



Community

Notice:

Thank you in advance for your patience during construction.

The Library will replace the HVAC system for the main portion of the building. For safety, the building will close on 4/29, and 5/1-5/5. (Subject to change. Please check for updates via phone, website, or social media.) Staff will be online and on the phone to help patrons. We're pleased to note the new system will run on 100% clean energy, provide greater comfort control, and cycle more fresh air in the building.

Library Budget passed – thank you.

GARDENING classes with Renato Stafford:

Grow Your Own Food 🌱📖

Monday, May 8, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Four season organic garden. How to design and build your garden, make soil (compost), what to grow, succession planting, crop rotation, weeds, irrigation, seed saving, and more.

Composting 🌱📖

Saturday, May 27, 1-3 p.m.

Invest in a well thought out composting process to help your organic garden thrive. Topics will include: local resources, how to build bins, ingredients to add, minerals, worms, and compost tea.

Kitchen Garden 🌱📖

Saturday, June 10, 1-3 p.m.

Learn how to grow, prepare, and store quality organic food for your family. We'll review aspects from **Grow Your Own Food** 5/8 with an emphasis on meal planning to feed your family all year with things you grow.

OUTDOOR CONCERT

The Ronald Reagans Big '80s Show

Friday, June 2, 7 p.m.

Library parking lot

With big hair and bodacious '80s-inspired costumes, *The Ronald Reagans* are back to bring the most radically awesome decade to life. *The Reagans* is family-friendly. Big '80's Show recreates pop, new wave, and rock chart toppers. No registration.

Star Wars Day

Saturday, May 13, 1-4 p.m.

All ages welcome

Celebrate *Star Wars* with crafts, Padawan training, photo ops, giveaways, and a visit from *The Saber Guild of LI Endor Temple*. Cosplay is encouraged (no weapons).



Star Wars

film showings:

10 a.m. Episode IV

A New Hope (1977)

12 p.m. Episode V *The Empire Strikes Back* (1980)

2 p.m. Ep. VI *Return of the Jedi* (1983)

Find the Droid

Monday, 5/8-Saturday, 5/13

Scavenger hunt.

Outdoor Movie

The Sandlot

Friday, May 19, 8 p.m.

@ South Country Ambulance Co.

The whole family is welcome to a movie under the stars. Bring something to sit on and some snacks if you like. No registration. Rain will move event indoors.

EDUCATION & ENTERTAINMENT

Rent vs. Buy 🏠📖

Monday, May 15, 6-7 p.m.

Address important questions to ask yourself and answer. Get help to compare cost and benefit of owning a home vs. renting, and to budget/plan for the future. Attendees may want to register for Pt. 2: Homebuyer Programs, 7:30 this evening.

Homebuyer Programs 🏠📖

Monday, May 15,

7:30-8:30 p.m.

Grants, or programs, could help you buy a home. Learn about these, who offers them, and who's eligible. The class walks you through applying to, and timelines for, the programs, and gives mortgage pre-approval tips.

English Class ESOL 🏠📖

Mondays, 6-7 p.m., May 8-

June 26 (No classes 5/29, 6/19)

Free weekly class. Practice:

to speak, to read, and to write English. All levels. Partner:

Brookhaven Free Library.

Únete a nuestra instructora, Marie, para esta clase semanal gratuita para estudiantes de Ingles. Las clases se enfocarán en practicar, hablar, leer y escribir. ¡Todos los niveles de habilidad son bienvenidos!

Conversation 🏠📖 Skills: Learn English

Thursdays, 6-7 p.m.,

May 11, 25, June 8, 22

Practice speaking English.

All levels. *Practica tus habilidades*

de conversación en inglés y mejora tu vocabulario y tus habilidades gramaticales. Para todos los niveles de aprendizaje de inglés.

Parent/Teen Paint Party

Friday, June 9, 6:30 p.m.

A fun evening to paint with your adult. Step by step, with Melissa of *Paint Party LI*, create Owls in a Tree on two canvas to make one picture.

HELP & INFORMATION

Job Readiness 🏠📖

Monday, June 5, 1-3 p.m.

Suffolk County Department of Labor will cover such topics

as: overview of DOL services, résumés, interviews, attire, "elevator pitch," workplace conduct, Q&A.

Job Fair

Tuesday, June 6, 1-3 p.m.

Suffolk County Department of Labor. No registration required.

Child-ID

Monday, June 26,

11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Event partners: Assemblyman Joe DeStefano and Suffolk Co. Sheriff.

