



Library Notes

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September - October 2025

"And all at once, summer collapsed into fall."
- Oscar Wilde

National Library Card Sign-up Month

Drop by in September to get the "Smartest Card in Your Wallet." Show your library card at the YA Desk to enter a raffle.

Outdoor Concert: Paige Patterson "Pure Joy, Musical Therapy for the Soul, The Being Alive Edition"

Friday, September 12, 7:00-8:30pm



Library parking lot; no registration required. South Country Library welcomes Paige Patterson to sing *Sinatra* to *Santana*, '70s rock, classic soul, Broadway, *Michael Bublé*, *Ella*, *Carol King*, *Stevie Wonder*, more! Limited seats provided; bring chairs/blankets.

Outdoor Movie *The Lion King* G (1994)

Friday, September 19, 7:00pm @ South Country Ambulance
Company Families welcome. Bring blanket/seat/snacks. No registration required. Rain will move event indoors.

Creole Cuisine Demonstration

Friday, September 19, 6:30-7:30pm

Chef Cheryl of *Chara's Kitchen and Catering* evokes New Orleans and shares Creole history along with savory Chicken and Turkey Sausage Jambalaya and puffy, soft Beignets.

Understanding Wills and Trusts

Wednesday, October 8, 6:30-8:30pm

Discuss trusts and wills, avoiding probate, types of trusts, and what information a will contains. Attorney Kathleen Rose (Feldman, Kramer and Monaco) presents.

Call for Repair Café Volunteers

Saturday, October 11, 11:30am-3:30pm

Can you share repair skills to empower people to reduce waste and save money? Volunteer for our Repair Café. Bring tools you wish to use. Food/drink for volunteers. (Schedule includes set-up/clean-up.)

Repair Café

Saturday, October 11, 12:00-3:00pm

Meet with skilled volunteers to guide you through the repair of broken items. Reduce waste, save money, and learn repair skills to use what you own longer. No registration required.

Sustainability Fair

Saturday, October 11, 12:00-3:00pm

Organizations from our region will showcase sustainability programs and resources. Stop by for helpful information. No registration required.



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

Family Pumpkin Painting Party

Saturday, October 18, 12:30-2:00pm

Library parking lot

Join us for fall fun, tricks + treats. Enjoy music in the spirit, and paint pumpkins. Supplies provided for each family. Registration is required.

After Hours Haunted Library

Friday, October 24, 6:00-8:00pm

Business ends at 5:00pm; Library re-opens at 6:00pm for a spooky haunted library. All ages. Walk through the library for frights and fun! No registration required.

Halloween Green Screen Photos

Saturday, October 25, 11:30am-2:30pm

After Bellport's Halloween parade, stop in to take a green screen Halloween scene photo.

Parent Child Workshop series

September 9-October 7 (Registration begins September 2.)

Children ages 1-4 engage with developmental, fun toys and art materials while parents/ caregivers can ask questions of an early childhood specialist. Weekly. (Details page 2)

Baby Shower - Stony Brook Medicine

Wednesday, October 1, 10:30am-1:00pm

Celebrate parents/babies. Agenda includes prenatal/ postpartum care, safe sleep practices, and breastfeeding. Guests depart with baby supplies and more. Stony Brook Under Represented in Medicine Committee presents. Register: bit.ly/4lIF5Xf

Parents and Caregivers Workshop

Wednesday, October 22, 6:30-8:00pm (Registration begins October 1.)

Connecting Through Emotional Availability

A child builds trust and connection when a caregiver is emotionally present and responsive. Discuss caregiving styles, secure attachment, more. Krystal Vidal, M.S. presents.

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.

Connecting Through Emotional Availability:

A Workshop for Parents and Caregivers **with Krystal Vidal, M.S.** (Details page 1)



Family Pumpkin Painting Party

(Details page 1)

Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus Contest

All of September



Mo Willems' Pigeon is driving a school bus! Find him in the Children's Dept. and tell a librarian to enter the raffle. *Limit one entry per child per day.*

Monster Scavenger Hunt

All of October

Find pictures of monsters hidden throughout the Children's Department and get a sticker. *Limit one entry per child per day.*



DROP IN PROGRAMS

No registration required. Drop in during time specified.

