Indoor Walking Club

**Fridays, January 5, 12, 19, 26, 9:00 – 10:00 AM**

Take a break from that treadmill and get a change of scenery! Come and walk indoors at the library between the hours of 9am-10am. Get a free pedometer for signing up and let's see who has the most steps by the end of January! **Only persons signed up for this program will be allowed to enter the Library at 9am.**

**Registration space is limited.**

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**Valentine’s Day Mug**

**Wednesday, February 7, 3:00 – 5:00 PM**

Join us in the Library’s Makerspace – **The Makery** to create a custom-made Valentine’s Day-themed mug using our Cricut machine and mug press! **Fee: $5.**

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**Mental Health Matters**

**Tuesday, January 2 – Wednesday, January 31**

Your mental health matters. It is a fundamental part of your overall health and well-being. For the month of January we are asking you to fight the stigma and share your thoughts on this topic with the community. There will be an interactive display in the Lobby for all ages to participate.

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**Get Yeti to Read!**

2024 Winter Reading Club

Get Yeti to Read with this year’s Winter Reading Club! Stop by any service desk or go to: [https://tinyurl.com/winterreading2024](https://tinyurl.com/winterreading2024) to register! For every book, e-book or audiobook you read, receive a raffle for one of our end of season prize baskets—one basket for each department!
Discover YOUR Focus Word in 2024
Tuesday, January 16, 7:00 – 8:30 pm
In this program, attendees will have the opportunity to find a unique word for the new year by participating in 4 different fun, interactive exercises. They may then become aware of the benefits and clarity that one word can bring to your life!

Evening Yoga
Tuesdays, January 23, 30, February 13, 20, 27, March 19, 26, April 9, 16, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Certified Yoga Teacher, Diane Aronsen, will introduce you to the breathing techniques and series of postures that make up yoga. Yoga can be an effective method for reducing stress, and toning your body. All abilities are welcome. Please bring a yoga mat. This class will meet in the Children's Meeting Room. Fee: $20 check, money order (payable to Sayville Library) or credit card.

Monday Morning Yoga
Since the current round of classes goes until February 26, there will be no Monday Morning Yoga registration in this newsletter. Registration details for the next round will be in the March/April 2024 newsletter.

Hart & Soul
Sunday, January 21, 2:00 – 3:00 pm
Hart & Soul is a high energy Long Island band featuring Brandy Hart on vocals. The band covers a wide range of music genres including classic rock, dance, disco, R&B, Motown, and more! You will be clapping your hands, stomping your feet and singing along to some of your favorite hits from the 60s and beyond.

Classic Hits with 4 Ways from Sunday
Sunday, February 18, 2:00 – 3:00 pm
4 Ways From Sunday present a lively program of time-tested classic hits from the 60s, 70s and 80s. They recreate many memorable tunes, making each song their own through a combination of unique vocals, terrific harmonies and great music. Don't miss it!

Electrifying Your Home
Wednesday, January 24, 7:00 – 8:30 pm
Rewiring America volunteer, Jim Bernabeo, will share his experience with going solar and electrifying his home on Long Island, as well as how you can electrify and take advantage of the significant financial incentives offered through the 2022 Inflation Reduction Act.

Native Plant Winter Sowing
Wednesday, February 21, 7:00 – 8:30 pm
The easy way to grow healthy plants from seed. Bring a one-gallon milk/water jug in a waterproof bag, and go home with a mini-greenhouse with native plant seeds. When placed outside and ignored for the winter, they will grow into strong plants next spring.

Afternoon Book Discussions
Tuesday, January 30, 3:00 pm
Tuesday, February 27, 3:00 pm
Books: check with the adult reference desk.
**Create**

**More Mosaic Knitting**  
**Fridays, January 19 and 26, 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM**  
Carolyn is back with another project for curious knitters: bold patterns in two colors, knitted from a chart, using slipped stitches and only one color at a time. End project will be a warm hat, knit in the round. To begin, bring two contrasting worsted weight yarns and #7 needles.

**Beaded Heart Pendant**  
**Thursday, February 8, 6:00 – 8:00 PM**  
Learn to make a beaded heart pendant in time for Valentine's Day with instructor Donna Irvine.  
Nonrefundable Fee: $7 check, money order or credit/debit card.

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**Local History**

**Invisible Threads: From Wireless to War - Film Screening and Q&A**  
**Sunday, January 28, 2:00 – 4:30 PM**  
This documentary from filmmaker Joe Sikorski tells the untold story of the Telefunken site in West Sayville: spies, subterfuge and sabotage right in our home town. Join us for a showing and conversation with Joe and members of the Long Island Radio & Television Historical Society who helped tell this story.

**Explore the Islip Town Archives**  
**Wednesday, February 7, 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM**  
Meet at the Islip Town Hall West at 401 Main Street in Islip for a tour with historian George Munkenbeck and learn what records the town holds in its archives. You’ll find out how the town historian can help with researching your house, family genealogy, and other historical questions. You will also learn about the digitization projects that the town is undertaking to help preserve its important records. Registration is required. Please note: There will be walking and standing for the majority of this tour.