Specific information and up-to-date photos are crucial time savers for law officers to find a missing child. Child-ID cards are made in under ten minutes to be carried in the parent's wallet or pocketbook.

No registration required.

Children's 2023 Summer Reading Club Buggy for Books

**Monday, June 26-
Saturday, August 19**

SRC Kickoff Party

Monday, June 26

Children AND an adult; no registration

Games, crafts, cotton candy, reading club registration and more! Drop in 5:30-7 p.m.

Teen 2023 Summer Reading Club Explore the Possibilities

**Monday, June 26-
Saturday, August 19**

Looking to do something fun this summer? Join Summer Reading Club, where reading reaps rewards. Read or listen to books, e-books, magazines, newspapers, graphic novels and comic books to earn prizes.

Adult 2023 Summer Reading Club

**Monday, June 26-
Friday, August 11**

Reading=rewards! Giveaway books are back when you sign-up! Prize raffles run for six weeks. Each book you complete earns you an entry ticket; which prize box will you choose? Information, prizes, and registration: sctylib.org/adult-research

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Follow us on **Facebook!** Parents/guardians, please monitor your child's library use and material selection. Program details: **southcountry.librarycalendar.com**. Register, required unless noted, in-person, online, or call 631-286-0818 x2. Let us know if special accommodations are needed.

Children's Book Week: Celebrate throughout May

Star Wars Day! All ages AND an adult. **Saturday, May 13, 1-4 p.m.** Details on page 1. No registration.

**Due to construction, register by phone or online only, Monday, 5/1, 9:30 a.m. for May in-person programs.*

In-Person Events

Spanish English Storytime

All ages AND an adult
Saturday, May 6, 11-11:45 a.m.



Little Red Hen Egg Hunt

Ages 12 mos.-3 yrs. AND an adult
Monday, May 8, 10-10:30 a.m.

LEGO® Club Grades K-5
Monday, May 8, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Mario Kart Tween: Grades 4-7
Thursday, May 11, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Nature Pinch Pot
Grades K-3 AND an adult
Friday, May 12, 4:30-5 p.m.

Paper Roll Fairy House
Grades Pre-K-2 AND an adult
Monday, May 15, 4:30-5 p.m.

Tulip Paper Craft
Grades 3-5
Tuesday, May 16, 6:30-7 p.m.

Shake, Rattle, and Read
Ages 12-35 months AND an adult
Friday, May 19, 2-2:30 p.m.

Wood Slice

Owl Grades K-3
Tuesday, May 23, 6-6:30 p.m.



Windsock
Wednesday Grades 2-5
Wednesday, May 24, 6:30-7 p.m.

Blow Painting Art
Grades K-5
Wednesday, May 31, 6:30-7 p.m.

June

Register for in-person programs
Thursday, 6/1, 9:30 a.m.



Ants Go Marching

Contest - All June
Can you find the sets of ants marching? One entry per child per day.

In-Person Events

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

Breakout – Amusement Park Mishap Tween: Grades 4-7
Thursday, June 8, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Invitation to Create
Grades K-5 AND an adult; no registration
Saturday, June 10, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Create a Mini Magnet Grades 3-5
Monday, June 12, 6:30-7:15 p.m.

Summer Solstice Painting Grades 3-5

Thursday, June 15, 6:30-7 p.m.

Literacy Volunteers
Want to help an English speaker to read and write? We seek skilled instructors to volunteer. Complete/ return application. 631-286-0818 ext. 229.

Coffee with A Cop

open to adults and teens
Tuesday, May 16, 4-6 p.m.
Join Police Officer Gallant in our Fireplace Room to chat about local issues and learn about one another.

May dates register* Monday, 5/1. June dates register Thursday, 6/1.

Off-site Programs

Storytime at Mama Farm Ages 18 mos.-5 yrs. AND an adult
Wednesdays, 10:30-11:15 a.m., May 10, June 14

Pizza Time at Café Castello Grades K-5 AND an adult
Wednesdays, 4-5 p.m., May 10, June 14

In-person Series

Toddler Storytime Ages 18-35 months AND an adult
Tuesdays, 10:15-11 a.m., May 9, 16, 23, June 6, 13, 27

Mother Goose Ages Newborn-35 months AND an adult
Thursdays, 10-10:30 a.m., May 11, 18, 25, June 15, 22, 29

Storycraft for Littles Ages 3-5 AND an adult
Thursdays, 4:30-5 p.m., May 11, 18, 25, June 8, 15, 22

Summer Lei Making

Grades K-3
Wednesday, June 21, 6-6:30 p.m.