Fall Leaf Suncatcher

Grades Pre-K-2 AND an adult
Monday, September 8,
4:30-6:00pm

Imagine and Create!

Grades 1-5
Tuesday, September 9,
6:00-8:00pm

Outdoor Movie *The Lion King*

G (1994) @ South Country Ambulance Company (Details page 1)

Autumn Wreaths

Grades K-5
Tuesday, September 23,
6:00-7:00pm

Decorate the Library! Halloween Edition

Grades K-5 AND an adult
Saturday, October 4,
2:00-4:00pm

Watercolor Spider Web

Grades K-5 AND an adult
Tuesday, October 21,
6:00-7:00pm

Haunted Library

(Details page 1)

Spooky Spider Headbands

Grades Pre-K-2 AND an adult
Saturday, October 25,
1:30-3:30pm

Make Your Own Halloween Mask

Grades K-5 AND an adult
Tuesday, October 28,
6:30-7:00pm

Trick or Treat at the Library

Children AND an adult
Friday, October 31,
9:30am-9:00pm
Dress in costume and get a treat!



September and October

Register at the library, online, or call 631-286-0818 x2. Details: 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. **SEPTEMBER** program registration begins Tuesday, September 2 at 9:30am. **OCTOBER** program registration begins Wednesday, October 1 at 9:30am.

Mother Goose series

Ages newborn-35 months AND an adult
Thursdays, 10:00-10:30am,
September 4, 11 & 18

Storycraft for Littles series

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

Design a Pencil Case

Grades K-5
Friday, September 5, 4:30-5:00pm

Stuffed Storytime

Ages newborn-4 years AND an adult
Saturday, September 6, 10:00-10:30am

Parent Child Workshop series

Ages 1-4 years AND an adult
Tuesdays, 10:15-11:15am,
September 9, 16, 23, 30, October 7

Storytime at Mama Farm (off-site)

Ages 18 months-5 years AND an adult
Wednesday, September 10, 10:30-11:15am



IN PERSON PROGRAMS CONTINUED



Lil' Tots Sensory & Sports

Ages 18-35 months AND an adult
Monday, September 15, 4:30-5:15pm

Fall Mosaics

Grades K-5
Monday, September 15, 6:00-6:45pm

Paint a Fall Tree

Grades K-5
Tuesday, September 16, 6:30-7:00pm

Pizza Time at Café Castello (off-site)

Grades K-5 AND an adult
Wednesday, September 17,
4:00-5:00pm

Art for Littles series

Ages 2½-5 years AND an adult
Fridays, 4:00-4:30pm,
September 19 & 26

Pokémon® League

Grades K-5
Monday, September 22, 6:30-7:15pm

S.T.E.A.M. Explorers: Colors!

Ages 3-5 years AND an adult
Wednesday, September 24,
10:30-11:00am

Fall Sweater Pom-Pom Painting

Grades K-2
Wednesday, September 24,
6:00-6:45pm

Tween Switch™ Tournament

Grades 4-8
Thursday, September 25, 6:00-7:00pm

Outdoor Autumn

Storytime at the Bellport-
Brookhaven Historical Society (off-site)
Ages 2-5 years AND an adult
Saturday, September 27, 10:30-11:15am

LEGO® Club

Grades K-5
Monday, September 29, 6:30-7:30pm

No-Sew Sock Worms

Grades K-3
Tuesday, September 30, 6:00-6:30pm

Art for Littles series

Ages 2½-5 years AND an adult
Fridays, 4:00-4:30pm,
October 3 & 17

Pumpkin Storytime at Glover Farms (off-site)

Children AND an adult
Monday, October 6,
10:30-11:30am OR 4:30-5:30pm
rain date Friday, October 10

Storytime at Mama Farm (off-site)

Ages 18 months-5 years AND an adult
Wednesday, October 8, 10:30-11:15am

Pet Rocks

Grades K-5
Wednesday, October 8, 6:00-6:30pm

Storycraft for Littles series

Ages 3-5 years AND an adult
Thursdays, 4:30-5:00pm,
October 9, 16 & 23

Stuffie Storytime

Ages newborn-4 years AND an adult
Saturday, October 11, 10:00-10:30am

Toddler Time series

Ages 18-35 months AND an adult
Tuesdays, 10:15-11:00am,
October 14, 21 & 28

Paint a Wooden Treasure Box

Grades 2-5
Tuesday, October 14, 6:30-7:00pm

My First Signs: Hands Together

Ages newborn-5 years AND an adult
Wednesday, October 15, 10:15-11:00am

Fun at the Fire Station* (off-site)

Grades Preschool-2 AND an adult
Wednesday, October 15, 4:30-5:30pm
*Meet at the Hagerman Fire Dept.