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**Films**  
All movies start at 2:00 pm

- **A Haunting in Venice**  
  **Friday, January 5**
- **Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny**  
  **Monday, January 29**
- **Priscilla**  
  **Friday, February 2**
- **Killers of the Flower Moon**  
  **Monday, February 26**

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**Trips**

**Connetquot River State Park Clubhouse Tour**  
**Thursday, January 18, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**  
Step back in time as you tour the Main House of the South Side Sportsmen’s Club. A docent will discuss the history of the tavern and the high society Sportsmen’s Club which shaped Connetquot River State Park Preserve into what it is today. Meet at Connetquot River State Park 4090 Sunrise Hwy, Oakdale. Nonrefundable fee: $4 check, money order or credit/debit card.

**Long Island Railroad Trip to New York City:**

**Saturday, February 24, 8:40 AM**  
Enjoy discounted train tickets through the library! On the day of the train trip, all patrons must leave from the Sayville Station on the 8:51 am train and be in the first car. You will arrive at Penn Station at 10:28 AM and you can return home on any train prior to midnight. Limit six (6) tickets per patron. Registration for tickets ends on Friday, February 16 at 12:00 pm–or whenever tickets run out, whichever comes first. Nonrefundable Fee: $10.75, check or money order (payable to Sayville Library) or credit card.

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**Seniors**

**Medicare Counseling & Assistance Program**  
**Wednesdays, January 10 & February 14, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM**  
Meet in person with an RSVP Suffolk volunteer from the Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program to get information about Medicare health insurance and benefits. By appointment only; call the reference desk for a half-hour appointment.

**Chair Yoga**  
**Tuesdays, January 16, 23, 30,**  
**February 6, 13, 20, 27, March 5, 1:00 – 2:00 PM**  
Joy Walker leads you through a Chair Yoga Session! Intended for those who want to do yoga, but can’t get down on the floor. Registration is limited. Fee: $20 check, money order or credit/debit card.

**Senior Fitness**  
**Thursdays, January 18, 25, February 1, 8, 15, 22, 29,**  
**March 7, 1:00 – 2:00 PM**  
Workout with Joy Walker in this basic weight training and body toning class. Chairs are used for upper and lower body work–don’t have weights? Use soup cans or water bottles! Fee: $20 check, money order or credit/debit card.

**Community Mah Jongg Group**  
**Mondays, 12:00 – 4:00 PM**  
Stop in for a weekly game of mah jongg! No instruction will be provided.

**Learn**

**Inside the CIA**  
**Thursday, January 25, 7:00 – 8:30 PM**  
From clandestine operations to covert actions approved by presidents, the CIA has been shrouded in mystery since its inception. It plays a critical role in shaping American foreign policy. Its successes and failures have often had consequences for national security. Buckle up and get ready for an exciting journey through the secret world of the CIA.

**Gardens Around the World**  
**Monday, February 12, 7:00 – 8:30 PM**  
From ancient Greece and Rome, throughout Europe and Asia, gardens have always held a special place. Join us as we trace the history and evolution of gardening through the ages, moving from practical food-producing gardens to decorative ones that still thrive today. Visit some of the world’s most famous manor houses and chateaux to see their elaborate gardens for ideas to inspire your own.
Cricut Crafts: Dry Erase Calendar
Tuesday January 9, 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Looking to get organized? Make a dry erase calendar with Cricut and a picture frame. Nonrefundable fee: $5.

Get to Know Your Sewing Machine
Tuesdays January 16 OR 23, 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Did you receive a new sewing machine this holiday season or have one laying around that you’d love to learn more about? Make an appointment for a half hour one-on-one session to learn the basics of your machine and maybe even sew your first stitches! Please bring your sewing machine and thread. Don’t have a machine? Make an appointment and learn to use one of the Library’s sewing machines!

Phones & Tablets for Beginners
Friday, January 26 & February 2, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Have a smartphone or tablet and don’t know how to use it? Join us for a simple, step-by-step guided tour as we walk you through everything you need to know about your device. Don’t forget to bring it!

Cricut Valentine’s Day Cards
Thursday, February 1, 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Give your Valentine something special this year with a card of your very own design using our Cricut machine!

Cricut Crafts: Monogram Keychain
Tuesday February 6, 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Design and make your own monogram keychain with your initials using Cricut! Nonrefundable fee: $5.

3D Printed Super Bowl Trophy & Ring
Monday, February 5, 6:30 – 8:00 pm
Get ready for gameday with a custom-made, 3D printed Super Bowl ring and Lombardi trophy using TinkerCAD and our new 3D printer!

Valentine’s Day Mug
Wednesday, February 7, 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Make your special someone a custom-made Valentine’s Day-themed mug using our Cricut machine and mug press! Nonrefundable fee: $5.

Learn to Sew: Drawstring Bag
Tuesday February 13, 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Learn to sew a small drawstring bag! Use it as a gift bag or to hold small items like dice. Beginners welcome! Nonrefundable fee: $5.

