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We ♥ our Riverhead Community

A Message to the Community



Thank you for supporting the Riverhead Free Library this holiday season. Your generous donations are greatly appreciated and supply essential and necessary support for our facilities and programs so that we can provide the highest quality experience for you.

As you are making your year-end plans for charitable giving, please consider making a tax-deductible donation to the Library. Gifts made before January 31, 2023 are tax- deductible in this year's Income Tax (2022). We appreciate your support and generosity!

The Library's Board of Trustees invites residents of the Riverhead Central School District who are interested in serving as a Library Trustee to submit an application and resume to the Ad Hoc committee. Applications are available on the Library's website, and at the Patron Services Desk. The deadline to apply is March 3, 2023.

To learn more about RFL, please visit www.riverheadlibrary.org. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if the library can assist you in any way.



Wishing you a happy & healthy New Year!

Kerrie McMullen-Smith
Library Director



We are grateful to Assemblymember Jodi Giglio for giving Riverhead Free Library \$25,000 in NYS Special Legislative Project Funding to restore and maintain the historic Perkins Carriage House, also known as the Yellow Barn.

WARMING THE HEARTS OF OUR COMMUNITY BY WORKING TOGETHER

We accomplished the following through partnerships with community groups in 2022:

- Long Island Cares - 2,495 pounds of food for Long Island Cares School Pantries. 393 bags of food distributed to 780 individuals through the Long Island Cares Mobile Food Pantry.
- Island Harvest - 2,688 boxes of food distributed to seniors, Veterans and families in need.
- Family Service League-nearly 100 individuals assisted by the library's social worker.
- The Great Giveback - 185 winter coats were donated.
- The Mitten Tree Project - 167 hats, 161 gloves, 49 scarves and 7 blankets were donated by patrons of the Riverhead Free Library.
- Riverhead Woman's Club - 172 pajamas and 83 books collected for community children.



TAX ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Free Tax Assistance

Registration for income eligible Riverhead Free Library cardholders starts **Wednesday, January 11 at 9:30am**. Registration for income eligible individuals without an RFL card starts **Wednesday, March 8 at 9:30am**. Appointments can be scheduled at the Reference Desk or by calling (631) 727-3228 ext. 301.

AARP Free Tax Assistance and Counseling Appointments

Mondays and Fridays, February 3-April 17 • 9:30am-12:30pm

Intake forms will be mailed two weeks prior to appointment date.

VITA Free Tax Assistance and Counseling Appointments

Saturdays, February 4-April 15 • 11:00am-1:30pm

Please arrive 15 minutes early to complete an intake form.

All tax returns will be completed on the day of your appointment.



Riverhead Library is not responsible for the accuracy of your tax return, advice, or services rendered by AARP and VITA preparers. You are responsible for obtaining your preparer's name and follow-up information at the time of your appointment.

COMMUNITY SERVICES ~ Caring For Our Community

Long Island Cares Mobile Food Pantry

Thursdays, January 5 & February 2 • 11:00am-12:00pm

Long Island Cares supplies emergency food, fresh produce and frozen meat on the first Thursday of each month.

No identification is required to pick up your supply of food.

This is a walk-up service only. No Registration Required.

Island Harvest Food Distribution

Mondays, January 9 & February 6 • 9:00-11:00am

(While supplies last)

Food assistance for Seniors (60 & Older) and Veterans in the Library Parking Lot.



Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP)

Friday, January 13 • 1:00-2:00pm

CDPAP allows Medicaid approved individuals the ability to hire loved ones to be their caregivers. Come find out if you or a loved one might qualify for this program.

HIICAP Free Insurance Counseling

Tuesdays, January 17 & February 21 • 9:30am-12:00pm

A trained, NYS-certified HIICAP counselor can assist Medicare-eligible persons with information about how the system works, enrollment, benefits and other available health insurance options. *HIICAP counselors are not affiliated with any commercial healthcare insurers or providers.* To register for a ½ hour one-on-one appointment, call (631) 727-3228 ext. 301.

