



# Library Notes

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631-286-0818

March - April 2024

## Early Spring Pursuits

### Mother's Group

**Mondays, 10:00-11:00am, March 4-April 15**

Motherhood is a physical and emotional adjustment. Mothers of infants, connect with other local mothers and a bilingual, licensed mental health counselor for support. Register from March 1, 9:30am.

### Oscars Contest! Through March 9

Movie buff? Love the Academy Awards? Our library cardholders can predict Oscars (March 10) "Best" winners for Picture, Director, Actor, Actress, Adapted Screenplay and Original Screenplay. Guess the most award categories correctly to win a Plaza Cinema gift card and **Oscar Wars** by Michael Schulman. Enter on our Events page.



### Concert

**The Donovan Project** 📞💻  
"Celebrating the Music of the Irish"

**Friday, March 15, 7:00-8:15pm**

Tom Donovan shares the music of the Irish to bring their stories to life. He sings, plays guitar or bagpipes, with audience participation.

### Solar Eclipse Livestream and Glasses Giveaway

**March 1-April 8**

Total Solar Eclipse: Monday, April 8. To prepare, obtain free solar eclipse glasses **while supplies last** at Patron Svcs. Desk, with your South Country Library card. Watch live stream eclipse video in library on April 8, 2:00-4:45pm.

### Observing the Solar Eclipse

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**Monday, April 1, 7:00-8:00pm**

Hamptons Observatory presents vital tips for safely observing the solar eclipse on April 8, the science behind it, and more. Attendees receive glasses.



### Broken Antler Wildlife Rescue

In November, Broken Antler Wildlife Rescue helped a cold-stunned bat discovered outside the library. If you are able, please support their great work with supplies or money donations.



Use your smartphone to scan this QR code to see and register for library programs or to view library calendar.

### MARCH IS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

**Daring and Intrepid Airwomen:**

**LI's Pioneer Women Aviators** 📞💻

**Tuesday, March 12, 1:00-2:30pm**

Long Island women were aviation's early history makers, including the first woman aviator (1910), and first licensed women pilots. Learn of a 17-year-old Freeport woman who flew below four East River bridges on a dare (1928), the same year a LI woman propelled Amelia Earhart to fame.



### ADMINISTRATORS' MESSAGE

Dear Community Members - Please come to support the Library at our April 2 budget vote. The library has planned another exciting year for South Country residents. We will bring back our mini-golf and haunted house special events that appealed to so many of you, and offer a variety of concerts, wellness programs, informational fairs and lectures, arts and crafts, and plenty more. In our main hallway, we will soon have a staff desk to provide nearby help while you browse. Please continue to enjoy our popular programs and services like big-screen movies, game clubs, one-on-one tech support, business center, passport and notary services, e-books, streaming services, and, of course, our wonderful collection of books. Thank you for your past and continued support and we hope to see you on April 2.

### NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK APRIL 7-13



### Long Island Reads

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**Saturday, April 20, 10:00-11:00am**

Each April, readers across LI discuss one book.

Join us for **Better Living Through Birding:**

**Notes from a Black Man in the Natural World** by Christian Cooper. The first 20 to register receive the book to keep. Book available 3/16. *LI Reads will honor Christian Cooper at the Plainview-Old Bethpage Pub. Library 4/21, 2:00pm.*



### Earth Day Cleanup

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**Monday, April 22, 2:30-5:00pm**

Join the community to clean up South Country streets for Earth Day. Meet here at 2:30pm. Call library for info. Students can earn service hrs.



### Star Wars Day

 All ages welcome

**Saturday, April 27, 1:00-4:00pm**

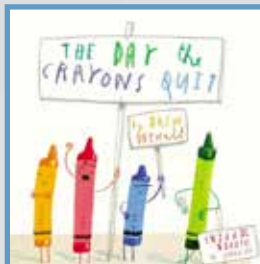
Celebrate **Star Wars** with crafts, Padawan training, photos, giveaways, and a visit from The Saber Guild of LI Endor Temple. Dress in costume; no weapons. Three original **Star Wars** films will show, starting at 10:00 am.