Mother Goose series

Ages newborn-35 months AND an adult
Thursdays, 10:00-10:30am,
October 16 & 23

Pumpkin Fairy Garden

Grades 1-5
Thursday, October 16, 6:30-7:00pm

Tween Halloween Trick or Treat Bags

Grades 4-8
Monday, October 20, 6:00-7:00pm

Canta y Baila Conmigo®: Sing and Dance with Me

Ages newborn-5 years AND an adult
Wednesday, October 22, 10:30-11:15am

Halloween Magic Craft

Grades 2-5
Wednesday, October 22, 6:30-7:15pm

Candy Corn Painting

Grades K-5
Thursday, October 23, 6:30-7:15pm

LEGO® Club

Grades K-5
Monday, October 27, 6:30-7:30pm

Halloween Costume Party

Ages 2-5 years AND an adult
Thursday, October 30, 4:30-5:00pm

Peek-a-BOO!

Ages newborn-35 months AND an adult
Friday, October 31, 10:00-10:45am

CRAFT KITS

Craft Kits every Saturday

All ages; no registration, every Saturday,
while supplies last.



Library Services & Special Collections

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



Brainfuse live help daily from 2:00-11:00pm. **HelpNow™** Topics/tests for Grades K-12, college, and graduate. **Adult**

Learning Center US citizenship test & more. **JobNow** Résumé help, interview practice, career paths. **VetNow** Navigate VA, job tools.

CollegeNow College admission guidance and resources.

Services & Special Collections

Our library services empower you to succeed: premium research assistance, access to a diverse collection of books, materials, computers, and more. sctylib.org/services/ Services include: content to download and to stream, Bestsellers Club, library tours, literacy tutors, Library of Things (a collection of items to borrow for a one-time project, family fun, electronics, and much more: sctylib.org/lot). Some services may require a library card; others require fees: photocopy, fax, 3-D prints, poster prints.



Special Accommodations

Please let us know in advance if you need special accommodations. **Vision** and **Hearing** equipment and technology are available.

Outreach Homebound Service

Free. For eligible patrons (disability, infirmity, advanced age), a staff member selects books/materials, delivers to you, and picks up.



Book a Librarian

Schedule free one-on-one help for your smart-phone, tablet, laptop, or other portable device. Call 631-286-0818 ext. 1

Museum Passes/Discount Tickets

sctylib.org/museums The Library offers **free passes** to various museums and amusements (Long Island/NYC). Reserve up to three passes/30-days with South Country Adult library card and photo ID. Other venues offer **discount tickets!** Details at sctylib.org/museums for our arrangements with: **CM Performing Arts Center, Splish Splash, Wildlife Conservation Society** (Bronx Zoo, Central Park Zoo, New York Aquarium, Queens Zoo, Prospect Park Zoo), **Adventureland, Long Island Aquarium, CRESLI Whale Watching Tours, Gateway Playhouse.**



SCAN ME

Affordable Things to Do on LI

NEW! Scan the QR code for a list of things to do on Long Island for \$15 or less.

Small Business Discount

Show South Country Library card for discount at local businesses listed here: sctylib.org/sbdp

Notary Public

Call 631-286-0818 ext. 1 to check availability. Fee: \$2.00/ signature. sctylib.org/notary



Passport Application Acceptance

By appointment only. sctylib.org/passport

Community Help and Information

Medicare Counseling & Assistance

Monday, September 8, 10:00am-1:00pm

No October meeting

Medicare eligible? Get questions answered one-on-one, plus Medicare information specific to your needs, in a 30-minute appointment. Register and schedule. *Free, unbiased service by a Suffolk County RSVP volunteer (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) from HIICAP (Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program). Monthly. Or, call the HIICAP Help Line at 631-979-9490, ext. 18*