Veterans Resource Table

Wednesdays, January 18 & February 15 • 3:00-5:00pm

A Veteran peer mentor from the Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project will share resources for Veterans and their families. **No registration is required.**

Shots for Tots

Wednesdays, January 25 & February 22 • 12:00-3:00pm

Childhood vaccinations and COVID vaccinations for all approved ages by the Suffolk County Department of Health. For more details, call the Suffolk County Immunization Action Program at (631) 854-0222.

SNAP Counseling

Thursdays, January 26 & February 23

10:00am-5:00pm

SNAP is a program to assist families to stretch their food budget. To schedule an appointment to see if you qualify, call or email Nutrition Outreach and Education Program Coordinator, Maria Carvajal at (631) 579-7051 or mcarvajal@hwcli.com.



Stony Brook Healthy Libraries Program (HeLP)

Tuesdays, February 14, 28 • 10:30am-1:00pm

Free blood pressure screenings and health related questions answered on a variety of topics. Stop by and bring your questions.

ABCds of Medicare

Saturday, February 25 • 11:00am-12:30pm

Heidi, of Heidi Peborde insurance, details the ins and outs of Medicare and answers your questions to help you better advocate for yourself.

Free to Low Cost Health Insurance

Need Health Insurance? Health & Welfare Council of Long Island's certified bi-lingual Healthcare Navigators can help you enroll in Medicaid, Child Health Plus and the Essential Plans and apply for a Qualified Health Plan, if eligible, for Special Enrollment. Eligibility based on household size and income. **Call to schedule a phone appointment: (516) 505-4426.**

Shed the Meds/Coffee with a Cop

Friday, February 10 • 10:00am-1:00pm

Coffee with a Cop brings police officers and the community members they serve together—over coffee—to discuss issues and learn more about each other. Bring your unwanted or expired prescription or over-the-counter medications for collection and enjoy a cup of coffee and a conversation with officers from the Riverhead Police Department. This event is sponsored by Senator Anthony Palumbo.

HOW TO REGISTER

Patrons may register for classes online with their child's Riverhead Library card by going to the Library's website, www.riverheadlibrary.org. When on the main page, hover over programs, and click "Register for Programs." Children must meet age requirements by the first day of the class. **You must use your child's library card to register. There is only 1 registration allowed per card.**

Notes

1. Parents/Caregivers are required to attend all Infant, Toddler, and Preschool classes and remain in the building for School Age classes. **Siblings are not permitted in 1-2-3 Explore with Me or School Age classes.**
2. Make sure your phone number, address and email address are up to date on each library record.
3. If your child needs special accommodations for a disability, please let a librarian know at least one week prior to the start of the class.
4. Please advise us of any food allergies when registering for library classes.

The BenAnna Band

Saturday, January 21 • 11:00-11:45am

This high energy musical duo will be at the library for a concert filled with children's music and pop/throwback covers for families to dance and sing along with!



DROP-IN CLASSES Free for the day?

Head to the library for one of these classes!

Parachute Play

**Saturday, January 14
10:30-11:00am (Ages 2-4)**

A program full of songs, dance, and games around our parachute.



Bouncing Babies

**Fridays, January 13, 27 & February 10, 24
10:00-10:30am**

(Birth-under 12 months)
A special time to bond with your little one through stories, song, and movement.



Art Adventure

**Mondays, January 9 & February 6
10:00-11:00am**

(15 months-5 years,
not yet in Kindergarten)
Explore the world of art by using paint, glue, crayons, markers, and play dough. Dress for a mess.



CHILDREN AND FAMILY CLASSES

Stroller Strong Mamas

Mondays, January 9 & February 6 • 4:30-5:30pm

Join Stroller Strong Mamas for parent and me fitness.

We work cardio intervals and body weight exercises for a full body workout. Bring water and a yoga mat. Kids are always welcome in all Stroller Strong Mamas classes.

They may play, be part of the workout or workout alongside us. We LEAD BY EXAMPLE and WORK OUT WITH OUR KIDS!