### LIBRARY BUDGET VOTE AND TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

**Tuesday, April 2, 9:30am-9:00pm** Details on page 4.

# Children's Corner

Follow us on *Facebook*! Parents/guardians, please monitor your child's library use and material selection. Need special accommodations to participate? Let us know.



## Crayon Scavenger Hunt

**All of MARCH**

Each week, find a different *The Day the Crayons Quit* character hiding in Children's Dept. to enter a raffle. Final week: find all four! A random entry receives Ultimate Crayola® Crayon Caddy.



## I Spy in My Library

**All of APRIL**

Children can hunt down various library items in the Children's Department to enter a raffle. Winner will be selected/notified in early May.

## DROP IN PROGRAMS

No registration required. *Drop in during time specified.*

### Chalk Fun!

Children AND an adult

Wednesday, March 6, 10:00am-12:00pm

### Playdough Fun!

Children AND an adult

Saturday, March 30, 10:00am-12:00pm

### Dot Marker Fun!

Children AND an adult

Wednesday, April 3, 10:00am-12:00pm

### Wacky Marble Run

Grades K-5

Friday, April 5, 4:30-5:30pm

### Star Wars Day

All ages AND an adult

Saturday, April 27, 1:00-4:00pm

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### Ink Stamp Fun

Children AND an adult

Monday, April 29, 10:00am-12:00pm

## March and April

Register at the library, online, or call 631-286-0818 x2. Details: [southcountry.librarycalendar.com](http://southcountry.librarycalendar.com) or scan the QR code on page 1. *We do not accept registrations by email.*

## IN PERSON PROGRAMS

Program registration is required unless noted. **MARCH** program registration begins **Friday, March 1**. **APRIL** program registration begins **Monday, April 1**.



### Mother's Group *series*

For mothers of infants

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### Parent Child Workshop

*series*

Ages 1-4 years AND an adult

Thursdays, 10:00-11:00am,  
March 7, 14, 21, & 28

### Storycraft for Littles *series*

Ages 3-5 years AND an adult

Thursdays, 4:30-5:00pm,  
March 7, 14, & 28

### Rainbow Art

Grades K-5

Friday, March 8, 5:30-6:15pm

### Storytime Yoga

Ages 3-6 years AND an adult

Saturday, March 9, 10:00-10:45am

### Family Yoga

Grades 2-5 AND an adult

Saturday, March 9, 11:00-11:45am

### Oh the Places You'll Go! Craft

Grades PreK-2 AND an adult

Monday, March 11, 6:00-6:30pm

### Toddler Storytime *series*

Ages 18-35 months AND an adult

Tuesdays, 10:15-11:00am,  
March 12, 19, & 26

### Spanish English Storytime

Ages 2-5 years AND an adult

Wednesday, March 13, 10:30-11:00am

### Lucky Day Story & Craft

Grades PreK-2 AND an adult

Wednesday, March 13, 5:00-5:30pm

### Art for Littles *series*

Ages 2½-5 years AND an adult

Fridays, 4:00-4:30pm,  
March 15 & 29

### Baby Start *series*

Ages Newborn-17 months AND an adult

Wednesdays, 10:00-10:30am,  
March 20 & 27



## IN PERSON PROGRAMS CONTINUED



### Decorate a Bear

Grades K-3  
Wednesday, March 20, 6:00-6:30pm

### Super Colorful Easter Egg

Grades K-5  
Thursday, March 21, 6:30-7:30pm

### Tots Night Out

Ages 18 months-5 years AND an adult  
Friday, March 22, 6:00-7:00pm

### LEGO® Club

Grades K-5  
Monday, March 25, 6:00-7:00pm

### Stained Glass Butterfly

Grades 2-5  
Tuesday, March 26, 6:30-7:00pm

### Tween Llama Paint Party

Grades 4-7  
Thursday, March 28, 6:30-8:00pm

### Mother Goose series

Ages Newborn-35 months AND an adult  
Thursdays, 10:00-10:30am,  
April 4, 11, 18, & 25