Apps for Tracking Your Reading and Movies!
Thursday, February 15, 3:00 – 4:00 pm
Learn about the amazing, free apps available to track and review the books and movies you’ve enjoyed and get personalized recommendations based on your reading/watching habits.

Cricut Crafts: Trinket Tray
Tuesday February 20, 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Make and personalize a trinket tray using Cricut! Nonrefundable fee: $5.

3D Printed Poké Ball Keychain
Monday, February 26, 6:30 – 8:00 pm
Tomorrow is National Pokémon Day! To celebrate we’re designing and 3D printing Poké Ball keychains in TinkerCAD and printing them with our new 3D printer!

Senior Tech Tuesdays
Tuesday, February 27, 11:00 am – 12:30 pm
New device giving you trouble? Need some advice on what to buy? Whatever your question, our knowledgeable staff is here to help you navigate your tech woes. New meetings occur the last Tuesday of every month.

Cooking
Chef Rob Scott: Winter Minestrone and Sweet Chocolate Chip Mug Cake
Tuesday, February 6, 6:30 – 8:00 pm
Join Chef Rob and get the both of best worlds! Watch Chef Rob prepare a Winter Minestrone Soup for you to taste–loaded with pasta, vegetables and herbs. Then you will learn to make a Sweet Chocolate Chip Cake in a Mug ready to take home and put in the microwave to enjoy right away! Please bring two 12 ounce mugs to class for the soup and the Chocolate Chip Mug Cake. Nonrefundable Fee: $7 check, money order or credit card.

Mediterranean Cooking: Kufta Organic Beef Kebabs
Wednesday, February 28, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Chef Naela from Naela’s Mediterranean Kitchen will demonstrate how to make Kufta organic beef kebabs with potatoes and tomatoes served with yellow rice and fattoush salad followed by Layali lubnan semolina ricotta cheese dessert. Fee: $10 check, money order or credit/debit card.
New Year New You Walking Program  
**Fridays, January 5, 12, 19, 26, 9:00 – 10:00 AM**

Take a break from that treadmill and get a change of scenery! Come and walk indoors at the library between the hours of 9am-10am. Get a free pedometer for signing up and let’s see who has the most steps by the end of January! Only persons signed up for this program will be allowed to enter the Library at 9am. Registration space is limited.

SMART Recovery  
**Thursdays, 7:30 – 9:00 PM Online via Zoom**

Self-Management and Recovery Training (SMART) is a global community of mutual-support groups. At meetings, participants help one another resolve problems with any addiction and develop the power within themselves to change. Social Worker Intern Erik will facilitate this group. The Zoom link is available through the program calendar at sayvilletlibr.org.

SUNY Stony Brook Social Worker Intern  
**Tuesdays, January 9 and February 6, 1:00 – 4:00 PM**

Our social worker intern can help with referrals to social services, including help with food assistance (SNAP and more), housing referrals, mental health resources and beyond! Stop by or call 631-589-4440 x339 for more information.

Career Advising and Resume Assistance  
**Tuesdays, January 9 and February 6, 1:00 – 4:00 PM**

A Long Island Cares Career Development Program representative will assist you with your resume, cover letter and interview skills and help you navigate the ever-changing world of job searching. Registration required for a 45-minute appointment. Appointments are at 1pm, 2pm and 3pm.

Phones and Tablets for Beginners  
**Friday, January 27 or February 2, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

Have a smartphone or tablet and don’t know how to use it? Join us for a simple, step-by-step guided tour as we walk you through everything you need to know about your device. Don’t forget to bring it!

Stony Brook Healthy Libraries Program  
**Thursday, January 19 and February 13, 10:30 AM – 1:00 PM**

The Healthy Libraries Program (HeLP) consists of students who are currently training in the fields of social work, public health, library science, and nursing. They are available at the library to provide blood pressure screenings, to answer questions and provide reliable, evidence-based information on a wide variety of health topics such as heart disease, diabetes, understanding medications and much more.

Supportive Services for Veteran Families Information Table  
**Thursday, January 11, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

Stop by the information table from Supportive Services For Veteran Families to find out about a number of services available to help veterans. Whether you are a veteran, family member, or friend of a veteran, stop by with your questions!

PSE&G Long Island Information Table  
**Thursday, January 18, 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

PSE&G Long Island will be here with information on programs to help lower costs of your home heating bill if you qualify. Stop by and speak with representatives about possible home heating assistance programs.

Parent Pause and Play  
**Tuesday, January 23, 10:30 – 11:30 AM**

**Resource Professional: Speech Language Pathologist**  
**Tuesday, February 6, 10:30 – 11:30 AM**

**Resource Professional TBA**

Ages 12 Months-3 Years w/ Caregiver  
Spend some time together, play with educational toys, and meet new friends. Our social worker intern Jaime and community resource professionals from Stony Brook Hospital will be on hand to discuss child development topics and answer any questions you might have. Register for each date individually.

