices Book Discussion Group

Thursdays, November 12 & December 10
11:00 AM

November: *Broken Country* by Clare Leslie Hall

December: *Silence of the Choir*

by Mohamed Mbougar Sarr

Big Magic Tuesday Night Book Group

Tuesdays, November 17 & December 15
7:00 PM

November: *The Forgotten Seamstress*

by Liz Trenow

December: *The Apple Orchard* by Susan Wiggs

Great Decisions Discussion Group

Wednesday November 18 7:00 PM

Title: *This Is The Plan* by Ben Wikler

Fourth Fridays Book Club

Fridays, November 20 & December 18
11:30 AM

November: *Between a Flock and a Hard Place*

by Donna Andrews

December: *The December Market*

by RaeAnne Thayne

Literary Lions Book Club

Wednesdays, November 25 & December 23
2:00 PM

November: *The Lathe of Heaven*

by Ursula K. Le Guin

December: *To Be Taught, If Fortunate*

by Becky Chambers

DEFENSIVE DRIVING

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. Fee: \$35, check or post office money order made payable to "Diana Wilbur APW," due at registration. **Registration is IN PERSON only.** PLEASE NOTE: If you are more than 3 minutes late, you may not be allowed to enter the course. The Library is unable to assist with any issue involving certificates. Please contact Empire Safety Council.

IN-PERSON COURSE

Saturday, January 30

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM



Why pay for movies when you can go to the Library? Popcorn will be provided!

FILM MATINEES



Box Office Features

Young Washington (130 min.)

Friday, November 13 2:00 PM

In colonial America, young George Washington finds himself deep in enemy territory navigating lies and shifting alliances. He must decide who to trust and how far he's willing to go.

The Devil Wears Prada 2 (120 min.)

Friday, December 4 2:00 PM

Miranda Priestly struggles against Emily, her former assistant turned rival executive, as they compete for advertising revenue amid declining print media, while Miranda nears retirement.

Silver Screen Showing

9 to 5 (110 min.)

Friday, November 6 2:00 PM

Office satire about three female secretaries who decide to get revenge on their tyrannical, sexist boss by abducting him and running the business themselves.

The Music Man (151 min.)

Friday, December 18 2:00 PM

Traveling con artist Harold Hill targets the naïve residents of a small town in 1910s Iowa by posing as a boys' band leader to raise money before he can skip town.

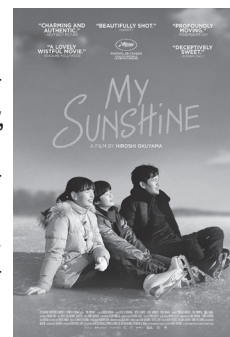
Foreign Film

My Sunshine (Japanese) (90 min.)

Friday, November 20

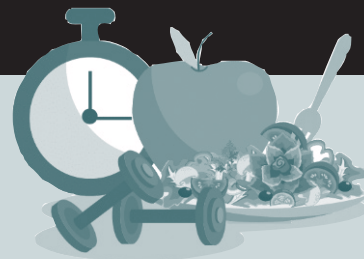
2:00 PM

Two young skaters, polar opposites in personality, team up to train for a figure skating duo, their growing bond blurring the lines between partners and more as winter unfolds.



Registration is required
unless otherwise noted.

HEALTH AND FITNESS



One-On-One Medicare Appointments

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

Narcan Training

Tuesdays, November 10 and December 8
Saturdays, November 21 and December 19
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

The Phoenix House of New York will teach you how to administer Narcan to reverse the effects of an Opioid overdose and give you a supply. One New York resident dies of an overdose every three hours.

Reading Nutrition Labels

Thursday, November 5 **7:00 PM**
Learn how to make use of the information including ingredient lists and nutritional values.

Reiki

Thursdays, November 5 & December 3
7:00 PM
Annalee Jackofsky guides a brief meditation and reiki session. Wear comfortable clothes and bring a yoga mat or towel and a blanket.

Restorative Candlelight Yoga

Thursday, November 12
6:00 PM

Holding gentle, supported poses for longer periods of time to calm the nervous system, and promote deep relaxation. Props will be supplied, but please bring your mats.