Shark!
Story & Craft
Grades Pre-K-2

Wednesday, June 28, 6-6:30 p.m.

Insect Camouflage Activity

Grades 3-5
Thursday, June 29, 6:30-7:15 p.m.

Summer Reading Club



Buggy for Books

June 26-August 19

Kickoff Party!

Children AND an adult; no registration
Monday, June 26, 5:30-7 p.m.
Drop in anytime.
Games, crafts, cotton candy, SRClub registration, more.

Kits and Crafts

Registration and pick-up for each kit begins on date specified.

Ongoing Craft Kits

All ages; no registration
Every Saturday while supplies last.

Mother's Day Craft

Ages 2½-5 **Monday, 5/8**

Star Wars Puppet

Grades K-5 **Tuesday, 5/9**

Felt Bird Bookmarks

Grades K-5 **Wednesday, 5/17**

Paper Plate Snail

Grades Pre-K-5 **Friday, 5/19**

Father's Day Craft

Grades Pre-K-3 **Monday, 6/5**

Card For Dad

Grades Pre-K-5 **Friday, 6/9**

Visor Decorating

Ages 3-5 **Friday, 6/16**

Summer Sun Craft

Grades Pre-K-3 **Tuesday, 6/20**

Library Services

Alzheimer's-Dementia Caregiver Support

Mondays, 1-2:30 p.m., May 8, 22, June 12, 26
Register at 516-292-1300 x2264
randerson@fcali.org

Social Work Intern

Mondays, 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Tuesdays, Fridays, 5-9 p.m.
Ends May 8+12. Drop in or make appt. Interns provide info and assistance for housing, crisis aid, and more.

Senior Advocate

NEW! Tuesdays, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., May 9, June 13
Seniors get help to find benefits. When eligible, seniors will be assisted to apply. Benefit programs include SNAP, MSP, and HEAP. No registration required.

SMART Recovery™

Tuesday, May 9, 7 p.m.
Anonymous. Addiction recovery. Age 18+. No registration required.

Young Adults

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

ALL YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS FOR GRADES 6-12

Be Proud! Be Responsible!

**Saturday, June 3,
10 a.m.-4 p.m. Ages 12- 21**
Stony Brook Children's Hospital
Health Educators
Education for adolescents.
Evidence-based knowledge, and
skills to reduce risk of unintended
pregnancy and disease, and to
make safer sex decisions.

Free Comic Book Day

Saturday, May 6
Drop in for a comic
book (while supplies
last). Use our button
machine to make
a button of your favorite
superhero.



Make It

Parent/Teen Paint Party
Friday, June 9, 6:30 p.m.
Details on page 1

Craft Take Home Kit Comic Book Kit

Monday, May 15 Register May 1
Donut Squishies
Tuesday, June 6 Register June 1

Twæen Programs

Grades 4-7 only
Mario Kart
**Thursday, May 11,
6:30-7:30 p.m.** Register May 1
Compete-Mario Kart! Snacks.

**Breakout –
Amusement Park Mishap**
**Thursday, June 8,
6:30-7:30 p.m.** Register June 1
Can your team figure out clues
to open a box in time?

Films and Games

Snacks served at films/games
Escape the Library
Star Wars Edition
**Wednesday, May 10,
6:30-7:30 p.m.**
Teamwork. Critical thinking.
Follow clues, unlock box.

Monthly Raffles
Enter each month for prizes.
May: May the 4th Be with You
June: Movie Candy

Pizza and a Movie
Space Balls
Friday, May 12, 6-8 p.m.
Cult-fave *Star Wars* spoof.

Friday Film
**Ant-Man and the Wasp:
Quantumania**
Friday, June 16, 5-7 p.m.

Reading and Writing

Book Boxes
Let us pick you a book.
Registration and details online.
May: Sci-Fi Register now
June: Movies Register May 1
July: Mysteries Register June 1

Battle of the Books

Grades 6-9 (in the fall)
Title Release (online): **Mon., 5/1**
Book Available: **Saturday, 5/6**
Practice: **Tuesdays, 7-8 p.m.,
June 20-August 8** (no mtg. 7/4)
The heat is on; get ready to
Battle! Like to read, play trivia,
and win? Join us!
Competition: **Sat., August 12**

Teen Book Club
**Wednesday, June 14,
6:30-7:30 p.m.**



Drama by Raina
Telgemeier
A free copy of the book is
available at YA Desk to first
eight to register.

