



VOTE

LIBRARY BUDGET VOTE AND TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

Tuesday, April 6,
9:30 a.m.-9 p.m.
Details on page 3.

MARCH IS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Remember the Ladies

via Zoom
Thursday, March 18,
7-8 p.m.

Genealogy research often focuses on males, but 50% of our family tree is made up of women. Uncover your maternal ancestors' stories and learn where they might hide in historical records. Register in advance: <http://bit.ly/Genealadies>

Invisible Labor: LI Women behind the Whaling Industry

via Zoom
Thursday, March 25,
7-8 p.m.

Long Island was at the heart of commercial whaling, the U.S.A's 5th most profitable industry in the 19th century. LI native women ensured industry success by their labor and the mechanisms of survival they built while men were absent, at sea. In this talk, local historian Erin Becker will discuss the role of Long Island native women in this industry. Register: <http://bit.ly/InvisibleWhaling>



Medicare Basics

via Zoom
Wednesday, March 3,
6:30-8 p.m.

How to navigate Medicare, what is/isn't covered by Parts A & B, what gaps to fill with Parts C or D, when and how to sign up for the coverage you need in your budget. Cindy Goldsher provides an unbiased resource in this educational webinar. To register email: jkerstet@sctylib.org



Afternoon Bingo

via Zoom
Thursdays, 2-3 p.m.,
March 4, April 1

Join us for three rounds of virtual Bingo. Registration closes 24-hours before the event, at which time a Bingo card and Zoom link will be emailed to you. To register email: jsalvatore@sctylib.org Include South Country Library card barcode for a chance to win prizes!

Comedy Workshop

via Zoom
Thursdays, 7-8:30 p.m.,
April 1, 8, 15, 22

Learn to write and perform your own stand-up comedy from writer and stand-up comedian Pat Shea. Find your style, learn pacing and comedic timing. You are encouraged to hone 3-6 minutes of comedy to perform during the final session. 4-pt. series. Register: <http://bit.ly/HahaVeryFunny>

Poetry Workshop

via Zoom
Saturday, April 10,
12-1 p.m.

Interactive workshop to fuel creativity with reflective discussion, fun writing prompts and sharing favorite poems. Be inspired to bring poetic experiences into your life with current, virtual events and resources. Handouts will be emailed beforehand. Register: <http://bit.ly/PoetryatNoon>

Earth Day Celebration

Saturday, April 24, 12-1 p.m.
Earth craft kits; paint a bird house; make a bird feeder; children's storytime. Outdoor event; weather may cancel. Register on our website.



DIY Natural Beauty

via Zoom
Thursday, April 29,
7-8:30 p.m.
Discussion; take+make. Meghan Sullivan reviews the best natural alternative cosmetic ingredients. Learn to make a natural facial scrub and roll-on perfume. First 20 South Country cardholders to register receive materials; pick-up begins 4/1. Register with library card: <http://bit.ly/NaturalBeautyDIY>

National Library Week April 4-10



BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Books & Bagels

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

March 13: **Founding Mothers** by Cokie Roberts
Book available now
<http://bit.ly/BookinMarch>

Long Island Reads

April 10: **The Vanishing Half** by Brit Bennett

Join us to discuss this year's **Long Island Reads**



selection. First ten South Country cardholders to register receive a free copy of the book when available. Register with library card: <http://bit.ly/LIReads2021>



May 8: **The Dinner** by Herman Koch
Book available 4/10
Register: <http://bit.ly/BookinMay>

Food Pantry

If you are in need, please help yourself to items in our food pantry in the library lobby any time the building is open. Also, we collect non-perishable, non-expired food items in our lobby for this purpose. Thank you, donors!

ADMINISTRATORS' MESSAGE

As the library approaches its annual budget vote and trustee election, we take this opportunity to thank the community for your support. In a year that was short on good news and trying for everyone, our library staff took pride in their ability to swiftly and creatively reinvent our service model. The pandemic altered our approach to nearly all we offer. You, the community, now have access to a wide variety of remote services, virtual programming, increased streaming, and downloadables. We expanded Wi-Fi access, began free book and seed-library mailings, and created a community food pantry. Our board of trustees pitched in as well, in recognition of economic difficulties being experienced by many of our residents, with their move to cancel the 2020-2021 budget vote thereby determining the library would operate with no tax increase. With hope now on the horizon, the library staff looks forward to a return to normal operations as soon as we safely can. Thank you, again, for your patronage and we hope you will support us on April 6 as we hold an election for three trustee seats and present our 2021-2022 budget for approval (see page 3).