Saturday Morning Yoga with Laurel Frey

Saturdays, November 14, 21, 28 and December 5, 12 **10:00 AM**
Certified Instructor-led five-session workshop. Please note: There is a \$20 fee payable by check to Laurel Frey due upon registration.

Crystal Bowls Meditation

Mondays, November 16 & December 21 **10:00 AM**
A guided meditation aimed at rebalancing your energy.

Mindfulness Meditation

Mondays, November 16 and December 14
7:00 PM
Practice being present and learn to interrupt negative thinking. **(ZOOM)**

Introduction to Hypnosis: Better Sleep

Monday, November 16 **6:00 PM**
A hypnosis session to quiet your mind, relax your body, and help you enjoy more peaceful and restful nights.

Cardio Sculpt

Wednesdays, November 18, 25 & December 2, 9, 16, 23 **10:00 AM**
A class built on moves that alternate between cardio and strength. Participants must be able to stand during portions of the class. **(ZOOM)**

Diabetes: Understanding.

Managing & Thriving

Thursday, November 19 **12:00 PM**
Learn about managing diabetes from nurse practitioner and endocrinologist Lauren Tjimos. An EEPA event. **(ZOOM)**

Hearing Health Screenings

Tuesday, November 24 **10:30 AM - 12:30 PM**
Wednesday, December 2 **10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**
Come in for a free hearing screening with licensed audiologist Kimberly McNicholl. Tests are a convenient first step toward better hearing.

Sound Bath Meditation

Tuesday, December 1 **7:00 PM**
Guided relaxation and breath work followed by vibrational instruments including crystal singing bowls, chimes, ocean drum, shruti box and voice. Please bring a yoga mat, blanket and/or pillow for your comfort.

Healthy Desserts for the Holidays

Tuesday, December 8 **6:00 PM**
Learn to make delicious ingredient swaps.

Introduction to Hypnosis: Make Space for a New Year

Wednesday, December 16 **6:00 PM**
Through hypnosis, you'll be guided to release old thoughts, stress, and emotional weight to embrace a fresh new year.



LANGUAGE & Literacy

English Conversation Group/ Grupo de conversación en inglés

Saturdays **11:30 AM**
Practice spoken English in a relaxed atmosphere. Free, no registration required. Group is led by Certified ESOL Instructor Mary Leming. **No registration necessary. (IN PERSON & ZOOM)**

Citizenship Help/ Ayuda con la ciudadanía, con cita previa

Call for an appointment for help to study for the Naturalization Exam with Certified ESOL Instructor Mary Leming who can answer all of your questions! **(IN PERSON & ZOOM BY APPOINTMENT ONLY)**

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LECTURES, TECHNOLOGY, AND EDUCATION



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. Call the Reference Department to book your appointment. **(ZOOM)**



Ebook One-On-One Appointments



20 minute appointments 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 any necessary passwords.



One-Shot Sessions

Mondays, November 9 and December 21
6:00 - 8:00 PM

Journey through a one-shot story. Veteran or novice, all are welcome to create a character and bring a fantasy world to life. Every session is unique so attend one or both.

New York City during WWII

Monday, November 9

7:00 PM

This talk explores how the war shaped daily life in New York, from the Brooklyn Navy Yard and troopships in the harbor to Rosie the Riveter. An EEPA event. **(ZOOM)**

Investing 101

Thursday, November 12

6:00 PM

Basic concepts of wealth building through long-term investing. Topics include asset allocation, the importance of diversification, and account types. Get practical insights.

History & Horticulture

Tuesday, November 17

7:00 PM

The history and folklore behind our most beloved holiday greenery and flowers, from award-winning Associated Press columnist Jessica Damiano. An EEPA event. **(ZOOM)**

Retirement Planning 101

Thursday, December 3

6:00 PM

Essentials of building a secure retirement plan. We'll explore savings strategies, key accounts, and practical steps you can take for a stronger financial future.