Alzheimer-Dementia Caregiver Support

Mondays, 6:00-7:00pm,

September 8, 22, October 6, 20

Build a support system in a safe, caring setting. Register: 516-292-1300 x2264, or randerson@fcali.org

Medicare Savings Program & Medicaid Application Assistance

Wednesdays, 9:30am-5:00pm,

September 10, October 8

Certified Healthcare Enrollers assist seniors (age 65+), and people

who are blind/disabled, to fill out applications and collect documents required for Dept. of Social Services. Ask if Medicare Savings Program can save you \$2200. *Monthly. Health & Welfare Council of LI presents; schedule appointment HWCLI Healthcare Access 516-505-4426*

Senior Advocate

Wednesday, September 24, 10:00am-1:00pm*

Suffolk Co. Office for the Aging helps seniors find benefits, apply. **Subject to change; call Reference for day/date info.*

Social Work Intern

Tuesdays, 9:30am-1:30pm

Fridays, 9:30am-1:30pm

Start date TBD; call (Reference) for info.

SMART Recovery®

Return date TBD; call (Reference) for info.

Personal Care Community Cabinet & Give or Take Food Pantry

In need? Obtain food/care items (lobby shelves). *Donor?* Donate unexpired, non-perishable food, and personal care items. (lobby bin).

Young Adults

Registering for programs requires SCL library card. Full descriptions and online registration: sctylib.org or scan the QR code on page 1.

ALL YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS ARE FOR GRADES 6-12



Teen Self Defense Class

Thursday, October 23, 6:30-8:00pm

Preventive awareness, de-escalation, and straightforward strategies may help you escape dangerous situations. Parents

are encouraged to attend. **Parent/Guardian: Please arrive early to sign the programmer's liability waiver.**

MAKE IT

Drop-in Craft Kits

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

Craft Kit

Contains all needed materials to create item.

Flower Pot Scarecrow Pick up begins Friday, September 12.

Mason Jar Pumpkin Pick up begins Wednesday, October 8.

Emoji Magnets

Thursday, September 4, 3:00-6:00pm (Drop in)

Drop by YA Dept.; make some emoji magnets. *No registration necessary.*

Sharpie® Mugs

Monday, September 29, 4:30-5:30pm

Personalize a mug with vibrant Sharpies®.

VOLUNTEER

Participants and attendees receive community service credit for Volunteer programs. Info at YA Desk. *More info: sctylib.org/teen/volunteers*

Voter Registration Drive

Tuesday, September 16,

2:30-4:30pm, 4:30-6:30pm, or 6:30-8:30pm

Hand out Voter Registration applications. *Sign up for one or multiple sessions.*

Pumpkin Painting

Friday, October 3, 6:00-8:00pm

Paint spooky pumpkins for Haunted Library.

Teen Advisory Group

Friday, October 17, 6:00-7:00pm

Share ideas and help plan library programs.

Haunted Library Volunteers

Friday, October 24, 5:00-9:00pm

Assist library staff with activities during event.

Letters for Veterans

Monday, October 27, 4:30-5:30pm

Write a letter, brighten a veteran's day.

Project Green Teens

Community clean up. Use a YA Library card to borrow a kit with tools and supplies to pick up trash. Take a selfie with your filled trash bag; email the photo to Teen librarian for credit.

READING & WRITING

Teen Book Club

Monthly book discussion. Books available to check out (or download from Libby and or Hoopla) with library card.

Tuesday, September 30, 3:00-4:00pm

Ban This Book by Alan Gratz

Wednesday, October 29, 6:00-7:00pm

There's Someone Inside Your House by Stephanie Perkins

100 Books before Graduation Grades 6-12

Read 100 books by HS graduation. Grand Prize! Each 20 earns a prize.

Opt-in once; no re-reads.

TWEEN PROGRAMS Grades 4-8 only

Tween Switch™ Tournament

Thursday, September 25, 6:00-7:00pm

Friendly Switch™ competition. Snacks provided. *Registration begins September 2*

Tween Halloween Trick or Treat Bags

Monday, October 20, 6:00-7:00pm

Decorate a Halloween Trick or Treating bag. *Registration begins October 1*

FILMS & GAMES

A snack is served at Teen films and game programs.