### Storycraft for Littles series

Ages 3-5 years AND an adult  
Thursdays, 4:30-5:00pm,  
April 4, 11, 18, & 25

### 3-D Rainbow

Ages 2½-5 AND an adult  
Saturday, April 6, 10:30-11:00am

### Magical Unicorn Wand and Story

Grades K-5  
Monday, April 8, 6:00-6:45pm

### Toddler Storytime series

Ages 18-35 months AND an adult  
Tuesdays, 10:15-11:00am,  
April 9, 16, & 23

### Pizza Time at Café Castello

Grades K-5 AND an adult  
Tuesday, April 9, 4:00-5:00pm

### Art for Littles series

Ages 2½-5 years AND an adult  
Fridays, 4:00-4:30pm,  
April 12 & 19

### Repeat a Beat Drum Circle

Grades 2-5  
Monday, April 15, 6:00-6:45pm

### Rock Party! Rock Painting and Design

Grades K-5  
Wednesday, April 17, 6:00-6:30pm

### Laugh Out Loud! Stories and Jokes

Grades K-5  
Thursday, April 18, 6:30-7:00pm

### Save the Earth! Decorate a Tote Bag

Grades K-5  
Monday, April 22, 11:00-11:30am

### Pajamas and a Movie: Wish

Grades K-5 AND an adult  
Monday, April 22, 6:00-7:45pm

### Flower Bubble Art

Grades 2-5  
Tuesday, April 23, 6:30-7:00pm

### Tween Jeopardy!

Grades 4-7  
Thursday, April 25, 6:30-7:30pm

### Favorite Character Yoga

Grades 2-5 AND an adult  
Monday, April 29, 6:00-6:45pm

### LEGO® Club

Grades K-5  
Tuesday, April 30, 6:00-7:00pm

## CRAFT KITS

Registration and pick-up begin at 9:30am on date listed.

### Craft Kits every Saturday

All ages; no registration,  
while supplies last.

### Pete the Cat Craft

Grades PreK-2  
Monday, March 4

### Color Matching Busy Bag

Ages 2-4 years  
Tuesday, March 5

### Rainbow Cloud Paper Chain

Grades 3-5  
Monday, March 11

### Straw Rocket

Grades K-5  
Monday, March 18

### Paper Plate Ladybug

Ages 3-5 years  
Tuesday, April 2

### Paper Weaving

Grades 2-5  
Wednesday, April 10

### Beaded Bubble Wand

Grades K-5  
Friday, April 19

### Rainfall Umbrella

Grades K-5  
Wednesday, April 24



# BUDGET VOTE - TRUSTEE ELECTIONS INFORMATION FOR VOTERS

The date for district residents to vote for the library's Trustees will be **Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at the library**. You will be electing three trustees to three-year terms. Recipients of the three highest vote counts will fill terms until 2027. Newly elected trustees will be seated at the May 16 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. Community Room. Applications for absentee ballots are available online or at the office of the Clerk of the School District.

## VOTING DAY:

**Tuesday, April 2, 2024, 9:30am to 9:00pm in the library**

## 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 for a voter application or go to: [suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/BOE](https://suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/BOE)

