September: National Library Card Sign-up
Drop by the library to get the “Smartest Card in Your Wallet.” Once you have it, explore all the library has to offer: new books; access to technology; educational programming; services; and more. Plus, show us your library card so you can be entered in our raffle.

Voter Registration
Monday
September 19, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Our social work intern will be here to assist with voter registration. Stop at the table in our main hallway to learn about the voting process and receive assistance to register.

Family Pumpkin Painting Party
Saturday,
October 22, 12:30-2 p.m.
Join us for fall fun. Enjoy seasonal music, pumpkin painting, and plenty of other tricks and treats. We’ll provide supplies for each family’s use. Library parking lot. Registration required.

The Great Give Back
October 1-October 31
We are collecting pet food and other items to be donated to the Almost Home Animal Shelter. Please consider donating what you can.

OUTDOOR CONCERT
Petty Rumours
Friday,
September 16, 7-8:30 p.m.
In their SC Library
debut, Petty Rumours combines a trove of material with the amazing talents of artists Tom Petty and Stevie Nicks. Anticipate a stellar evening of unforgettable music from multiple award-winning musicians. Show will be in the library’s parking lot. Chairs are limited; bring chairs/blankets.

**EDUCATION & ENTERTAINMENT**

**Computer and Smartphone Class**

**Wednesdays, 7-8:30 p.m.**

- **September 7, 21, October 5, 19**
  Intermediate skills.
  Register for individual classes.

- **9/7 MS Word/Google Docs**
- **9/21 MS Excel/Google Sheets**

**10/5 & 10/19 Cloud storage**

**Preparedness Food Pantry** via Zoom

**Thursday, September 8, 7-8:30 p.m.**

Invest in your well-being. Prepare for illness, loss of income, supply chain disruptions, weather, or natural disasters with a supply of food, water, and basic items. Learn what to store, and how to safely store food, find storage space, and manage food supplies and budget.

**Defensive Driving**

**Saturday, September 10, OR Wednesday, September 28, OR Saturday, October 15, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.**

Six hour class to reduce insurance cost for three years. Reduce driving record points every 18 months. Fee: $30. Check/money order only, pay to: Empire Safety Council.

**Writer’s Workshop**

**Wednesdays, biweekly, 6:45-8:30 p.m., September 14-December 21**

Join fellow authors. Write and read aloud your own work. Read and provide constructive criticism of the work of others. One page of writing is due each session.

Register at Reference Desk; receive your first assignment, due on 9/14. 7 sessions. (No mtg. 11/23)
Conversation Skills for English Learners 📑
Thursdays, 6-7 p.m., September 22 - October 27
Practice your English conversation skills and improve vocabulary and grammar skills. For all English learning levels. 5 sessions. (No mtg. 10/20)

What’s New-Medicare 2023 📑
Wednesday, October 19, 12-2 p.m. in-person, OR Wednesday, October 26, 6:30-8:30 p.m. via Zoom
Maximize benefits during Medicare’s Annual Enrollment. Educational seminar

ESPAÑOL
Encuentre una versión en español del boletín en nuestro sitio web.

Habilidades de conversación para estudiantes de inglés 📑
Jueves, 18:00-19:00 horas, 22 de septiembre-27 de octubre
Practique sus habilidades de conversación en inglés y mejore su vocabulario y gramática. Para todos los niveles de aprendizaje de inglés. 5 sesiones. (Sin reunión el 20/10)

Taller OSHA 30 para hispanohablantes 📑
Viernes 21 y 28 de octubre, de 11:30 a 20:00 horas, y Sábados 22 y 29 de octubre, de 9:30 a 16:30 horas.

What’s New-Medicare 2023 📑
Wednesday, October 19, 12-2 p.m. in-person, OR Wednesday, October 26, 6:30-8:30 p.m. via Zoom
Maximize benefits during Medicare’s Annual Enrollment. Educational seminar
with Senior Services privatization, why
Specialist Cindy Medicare is pushing
Goldsher covers new Medicare Advantage
laws, Medicare Plans, and more.
Halloween Green Screen
Saturday, October 29, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Walk to the library from the Bellport Halloween parade to take a green screen photo.

OSHA 30 Workshop for Spanish Speakers
Fridays, October 21 and 28, 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m., and Saturdays, October 22 and 29, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Four-session certification. Suffolk Co. Dept. of Labor will run the OSHA-30 Hour Training for Construction Safety Certification for Spanish speakers. Must attend all four sessions. Space is limited.

Bellport Garden Club Flower Show
October 1 & 2
In the library, view club members’ flower and information displays.
CHILDREN’S CORNER

Follow us on Facebook! Parents/guardians are responsible to supervise their child’s library use and material selection. Program descriptions available online southcountry.librarycalendar.com. Registration required unless noted. Register in-person, online or by phone at 631-286-0818 x2. If your child needs special accommodations, let us know.

