



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

West African Dance

Thursday, February 8, 7 p.m.



Khadijah Abdus Samad of the Rhythm & Culture Dance Center will teach the lively art of West African Dance. Starting with a warm up, the class will highlight an African Spiritual dance, and an across the floor segment followed by a cool down. Participants must dress comfortably, including footwear.

Rhonda Denet: Tribute to Aretha Franklin

Friday, February 9, 7 p.m.

In light of last year's weather cancellation, we rescheduled one of the library's most requested performers, Rhonda Denet and her tremendous backing band in a tribute to legendary soul singer Aretha Franklin. Rhonda will perform all-time classics like *Respect*, *Say a Little Prayer*, *Think (You Make Me Feel Like) A Natural Woman*, *Chain of Fools*, *Son of a Preacher Man* and many more. A dessert buffet will follow the performance.

Hygge: The Danish Art of Embracing Wintertime

Wednesday, January 31, 7 p.m.



Embrace the season and learn to cozy up your spaces and to appreciate all that nature brings. Join

Patricia Summers to learn to bring "hygge" into your home like they do in Denmark - the happiest place on earth!

MAKE it yourSelf PROGRAM Beginner Knitting

Wednesdays, 7-8:30 p.m., January 24- February 14



Instructor Aimee Saccio teaches you how to knit and purl and make a lovely

scarf and hat in the process! Please bring a pair of size 11 knitting needles and three balls of light color Bernat Softee Chunky Yarn to class. Four 90-minute classes.

Introduction to Photoshop

Tuesday, January 23, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Learn to alter images (size, shape, color), re-touch, filter and add effects to create works of art or just make your digital photos look the way you want them to.

Intermediate Photoshop

Tuesday, January 30, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Learn Adobe Photoshop intermediate features and editing techniques.

Advanced Photoshop

Tuesday, February 6, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Learn about the advanced features of Photoshop.

Heart Shaped Wreath



Thursday, February 1, 7 p.m.



Join artist Diana Conklin as we make this seasonally appropriate heart-shaped wreath using dried flowers and botanicals. \$9.

Making Fermented Foods

Wednesday, January 24, 7 p.m.

Fermented foods can aid digestion and metabolism and boost immunity and mood. Join Renato Stafford to learn more and taste samples while you watch how to make sauerkraut, kombucha, and sourdough bread.

Job Success Skills

Tuesday, February 27, 7 p.m.

Need tips for job success? Résumés, interviews, dress, follow up, motivation, and employment retention are some of the steps covered in this class by Michael Coritsidis, a career and self-improvement coach and former Federation Employment & Guidance Service professional.

Jerry McDonald Jazz Quartet

Friday, January 12, 7 p.m.

The Jerry McDonald Jazz Quartet played at the library in 2013 to a packed house and much acclaim. Join them for another tight and stirring set of original and traditional pieces; perfect for newcomers and jazz enthusiasts alike.



Financial Fitness, Tips A-Z

Thursday, January 18, 7 p.m.

If you are determined to improve your finances this year, this is the class for you. Daniel Mazzola's personal finance tips include ways to reduce your income tax, control spending, plan for retirement, and more.

Arts & Crafts Cart

MAKE it yourSelf PROGRAM Patrons now have an arts & crafts cart chock full of supplies to enjoy. Reserve the cart to explore on your own or get creative with a group of friends. Materials for crafts range from fiber (knitting, crocheting) to paper (calligraphy, colored pencils) to jewelry making, and more. Schedule with Reference. Instruction is not provided; a resource list is available.

Administrators' Corner

Happy New Year to everyone in our community! Here at the library we are looking forward to providing another year of exciting and fulfilling services, classes and community-wide events. To start your 2018 in the right direction, your New Year's resolutions are covered. Classes for financial fitness, to learn new technologies, improve your mental and physical health and express your inner artist are detailed in this newsletter. Also see the Children's section for our wide array of programming for your kids' February break, all funded in part by the library's Fall Paint Nite™ fundraiser. Finally, don't forget to stop by the Fireside Café this winter and warm up by the library's newly functioning fireplace to enjoy your books, magazines and newspapers and a warm beverage!

As always, feel free to drop by anytime to share with us, your library administrators, what you would like to see from your library. Thank you!