SOUTH COUNTRY LIBRARY BUDGET		
	2023-2024	2024-2025
<b>INCOME</b>		
<b>Tax Appropriation</b>	\$2,779,551	\$2,835,142
<b>Other Income</b>	\$364,750	\$434,600
<b>Fund Balance</b>	\$134,714	\$66,849
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$3,279,015</b>	<b>\$3,336,591</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
<b>Materials, Programs &amp; Services</b> <small>Books, videos, audiobooks, Playaways, CDs, DVDs, downloadables, periodicals, children's materials, reference sources, computer software, programs</small>	\$393,650	\$399,563
<b>Salaries &amp; Benefits</b> <small>Salaries, separation payout, insurance, social security, retirement, EAP</small>	\$2,274,465	\$2,332,030
<b>Library Operations</b> <small>Online catalog &amp; maintenance, library supplies, phone, postage, publicity, printing, travel &amp; conference, professional fees, equipment &amp; maintenance, budget/trustee election</small>	\$168,400	\$178,900
<b>Building Outlay</b> <small>Fuel, utilities, custodial supplies, building repair, insurance, service contracts</small>	\$330,500	\$300,000
<b>Capital Outlay</b> <small>Buildings, technical equipment, other equipment</small>	\$102,000	\$97,000
<b>Debt Services</b>	\$10,000	\$29,098
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$3,279,015</b>	<b>\$3,336,591</b>

Impact of Proposed Appropriation	
Accessed Per Hundred Value of Home	Increase from 2023/2024
\$3,000	\$6.69
\$4,000	\$8.92
\$5,000	\$11.15

# Library Services & Special Collections

Details, print requests, links, and forms for our services are on our website. Or call us for help.



## Seed Library

**The Seed Library returns March 8.** Vegetable, herb, and flower seeds, five packets per visit, are available to patrons with a library card.



## Book a Librarian

Do you need help with technology or basic computer skills? Library cardholders receive free one-on-one help for laptop, smartphone, tablet, email, web browsing, Word & Excel, and more. Call to make an appointment: 631-286-0818 ext. 1

## Library Tours

Are you a new patron interested in a building tour or learning about our programs and services? Contact Jack (extension 229) to arrange a tour appointment time.

## Outreach Homebound Service

Call to inquire about free Outreach service. For eligible (disability, convalescing, ill, advanced age) library patrons, a staff member selects books/materials, delivers to you, and picks up.



## Library of Things

Adult SC library cardholders can borrow items from our wide array: [sctylib.org/lot](https://sctylib.org/lot)

## Museum Passes

The Library offers free passes to museums around LI and NY City. Reserve up to three passes/30-days with South Country Adult library card and photo ID: [sctylib.org/museums](https://sctylib.org/museums)

## Small Business Discount

Show South Country Library card for discount at local businesses listed here: [sctylib.org/sbdp](https://sctylib.org/sbdp)

## Notary Public

Avail. Mon.-Fri. Fee \$2.00/notarized signature. Call 631-286-0818 ext. 1 to schedule. Details/ what we cannot notarize: [sctylib.org/notary](https://sctylib.org/notary)

## Passport Application Acceptance

**By appointment.** No renewals. We have forms. Details, applications we accept: [sctylib.org/passport](https://sctylib.org/passport)



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



**Star Wars Day**  
**Saturday, April 27, 1:00-4:00pm**  
All ages welcome. Details page 1

## NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK APRIL 7-13 "Ready, Set, Library"

Complete Scavenger Hunt to enter prize raffle.

### Escape the Library

**Tuesday, April 9, 3:30-4:30pm**

Teams, clues, answers, unlock box, escape!

### MAKE IT

### Drop-in Craft Kits

Monthly craft to complete while you are here. While supplies last. No registration.

### Craft Kits

Contains all needed materials to create item.

**Seed Bombs Kit** Make seed bombs to beautify the neighborhood. **Pick up begins Tues., 3/12**

**Bee Bath** DIY bee bath to attract bees to your garden. **Pick up begins Wed., 4/10**

### Custom Jigsaw Puzzles

**Saturday, March 9, 12:30-2:00pm**

Cricut. Create a custom jigsaw puzzle. Use your own .jpg? Email to [teen@sctylib.org](mailto:teen@sctylib.org)

### Painted Pots

**Wednesday, March 13, 3:30-4:30pm**

Paint a flowerpot. Plant seeds in it to grow!

### 3-D Printed Picture Frame

**Friday, April 19, 6:00-7:30pm**

Design a 3-D picture frame (Tinkercad). We call when your print is completed.