History and the Making of Classic Holiday Specials

Tuesday, December 8

6:30 PM

From Rudolph to Frosty to Charlie Brown's little tree, Professor Chris Vivas will discuss surprising facts about your holiday favorites. And, yes, Virginia, we will even talk about a few little remembered programs.



Shopping for Technology this Holiday Season

Wednesday, December 9

4:30 PM

Join technology experts Anna and Jeremy for an overview of the latest technology and how to shop for the best computer, laptop, tablet or device. Bring all your questions.

Holiday Crafting and Trivia Party

Tuesday, December 15

3:00 PM

Trivia and treats. Make a holiday bottle stopper, decorate a treat, enjoy cocoa and win prizes playing holiday themed trivia.



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PERFORMANCES & ENRICHMENT

Play Readers Parlor

Tuesday, November 10

6:00 PM

Get into character in a group play reading. Play will be selected based on the number of participants who come to play.

Sunday, December 6

2:00 PM

Fireside read-aloud of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*

Acoustic Guitar Open Mic

Tuesdays, November 17 and December 15

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Join in a welcoming space for guitarists to gain performance experience, and for audience members to hear local musicians. Acoustic only.

Dickens Festival Guitar and Flute Duo

Saturday, December 5

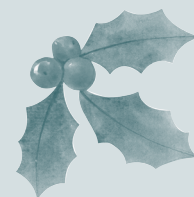
11:00 AM

SBU doctoral students perform classical guitar and flute in 1800's Dickens' era style.





MAKE IT! ARTS, CRAFTS, AND COOKING



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.**

NEW: Due to popular demand beginning in January, the library will add an additional Mah Jongg session on Wednesday mornings.

Simply Creative with Chef Rob

Monday, November 2 1:00 PM

A demonstration and sampling of a savory antipasto cheese dip served with crackers and a classic French onion soup chicken.

Painted Soap & Lotion Dispenser

Tuesday, November 10 3:00 PM

Pick up your materials kit and follow along online to paint your set of glass dispensers. **Please note one kit per library barcode.**

Knitting for Charity

Saturday, November 14 1:00 PM

Meet and learn to create a knitted gift for patients at Mather Hospital. You'll complete the items on your own time and bring them back to the library to be donated. Materials provided.

Cornucopia Centerpiece

Thursday, November 19 7:00 PM

Design and decorate a wicker cornucopia with fall leaves and flowers, gourds, and ribbon. All materials provided.

Amigurumi Crocheting Workshop

Monday, November 23, 30 and December 7 6:30 PM

Learn the Japanese art of crocheting yarn creatures through a small project each session. Beginners are welcome. All materials provided.



Ornament Wreath

Thursday, December 10 6:30 PM

Glue and assemble a wire wreath using ornaments, pinecones and ribbon.

Holiday Crafting and Trivia Party

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Trivia and treats. Make a holiday bottle stopper, decorate a treat, enjoy cocoa and win prizes playing holiday themed trivia.



Simply Creative with Chef Rob

Wednesday, December 16 1:00 PM

A demonstration and sampling of Tuscan shrimp with baby spinach and sundried tomatoes and a chocolate chip cookie cheese-cake dip.

Ring in the Holidays with Aromatherapy

Thursday, December 17 6:30 PM

Make a gift-worthy Holiday scented lotion and an immune boosting spray. This class is part demonstration, part hands on. Leave with products, recipes and resources.

Registration is **required** unless otherwise noted. PJFL cardholders may register for ALL "Make It" programs starting **October 21**. Outside library cardholders may register starting **October 28**.

Online programs that include a pick-up kit are ONE KIT PER LIBRARY BARCODE.

If you cancel, or do not show up to three programs, you will not be eligible to register for future programs.

FIELD TRIPS WITH THE LIBRARY

Sunken Meadow State Park Hike

Monday, November 2 10:00 AM

Led by naturalist, photographer, and author of the book Hiking Long Island, Lee McAllister. We'll learn about the flora, fauna, and features of the area while covering more than 3 miles of hilly terrain. Meet at parking lot field 3 at 9:45 AM.