Parent Pause  
**Wednesday, January 24, 6:30 – 7:15 PM**

**Wednesday, February 21, 6:30 – 7:15 PM**

**Parents of Children Ages Birth-18 Years Online via Zoom**

Are you looking for a place to meet up with other parents or grandparents who are busy raising kids? Take a pause and join our social worker intern Erik Soto for discussion and support in this virtual group focusing on parenting and family topics. Come with questions or just join to listen and learn! This program is available to all Suffolk County library patrons. Register for each date individually. **All registrants will receive a Zoom link in their confirmation email upon registration.**

Catholic Health Mobile Outreach Bus  
**Monday, January 29, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

On board the Catholic Health Outreach bus, staff can screen for blood pressure, conduct blood tests for cholesterol among other health issues. All are welcome, whether or not you have health insurance.

Tips for Successful Aging in Place  
**Wednesday, January 24, 2:00 – 3:00 PM**

Aging in place is the practice of staying in your own home as you grow older, and it’s becoming more and more popular. But it’s not always easy to adapt your living space to meet your changing needs. Fortunately, there are plenty of tips for successful aging in place that can help you stay safe, healthy, and happy in your own home. Presented by Parker Jewish Institute for Health Care and Rehabilitation.

Identity Theft Awareness and Prevention  
**Wednesday, January 31, 7:00 – 8:00 PM**

Phone calls, emails, even texts can be scammers trying to take advantage of you. Some can sound very convincing and appear to be from places you may know! Don’t be a victim of a scam! Come and get educated from the Suffolk County Police as they teach us what to look for!

Caring for Loved Ones with Dementia  
**Monday, February 12, 2:00 – 3:00 PM**

Caring for a loved one with Alzheimer’s disease and other forms of dementia can be challenging but with the right strategies and expert tips, it’s possible to calm their agitation and improve their quality of life. Presented by Parker Jewish Institute for Health Care and Rehabilitation.
Get Yeti to Read with this year’s Winter Reading Club! Stop by any service desk or go to: https://tinyurl.com/winterreading2024 to register! For every book, e-book or audiobook you read, receive a ticket for a prize basket from Teen Central.

Get Creative

Paint & Sip
Friday, January 5, 6:30 – 8:00 PM
Paint a winter scene with local artist Bizzy while you sip some party drinks!

Cricut Crafts: Dry Erase Calendar*
Tuesday, January 9, 3:00 – 5:00 PM
Looking to get organized? Make a dry erase calendar with Cricut and a picture frame. This program has a $5 nonrefundable fee. Please pay by credit card when registering online.

Wood Burning Craft
Thursday, January 11, 6:00 – 7:00 PM
Learn a basic wood burning technique and make a winter decoration.

Cricut Crafts: Monogram Keychain*
Tuesday, February 6, 3:00 – 5:00 PM
Design and make your own monogram keychain with your initials using Cricut! This program has a $5 nonrefundable fee. Please pay by credit card when registering online.

Marble Valentine Cards
Wednesday, February 7, 5:00 – 6:00 PM
Pass these out as Valentine cards or hang them on the windows for decoration. These beautiful marbled hearts make for a fun craft.

Learn to Sew: Drawstring Bag*
Tuesday, February 13, 3:00 – 5:00 PM
Learn to sew a small drawstring bag! Use it as a gift bag or to hold small items like dice. Beginners welcome! This program has a $5 nonrefundable fee. Please pay by credit card when registering online.

Cricut Crafts: Trinket Tray*
Tuesday, February 20, 3:00 – 5:00 PM
Make and personalize a trinket tray using Cricut. This program has a $5 nonrefundable fee. Please pay by credit card when registering online.

DIY Photo Holder
Wednesday, February 28, 4:30 – 5:30 PM
Match your home decor and make some colorful photo holders for your favorite pictures.

Food

Pancakes After School
Friday, January 19, 3:00 – 4:00 PM
Come hang out in Teen Central and make pancakes with us!

Ramen & Trivia
Friday, January 26, 6:30 – 8:00 PM
Get competitive with your Ramen toppings and your general trivia knowledge.

Cooking with Chef Rob
Friday, February 2, 6:30 – 8:00 PM
Prepare 2 dozen delicious Hot Chocolate Cookies with Chef Rob, take them home, and bake.

Pizza Day
Friday, February 9, 4:30 – 5:30 PM
It’s National Pizza Day! Come hang out in Teen Central and make pocket pizzas with us!

Candy Sushi
Wednesday, February 21, 5:00 – 6:00 PM
Looks like sushi but tastes like candy! Craft your own sushi-inspired dessert out of Rice Krispie Treats and gummy candy.

For Older Teens

SAT & ACT Test Prep
Thursday, January 18, 6:00 – 8:00 PM
Grades 9-12
Study with local teachers Ms. Gennosa and Mr. Berman for this in-person, 6-week SAT and ACT Test Prep class. ELA and Math covered. The total fee is $200 cash, due on the first day. Test materials will be provided. The class will be on Thursdays, January 18, 25, February 1, 8, 15, and 22. This is a class to prepare for the digital SAT which begins with the March 9th exam. Please note there will be no class the week of Winter Recess (February 22).
Games

After School Games
Wednesday, January 3, 3:30 – 5:30 pm
Monopoly, Uno, Operation, and more! Join us after school for snacks and get competitive with your friends while playing your favorite childhood games!