September
Register for in-person programs Thursday, 9/1, 9:30 a.m.

Don’t Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus Contest
All September, kids can find the pigeon driving a bus in the Children’s Dept. When you let a librarian know where, we’ll enter you in a raffle. One entry per child per day. Winner to be randomly selected.

National Read a Book Day
September 6
Get caught reading in the Children’s Dept. and receive a small prize and a raffle entry!

In-person Series

Mother Goose
Ages Newborn-35 mos. AND an adult
Thursdays, 10-10:30 a.m., September 8, 15, & 22

Toddler Storytime

Playpalooza!
Ages 3-4 AND an adult
Tuesdays, 11:15 a.m.-12 p.m., September 13, 20, & 27

Mystery Story & Craft
Ages 3-5 AND an adult
Thursdays, 4:30-5 p.m., September 15, 22, & 29

Register for programs in person, online at scyllib.org or by telephone at (631) 286-0818
In-person Events

Storytime &
Nature Hike
at Wertheim Nat’l
Wildlife Refuge
Grades Pre-K-5 AND an adult
Saturday,
September 10,
10:30-11:30 a.m.

Color the
Universe
Grades Pre-K-2 AND an adult
Monday,
September 12,
4:15-5 p.m.

Bad Art Night
Grades 3-5
Tuesday,
September 13,
7-7:45 p.m.

The Pigeon HAS
to Go to School
Story and Craft
Grades Pre-K-2 AND an adult

Wednesday,
September 14,
6-6:30 p.m.

PlayHooray®
Ages Newborn-6 yrs.
AND an adult
Saturday,
September 17,
10-10:45 a.m.

Muddy Pigs
Ages 3-4 AND an adult
Wednesday,
September 21,
10:30-11 a.m.

Back to School
Pencil Case
Grades K-5
Wednesday,
September 21,
6-6:30 p.m.

October
Register for in-person programs Saturday,
10/1, 9:30 a.m.

LEGO® Club
Grades K-5
Wednesday,
September 28,
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Candy
Experiments:
Float the Boat!
Grades 3-5
Thursday,
September 29,
6:30-7:15 p.m.

Monster
Scavenger Hunt
October, look for monsters in Children’s Dept., get a sticker.

Trick or Treat
Saturday,
October 29,
Monday,
October 31
Stop by in costume for a treat after the Bellport Halloween Parade or on Halloween!

**In-person Series**

**Mother Goose**
Ages Newborn-35 mos. AND an adult
**Thursdays,**
10-10:30 a.m.,
October 6, 13, & 20

**Mystery** Story & Craft
Ages 3-5 AND an adult
**Thursdays,**
4:30-5 p.m.
October 6 & 20

**Shake, Rattle & Read**
Ages 12-35 mos. AND an adult
**Fridays,**
2-2:30 p.m.,
October 7 & 14

**Toddler Storytime**
Ages 18-35 months AND an adult
**Tuesdays,**
10:15-11 a.m.,
October 11 & 18

**Playpalooza!**
Ages 3-4 AND an adult
**Tuesdays,**
11:15 a.m.-12 p.m.
October 11 & 18

**In-person Events**

**PlayHooray®**
Ages Newborn-6 yrs. AND an adult
**Saturday,**
October 8,
10-10:45 a.m.

**Kids Halloween Movie**
Grades Pre-K-5 AND an adult
**Saturday,**
October 8,
2-4 p.m.

**Hanging Bats**
Grades 3-5
**Tuesday,**
October 11,
7-7:30 p.m.

**Pumpkin Storytime at Glover Farms**
Family program; all ages
**Wednesday,**
October 12,
4:30-5:30 p.m.
**Rain date: Friday,**
Oct. 14, 4:30 p.m.

**Storytime & Nature Hike at CEED**
Grades Pre-K-5 AND an adult
**Saturday,**
October 15,
10:30-11:30 a.m.
Pumpkin Storytime at Glover Farms
Family program; all ages
Monday, October 17, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Rain date: Wed., Oct. 19, 10:30 a.m.

LEGO® Club
Grades K-5
Monday, October 17, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Pajama Storytime
Ages 3-4 (independently)
Tuesday, October 18, 6-6:30 p.m.

Creepy Watercolor
Spider Webs
Grades 3-5
Wednesday, October 19, 6:30-7:15 p.m.

A Visit to the Firehouse
Ages 2-5 AND an adult
Friday, October 21, 10:30 a.m. Meet at library at 10.

Little Monster
Story & Craft
Ages 2-4 AND an adult
Tuesday, October 25, 10:15-11 a.m.