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.

Ongoing

Storytime!

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

Number of the Week

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.

Craft Kit Giveaway

18 mos.-grade 5
Every Saturday

March



Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss

Grades K-5

Tuesday, March 2

Fun Science! Alka Seltzer® Rockets

For grades 2-5
Registration and pick up begins:
Thursday, March 4

Toddler Pasting Practice Kit

For ages 18-36 mos.
Registration and pick-up begins:
Friday, March 5

Celebrate Super Mario Day!

For grades 2-5
Registration and pick up begins:
Monday, March 8

Simple Rainbow Craft

All ages
Tuesday, March 9

Leprechaun

Lookers! For pre-K-grade 2
Registration and pick up begins:
Thursday, March 11

Chipmunk Paint Kits from The Art Nanny

For grades K-5
Registration and pick up begins:
Monday, March 15

Gold Fish Craft

For grades K-5
Registration and pick-up begins:
Tuesday, March 16

Toddler Color Recognition Kit

For ages 18-48 mos.
Registration and pick up begins:
Thursday, March 18

Origami Kits

For grades K-5
Registration and pick up begins:
Tuesday, March 23

"Egg"cellent Easter Wreath Kit

All ages
Thursday, March 25

Plant Kit

All ages
Monday, March 29



Rocking Snails

For grades K-5
Registration and pick-up begins:
Tuesday, March 30

April

April Fool's Contest ALL MONTH

Tell a joke to us or email it to childrens@sctylib.org We'll put it on the bulletin board and enter you in a raffle! One entry per day.

April Showers

Baby Kit

For ages Newborn to 18 mos.
Registration and pick up begins:
Thursday, April 1

Sock Bunnies

For grades K-2
Registration and pick up begins:
Tuesday, April 6

Celebrate National Unicorn Day

For grades 3-5
Registration and pick up begins:
Thursday, April 8



April Showers Bring May Flowers Craft

All ages
Monday, April 12

Celebrate National Story Day



For grades K-5
Pick up a fill-in-the-blank story and we'll hang it in the Children's Department.

Begins Tuesday, April 13
Story must be returned by 4/20.

The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Craft with Story
For pre-K-grade 2
Registration and pick up begins:
Thursday, April 15

Go-Along Storytime

live via Zoom
Thursday, April 22, 4 p.m.

Baby Chicks Craft

All ages
Monday, April 19

Seed Bomb Kit

For grades K-5
Registration and pick up begins:
Wednesday, April 21

Chocolate Kit

(one per family)
Registration and pick up begins:
Monday, April 26

Bobbing Bumblebees

For grades K-5
Registration and pick up begins:
Tuesday, April 27

Paper Roll Fish

For grades K-3
Registration and pick up begins:
Thursday, April 29

Library Services

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

Seed Library

Would you like to start a vegetable garden? Use the library's Seed Library to acquire seeds.

Outreach

Library materials can be delivered to/picked up from adults in-district confined at home. Call to arrange.

3-D Printing Poster Printing

Our in-house printers can

print patrons' 3-D objects and posters. Order forms are on website. Fees will apply.

Bestseller Club

Enjoy automatic holds on new fiction by bestselling authors. Choose your favorite authors (also large print); names update periodically. We notify you when to pick up a book.

Lucky Day

Popular new books are on display to pick up, if it's your lucky day! No holds or renewals.

Streaming Svcs.

Cardholders can stream films, documentaries, art house films, TV, music, e-books, audio books, comics and more. Check out the unique offerings on these services: *hoopla*®, *Kanopy*, *Kanopy Kids*.

COVID-19 Closure

Library staff will continue to work during COVID-19 scenarios that follow. 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.

If infection rates increase to specified level: Return to Phase Two. Building closes to the public. Patrons can access library materials via curbside pickup.

If staff member or contact traced patron tests positive or is exposed to COVID-19: Building closes - temporary quarantine. Patrons can access materials online.

If NYS mandates a lockdown: Building closes.

Young Adults

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

ALL YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS FOR GRADES 6-12

Reading and Writing

Advanced Battle of the Books

via Zoom
Grades 9-12
Thursdays, 6-7:30 p.m.,
March 4-April 15
Cinder by Marissa Meyer and
The Name of the Star by
Maureen Johnson available
now. Teams from Suffolk
libraries compete. April trivia
contest date t.b.a.

Teen Book Club

via Zoom
Virtual book discussion.
Download books from **hoopla**[®]
with your library
card. Registration is
required.