### VOLUNTEER

Earn community service hours. Info at YA Desk. Peruse, apply, submit: [sctylib.org/teen/volunteers](http://sctylib.org/teen/volunteers)

### Seed Sorting

**Friday, March 1, 4:00-6:00pm**

**Tuesday, March 5, 4:00-6:00pm**

**Thursday, March 7, 4:00-6:00pm**

Sort seeds for Seed Library. One date or more.

### Teen Advisory Group

**Thursday, March 14, 6:30-7:30pm**

**Tuesday, April 16, 4:00-5:00pm**

Share ideas and help plan library programs.

### Earth Day Community Clean-up

**Monday, April 22, 2:30-5:00pm**

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### Star Wars Event Volunteers

**Saturday, April 27, 1:00-4:00pm**

Librarians need assistance in event activities.

### READING & WRITING

### 100 Books before Graduation

**Grades 6-12**

Read 100 by HS graduation for a Grand Prize! Each 20 books earns a prize. Opt-in once; no re-reads.

### Book Boxes

Choose book likes/dislikes as you register, we find one to match.

Themed box has a book (borrow/return), treats, and giveaways (keep).

**March Theme:** Fantasy - Register now

**April Theme:** Endings - Register 3/1

### Teen Book Club

***We Dream of Space*** by Erin Entrada Kelly

**Thursday, April 11, 6:30pm**

Discussion. Book is available at Teen Desk.

### Authors Unlimited

**Saturday, April 13, 10:00am-2:30pm** St. Joseph's U., Patchogue, Free.

Teens/tweens=preferred seating. Attendees hear/meet YA authors in

author panel then breakout sessions. Book sale/signing at the end.

### TWEEN PROGRAMS Grades 4-7 only

### Tween Llama Paint Party

**Thursday, March 28, 6:30-8:00pm**

Step-by-step, paint a llama on canvas. Dress for mess. Register from 3/1.

### Tween Jeopardy!

**Thursday, April 25, 6:30-7:30pm**

Join us for fun trivia. Register from 4/1.

### FILMS & GAMES

A snack is served at Teen films and game programs.

### Monthly Raffles

Prize for the winner.

**March Theme:** Retro Video Games

**April Theme:** Space

### Retro Video Games

**Friday, March 8, 5:30-6:30pm**

Celebrate retro games; play classic Nintendo.

### Chess Club

**Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30pm, March 20, April 17**

Hang out, play a game with other enthusiasts.

### Friday Films

***Five Nights at Freddy's* Friday, March 22, 6:00-8:00pm**

***Wonka* Friday, April 12, 6:00-8:00pm**

### Minecraft Meet-up

**Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30pm, March 27, April 24**

Minecraft devotees play and complete.



# Adult Programs

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

## DOWNLOAD OUR LIBRARY APP.

At Apple search: SCTYLib

At Google Play search: South Country Library



Use your smartphone to scan this QR code to see and register for library programs or view library calendar.

## REGISTRATION

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

☎ Call to register 631-286-0818, Reference.

📱 Register online: [sctylib.org](http://sctylib.org) or scan the QR code.

👤 Requires in-person registration.

\$ Requires non-refundable fee to be paid at registration.

📖 Requires SC Library card.

## BOOK DISCUSSIONS

### Books & Bagels ☎📱

Saturdays, monthly, 10:00-11:00am

Bagels, coffee and tea available.

**Saturday, March 16, *Hamnet*** by Maggie O'Farrell. Book available now

**Saturday, April 20,** Long Island Reads pick ***Better Living Through Birding: Notes from a Black Man in the Natural World*** by Christian Cooper. Details on page 1. Book available 3/16

**Saturday, May 18, *Remarkably Bright Creatures*** by Shelby Van Pelt. Book available 4/20

### Book and Brew (Book Discussion) ☎📱

Wednesday, April 3, 6:00-7:00pm

at Bellport Brewing Co. Participants' first beer, wine, or soda is half-off.