Not-So-Scary
Story & Craft
Grades Pre-K-2 AND an adult
Wednesday, October 26, 6-6:30 p.m.

Peek-a-BOO!
Ages Newborn-35 mos. AND an adult
Thursday, October 27, 10-10:30 a.m.

Paper Roll Monster
Grades K-5
Thursday, October 27, 4:15-5 p.m.

Kits and Crafts
Website and calendar include all Sept./Oct. kit details. Register and pick up on date indicated; while supplies last.

Ongoing Craft Kits
All ages; no registration
Every Saturday while supplies last. Free craft kits are available.

Alphabet Kit
Ages 1-5
Friday, September 2

Popsicle Stick Scarecrow
Grades Pre-K-3
Friday, September 23
**Young Adults**

Registering for programs requires SCL library card. Full descriptions and online registration: [sctylib.org](http://sctylib.org)

**ALL YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS ARE FOR GRADES 6-12**

### Reading and Writing

#### Teen Book Club

Monthly book discussion. Books can be downloaded from Overdrive®/Libby and Hoopla® with your library card. Or pick up a copy of the book in Teen Dept. for check out.

**Tuesday, September 28,**

4-5 p.m. (middle school level)

*New Kid* by Jerry Craft

**Thursday, October 20,**

4-5 p.m. (high school level)

*Carrie* by Stephen King

**Book Boxes**

Let us pick you a book. Register, indicate likes and dislikes, then we will provide a match in a themed box with treats and giveaways. Check out book to library card; it must be returned.

**September:** Back to School *Register now*

**October:** Horror *Register 9/1*

**November:** Stranger Things (1980s) *Register 10/1*

**Films and Games**

Snacks will be served at films and game programs.

**Monthly Raffles**

Enter each month for prizes.

**September:** Back to School Movies

**October:** Horror Movies

**Movies**

*Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness*

**Movies**

*Stranger Things Day* Saturday, November 5 *(save the date)* Join us to celebrate our love of this TV series about the supernatural.

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**Movies**

*Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness*

**Register for programs in person, online at sctylib.org or by telephone at (631) 286-0818**
Horror Movie Winner
Vote (online or in-person) for the horror movie you want to watch: *The Witches, Little Shop of Horrors,* or *A Quiet Place.*
Friday, October 7, 6-8 p.m.

Escape the Library
Saturday, September 17, 12-1 p.m.
Can you decipher the clues to unlock the box in time?

Broadway @the Library
Thursday, September 29, 6-8:30 p.m.
Celebrate Broadway-watch a classic.

Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet St.

Mario Kart and More!
Thursday, October 6, 6-7:30 p.m.
Let's-A-Go! Join us to play.

Make It
Craft Take Home Kit
Register on/after first day/month; we will contact you to pick up. All kits will contain the materials needed to create the craft.

Shrinky Dinks
Monday, September 12
Dia de los Muertos Skull
Tuesday, October 11

Crafternoon
Fun crafting afternoons.

Jellyfish Painting
Friday, September 23, 4:30 p.m.

Beginner Calligraphy
Fridays, 4:30 p.m., October 21, 28, November 4
Learn the basics. Attendees receive their own set of pens.

Volunteer
Receive community service hours. For more volunteer opportunities visit sctylib.org/teen/volunteers

Bookmarks for the Homebound
Thursdays, 4-5 p.m., September 8, October 13
Register for programs in person, online at scylib.org or by telephone at (631) 286-0818

Make bookmarks for library patrons. For credit.

**Senior Letter Writing**
**Thursday, September 15, 6-7 p.m.**
Brighten the day of our local seniors; write letters!

**Teen Advisory Group**
**Wednesday, October 12, 4:30-5:30 p.m.**
Share ideas and help plan library programs.

**Local Government 101**
**Thursday, October 27, 6-7 p.m.**
How does our county government work? What differs from federal and state governments? Discuss how a bill becomes a law, how individuals can get involved, and speak out on local issues. This program will be educational and nonpartisan.

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**Library Services**

**Outreach**
Convalescing South Country adults, and those with a disability or of advanced age, are eligible to have library materials delivered to and picked up from your home.

**Book a Librarian**
☎
Adult patrons who need technology help may schedule 60 minutes one-on-one with a librarian for help to use a phone, e-reader, or other device.

**Special Accommodations**
Please inform us in advance if you need any special accommodations to utilize the library.

**Social Work Intern**
Social work interns will provide patrons assistance and information (housing, emergency help, and more) beginning **Tuesday, 9/6. Tuesdays and Fridays, 5-9 p.m., Mondays, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.**
SMART Recovery™
Tuesdays, 7 p.m.:
start date TBA.