Summer Reading Club
Explore the Possibilities
Details on page 1

100 Books B4 Graduation
Read 100 books before HS
graduation! Every 20= prize.
Read 100= Grand Prize!

Volunteer

Receive community service hours.
Details, applications, submissions at
sctylib.org/teen/volunteers

Bookmarks
Mondays, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
May 8, June 12

Flowers for Seniors
**Wednesday, May 17,
4-6 p.m.**
Senior Citizen Month
Arrange faux flowers for
seniors.



Garden Volunteers
Thursdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
May 18, June 15
Help plant and tend to our
garden vegetables.

Teen Advisory Group
**Tuesday, May 23,
6:30-7:30 p.m.**
Share ideas, help us plan.

Adult Programs

REGISTRATION

Please tell us in advance if you
need modifications to use the
library. Adult programs are age 18
or older. Register from date newsletter
is published, or as noted. Any symbol
denotes an option or requirement.

- ☎ Call to register 631-286-0818,
Reference.
- 📄 Register online: sctylib.org
- 👤 Requires in-person registration.
- 💰 Requires non-refundable fee
to be paid at registration.
- 📖 For SC Library cardholders.

ENRICHMENT

For adults with special needs.

Tissue Paper Suncatcher
available 5/8
Seashell Sand Painting
available 6/1

EXERCISE

Register until 2nd class; supply waiver.

Chair Yoga 📄 \$
**Mondays, 10:30-11:30 a.m.,
May 8-June 26**
6 classes, (no mtgs. 5/29, 6/19), Fee: \$18

Yoga 📄 \$
**Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m.,
May 9-June 27**
8 classes, Fee: \$24

Tai Chi 📄 \$
**Thursdays, 12-1 p.m.
May 11-June 29**
7 classes, (no mtg. 5/18), Fee: \$21

Qigong 📄 \$
**Fridays, 10-11 a.m.,
May 12-June 30**
6 classes, (no mtgs. 5/19, 5/26), Fee: \$18

Guided Meditation



☎ 📄
Monday, May 8, 1-1:45 p.m.
**AND/ OR Thursday, June 8,
6-6:45 p.m.**

GAMES

**Intermediate Mah-
Jongg Class** 📄 📄
**Wednesdays, May 10, 17, 24,
10 a.m.-12 p.m.**
Increase your skills. You must
be familiar with tiles and
understand the game. Jacqui
Palatnik instructs. Three part class

BINGO 📄 📄
**Fridays, 2-3 p.m.,
May 26, June 30**
Friendly games and prizes.
Register for one or both.

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

Canasta Club*
Wednesdays, 1-3:30 p.m.
*Sign in as you attend; no registration.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Books & Bagels
Saturdays, 10 a.m.
Bagels, coffee and tea. 📄 📄
June 10 *Less* by Andrew
Sean Greer Book avail. 5/6
*This discussion will take place by the
Bellport Bandshell.*

Summer Classics
Discuss classics **July/Aug.**;
film screening follows.
July 22 *Rebecca*
by Daphne du Maurier
Book available 6/10
*Look for the 2023-2024 Book
Discussion pamphlet!*

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:
 Regina Crawford, Mary Falkowitz, Lorraine Kuehn, Nancy Marr,
 Geoffrey Marschall, Joann Neal, Cecelia F. Walsh

ECRWSS RESIDENTIAL POSTAL CUSTOMER

Adult Programs

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

LIBRARY CLOSED

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**Saturday, April 29, &
 Monday-Friday, May 1-5**

**Mother's Day
 Sunday, May 14**

**Memorial Day Weekend
 Sunday-Monday, May 28-29**

**Father's Day
 Sunday, June 18**

**Juneteenth
 Monday, June 19**

Outreach, tech. help, streaming,
 Notary Public, tutoring, Library of
 Things, and more collections and
 services are available in the library
 and online with a library card.

Seed Library

Starting a garden? Choose free
 seeds, three packets at a time,
 from 90+ herbs, vegetables, and
 flowers.

Community Food Drive

Saturday, May 20*
 Rotary and Lions Clubs' food
 drive. *Drop off donations May 6-20.
 Call for information.