Monthly Raffles *Prize for the winner*

September Theme: Pirates

October Theme: Halloween Costumes

Chess Club

Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30pm,

September 10, October 15

Minecraft Meet-up

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30pm,

September 17, October 22

Dungeons & Dragons® Ages 16 and up

Saturdays, 12:00-3:00pm,

September 20, October 11

Join dungeon master, Justin, for a campaign of D&D®. *No experience necessary. Monthly. For teens age 16 and older and adults.*



Adult Programs

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

DOWNLOAD OUR LIBRARY APP.



Apple:
SCTYLib



Google Play:
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 or scan the QR code.
- 👤 Requires in-person registration.
- 💰 Requires non-refundable fee to be paid at registration.
- 📖 Requires South Country Library card.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS



Books & Bagels ☎💻

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

Bagels, coffee and tea available. Our 2025-2026 series kicks off in September with a book giveaway.



Saturday, September 20 *The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell* by Robert Dugoni. Book available now

Saturday, October 18 *Bright Young Women* by Jessica Knoll. Book available 9/20



Saturday, November 15 *My Brilliant Friend* by Elena Ferrante. Book available 10/18

GAMES

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.

Bridge Club

Fridays, 1:00-3:00pm

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

Dungeons & Dragons® ☎💻

Saturdays, 12:00-3:00pm,
September 20, October 11

Join dungeon master, Justin, for a campaign of D&D®. No experience necessary. Monthly. Open to adults and teens age 16 min.

BINGO ☎💻

Friday, September 26, 2:00-3:00pm

Friday, October 31, 2:00-3:00pm

Friendly game of chance with prizes. Sign up for one or both.

EXERCISE

Registration for all RECURRING exercise programs begins Tuesday, September 2 at 9:30am and closes at the second class.

Hygge Restorative Yoga ☎💰

Thursday, September 11, 6:30-8:00pm

Wednesday, October 29, 6:30-8:00pm

Hygge (pronounced hue-guh) is about comfort and coziness. Experience restful, restorative yoga in a hygge setting. Beginners welcome. Fee \$5 per class. Sign up for one or both. Dress comfortably, bring yoga mat, blanket, pillow; yoga blocks optional.

Chair Yoga ☎💰

Mondays, 10:30-11:30am,

September 8-October 20 No class September 29, October 13

Kate. Gentle yoga with a chair. Strength, balance, flexibility, mental well-being. All bodies/abilities; no experience necessary. 5 classes: Fee \$20. 09/08, 09/15, 09/22, 10/06, 10/20

Afternoon Chair Yoga ☎💰

Mondays, 1:00-2:00pm,

September 8-October 20 No class September 29, October 13

See description above. 5 classes: Fee \$20.

Yoga ☎💰

Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30pm,

September 9-October 21

Sabrina Perrino. Mindful approach. Breath, movement, synchronicity; modifications. 7 classes; Fee: \$28. 09/09, 09/16, 09/23, 09/30, 10/07, 10/14, 10/21

Qigong (with Tai Chi) ☎💰

Fridays, 10:00-11:00am,

September 12-October 24 No class October 3

Tom Linden. Ancient Chinese gentle, low impact exercises. Evidence-based health benefits. 6 classes: Fee \$24. 09/12, 09/19, 09/26, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Community Mental Health Promotion and Support ☎💻

Friday, September 5, 10:00am-1:00pm

Friday, October 3, 10:00am-1:00pm

Youth Enrichment Services COMHPS team representative will provide mental health services information. Monthly.

Substance Use, Mental Health, Suicide Awareness Day ☎💻

Wednesday, September 10, 6:00-8:00pm

Substance use and mental health disorders affect millions of people worldwide. Stigma about these issues often prevents sufferers from seeking help; consequences can include suicide. Learn communication, understanding, and pathways to recovery and resilience. Presented by the organization Outreach.

Women's Health

Women's Health and Fitness Day ☎💻

Thursday, September 25, 6:00-8:00pm

Discuss women's health and fitness with strategies to maintain physical and mental wellness. Special focus on challenges for women regarding substance use and mental health. Presented by the organization Outreach.