Kristina

Kristina Sembler, Director

Patrick

Patrick O'Leary, Assistant Director

CHILDREN'S CORNER

January Programs

Registration begins Tuesday, January 2, 9:30 a.m. Sign up online, in-person or by phone.

for newborn-5 years
must include an adult

Mother Goose

Newborn-2 years
Thursday, January 4,
10-10:30 a.m.

Busy Builders

Story & Craft 2½-5 years
Saturday, January 6,
10:30-11 a.m.



Snow-bot

Story & Craft
2½-5 years
Monday, January
8, 10:30-11 a.m.

Parent/Child Workshop

1-4 years
Tuesdays, January 9, 16, 23,
& 30, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Some weeks will feature a
childhood specialist who can
answer parenting questions
within their specialty.

Mothers' Discussion Group

3 months-3 years
Wednesdays, January 10 &
24, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Sleepy Rhyme Time

Newborn-2 years
Thursday, January 11,
6-6:30 p.m.

Playdate: Pet Vet

18 months-5 years
Friday, January 12, 1-3 p.m.
Drop in program.

Program descriptions are available
online.

Registration required unless noted.

If your child needs special
accommodations, let us know.

Children in Grades K and up attend
programs independently unless noted.

Space is held for registrants only five
minutes unless we are notified a child
will be late.

Parents/guardians are responsible for
the supervision of child's library use
and material selection.

Staff may take publicity photos at
programs. Please inform us if you do
not want photos taken.

1, 2, 3, Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead

2-5 years
Wednesday, January 17,
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Independent Pajama Storytime

3-5 years
Thursdays, January 18 & 25,
6-6:30 p.m.

Baby & Me Storytime

Newborn-2 years
Friday, January 19,
10-10:30 a.m.

Little Listeners

3-5 years
Monday, January 22,
2-2:30 p.m.

Shake 'n Make Music

3 months-2 years
Saturday, January 27,
10-10:45 a.m.

for grades K-5

Trivia Challenge

Grades 2-5
Monday, January 8,
6:30-7:15 p.m.

Book Buddies

Grades K-3
Tuesdays, January 9, 16,
23, & 30, 4:30-5:15 p.m. and
Thursdays, January 11, 18, &
25, 6-6:45 p.m.

Book a 15-minute slot with
a Book Buddy (teen student
volunteer). Tues. times: 4:30;
4:45; 5 p.m. Thurs. times: 6;
6:15; 6:30 p.m. Child and Book
Buddy read in the children's room; adult
must stay within their view.

Guided Maze Fun

Grades K-5 AND an adult
Wednesday, January
10, 6:30-7:15 p.m.

Read to a Dog

Grades K-3
Saturdays, January 13, 20,
& 27, 2-3 p.m.

Sign up for a 15-
minute slot
at 2, 2:15, 2:30,
or 2:45 p.m.



Melting Snowmen

Grades K-5
Tuesday, January 16,
7-7:30 p.m.

Ozobots

Grades 2-5
Wednesday, January 24,
7-7:45 p.m.

Lego Club

Grades K-5
Friday, January 26, 5-6 p.m.

Apples to Apples Night

Grades 2-5
Monday, January 29,
7-7:45 p.m.



Code Breakers Club

Grades 3-5
Wednesday,
January 31, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

February Programs

Registration begins Thursday, February
1, 9:30 a.m. Sign up online, in-person or
by phone.

family programs
must include an adult

Heart Art all ages
Wednesday, February 14,
3-6 p.m. Drop in program.

Travelin' Trunk Show from ThinkBIG! Theater Arts

2 years-Grade 2 AND an adult
Tuesday, February 20,
7-7:40 p.m.

for newborn-5 years
must include an adult

Construction Zone

3-5 years
Saturday, February 3,
11-11:30 a.m.

Valentine's Day

Story & Craft 2½-5 years
Monday, February 5,
10:30-11 a.m.

Mothers' Discussion Group

3 months-3 years
Wednesday, February 7,
1:30-2:30 p.m.

Shake, Rattle & Read

12-35 months
Friday, February 9,
1:30-2 p.m.

Jump Bunch

18 months-5 years
Saturday, February 10,
10-10:45 a.m.

Little Listeners

3-5 years
Monday, February 12,
4-4:30 p.m.

1, 2, 3, Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead

2-5 years
Tuesday, February 13,
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Independent Pajama Storytime

3-5 years
Thursdays, February 15 & 22,
6-6:30 p.m.