Historic Walking Tours with Ava

Thursdays, November 5 and December 3 12:00 PM

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



Do As You Please Bus Trip

Wednesday, December 9

Departs: 9:00 AM from Village Hall

Fee: \$25 per person

Ride together on a Hampton Jitney bus. See the sights, eat, or shop 'til you drop (your choice). Departure is at **9:00 AM from Village Hall**. 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 any patron-purchased event tickets.



The Friends of the Port Jefferson Free Library



Enhancing the Library Community with Dedication & Donations

Book Shop Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9:30 AM - 9:00 PM

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

Sunday: 1:00 - 5:00 PM



Donation Guidelines

Books we DO ACCEPT: We welcome most book genres-Adult Classics, Children's and Young Adult Books, Biographies and Memoirs, Business Books, Cookbooks, Fiction (our bestselling category and the books we need the most), Graphic Novels and Manga, History and Politics, Home and Garden, Mysteries and Thrillers, Parenting, Philosophy and Ethics, Photography and Art, Poetry and Essays, Race and Gender, Religion and Spirituality, Self-Help and Personal Growth,

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- ☐ I am interested in volunteering for special events
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- ☐ Family (\$10)
- ☐ Very good Friend (\$25)
- ☐ Lifetime Member (\$500)



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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: _____

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Science and Nature, Science Fiction and Fantasy, Sports, Travel (must be current), Theater and Film, and Rare and Collectible Books.

Books we DO NOT ACCEPT: (because we are unable to sell them and will recycle them if donated): Textbooks, Dictionaries, Encyclopedias and Study Guides, Outdated Reference Books, Professional Books and Technology Books, Reader's Digest Books and Time-Life Books.



SERVICES



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

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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

ReachDeck Toolbar

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Home Outreach Service

Ask about having materials delivered to your home.

Music & Memory:

A personalized music therapy program for those living with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.



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ONGOING

Gateway Playhouse Discount

Gateway's Haunted Playhouse discount: see the Library website for link.

Theatre Three Discount

\$5 off full-priced ticket (not combined with other discounts) To reserve: call Marci 631-928-1130 or email marci@theatrethree.com

Check-Out Discounts

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Museum Passes

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

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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.

November

Lobby Cases:

"Art from the Heart"

Works by Day Haven Residents

Meeting Room Exhibit:

Lori-Allen Bauer



December

Both Cases:

Celebrating Dickens Festival

30th Annual Charles Dickens FESTIVAL

PORT JEFFERSON VILLAGE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

11:00 AM - 4:00 PM: Children's Department

Watch A Christmas Carol marathon of different versions while you craft.

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Historic Reading Room

SBU doctoral students perform classical guitar and flute.

9:30 AM - 5:00 PM: Teen Center

Pick up a wintery 3D paper craft kit to make at home.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

1:00 - 4:00 PM: Children's Department

Watch A Christmas Carol marathon of different versions while you craft.

1:00 - 5:00 PM: Teen Center

Pick up a wintery 3D paper craft kit to make at home.

2:00 - 3:45 PM: Historic Reading Room

Join Play Readers Parlor for a fireside read-aloud of Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol. Sign up to be a reader or join the audience.

No experience necessary, the more the merrier!

Give back this holiday season

The Library is hosting collections for:

- Adopt a Family
- Mitten Tree
- Food Donations
- Eyeglass Donations



Show your library card for a discount to:

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

November 7 - December 27

NEW: Discounts available on any show - no restrictions!



Thank you Knitters!

Thank you to all who donated hand-knitted items for the Great Give Back. The library continues collecting hand-knitted scarves, hats, gloves, or stuffies, for donations to patients recovering from chemotherapy at Mather Hospital.

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, November 16

5:00 PM

Monday, December 14

5:00 PM

Meet the Candidates:

Monday, December 14

4:30 PM

HOLIDAY HOURS

Wednesday, November 25

Closes at 5:00 PM

Thursday, November 26

Closed for Thanksgiving

Friday, November 27

Closed for Black Friday

Thursday, December 24

Closed for Christmas Eve

Friday, December 25

Closed for Christmas Day

Thursday, December 31

Closed for New Year's Eve

Friday, January 1

Closed for New Year's Day

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