Anxiety, Depression, and Trauma National Depression Awareness Day

Friday, October 10, 6:00-8:00pm

Anxiety, depression, and trauma cause people prolonged suffering and lower quality of life. Let's talk, reduce stigma, understand, and improve mental health. *Presented by the organization Outreach.*

ENRICHMENT

For adults with special needs.

Monthly Craft Kit

For adults with special needs. Stop by the Reference Desk to register. **Limit one per person.** South Country Library Card required.

SEPTEMBER: Yarn Pumpkin Pick up and registration begins Tuesday, September 2, 9:30am. Form a 3-D pumpkin with yarn and a balloon.

OCTOBER: Popsicle Stick Fall Truck Pick up and registration begins Wednesday, October 1, 9:30am. Create a fall themed truck from Popsicle sticks and paper.

Enrichment Movie Night

Friday, September 12, 5:00-7:00pm

Join us and watch **Transformers One** (1h 44m, PG) Program reserved for adults with special needs and caregivers.

Enrichment Board Games

Wednesday, October 22, 2:00-4:00pm

An afternoon of board game fun! Drop in anytime between 2:00-4:00. No registration required. Program reserved for adults with special needs and caregivers.

EDUCATION & ENTERTAINMENT

Writer's Workshop series

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

September 3-December 3* No class November 26

Writers, read your work and share comments. Write a piece for each class, including the first. Submit one page in length, any style/subject. *9/03, 9/17, 10/01, 10/15, 10/29, 11/12, 12/03

Defensive Driving

Saturday, September 6, 10:00am-4:00pm

Saturday, October 4, 10:00am-4:00pm

Six-hour course for insurance discount, driving record point reduction. Fee \$33. Payment to the instructor is due at the start of the session; cash, credit, and debit are accepted.

ESOL Class series

Mondays, 7:00-8:00pm,

September 8-December 15 No class October 13

Instructor: Maurice Williams, Stony Brook U. Free, weekly class for English learners. Practice speaking, reading, and writing. All skill levels. 9/8, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/20, 10/27, 11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 11/24, 12/1, 12/8, 12/15

los lunes a las 7:00pm No hay clases el 13 de octubre. Únete a nuestra instructora, Maurice, para esta clase semanal gratuita para estudiantes de Inglés. Las clases se enfocarán en practicar, hablar, leer y escribir. ¡Todos los niveles de habilidad son bienvenidos!

Spanish Class series

Mondays, 7:00-8:00pm,

September 8-October 20 No class October 13

Learn to speak Spanish with our instructor, Jacqueline. This is a 6-week beginner course. 9/8, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/20

Overview on Retirement

Friday, September 26, 6:00-7:00pm

New York Life provides keys to planning retirement. Learn to be tax-efficient with retirement savings, to get the most out of Social Security, and Long-Term Care costs.

Women's Self Defense

Thursday, October 2, 6:30-8:00pm

Ed Moreno discusses and demonstrates strategies and techniques for self-defense and protection in a dangerous situation.

College Funding Seminar

virtual via Zoom

Monday, October 6, 6:30-7:30pm

New York Life has information to build a child's or grandchild's college funding plan. Learn the current student loan landscape, understand four-year degree costs, plan options, and more. Zoom link will be emailed to registrants Saturday, October 4.

Concert: Christopher DeCilla Cultural Music of the World

Friday, October 17, 7:00-8:15pm

Christopher DeCilla returns to play a flute-like shakuhachi, two 1920s Hawaiian steel guitars, and a guitar-like, Colombian tiple. His World Music show blends Buddhist music, Japanese classical and folk, blues, gospel, and country. On tiple, his original works are folk-Americana.

ADULT PROGRAMS

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THURSDAY MOVIES

Weekly movie at 2:00pm. Cookies are available. No registration required.

September 4: **Thunderbolts*** **The New Avengers** PG-13, 126 minutes

To escape a death trap, these castoffs face a dangerous mission and their past.

September 11: **The Phoenician Scheme** PG-13, 101 minutes

Tycoons, terrorists, and assassins target Zsa-zsa Korda and his sole heir, his daughter the nun.

September 18: **The Surfer** R, 100 minutes

(2024) At the idyllic beach of his childhood, a man's desire to surf with his son is thwarted by locals.