Blood Drive

Friday, July 7, 1-7 p.m.
 Healthy persons age 16-75,
 110 lbs. min., can donate.
 Eligible? Call 1-800-688-0900. Walk-
 ins okay. No registration.

Small Business Discount Program

Show a So. Country Library
 card, get a discount at these
 businesses: Papa Nick's; Summer
 Salt; Shelby's Kitchen; TOLA; Cupcakes
 Galore; Bellport Apothecary; Waffles
 and Soul; Step in Time Dancewear;
 ifixscreens (Medford); Brook House; Red
 Barn Boutique; Bellport Arts & Framing
 Studio; Federal Direct Tax Services.
 Updates on website.

GALLERY DISPLAY

May Jacqueline Dupré
Photography & Mixed Media
June South Country Peace
 Group *Photography*

COOKING AND CRAFTS

Wreath Kit 📺 📱 📧
 Registration begins Mon., 5/1. South
 Country cardholders; limit one per
 household. Pickup begins Thurs., 6/1.
 Design/create 10" grapevine
 wreath from faux roses,
 eucalyptus, wire, ribbon.

Fiber Arts Crafting Circle

**Saturdays, 1-4 p.m.,
 May 6, June 3**
 No registration; non-instructional.
 Work on a knit, quilt, sewing, or
 other fiber arts project and chat
 with fellow enthusiasts.

Intro to Cricut

**Friday, May 26,
 7-8:30 p.m.**
 Learn how to use
 Cricut Design
 Space and the
 Cricut Explore cutting machine.
 Bring device with Design Space app.

Sea Glass Necklace

Monday, June 5, 7-8 p.m.
 Local artist Robyn Romanoff
 teaches you to wrap real sea
 glass pieces with wire for a
 unique necklace. Fee \$20.

Welcome Sign

**Monday, June 26,
 6:30-7:30 p.m.**
 Join Sam to create a
 sign for your home
 using a circular wood
 slice, acrylic paint, and
 vinyl "Welcome" decals.

EDUCATION & ENTERTAINMENT

Computer & Smartphone

Wednesdays, 7-8:30 p.m.
 Basic skills class. Register for
 individual classes.
5/17 Email skills and safety
5/31 Web browse on your laptop
6/14 Web browse on phone/tablet

DIY Cleaners

via Zoom
**Monday, May 22,
 7-8 p.m.**
 Want to eliminate
 toxic chemicals
 at home? Replace
 them with effective, non-toxic
 products you can create with
 safer, basic household items and
 essential oils.

Community Acoustic Jam

No registration.
Thursday, June 1, 6 p.m.
 Welcome back the *Bellport.com*
 Acoustic Jam. Musicians
 (acoustic; all skills) and audience
 play or sing.

Spring - Summer Wellness

via Zoom
Monday, June 7, 7-8 p.m.
 Choose the safest sunblock,
 or insect repellent. Learn to
 make non-toxic products using
 essential oils. Discuss summer
 skin and hair care. Plus, self-
 care, and staying cool naturally.

Come for Tea

Friday, June 9, 2-3:30 p.m.
 After tea history and scone
 recipes, cookbook author
 Margaret M. Johnson serves
 up a *cream tea*, with preserves,

clotted cream, and
 lemon curd, in china
 tea cups! Her cookbooks
 can be purchased and
 signed.



Defensive Driving

**Saturday, May 20, OR
 Wednesday, May 31, OR
 Saturday, June 17,
 10 a.m.-4 p.m.**
 Reduce insurance cost or
 driving record points. Fee: \$30.
 Check/money order only, pay to:
 Empire Safety Council.

Manejo Defensivo de Habla Hispana

Sábado, 3 de junio, 10-16 h
 Reciba hasta un 10% de descuento
 en el seguro de automóvil. Reduzca
 puntos en su historial de manejo.
 Cuota \$30. Regístrese en persona
 en el mostrador de referencia de la
 biblioteca con un cheque o giro postal
 a nombre de Empire Safety Council.

THURSDAY MOVIES

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

- 5/11 *Alice, Darling* R
- 5/18 *5000 Blankets* PG-13
- 5/25 *M3GAN* PG-13
- 6/1 *Plane* R
- 6/8 *Magic Mike's Last Dance* R
- 6/15 *Jesus Revolution* PG-13
- 6/22 *80 for Brady* PG-13
- 6/29 *Creed III* PG-13

MISSION STATEMENT

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

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meetings, 7 p.m.
**Thursday, May 18
 Thursday, June 15**