Monday, March 22,
4:30-5:30 p.m. *Evil
Genius* by

Catherine Jinks
Monday, April 26,
4:30-5:30 p.m. *Bone
Gap* by Laura Ruby



Authors Unlimited 2021

Saturday, April 17,
10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. via Zoom
Celebrate reading. Teens meet
authors of YA Literature. Attend,
complete a survey at the end
to earn 3 service hrs. [http://
authorsunlimited.org](http://authorsunlimited.org)

Make It

Craft Kits All kits contain all
materials needed.
Those registered
will be contacted to
arrange pick up.



Monochromatic "Watercolor" Painting

Wednesday, March 10

Sunflower Pot
Wednesday, March 24



Emoji Sugar Cookies

Wednesday, April 7
Alert: food kit may contain
allergens. Register in person or
by phone. Limited to those with

a valid YA South Country Library
card only.

Earth Day Totes

Wednesday, April 21

Films and Games



Game Night

via Zoom
Among Us: Thursday,
March 11, 4:30-5:30 p.m.
UNO: Thursday,
April 15, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Watch Party

via Zoom
Prom
Friday, March 26,
6:30-8:30 p.m.



We Can Be Heroes
Friday, April 30,
6:30-8:30 p.m.

Volunteer

For info about community service
credit: sctylib.org/teen/volunteers/

Teen Advisory Group

via Zoom
Tuesday, March 9,
4:30-5:30 p.m.
Share ideas and help plan
programs. Earn 1 service hr.

Color a Smile

Color pages for a nonprofit
group that distributes cheer
to people in need of a smile.
Application and guidelines
online. Every 4 sheets earn 1
service hour. Max. 5 hrs./mo.

Kindness Rocks

Paint beauty and good
thoughts. Every 4 earns 1 service
hour. Max. 1 hr./mo. Guidelines
online.

Read, Write a Review

Read/complete a new YA book
then write a review. Learn more
online.

Large Print Newsletter

Online version can be enlarged.

ESPAÑOL

Una versión en español del boletín está disponible para leer en
nuestro sitio web. Hay wifi gratis en el estacionamiento de la
biblioteca. Se requiere distanciamiento social.

BUDGET VOTE AND TRUSTEE ELECTIONS INFORMATION FOR VOTERS

The date for district residents to vote for the library's Trustees will be Tuesday,
April 6, 2021 at the library. You will be electing three trustees to three-year
terms. Recipients of the three highest vote counts will fill terms until 2024.
Newly elected trustees will be seated at the May 20 meeting of the Board.
This is your chance to participate in the support of a truly local democratic
institution. Please remember to come to the library and cast your ballot.

VOTING DAY: Tuesday, April 6, 2021, 9:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the library
Community Room. Applications for absentee ballots are available online or at
the Reference desk.

WHO CAN VOTE: You must be a registered voter. You may register to vote in a
library election if you are a citizen of the U.S., 18 years of age, and have been a
resident of the South Country School District for at least 30 days.

VOTER REGISTRATION: You can register in person at Suffolk County Board of
Elections, 700 Yaphank Ave., Yaphank, NY 11980. Call 631-852-4554 to request
a voter application or download from <http://www.suffolkvotes.com>

SOUTH COUNTRY LIBRARY BUDGET

	2020-2021	2021-2022
INCOME		
Tax Appropriation	\$2,639,157	\$2,671,618
Other Income	\$542,595	468,594
Fund Balance	\$8,120	\$25,413
TOTAL INCOME	\$3,189,872	\$3,165,625
EXPENSES		
Materials, Programs & Services Books, videos, audiobooks, Playaways, CDs, DVDs, downloadables, periodicals, children's materials, reference sources, computer software, programs	\$378,225	372,860
Salaries & Benefits Salaries, separation payout, insurance, social security, retirement, EAP	\$2,092,567	\$2,122,065
Library Operations Online catalog & maintenance, library supplies, phone, postage, publicity, printing, travel & conference, professional fees, equipment & maintenance, budget/ trustee election	\$177,180	\$162,200
Building Operations Fuel, utilities, custodial supplies, building repair, insurance, service contracts	\$419,900	\$391,500
Capital Improvements Buildings, technical equipment, PO taxes, other equipment	\$97,000	\$92,000
Tax Anticipation Note Interest	\$25,000	\$25,000
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,189,872	\$3,165,625

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

Trustees:
 Joann Neal, *President* Annelies Kamran, *Vice President*
 Cecelia Walsh, *Treasurer* Carole Gagliano, *Secretary*

Sherry Binnington, June A. Johnson, Geoffrey Marschall

ECRWSS RESIDENTIAL POSTAL CUSTOMER

Adult Programs

Brainfuse Tutors

For K-12, college, adults
Daily, 10 a.m.-11 p.m.
 Reach live tutors. *Soporte en español de 10:00 a 23:00 todos los días.* From library website's Homework Help or *main.suffolk.ny.brainfuse.com* (+ library card barcode).