***Brooklyn***, by Colm Tóibín. Register/book avail. 3/1

## COOKING & CRAFTS

### Spring Bracelet ☎📱📖

Registration begins March 1. Pickup from March 18. Spring-colored beads; create a bracelet. South Country Library Card required.

### The Sweet Side of Ireland ☎📱

Friday, March 8, 2:00-3:30pm

Local author Margaret M. Johnson describes Irish modern desserts with travel tips, tea and sweets samples. Cookbooks for sale/signing.

### Crafting Circle

Saturdays, 12:00-1:00pm, March 16, April 20

Work among crafters on any stitching or craft project. Non-instructional. All welcome. No registration required.

### Pebble Art ☎📱

Saturday, March 16, 1:00-2:00pm

Turn pebbles into art. Aimee Saccio shows how to create ladybugs on a heart background.

### Tote Bag Painting Workshop 📱\$

Wednesday, April 10, 2:00-4:00pm

Artist Teresa Grant guides the process to paint a beautiful flower scene onto a tote bag. Fee: \$21

## ENRICHMENT

For adults with special needs. Sign up begins in prior month.

**MARCH KIT:** Pick up 3/1 **Flower Painting**

**APRIL KIT:** Pick up 4/1 **Scratch Stick Art**

## EXERCISE, HEALTH & WELL-BEING

### Understanding Grief ☎📱

Monday, March 11, 1:00-2:30pm

COPE Foundation presents. Discuss loss, grief, mourning, how grief manifests itself, and more. Attendees may share what has helped in their grief journeys.

### Away We Grow ☎📱

Tuesday, April 9, 12:00-1:30pm

Garden activities can benefit your health by reducing stress, and improving mood and well-being. Learn to garden for therapy and meditation, and then plant seeds.

### Ticks – All You Need to Know! ☎📱

Monday, April 15, 7:00-8:30pm

LI tick species, biology, habitat, pathogens they transmit, and tick bite prevention. Receive free tick removal kit, handbook. Scott Campbell, PhD, of Regional Tick-Borne Disease Resource Center presents. Sponsors: RT-BDR Center; Suffolk Co. Dept. of Health Svcs.

### Herbal Tisanes for Health ☎📱

Monday, April 22, 2:00-3:30pm

Learn herbal tisane basics, benefits, how herbs act on the body, cautions, and preparation methods. Herbalist Kristine Henderson, with three tea certifications, guides a tasting of herbal tisanes from world traditions.

### Chair Yoga 📱\$

Mondays, 10:30-11:30am,

March 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8, 15

Lauren teaches gentle yoga using a chair to aid in strength, balance, flexibility, and mental well-being. 6 classes, Fee: \$24

### Yoga 📱\$

Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30pm,

March 12, 19, 26, April 9, 16, 23

Daniel Sanvitale takes a mindful yoga approach. Breath. Movement. Synchronicity. (Modifications available). 6 classes, Fee: \$18

### Qigong 📱\$

Fridays, 10:00-11:00am,

March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 12, 19, 26

Tom Linden instructs. Ancient Chinese art of gentle, low impact exercises with health benefits. 7 classes, Fee: \$21

## GAMES

### BINGO 🖨️

**Fridays, 2:00-3:00pm, March 29, April 26**

Friendly game of chance with prizes. Register for one or both dates.

### NEW! Bridge Club

**Fridays, 1:00-3:00pm, beginning March 1**

Meet for a game of bridge. No registration. Please sign attendance sheet. No meeting March 8.

### Mah-Jongg Club

**Wednesdays, 10:00am-12:00pm**

Enjoy the ancient game with fellow fans. No registration. Please sign attendance sheet.

### Canasta Club

**Wednesdays, 1:00-3:30pm**

Join in this multi-deck card game. No registration. Please sign attendance sheet.

## EDUCATION & ENTERTAINMENT

### Defensive Driving 👤💰

**Saturday, March 2, 10:00am-4:00pm**

**Saturday, April 6, 10:00am-4:00pm**

Complete a six-hour course for an insurance discount and driving record point reduction. Register, with check/money order only (Pay: Empire Safety Council), at Reference. Fee: \$33.