September 25: **Dog Day Afternoon** R, 125 minutes

(1975) Based on a true story. A heist, with a ten-minute plan, goes wrong inside the bank and out.

October 2: **Mission Impossible: The Final Reckoning** PG-13, 169 minutes

Our lives are the sum of our choices.

October 9: **Karate Kid: Legends** PG, 118 minutes

Mr. Miyagi and Daniel share the secret to Karate with a new Karate Kid.

October 16: **M3GAN 2.0** PG-13, 124 minutes

M3GAN's creator takes revenge on a defense contractor who stole M3GAN's underlying tech.

October 23: **Jurassic World: Rebirth** PG-13, 134 minutes

A covert operative and a DNA collection team seek dinosaurs on an isolated equatorial island.

October 30: **Psycho** R, 109 minutes

(1960) An unsuspecting visitor to the Bates Motel falls victim to Norman Bates.



South Country Library

22 Station Road, Bellport, New York 11713
631-286-0818 | 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 *starting September 7*

LIBRARY CLOSED:

Labor Day Monday, September 1
Columbus Day/
Indigenous Peoples' Day Monday, October 13
No regular library business-
Haunted Library Event Friday, October 24, 5:00-9:00pm. (*Details page 1*)

Trustees:

Geoffrey Marschall, *President*
Mary Falkowitz, *Vice President*
Cecelia F. Walsh, *Treasurer*
Joann Neal, *Secretary*
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES Meetings, 7:00pm
Thursday, September 18 | Thursday, October 16

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

ADULT PROGRAMS *Continued from page 7*

COOKING, CRAFTS, MAKERSPACE

Tea Light Ghosts Kit

Pick up and registration begins Tuesday, September 2 at 9:30am. South Country Library card required. Limit one kit per person. Create a ghost with air-dried clay and display it with your own tea light.

Book Cover Diamond Painting

Monday, October 27, 6:00-8:00pm
Relax while diamond painting a favorite book. Bring your own book; we provide materials.

TECHNOLOGY

Introduction to AI

Wednesday, September 17, 11:00am-12:00pm

We demystify Artificial Intelligence (AI), explain what it is, and what it is not. Watch Google Gemini and ChatGPT in action live; learn to harness their power for simple tasks.

GALLERY DISPLAY

Sept. -South Bay Art Association - Member Exhibit
Oct. -Carol Rosenthal - Photography

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.

Community Partners and Events



Bellport Bay 5K

South Country Library staff, their families, and friends enjoyed running, walking, and supporting the Bellport Village Program Fund on Sunday, July 13.

Brookhaven Town Public Libraries Expo (off-site)

Saturday, September 13, 11:00am-3:00pm

With hands-on activities and displays, this Expo will show visitors of all ages how libraries now offer 3-D Printing, Virtual Reality, Sublimation Printing, Drones, Robotics, and much more. *Brookhaven Town Hall. Free admission and parking.*

Voter Registration Drive

Tuesday, September 16, 9:30am-8:45pm

National Voter Registration Day! Stop in to register to vote. Librarians/volunteers assist. *Teen volunteers will receive community service hours.*

Open Mic Afternoons

Sunday, September 28, 1:00-3:00pm

Sunday, October 26, 1:00-3:00pm

Musicians/performers: gain experience, try new material, foster a fan base. Non-musicians: share poetry, readings, spoken word, comedy, or

performance art. Supporters welcome. *No registration; sign up when you arrive. Monthly, 4th Sunday.*

The Great Give Back

October 1-October 31

"Give back" at your library. Please donate what you can: non-perishable food or personal care items for our pantry and community closet; or, money for our "Pennies for Paws" collection to benefit Almost Home Animal Shelter.

Community Acoustic Jam

Friday, October 3, 6:00-8:30pm

No September meeting

Acoustic musicians, beginner to professional, plus audience/listeners/kids welcome. Play acoustic music or sing: genres/styles based on who attends. *Bellport.com presents. No registration.*

Author Event: Abigail E. Myers

The Last Analog Teenagers

Saturday, October 18, 2:00-3:00pm

Local author Abigail E. Myers discusses her new book of short stories, *The Last Analog Teenagers*. Book signing and books to purchase will be available.

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