EXERCISE

Tai Chi via Zoom

Thursdays, 10-11 a.m.,
March 11, April 8
 Jim Cummings; 24 moves - Beijing form. Register: <http://bit.ly/TaiChiMar>
<http://bit.ly/TaiChiApr>

Qigong via Zoom

Thursdays, 10-11 a.m.,
March 18, April 15
 Tom Linden; gentle exercise health/coordination. Register: <http://bit.ly/QigongMar>
<http://bit.ly/QigongApr>

Chair Yoga via Zoom

Mondays, 10-11 a.m.
March 22, April 19
 Kristen Orsini; breath work, stress release. Register: <http://bit.ly/ChairYogaMar>
<http://bit.ly/ChairYogaApr>

HELP & INFORMATION

Library program info and access, building and service updates, activities and help are on: **Facebook** @southcountrylibrary and **Instagram** @sctylib Click the **YouTube** icon on our website for past programs. Regular library programs and COVID-19 emails can be requested: sctyref@sctylib.org or our website sctylib.org/

(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. New videos added often. Titles include: *The Importance of Sleep; Eating and Exercise with Diabetes; How Smoking and Vaping Can Affect Your Health; Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program; Healthy Hour: Caregiver* <https://bit.ly/MedHealthy>

Parenting Your Teen

Wednesday, April 14,
7-8:30 p.m.
 Parents of teens, join social work intern for support.
via Zoom. Register:
<http://bit.ly/ParentingYourTeen>

SMART Recovery®

Wednesdays, 7-8 p.m.
 Anonymous. Recovery support for addiction (any type) and addictive behavior, age 18+. Scientifically-based.
via Zoom; use link to sign in. No registration required.
<http://bit.ly/SMARTgroup>

Social Work Intern

A social work student intern from Stony Brook U. assists patrons with information, referrals and paperwork for housing, treatment, social services, COVID-19.
 Call Reference for appointment or email: abaires@sctylib.org

Coronavirus Page

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

No Tax Assistance

There will be no in-person AARP Tax Assistance at the library this tax season. For info. call Reference Dept. or sctylib.org/adult-research/programs/notice-on-aarp-tax-service/

We Have a Notary

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

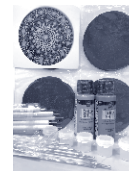
What to Read Next?

Adult library cardholders can request book ideas. We create a list based on your completed Reader Profile sctylib.org/adult-research/readers-corner/

EDUCATION & ENTERTAINMENT

Mandala Painting

Kits include four 4-inch round canvases, pre-printed. Build your mandala using six paint colors and ten dotting tools provided. Learn dot art; keep and use tools for future projects. South Country cardholders only. Registration, pick up (Ref.) begins: **March 1**
<http://bit.ly/startdotart>



Financial Wellness: Marriage and Money

via Zoom
Wednesday, March 10,
11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
OR 7-8:30 p.m.
 Before you smile for your wedding camera, get a financial snapshot. How to allocate income together. Register: email jsalvatore@sctylib.org with time preferred.

Financial Wellness: How Money Works

via Zoom
Wednesday, April 14,
11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
OR 7-8:30 p.m.

Change the face of your financial situation. Examine the root problems and apply new principles. Don't have a plan for your debt? Join us. Register: email jsalvatore@sctylib.org with time preferred.



Cooking School Challenge via Zoom

Tuesdays, 7-8 p.m.
April 6-June 8 (No 5/11 mtg.)



Follow lessons in *The Haven's Kitchen Cooking School* by Alison Cayne to learn techniques beyond recipes.

Each week we'll go over techniques, share what we tried and learned. First ten South Country cardholders to register may keep their book. Register with library card: <http://bit.ly/Cookchallenge>

LIBRARY MISSION STATEMENT

Building community by sharing the wonders of learning, creating and connecting with one another.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meetings, 7 p.m.*

Thursday, March 18
Thursday, April 15

*Please call 631-286-0818 or check website for details how to attend.