Baby & Me Storytime

Newborn-2 years
Friday, February 16,
10:30-11 a.m.

Time for Mother Goose

Newborn-2 years
Saturday, February 17,
10:30-11 a.m.

Squirrels, Owls, and a Fox

Story & Craft 2½-5 years
Monday, February 26,
10:30-11 a.m.

for grades K-5

Book Buddies

Grades K-3
Tuesdays, February 6 & 13,
4:30-5:15 p.m. and Thursdays,
February 8 & 15, 6-6:45 p.m.
See January program description.

Valentine's Day

Grades 2-5
Wednesday, February
7, 7-7:45 p.m.

Lego Club

Grades K-5
Friday, February 9, 5-6 p.m.

Read to a Dog

Grades K-3
Saturdays, February 10 & 17,
2-3 p.m.
Sign up for a 15-minute slot at 2,
2:15, 2:30, or 2:45 p.m.

Love Your Pet Day

Grades K-5 AND an adult
Wednesday, February 21,
6:30-7:15 p.m.

Stop Motion Movie: Paper Scenes

Grades 2-5
Thursday, February 22,
10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Imagination Playground

Grades K-5
Friday, February 23, 2-3 p.m.

Cooking With Kids

Grades K-5 AND an adult
Saturday, February 24,
11 a.m.-12 p.m.



Young Adults

Registering for programs requires SCL library card. Full descriptions and online registration: sctylib.org

ALL YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS FOR GRADES 6-12

Regents Week Study Space January 21-January 27
Students seeking a quiet study space during Regents examinations will have access to a library tutoring room.

Reading and Writing

Book Discussion: *The Memory of Things*

by Gae Polisner
Monday, February 12,
3-4 p.m.

Advanced Battle of the Books
Fridays, 6:30-8:30 p.m.,
January 19-March 16
Compete: Friday, 3/23, 6 p.m.,
Connetquot HS

Technology

Computer Coding

Monthly Wednesdays,
January 17, 3-4 p.m. (will not meet
during February break).

Films and Games

Board Games

Friday, January 5,
3-4:30 p.m.

Rock Band

Friday, January 19,
3-4:30 p.m.

Super Mario Bros

Friday, February 16,
3-4:30 p.m.

Friday Films

Snacks will be provided.

Spiderman Homecoming

Friday, January 12, 3-5 p.m.

Leap

Friday, February 9, 3-5 p.m.

Clubs

Chess Club

Monthly Thursdays, January 11
and February 8, 3-4 p.m.

Like to play? Drop by for a
game. Boards will be available.

Garden Club

Thursday, March 1, 3-4 p.m.
Join us to plan, build, and plant
a new Teen vegetable garden;
earn service credit.

Make It

Comic Book Charms & Keychains

Monday, January 22,
3-4 p.m.

DIY Water Globes

Tuesday, January 30,
3-4 p.m.

Chocolate Covered Treats

Wednesday, February 14,
3-4:30 p.m.

Volunteer

Teen Advisory Group

Tuesday, January 9, 3-4 p.m.

Book Buddies

Tuesdays, 4:15-5:15 p.m.
January 9-February 13
Thursdays, 5:45-6:45 p.m.
January 11-February 15
Listen to K-3 readers practice
or read to them. No 2/1 meeting.
Apply at YA desk.

Coupons for the Troops

Wednesday, January 10,
3-4 p.m.
Clip and sort coupons for
military families.

Blood Drive Volunteers

Friday, January 26, 3-7 p.m.
Help out during blood drive.

Seed Library Volunteers

Thursday, February 15,
3-5 p.m.
Sort and package seeds for
Seed Library's new season.

Garden Club

Thursday, March 1, 3-4 p.m.
See description under Clubs.

Read, Review, Get Credit

Read and finish a new YA
book, write a review and
return it to the Reference
Desk to receive a certificate
for 1.5 service hours.

Library Board of Trustees - Call for Nominations

Residents and registered voters in the South Country Central School District interested in running for the Board of Trustees of the South Country Library are invited to submit applications to the Library Director's office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 12, 2018.

Petitions will be available at the Reference Desk commencing Friday, February 16, 2018; the petitions should be submitted with a minimum of 25 supporting signatures of qualified voters registered in the District, and a brief biographical statement from the nominee.