Adult Programs

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

REGISTRATION

Library adult programs are for patrons/residents age 18 or older. **Register from date newsletter is published, or as noted.** Any symbol indicates a registration option /requirement. Fees can be paid online.

 Register by phone at 631-286-0818, Reference.
 Register online: sctylib.org

$ Requires non-refundable fee to be paid at registration.
 For SC Library cardholders. Others may register 1 week before class, if space permits.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Join us for book discussions of **Such a Fun Age** by Kiley Reid on **Saturday, October 22, 10-11 a.m.**, book available 9/24, and **Rock Paper Scissors** by Alice Feeney **Saturday, November 19, 10-11 a.m.** Book available 10/22.
**COOKING AND CRAFTS**

**Origami Kits**
Includes 40 varied origami sheets plus *Easy Orgami* book by John Montroll to get started. Register with So. Country card 9/1-9/30 (while supplies last). Pick up from Mon. 10/3; unclaimed kits go to waitlist Tues., 10/11.

**Knit/Crochet Circle**
Saturdays, 12-1 p.m., September 17 & October 22
All yarnies welcome to work on and chat about your works in progress. Non-instructional.

**Beaded Wire Bracelet** $7
Friday, September 23, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**Painted Coasters**
Monday, September 26, 7-8 p.m.
Paint a pair of coasters.

**Pumpkin Chalkboard**
Monday, October 24, 7-8 p.m.
Use chalkboard paint; create a chalkboard. Fee: $4.

**CONCERT**

**Homegrown String Band™**
Friday, October 14, 7 p.m.
We're happy to welcome back the *Homegrown String Band™*, a dynamic family trio with original and traditional music, plus eclectic instruments. Take a musical journey from ancient British Isle ballads to blues, bluegrass and country.
Weekly Trivia
Details/links on our website. Open until 9 p.m. on third day; 20 players.

9/6 Geography
9/13 Art
9/20 Name that Tune
9/27 Who said that?
10/4 Musicians
10/11 General Knowledge
10/18 TV
10/25 Horror Movie Villains

BINGO
Fridays, 2-3 p.m., September 30, October 28 Friendly games. Prizes. Register for one or both dates.

Gaming Café 🎲
Saturday, September 17, 3-4 p.m.
Play video games with peers. Tea and coffee available.

ENRICHMENT
For adults with special needs.
Please let us know of any allergies or of specific accommodations needed.

Cookies and Coloring 🍪
Saturday, October 22, 3-4 p.m.
Caregivers welcome to attend; only registered patrons may participate.

Enrichment Kit 🎨
Monthly creativity kits. Call or stop by Ref. Desk with your library card to register early. Pick-up from the first of the month.

September: String Painting
October: Fall Sensory Bag

EXERCISE
Registration includes waiver.

NEW! Chair Yoga ☀️
Mondays, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
September 12-October 31
Lauren Adamkiewicz.
Gentle yoga; a chair aids strength, balance, flexibility and mental well-being. 7 classes, Fee: $21 (No mtg. 10/10)

NEW! Yoga ☀️
Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
September 13-October 25
Join Daniel for yoga with a mindful approach. All levels; modified poses

New Adult
Ages 18-34
registered. Focus is on balance between breath and movement. 7 classes, Fee: $21

**Tai Chi $**
**Thursdays, 12-1 p.m., September 8-October 27**

**Qigong $**
**Fridays, 10-11 a.m., September 9-October 28**
Chinese healing art of gentle, low impact exercises with evidence-based health benefits. Tom Linden, Ctr. for Taiji Studies certified. 8 classes, Fee: $24.

**GAME CLUBS**

One or two sets provided, or bring your own. Please sign the attendance sheet when you play; no registration required.

**Chess Club**
**NEW! Mondays, 12-1 p.m.**
(No mtgs. 9/5, 10/10)

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

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

**Canasta Club**
**Wednesdays, 1-3:30 p.m.**

**THURSDAY MOVIES**

A movie is shown each Thursday at 2 p.m. Cookies are available.

9/1 **Downton Abbey: A New Era**
9/8 **Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness**
9/15 **Jurassic World Dominion**
9/22 **Elvis**
9/29 **Where the Crawdads Sing**

**October:** Call library or check website for titles.
LIBRARY CLOSED

Sunday, September 4
Labor Day
Monday, September 5
Indigenous Peoples Day
Monday, October 10

GALLERY DISPLAY

Space available monthly. Contact Reference Department.

September Brookhaven Elementary Student Artwork

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Meetings, 7 p.m.

Thursday, September 15
Thursday, October 20

MISSION STATEMENT

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

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Kristina Sembler, Director │ Patrick O’Leary, Assistant Director

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., beginning September 11

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