### Writer's Workshop 👤

**Wednesdays, 6:45-8:30pm, biweekly**

**March 6-May 29**

Workshop for writers to read their work and share feedback. A new, one-page, piece of writing is due each class; any subject/style.

### Conversation English Class 🖨️

**Thursdays, 6:00-7:00pm**

Practice English conversation skills and improve vocabulary and grammar skills. 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.*

### Digital Spring Cleaning 🖨️

**Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30pm**

Learn to tidy up your devices. Register for individual classes.

**March 13 Laptop Computer** - organize, create folders, sort files.

**March 27 Smartphone/Tablet** - rearrange apps, sort photos, adjust notifications, and try out helpful widgets.

**April 24 Email and Web Browser** (any device) - cull unwanted emails, organize bookmarks, and set up a useful homepage.

### Boating Safety Course 👤💰

**Saturday, March 23, 10:00am-3:00pm**

For 2024, boating safety certificate required for NYS boaters born on/after 1/1/78. U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary instructs on boating law, safety equipment, navigation, more. Book included; certificate provided. Bring snack/ drink. Register, with check/money order only (Pay: USCG AUX) at Reference. Fee: \$40 adults, \$35 under 18.

### Concert Whitman String Quartet 🖨️

**Friday, April 19, 7:00-8:15pm**

Members of *Whitman String Quartet* return with string trio music. *WSQ* was founded at Stony Brook U. (2015), trained under *Emerson String Quartet*, and includes doctoral grads and professionals based on LI.

### How to Be a Birder Anywhere 🖨️

**Tuesday, April 23, 2:00-3:00pm**

Dianne Taggart, long time birder, explains how to enjoy backyard birds, how to watch birds in the field, and birds you may see, with photos.

## THURSDAY MOVIES

**Weekly movie at 2:00pm.**

**Cookies are available. No registration required.**

### NOW SHOWING

#### March 7: *Journey to Bethlehem*

**PG, 99 minutes**

For all ages. The story, retold with classic Christmas carols, humor, faith, and new songs.

#### March 14: *The Marvels*

**PG-13, 105 minutes**

Carol Danvers' powers entangle with Kamala Khan's and Monica Rambeau's. Together, they must save the universe.

#### March 21: *The Hunger Games: The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes*

**PG-13, 165 minutes**

Coriolanus Snow mentors and fosters feelings for a tenth Hunger Games' District 12 tribute.

#### March 28: *When Harry Met Sally...*

**R, 95 minutes**

(1989) Romantic comedy. Two adults try to remain platonic friends through life changes.

#### April 4: *Forrest Gump*

**PG-13, 141 minutes**

(1994) Forrest, not as intelligent as he is loyal and honest, surfaces in many historic moments. His true love, Jenny, eludes him.

#### April 11: *Wonka*

**PG, 112 minutes**

How the inventor, magician, and chocolate-maker became the beloved Willy Wonka.

#### April 18: *Aquaman and the Lost Kingdom*

**R, 100 minutes**

Vengeful Black Manta unleashes a malevolent force. To defeat him, Aquaman forges an unlikely alliance with Orm, the former king.

#### April 25: *The Color Purple*

**PG-13, 140 minutes**

Celie faces grief and hardship, but finds strength and hope in the bonds of sisterhood.

## GALLERY DISPLAY

### March - Bernadette Puleo

**Fiber Art**

### April - Maria Lliou

**Autistic Mother & Daughter Art**

*Patrons who would like a one month Gallery display of their artwork, or collection with artistic or historic merit, may contact Jack in Reference Dept. to arrange. Those interested must be able to install/remove their work.*





# South Country Library

22 Station Road, Bellport, New York 11713  
631-286-0818 | [sctylib.org](http://sctylib.org)  
Kristina Sembler, *Director* | Patrick O'Leary, *Assistant Director*

## Hours:

Monday-Friday 9:30am-9:00pm  
Saturday 9:30am-5:00pm  
Sunday 12:00-4:00pm

## LIBRARY CLOSED:

**Easter Sunday** March 31

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Thursday, March 21; Thursday, April 18

Photographs and videos may be taken during programs to be used in future publicity. Please let us know in advance if you do not consent.