The Trustee election will coincide with the Library budget vote to be conducted on Tuesday, April 10, 2018. Three vacancies on the Board of Trustees will be filled by the three candidates receiving the largest number of votes. Recipients of the three highest vote counts will fill terms until May 20, 2021. Newly elected Trustees will be seated at the second Board meeting after the election, on May 17, 2018.

Absentee Ballot applications are available at the School District office.

Adult Programs






Do you need special accommodations to participate in library programs? We can provide accommodations for your disability with advanced notice.

REGISTERING for Adult Programs 18 and older

Free Programs Register by phone at 631-286-0818 Reference, in-person, or online at sctylib.org. You will need your South Country Library card online.

Programs with Fees Payment must be made at the library. Stop by Reference Desk to register. Pay by check, cash, or by credit card for certain programs. Fees are non-refundable.

Symbols below are used in the newsletter to indicate sign-up options and/or requirements.

-  Telephone registration at 631-286-0818 Reference.
-  Online registration available sctylib.org
-  In-person registration required.
-  Non-refundable fee due at registration.
-  For South Country Library cardholders. Out-of-district persons may register one week before program, if space permits.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED

Programs listed below are scheduled and held regularly at South Country Library. These programs have no registration unless noted by symbol/info.

Acoustic Jam (varied music) Fridays, 6:30-8:30 p.m., monthly. 1/05, 2/02.
Blues Acoustic Jam (strictly Blues music). 1/19, 2/16

Alzheimer Dementia Caregiver Support Mondays, 1-2:30 p.m., monthly. 1/8, 2/12. Register: 516-586-1507

Blood Drive Friday, 1/26, 1-7 p.m.

Books & Bagels   Saturdays, 10-11 a.m., monthly; discussion. Details page 4.



Book a Librarian  Appointments. One-on-one tech help with librarian.



Bridge Club Tuesdays, 1-3:30 p.m.


Canasta Club Wednesdays, 12:30-2:30 p.m.


Chess Club Mondays, 12-2 p.m. No meetings 1/01, 1/15, 2/19.

Child/Family Health Plus Wednesdays, 3-6 p.m., monthly. 1/10, 2/14. Call 631-656-9783 for items you need.

Defensive Driving /AARP   Tuesday, 2/06, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. \$20 AARP, \$25 non-members.

Defensive Driving /Empire Safety Council   Saturday, 1/20, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. OR Saturday, 2/17, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. \$27.

ESOL Basic English  Mondays, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Jan. 22-April 16. No 2/19 meeting.



ESOL Clases de Ingles Nivel Básico  Lunes hasta 18:30-20:30. 22 de enero al 16 de abril. No hay reunión del 19 de febrero.



Mah-Jongg Club Wednesdays, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Open Mic Night Thursdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m., monthly, last Thursday, 1/25, 2/22.

Senior Advocate Mondays, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., bi-monthly. February 12.

Thursday Afternoon at the Movies Thursdays, 2 p.m. No registration. Details page 4.

Writing Workshop   Tuesdays, 7-8:45 p.m., bi-weekly. Two sessions per year. February 13-May 22. Details page 4.

Yoga   Mondays, 4:30-6 p.m. or 6:15-7:45 p.m. 1/8, 1/22, 1/29, 2/6. 4 weeks, \$28. Details page 4.

Hours:
 Monday–Friday 9:30 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
 Saturday 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday 12:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Trustees:
 Joann Neal, *President* Regina L. Hunt, *Vice President*
 Carole Gagliano, *Secretary* Annelies Kamran, *Treasurer*
 Sherry Binnington, Georgino Cruz, Martha Gillette,
 June A. Johnson, Cameron Trent

ECRWSS RESIDENTIAL POSTAL CUSTOMER

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meetings, 7 p.m.

Thursday, January 18
Thursday, February 15

LIBRARY CLOSED

New Year

Sunday, December 31
Monday, January 1

Dr. M.L. King, Jr. Day
Monday, January 15

President's Day
Monday, February 19

HELP & INFORMATION

AARP TAX ASSISTANCE

Tuesdays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

February 6-April 10

By appointment only. Register beginning Tuesday, January 2.

Visit/call to schedule:

Reference 631-286-0818.

AARP volunteer-run, free tax service only for South Country Library seniors and low- and middle-income patrons with basic returns. Appointments are limited. Valid South Country library card required; obtain/renew cards to register. To file a joint return both spouses must attend.