Virtual Reality
Thursday, January 5 AND Friday, February 23, 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Drop in Teen Central to try out our Oculus Quest virtual reality systems. Beginners and veteran VR players welcome!

Chess Club
Mondays, January 8 AND February 12, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Grades 3-8
Want to learn the basics of chess or just play and have fun? We will have some volunteers available to help teach or to challenge you.

Hang Out with Friends

Uno Tournament
Friday, January 12, 6:30 – 8:00 pm
Get Skipped, draw Wild, and Reverse! Get your UNO game on for this fast-paced tournament. Prizes will be awarded and, as always, snacks.

Dungeons & Dragons
Saturday, January 27, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
AND Saturday, February 10, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
Dungeons & Dragons (D&D) is a fantasy tabletop role-playing game. Join us for a new, Saturday monthly gathering. This is a beginner-friendly introduction to D&D. Learn about the game's core concepts, figure out what you'll need to play, and get an overview of the basic rules.

Library Jenga
Wednesday, January 31, 4:30 – 5:30 pm
Can you successfully win Library Jenga? Play with friends and stack as many books as you can without it falling over!

Pantry Donations
Donate an item to either our food or pet pantry out in front of the Library, take a picture of what you put in there and email it to us at teens@sayvillelibrary.org.

Reviews
Submit a review of a book you recently read, a video game played, or a movie you watched. Review any of our materials found in the Library or through one of our digital services: Libby, Overdrive, Hoopla, or Kanopy. Reviews may be used in the teen section of our website, in our newsletter, or as part of a display at the Library. Email reviews to teens@sayvillelibrary.org. There is a limit of 5 reviews per month.

Mission on the Move: Grab & Go
Mission on the Move is our Grab and Go style community service. Pick up on a Monday and return the following Monday. Complete at your own pace. You must register for each week you want to participate so that enough kits are made available. Supplies are limited.

Compliment Card
Pick-Up on Monday, January 22
Grab & Go
Pay it forward by making little compliment cards that we will leave out at our reference desks for patrons to take at the Library.

Love for Our Elders
Pick-Up on Monday, February 5
Grab & Go
Write handwritten letters which will be mailed out to elders in senior communities across the globe. Love for Our Elders' mission to alleviate a growing loneliness epidemic among senior citizens.
Baby, Toddler & Pre-School

Get Yeti to Read Storycraft
**Wednesday, January 3, 4:00 – 4:45 pm**
**Ages 3-5 Years w/ Caregiver**
Winter Reading Club has just begun, so it's time to Get Yeti to Read! Join Miss Kerry for stories and create a yeti craft to kick off the next two months of winter reading fun!

Baby Games
**Saturday, January 6, 10:30 – 11:15 AM**
**Saturday, February 10, 10:30 – 11:15 AM**
**Ages Birth-12 Months w/ Caregiver**
Enjoy finger plays, music, bubbles, parachute play and more! Register for each date individually.

Toddler Fun
**Saturday, January 6, 11:30 AM – 12:15 PM**
**Saturday, February 10, 11:30 AM – 12:15 PM**
**Ages 13-35 Months w/ Caregiver**
Join Kathy Roeder for music, movement, and games to engage your active toddler! Register for each date individually.

Babies Boogie
**Monday, January 8, 10:30 – 11:15 AM**
**Ages 3-23 Months w/ Caregiver**
Children will sing and bounce to music from around the world, using instruments, props, and developmentally appropriate movements.

Toddlers Tango
**Monday, January 8, 11:30 AM – 12:15 PM**
**Ages 2-3 Years w/ Caregiver**
Clap your hands, stamp your feet and wiggle to the beat with great songs and toy musical instruments!

Little Kids Movies
**Wednesday, January 10, 10:30 – 11:00 AM - Snow Stories**
**Ages 3-5 Years w/ Caregiver**
Join us to watch a few short movies based on some of our favorite classic and contemporary picture books.

Pop In and Play
**Thursday, January 11, 10:30 – 11:15 AM**
**Monday, February 26, 10:30 – 11:15 AM**
**Ages 18 Months-5 Years w/ Caregiver**
Enjoy free play with our educational toys and to make new friends! Register for each date individually.

Babies Explore
**Tuesday, January 16, 10:30 – 11:00 AM**
**Thursday, February 22, 10:30 – 11:00 AM**
**Ages Birth-17 Months w/ Caregiver**
Fun and play for your littlest ones with our educational toys. Register for each date individually.

Storytime for 3-5 Year Olds
**Tuesdays, January 16-February 13, 1:30 – 2:00 PM OR Fridays, January 19-February 16, 10:30 – 11:00 AM**
**Ages 3-5 Years w/ Caregiver**
Join us each week for stories, songs, and a book-based movie!