**MISSION STATEMENT** *Building community by sharing the wonders of learning, creating and connecting with one another. Adopted April 18, 2019.*

# In the Community

Registering for programs requires library card. Full descriptions and online registration: [sctylib.org](http://sctylib.org) or scan the QR code on page 1.

## COMMUNITY HELP & INFORMATION

### Alzheimer-Dementia Caregiver Support

**Mondays, 1:00-2:30pm,**  
**March 4, 18, April 1, 15, 29**

Find support in a safe, accepting group. Register 516-292-1300 x2264, [randerson@fcali.org](mailto:randerson@fcali.org)

### Facilitated Self-Assistance (FSA)

#### Tax Prep and e-File

**Wednesdays, March 13, April 10**

*Appointments are required; South Country cardholders only.* Bethpage FCU (VITA), NYS Tax Dept. Step-by-step guidance to prepare/e-File your income tax return with secure, online tax software; free. 2023 earnings not to exceed \$73,000. Schedule at Reference. *Computer skills required.* Bring internet-capable device with access to your active email account. Complete Intake/Interview Sheet prior to apt.

### Community Resource Fair

**Wednesday, March 20, 11:00am-2:00pm**

Meet with various local organizations that provide community resources/services.

### Senior Advocate

**Tuesday, March 26, 10:00am-1:00pm\***

Help for seniors: find benefits and apply. SNAP, MSP, and HEAP, Senior ID. No registration. \*Subject to change, call (Reference) ahead.

### Maximize Your Social Security

**Friday, March 29, 6:30-8:00pm**

Christian LaPeter presents. Seminar to learn your choices, when to take Social Security.

### Mobile Mammography Van

**Thursday, April 4, 10:00am-4:00pm** *Library parking lot*

Stony Brook's van features state-of-the-art 3-D equipment, private changing/exam spaces, and more. Call 631-638-4135 to schedule.

### Call for Repair Café Volunteers

**Saturday, April 13, 11:30am-3:30pm**

If you have practical skills and can share repair tips, or help people to save money and reduce waste, please volunteer and bring your tools. Receive lunch, more. *(Times include set-up / clean-up.)*

### Repair Café

**Saturday, April 13, 12:00-3:00pm**

Drop in with a broken item, grab a coffee, and meet with skilled volunteers who guide your repair. Reduce waste, save money, and learn skills to use items longer.

### Social Work Intern

**Tuesdays, 4:00-9:00pm**

Our Social Work student intern from Stony Brook University assists patrons and provides information for housing, crisis aid, and more.

### SMART Recovery™

**Tuesdays, 7:00-8:00pm**

Anonymous support group. Recover from addiction - addictive behaviors using a scientific method. Age 18 yrs.+. No registration.

### Personal Care Community Cabinet & Give or Take Food Pantry

In need? Obtain food or care items from lobby shelves. Donor? We rely on and are grateful for non-perishable, unexpired food, and/or soap, shampoo, gloves, socks, period products, dental products, etc. Donate in our lobby bin.

## COMMUNITY PARTNERS & EVENTS

### Community Acoustic Jam

**Friday, March 1, 6:00-8:30pm**

**Friday, April 5, 6:00-8:30pm**

Bellport.com presents. All skills welcome. Play acoustic music or sing. Listeners/kids welcome. No registration.

### Open Mic Afternoons

**Sunday, March 24, 1:00-3:00pm**

**Sunday, April 28, 1:00-3:00pm**

Musicians, spoken-word artists perform in a friendly, supportive venue. Drop in, sign up, or just listen. No registration. Monthly, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday.