February: Black History Month Celebration

Black Citizenship in the Age of Jim Crow via Zoom
Thursday, February 4, 12-1 p.m.
This New York Historical Society presentation is based on their 2018-19 exhibition. Explore Black Americans’ struggle for equality under the law from 1865 through World War I. Learn about both Southern and Northern roles in this dark chapter of our history as well as Black New Yorkers’ organizing and community-building in the face of discrimination. Register: jsalvatore@sctylib.org

Structural Racism on Long Island via Zoom
Thursday, February 11, 7-8 p.m.
ERASE Racism is a Long Island-based organization that leads public policy advocacy campaigns and related initiatives to promote racial equity in areas such as housing, public school education, and community development. Join us for an informative presentation and important discussion. Register: http://bit.ly/EraseRacism

New Year's Reset via Zoom
Thursday, January 7, 7-8 p.m.

Financial Wellness: Budgeting and Investments via Zoom
Wednesday, January 13, 7-8:30 p.m.
Budgeting really isn’t a dirty word! Create what you can live with and become an owner, not a loaner, of your money. Find out how. Register via email jsalvatore@sctylib.org with your preferred start time.

Computer Cleanup and Security via Zoom
Thursday, January 14, 7-8:30 p.m.
Start 2020 with a clean slate! Clean up your Windows computer, improve performance and speed up tasks, protect it from viruses and spyware, and much more. For intermediate and advanced users. Register: http://bit.ly/cleanupsecurity

Give or Take Food Pantry
If you are in need, please help yourself to items in our newly created food pantry in the library lobby any time the building is open. If you are able to donate, we are collecting non-perishable, non-expired food items in our lobby. We hope you’ll join us to help those currently facing tough circumstances. Thank you!

KonMari: Clear for the New Year via Zoom
Thursday, January 28, 7-8 p.m.
Make way for the New Year by clearing out your personal space. Presenter Amy Chinitz, a Certified Consultant trained by Marie Kondo is also a licensed social worker. The KonMari Method can be a tool to help ease anxiety as well as to tidy your home. Register: http://bit.ly/KonMari28

If COVID-19 Closes the Library
Library staff will continue to work during COVID-19 scenarios below. Virtual programs will occur. Phone calls will be answered during hours we’re open. Reference services, downloading and streaming, and many other services will be available. Notices about closing and re-opening will be posted in the building, on South Country Library App, the website, Facebook, and Instagram.
1) If infection rates increase to specified level: Return to Phase Two. Building closes to the public. Patrons can access library materials via curbside pickup.
2) If staff member or contact traced patient tests positive or is exposed to COVID-19: Building closes - temporary quarantine. Patrons can access materials online.
3) If NYS mandates a lockdown: Building closes.

Coronavirus Page
We regularly update this resource page with reliable information, helpful sites, hotlines, and more. sctylib.org/coronavirus/

Brainfuse Tutors
Reach live tutors 10 a.m.-11 p.m. every day. Soporte en español de 10:00 a 23:00 todos los días. Go to our website (Homework Help) or main.suffolk.ny.brainfuse.com (+ library card barcode) for K-12, college, adults. Help in math, science, history, reading/ writing, PSAT/SAT, ACT, AP, state standardized tests, GED, citizenship exam, Microsoft programs, and more. Flash cards, videos, foreign language lab, Spanish-speaking support.

(HeLP) Stony Brook Medicine Healthy Libraries Program
Stony Brook Medicine offers free webinars to enhance health and well-being. Video topics vary; run times 25-60 minutes. Titles include the following with new videos added often: Boosting Your Immune System and COVID19; Finding Reliable Health Information Online; Shopping on a Budget & Building a Healthy Plate https://bit.ly/MedHealthy

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Meetings, 7 p.m.

Thursday, January 21
Thursday, February 18
*Please call 631-286-0818 or check website for details how to attend.

LIBRARY CLOSED
Thursday, December 31
(after 1 p.m.)
New Year’s Day
Friday, January 1
Dr. MLK Jr. Day
Monday, January 18
Presidents Day
Monday, February 15
CHILDREN’S CORNER

Check sctylib.org/kids/ for new information and details. The Children’s department’s virtual events and home activities include ongoing weekly offers, craft or game kits to pick up and take home, and combination programs/kits. Kits/programs may require registration and may include an age limit. All crafts or kits are limited; available while supplies last.

Winter Reading Club
For newborn-grade 5
Monday, January 4-Saturday, February 27
Pick up a bingo sheet in Children’s dept. or email childrens@sctylib.org

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten
Make an easy New Year’s Resolution and actively help your child. If you read just one book together each night from birth, by age 5 it’s more than 1,800 books! Details: sctylib.org/kids/1kb4k

Ongoing

Storytime! live via Zoom
2 yrs. and up
Every Monday, 4 p.m.
Email childrens@sctylib.org to get the Zoom link

Letter of the Week
XYZ Kit 18 mos.-5 yrs.
Every Wednesday

Small Singalong
Newborn-5 yrs.
Every Friday, 10:30 a.m.
Premieres on Facebook and YouTube, and is also available on our webpage. No registration required.

Craft Kit Giveaway
18 mos.-grade 5
Every Saturday

January

Cozy Checkout Kit
18 mos.-grade 5
Monday, January 4 start
Borrow from our special display-get a special kit!

Llama Paint Kits from The Art Nanny
For grades K-5
Register and pick up craft: Tuesday, January 5

Dinosaur Craft Kit
2 yrs.-grade 5
Thursday, January 7

Toddler Ice Cream
Game & Storytime
For 18-36 months
Register and pick up game: Friday, January 8

February

Sweet Hearts Baking Kit (one per family)
All ages through grade 5
Register and pick up craft: Monday, February 1

Heart Art Kit
18 mos.-grade 5
Tuesday, February 2

Library Services

If you have questions about any of our services, speak to a Reference Librarian.

Low Vision Magnifier/Reader
Our DaVinci HD/OCR device to magnify and/or read written materials for the visually impaired is located in the Career and Education room.

Outreach
If a disability prevents you from visiting here, a library Outreach employee can deliver to you (and pick up) library materials. Adults in our district confined at home by advanced age, physical disability, prolonged illness, or extended convalescence, may call to arrange.

Lucky Day Collection
Pick up a new, popular book without waiting, if it’s your lucky day! No holds, no renewals. Check it out next time you visit.

Bestseller Club
Our Bestseller Club provides you an automatic hold on upcoming fiction by your favorite bestselling authors.

Choose authors from our list (regular/large print); these are updated periodically. We notify you when a book is ready for pick-up.

What to Read Next?
Adult library cardholders are eligible for book suggestions based on your completed Reader Profile sctylib.org/adult-research/readers-corner/ (or pick up one in person).

Seed Library
Do you have a vegetable garden or would you like to start one? Use the library’s popular Seed Library to acquire seeds for planting. Look for it in March.

Streaming Services
Library cardholders can stream films, TV, music, books, and more. hoopla® provides digital music, movies, e-books, audio books, comics, and TV. Kanopy, carries older classic films, documentaries, foreign films, and art house features. Kanopy Kids has PBS TV programs, language learning, history, and more.

Register for programs in person, online at sctylib.org or by telephone at (631) 286-0818
**ALL YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS FOR GRADES 6-12**

### Teen Book Club via Zoom
Join us monthly for a virtual book discussion. Download books from *hoopla*® with your library card. Registration is required.

**Monday, January 25, 4:30-5:30 p.m.**
**Dorothy Must Die** by Danielle Paige

**Monday, February 22, 4:30-5:30 p.m.**
**Dairy Queen** by Catherine Gilbert Murdock

**Advanced Battle of the Books via Zoom**
Grades 9-12
Books available for pick up now. Teams from Suffolk County Libraries compete in a trivia contest based on **Cinder** by Marissa Meyer and **The Name of the Star** by Maureen Johnson. Practice weekly beginning in March; compete at the end of April.

**Teen Advisory Group via Zoom**
Tuesday, January 5, 4:30-5:30 p.m.
Share ideas and help plan library programs. Earn 1 hr. community service.

**Color a Smile**
Color and submit completed pages for **Color a Smile**, a nonprofit organization that distributes cheerful drawings to people in need of a smile. Complete an online application to receive guidelines on this project. Every 4 sheets you color earns 1 hour of community service; earn up to 5 hrs./mo.

**Technology**
- Nintendo Classic
- Super Nintendo Classic
- Sega Genesis Classic
- Kodak mini digital slide scanner
- JBL Portable wireless Bluetooth speaker
- VHS to DVD Recorder (3 week loan)

**3-D Printing**
- Keychains
  - Friday, February 5, 5:30 p.m.
  - Design a keychain using Tinkercad. Each participant’s project will be printed on the library's 3-D printer.