Popcorn Parachute Songs
**Wednesday, January 17, 10:30 – 11:00 AM OR 11:15 – 11:45 AM**
**Ages Birth-5 Years w/ Caregiver**
Dara Linthwaite is back just in time for National Popcorn Day! Enjoy songs, rhymes, and fingerplays while using popcorn shakers and then head for the parachute where we will shake and pop colorful balls up in the air!

Tiny Tots
**Thursday, January 18, 10:30 – 11:15 AM**
**Thursday, February 8, 10:30 – 11:15 AM**
Join us for stories, songs, a craft, and a book-based movie! Register for each date individually.

Parent Pause and Play
**Tuesday, January 23, 10:30 – 11:30 AM - Resource Professional: Speech Language Pathologist**
**Tuesday, February 6, 10:30 – 11:30 AM - Resource Professional TBA**
**Ages 12 Months-3 Years w/ Caregiver**
Spend some time together, play with educational toys, and meet new friends. Our social worker intern Jaime and community resource professionals from Stony Brook Hospital will be on hand to discuss child development topics and answer any questions you might have. Register for each date individually.

Arctic Babies
**Thursday, February 1, 10:15 – 10:45 AM**
**Ages Birth-17 Months w/ Caregiver**
Designed for our youngest patrons to "learn through play", along with singing, finger plays, dancing and more.

Polar Bear, Polar Bear
**Thursday, February 1, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM**
**Ages 18-35 Months w/ Caregiver**
“Polar bear, polar bear, what do you see?” I see music, movement, and a polar bear-themed craft happening at the library!
• You can register for Library programs listed in this newsletter (unless otherwise indicated) by visiting the Library’s website EVENTS CALENDAR.
• You can also sign up for programs by calling the Library at 631.589.4440 x5 or stopping by. We recommend signing up on the first day of registration.
• Please register each child individually for each program.
• A parent/guardian’s name, email address & phone number are required for each child’s registration.
• Please use the cancellation feature in our online Events Calendar if you will be unable to attend to give patrons on the Waitlist an opportunity to come.
• Please let us know in advance if you require any special accommodations because of a disability. Thank you for your cooperation.
• Due to high demand of programs, if you are more than 5 minutes late to a program and have not called ahead to save your child’s spot, we will assume you are not coming and give available spaces to other patrons waiting in the Library.

Baby, Toddler & Pre-School Continued

All the Feels
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1,
4:30 – 5:15 PM
Ages 3-5 Years
w/ Caregiver
Enjoy some simple stories about feelings and create a feelings wheel to help identify how you’re feeling each day.

Lil’ Athletes
WEDNESDAY,
FEBRUARY 7,
4:30 – 5:15 PM
Ages 3-5 Years
w/ Caregiver
Coaches from Lil’ Athletes will teach children the basic fundamentals of baseball and soccer in this multi-sport combo class.

Stories y Cuentos
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12,
10:30 – 11:00 AM
Ages 3-5 Years w/ Caregiver
Give your little ones the building blocks to learn a second language! Join Señorita Lesli for some stories in English and Español and leave with some words and activities to practice at home!

Mother Goose
THURSDAY,
FEBRUARY 15,
10:30 – 11:00 AM
Ages 3-12 Months w/Caregiver
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM
Ages 13-23 Months
w/ Caregiver
Learn and enjoy Mother Goose songs and rhymes both familiar and new.

Baby, Toddler & Preschool Evening Programs

Get Yeti to Read Storycraft
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 6:30 – 7:15 PM
Ages 18-35 Months w/ Caregiver
Winter Reading Club has just begun, so it’s time to Get Yeti to Read! Join Miss Kerry for stories and create a yeti craft to kick off the next two months of winter reading fun!

Babies Explore @ Night
TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 6:30 – 7:00 PM
Ages Birth-17 Months w/ Caregiver
Fun and play for your littlest ones with our educational toys.

Penguin Problems
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 6:30 – 7:30 PM
18 Months-5 Years w/ Caregiver
Waddle down to the library in your best black and white garb for some music and movement, and create a penguin craft to take home.

Little Kids Movies @ Night
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 6:30 – 7:00 PM - Valentine’s Day
Ages 3-5 Years
w/ Caregiver
Join us to watch a few short movies based on some of our favorite classic and contemporary picture books.

You’re “Bear-y” Special
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22,
6:30 – 7:15 PM
Ages 30 Months-5 Years w/ Caregiver
Bring your own teddy bear or other favorite stuffy along to this program where we celebrate how much we love them! Enjoy stories and make a teddy bear-themed craft to take home!

Pop In and Play @ Night
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28,
6:30 – 7:15 PM
Ages 18 Months-5 Years w/ Caregiver
Enjoy free play with our educational toys and to make new friends!