Smart Recovery

Thursdays, 7-8:30 p.m.

weekly beginning Jan. 4

An anonymous support group for addiction and addictive behavior recovery. Meetings teach a SMART Recovery 4-Point Program® for self-directed change, using scientifically-based tools and skills. Led by our on-site social work intern. Anyone age 18+ with any type of addiction is welcome. No registration required.

SNAP

Supplemental Nutrition Assist. Prog., previously Food Stamps

Wed., January 10, 2-4 p.m.

Mon., Jan. 29, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Wed., February 7, 2-4 p.m.

Mon., Feb. 26, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Island Harvest will help with information, screening, applications, and more.

Career and Education

Counseling

Mondays, March 26 and April 23, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

(No January or February mtgs.)

Appointments for library patrons. One-on-one college advising, résumé, job application help, interview preparation with education counselor Betty Velez.

Social Work Intern

A social work student intern from Stony Brook U. assists patrons twice weekly with information, referrals and paperwork for housing, treatment, social services. Make an appointment or check her schedule at Reference. Or email Ashley at aculoso@sctylib.org.

Memory Loss

Music and Memory provides an iPod down-loaded with a personalized music playlist for those with memory loss to help re-connect to better times. Apply at Reference or call Judy at 631-286-0818. South Country residents only. More at musicandmemory.org

Low Vision Aid Magnifier/Reader

A DaVinci HD/OCR, which is a magnifying and reading device for the visually impaired, is located in the Large Print room.

EDUCATION & ENTERTAINMENT

Yoga

Mondays, 4:30-6 p.m. or 6:15-7:45 p.m.

January 8-February 5

Unite body, mind, and spirit. Primarily for beginners; all welcome. This course covers standing, seated, twist poses, and more. Four classes 1/8, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5. \$28.

Easy Tai Chi

Thursdays, 12-1 p.m.

January 11-February 15

Learn Jim Cummings' series of rhythmic, gentle moves to improve balance, flexibility, energy and strength. Six 1-hour classes. \$10

Writing Workshop

Tuesdays, 7-8:45 p.m.,

February 13-May 22

Join fellow authors to write, read, and critique each other's work. A writing piece is due each date; 2/13, 2/27, 3/13, 3/27, 4/10, 4/24, 5/8, 5/22. First assignment is given to you at registration.

Friends of the Library

Wednesday, January 10,

7 p.m.; Wednesday,

February 14, 7 p.m.

Friends support the library's role in the community.

Blood Drive

Friday, January 26, 1-7 p.m.

Healthy people age 17 to 75 years and at least 110 lbs. can donate blood. Consent forms allow those aged 16, or 76 and older, to donate. Call the LI Blood Services at 1-800-688-0900 with eligibility questions. Walk-ins welcome. Bring I.D.

Fireplace Literary Club

No meetings January/February.

GALLERY DISPLAY

Artists! Have a collection you want to display? Able to do your own installation? Please contact Judy in Reference Dept.

January Mixed Media
South Bay Art Association

February Photography
Bellport Camera Club

THURSDAY MOVIES

A movie is shown each Thursday at 2 p.m. No registration is required. Cookies are available. Titles may need to change; call 631-286-0818.



Jan. 4: *Home Again*
 (PG-13), 98 mins.



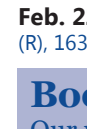
Jan. 11: *Victoria & Abdul*
 (PG-13), 112 minutes



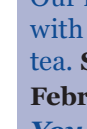
Jan. 18: *Dunkirk*
 (PG-13), 106 minutes



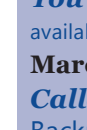
Jan. 25: *The Mountain Between Us*
 (PG-13), 111 minutes



Feb. 1: *Battle of the Sexes*
 (PG-13), 121 minutes



Feb. 8: *American Made*
 (R), 115 minutes



Feb. 15: *It* (R), 135 minutes



Feb. 22: *Blade Runner 2049*
 (R), 163 minutes

Books & Bagels

Our monthly book discussion with bagels, coffee and tea. **Saturdays, 10 a.m.**

February 3 *Me Before You*

You by Jojo Moyes Book available Tuesday, January 2.

March 3 *A Man Called Ove*

Called Ove by Fredrick Backman Book available Saturday, February 3.