**Library of Things**
Think beyond books and movies! The library provides a variety of objects you can take home to use. We call this our **Library of Things**. Adults with SC library cards in good standing may borrow items for two weeks. Talk to our Reference librarians to learn more. Up to date information: sctylib.org/services/lending-library

- **Technology:**
  - Chromebook
  - Projector & Screen
  - P3 Kill-A-Watt Energy Meter
  - Metal Detector
  - Portable Document/Photo Scanner
  - Roku Streaming Stick
  - Google Chromecast
  - Wi-Fi mobile hotspot
  - Samsung Galaxy Tablet 2
  - Playaway Launchpad
  - Bicycle floor pump
  - Zircon 740 Stud Finder (with wall marker)
  - Cassida c200 Coin Sorter
  - Nintendo Classic
  - Super Nintendo Classic
  - Sega Genesis Classic
  - Kodak mini digital slide scanner
  - JBL Portable wireless Bluetooth speaker
  - VHS to DVD Recorder (3 week loan)

- **Assorted:**
  - Brother sewing machine
  - Acoustic Guitar
  - Ukelele
  - 3-D Printing
  - Poster Printing
  - The library can create patrons’ 3-D objects and posters with our in-house printers. Order forms are on website. Fees will apply.
**Stay informed on programs and help us reach you - follow us today!**

Facebook @southcountrylibrary

Instagram @sctylib

Access virtual library programs, find updates, activities and services being offered. Click the YouTube icon on our website for past programs. We also regularly email library programs and COVID-19 updates. Sign up via email sctyref@sctylib.org or our website sctylib.org/

**Help & Information**

SMART Recovery®

Wednesdays, 7-8 p.m.
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84364140614 via Zoom; use link to sign in. No registration required.

An anonymous support group for addiction and addictive behavior recovery. Meetings teach SMART Recovery® Scientifically-based tools and skills. Anyone age 18+ with any type of addiction is welcome.

Social Work Intern

A social work student intern from Stony Brook U. assists patrons with information, referrals and paperwork for housing, treatment, social services. Call Reference for appointment or email Amy: abaires@sctylib.org

**No Tax Assistance**

Please note: There will be no in-person AARP Tax Assistance program at the South Country Library this tax season. Please contact the Reference Department for more information.

**Adult Programs**

**We Have a Notary**

The library is now able to notarize your documents. Please call the library for our notary's availability.

**Exercise**

Tai Chi via Zoom
Thursdays, 10-11 a.m.,
January 7, February 4
Jim Cummings teaches 24 movements - Beijing form.

Chair Yoga via Zoom
Mondays, 10-11 a.m.
January 11, February 8
Join Kristen Orsini for a rejuvenating hour with breath work for mind/body stress release.

Qigong via Zoom
Thursdays, 10-11 a.m.,
January 21, February 25
Tom Linden returns with gentle exercises to lower blood pressure, increase coordination.

**Education & Entertainment**

Financial Wellness: Debt and Retirement

via Zoom
Wednesday, February 10, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
OR 7-8:30 p.m.
Compounding interest is the most powerful force in the universe. Find out how it works in your favor when you are saving for retirement, or works against you when you have debt.
Register: email jsalvatore@sctylib.org with your preferred start time.

Financial Wellness: Money and Marriage

Coming in March!

**Family Fun Italian Night**

Video available through February
Bring the family together for fun to prepare a half-tray of baked ziti and a dozen garlic knots. Everyone can take part then enjoy their portion. Email jsalvatore@sctylib.org for recipes and video link.

**Book Discussions**

Books & Bagels via Zoom
Saturdays, 10-11 a.m.
Join our monthly virtual book discussion group.

January 23: Bring Your Own Book
Tell us about your favorite recently read or re-read book; fill up on others’ recommendations.

February 13: Blessings
by Anna Quindlen
Book avail. 1/16

March 13: Founding Mothers: the Women Who Raised Our Nation
by Cokie Roberts
Book available 2/13

**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 Reference Department no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 1, 2021. Candidates must hold a valid South Country Library card for a minimum of one year prior to the date set for the close of nominations.

Petitions will be available at the Reference Desk on Friday, January 29. They should be submitted with a minimum of 25 supporting signatures of voters registered in the District, and each candidate shall provide a short statement (no more than 350 words) with his/her nomination form. Such a statement should describe his/her qualifications for membership on the Board of Trustees.

Trustee elections coincide with the Library budget vote to be conducted on Tuesday, April 6, 2021. 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 2024. Newly elected Trustees will be seated at the second Board meeting after the election, on May 20, 2021.

Absentee Ballot applications are available at the school district office.