STEAM Time, Dream Time
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28,
6:30 – 7:15 PM
Ages 3-5 Years
w/ Caregiver
Join us for pajama storytime with a twist. Wear your PJs to the library, listen to some stories and then make a STEAM-themed craft to take home.
**School-Age (Grades K-5)**

**Vision Board Workshop**  
**Tuesday, January 2, 6:30 – 7:15 pm**  
**Grades 2-5**  
New year, new dreams! Join Miss Meg to make 2024 vision boards using recycled magazines. Cut, place, and glue inspiring images to remind you of goals for the upcoming year, or just use them to create a piece of art to celebrate the New Year!  
*Parents/caregivers of children under age 10 must remain in the building for the duration of the program.*

**Junior LEGO Club**  
**Tuesday, January 9, 4:15 – 5:00 pm**  
**Tuesday, February 6, 4:15 – 5:00 pm**  
**Grades K-2**  
For our youngest engineers, build with LEGO, Magna-Tiles, Keva planks, and more at stations around the room. Register for each date individually.

**Wonderful Walruses**  
**Thursday, January 18, 4:30 – 5:15 pm**  
**Grades K-2**  
Hear winter stories and learn some fun facts about the large arctic mammal known as the walrus before creating a walrus headband you can wear home!

**Kindergarten Korner**  
**Monday, January 22, 4:30 – 5:15 pm**  
**Grade K**  
Join us for a special afternoon of activities just for Kindergarteners!

**Art Teacher Amy: Cardinals on Pine Branches**  
**Thursday, January 25, 4:30 – 5:30 pm**  
**Grades 1-5**  
Did you know that cardinals don’t migrate south in the winter? You may see their vibrant red color in the trees around your home, but even if you don’t, you can create a beautiful piece of art featuring a cardinal in a pine tree, using watercolors and pastels.

**Dog Savvy Kids**  
**Monday, January 29, 4:30 – 5:30 pm**  
**Grades 2-5**  
Katie McKnight, a certified dog bite prevention educator and Violet, a Canine Good Citizen will be here to educate children on safe dog handling skills to prevent accidents and promote responsible pet ownership. Children will learn how to approach and interact with dogs safely. This program helps to raise awareness about canine body language and behavior and instill empathy and compassion for animals.

**Happy Hedgehugs**  
**Monday, February 5, 4:30 – 5:15 pm**  
**Grades K-2**  
Hedgehogs may be prickly on the outside, but everybody deserves to be loved! Enjoy some Valentine's Day-themed stories and make an adorable hedgehog heart craft to take home.

**Twin STEAM Scene - February Fun**  
**Tuesday, February 13, 6:30 – 7:15 pm**  
**Entering Grades 2-5**  
Join Miss Meg for a themed story and Ozobot coding with a creative twist!

**Year of the Dragon Acrylic Painting**  
**Thursday, February 15, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
**Grades 1-5**  
Artist Samantha He will be here to instruct you in creating a vibrant acrylic painting to prepare for the Year of the Dragon.

**Tales of Whales**  
**Friday, February 23, 2:00 – 3:00 pm**  
**Grades K-5**  
Celebrate Humpback Whale Awareness Month with a marine biologist from the Coastal Research and Education Society of Long Island (CRESLI). Children will learn about the various types of whales found off Long Island, how to identify them, and how to distinguish individual humpback whales by their unique tail shapes and markings. All attendees will receive a take-home packet including a personalized certificate of completion.

**Rubik's Cube Buddies**  
**Tuesday, February 27, 6:30 – 7:15 pm**  
**Held in Teen Central**  
**Grades 2-5**  
Buddy up with a teen and work on solving a Rubik's Cube together.

**Leap Day Celebration**  
**Thursday, February 29, 4:30 – 5:15 pm**  
**Grades K-5**  
A day like this only comes around once every 4 years! Join us to celebrate Leap Day with a variety of activities at stations around the room. Play games, make a frog craft, and even write a letter to your future self that you can’t open until next February 29th! Imagine where you’ll be 4 years from now! This program promises to be a hoppin’ good time!

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**Tweens (Grades 3-5)**

**Vision Board Workshop**  
**Tuesday, January 2, 6:30 – 7:15 pm**  
**Grades 2-5**  
See above for description.

**Gnome Place Like Home**  
**Friday, January 5, 4:15 – 5:00 pm**  
**Grades 3-5**  
Create fun gnome figures using repurposed pine cones and other art supplies!

**Chess Club**  
**Monday, January 8, 6:30 – 7:30 pm**  
**Monday, February 12, 6:30 – 7:30 pm**  
**Held in Teen Central**  
**Entering Grades 3-8**  
Want to learn the basics of chess or just play and have fun? We will have some volunteers available to help teach or to challenge you. Register for each date individually. **Registration for both of these sessions begins on Monday, December 18 through the Teen Department.**

**Tween LEGO Club**  
**Friday, January 12, 4:15 – 5:00 pm**  
**Friday, February 9, 4:15 – 5:00 pm**  
**Grades 3-5**  
Bring your inner artist and engineer together and build anything you want out of our LEGOs during this relaxed class. Register for each date individually.
### Family Programs

#### Get Yeti to Read!
**Winter Reading Club 2024**
*Tuesday, January 2 - Thursday, February 29*
**All Ages**
Do you have a monstrous appetite for reading? Then winter is the perfect time to devour some new books! Stop by any service desk to register. For every book, e-book, or audiobook you read, receive a raffle for one of our end of season prize baskets! It’s gonna be roarr-some!

#### Family Connect Nights
*Wednesday, January 10, 6:30 – 8:00 pm*
**STEAM Stations**
*Monday, February 12, 6:30 – 8:00 pm*
**Love Your Library**
Families with Children in Grades K-5
School gave you a night off from homework, so come on down to the library for some family fun. See full descriptions of each session in our online event calendar. Register for each date individually.

#### Parent Pause
**Wednesday, January 24, 6:30 – 7:15 pm**
**Wednesday, February 21, 6:30 – 7:15 pm**
**Parents of Children Ages Birth-18 Years**
**Online via Zoom**
Take a pause and join our social worker intern Erik Soto for discussion and support in this virtual group focusing on parenting and family topics. Come with questions or just join to listen and learn! This program is available to all Suffolk County library patrons. Register for each date individually. **All registrants will receive a Zoom link in their confirmation email upon registration.**

#### Dog Savvy Kids
**Monday, January 29, 4:30 – 5:30 pm**
**Grades 2-5**
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#### Snowflake Art Family Grab & Go Craft
**Pick-up on Friday, January 12**
**All Ages**
Give your heart to someone special this month with these personalized valentines. Each child in the family must be registered individually. Supplies are limited. Kits will be available to pick-up on Friday, January 12 in the Children’s Department.

#### Tween STEAM Scene - February Fun
**Tuesday, February 13, 6:30 – 7:15 pm**
**Entering Grades 2-5**
Join Miss Meg for a themed story and Ozobot coding with a creative twist!

#### Just Messing Around
**Tuesday, February 20, 2:00 – 2:45 pm**
**Grades 3-5**
Enjoy some stories about the fun of making messes and then make slime finger paint and create some sticky-fingered art in this STEAM-themed class! And don’t forget to dress for a mess!

#### Tween STEAM Scene - February Fun
**Tuesday, February 13, 6:30 – 7:15 pm**
**Entering Grades 2-5**
Join Miss Meg for a themed story and Ozobot coding with a creative twist!

#### Make Your Own Valentine Family Grab & Go Craft
**Pick-up on Friday, February 9**
**All Ages**
Give your heart to someone special this month with these personalized valentines. Each child in the family must be registered individually. Supplies are limited. Kits will be available to pick-up on Friday, February 9 in the Children’s Department.

#### Movie Matinee
**Wednesday, February 21, 2:00 – 3:30 pm**
**Ages 5 Years and Up w/ Caregiver**
**Smallfoot** (Rated PG)
Chill out at the library over Mid-Winter Recess to watch a fun family movie! Please note: a parent or caregiver must stay with children for this program. A bright young yeti finds something he thought didn’t exist: a human. News of this throws the simple yeti community into an uproar over what else might be out there in the big world beyond their snowy village, in an all-new story about friendship, courage, and the joy of discovery.
THE NEXTREX RECYCLING CHALLENGE IS BACK!

Starting January 1st we now have 12 months to collect 1,000lbs of soft plastic for recycling! Look for the NexTrex bins in the Library to drop off your plastics. Bubble wrap, plastic mailers, bread bags and more are acceptable (please make sure they are clean and dry).

Board Meeting Dates:  
Monday, January 8, 7:00 PM  
Monday, February 12, 7:00 PM

Please call ahead to confirm.

STAY INFORMED ONLINE:  
Website:  www.sayvillelibrary.org  
Facebook:  www.facebook.com/sayvillelibrary  
Instagram:  www.instagram.com/sayvillelibrary  
YouTube:  www.youtube.com/sayvillelibrary

Library Hours:
Monday – Friday, 10:00 AM – 9:00 PM  
Saturday, 9:30 AM – 5:00 PM  
Sunday, 1:00 – 5:00 PM

Holiday Closing Schedule:
Monday, January 1 – New Year’s Day  
Monday, January 15 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
Monday, February 19 – President’s Day

Curbside Pick-Up Hours:
Monday – Friday, 10:00 AM – 8:30 PM  
Saturday, 10:00 AM – 4:30 PM

Conveniently pick up your items from a locker located in the Library’s vestibule. Call ahead for details.

Online Chat Service Hours:
Monday – Friday, 10:00 AM – 9:00 PM  
Saturday, 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Lobby Display Case:
JANUARY: Bottles From Sayville’s Past by Mark R. Smith  
FEBRUARY: Pottery by Alison Ryczek

Adult Services Display Case:
JANUARY: Sayville Musical Workshops by the Sayville Historical Society  
FEBRUARY: Black History Month by the Sayville Historical Society

Art Gallery:
JANUARY: Color Photography by Ken Door  
FEBRUARY: It’s a Lab’s Life Drawings by Linda Ann Catucci

Display and Exhibits

STEAM programs are designed to develop future innovators! Look for the STEAM icons in the Children’s section of this newsletter.

MEMORY KITS Check one out!  
Memory kits evoke memories of past events and include activities for individuals at various stages of memory loss.