Bilingual Storytime

**Mondays,
January 23 & February 13
11:00-11:30am
(2-5 years)**

Join Miss Barbara and Miss Lily for fun crafts, stories and songs in English and Spanish. Speakers of all languages are welcome!

Acompañe a Miss Barbara y Miss Lily para manualidades divertidas, cuentos y canciones en inglés y español. ¡Los hablantes de todos los idiomas son bienvenidos!



Groundhog Day Storytime

**Wednesday, February 1
11:00-11:30am**

Do you think the Groundhog will see its shadow? Listen to a story and create your very own groundhog.



Get Yeti to Read: Winter Reading Challenge

Tuesday, January 3-Friday, February 3

Join our Winter Reading Challenge on Beanstack! Read books of your choice and complete fun activities. Earn raffle tickets for every badge you complete. All raffle prizes are family friendly and support local businesses.



TODDLER CLASSES (15 months-under 36 months)

Dance With Me

Mondays, January 30 & February 27 • 10:00-10:30am

Come join Ms. Liz from Great South Bay Dance for creative movement dance activities!

Romp and Rhyme

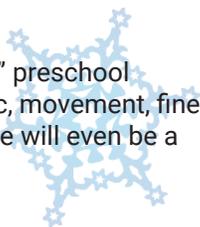
Wednesdays, January 11, 18, 25 • 11:00-11:30am

Join us as we clap our hands and stomp our feet in this interactive storytime.

Snowman Fun

Tuesday, February 7 • 11:00-11:30am

Come chill out with A Time for Kids, Inc. in this "cool" preschool program all about snowmen! Activities include music, movement, fine and gross motor development and story telling. There will even be a cool snowman craft and an indoor snowball fight!



Rock and Read

Tuesday, February 16 • 11:00-11:30am

Come join A Time for Kids, Inc. as we tap, clap and move to some of our favorite stories. Even the most reluctant readers will want to rock it out and bring these books to life!

PRESCHOOL CLASSES

(3-5 years old, not yet in Kindergarten)

Full STEAM Ahead

Tuesday, January 10 • 11:00-11:30am

Come join A Time for Kids, Inc. and learn all about the wonderful world of STEAM.



Winter Wiggles

Tuesday, January 31 • 11:00-11:30am

Come join A Time for Kids, Inc. as we wiggle, jiggle and shake our sillies out through music, movement, fine and gross motor development and storytelling. The weather may be cold, but we still need to get our wiggles out!

Wonderful Winter Storytime

Wednesdays, February 8, 15, 22 • 11:00-11:30 am

Join Ms. Barbara for this three session preschool program full of winter themed stories, songs, games and more!



Valentines Day Prom

Tuesday, February 14

11:00-11:45am

Come join us on this special day filled with stories, games and snacks.



SCHOOL AGE CLASSES

These classes are ALL in person.

Registration is required.

DIY Unicorns

Monday, January 9 •

5:30-6:30pm (Grades K-6)

Pick a unique Unicorn from a blind box and decorate it to bring home!



LEGO Club

Tuesdays,

January 10, 24 &

February 7 and 21

5:30-6:30pm

(Grades K-4)

Get your brick on! Build your own creations or build as a team!



Paws and Tales

Wednesdays, January 11 & February 8, 22

5:30-6:30pm (Grades 1-6)

Children who are struggling with reading are invited to spend some quality time and read to a certified therapy dog in a relaxed and supportive environment. Children can choose one of their favorite books, and practice reading to one of our furry friends.

Young Historians

Thursday,

January 12

5:30-6:00pm

(Grades 2-6)

Learn all about Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and complete a craft.



A Dog and Her Tricks

Thursday, January 19 • 5:30-6:30pm

(Grades K-5)

Meet Lana, our therapy dog and watch her as she shows us all her tricks.

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TWEEN SCENE (Grades 4-7)

Tweens attend these programs by themselves.

Snuggling with Snowflakes: No Sew Pillow Wednesday, January 4 • 5:30-6:30pm

Winter is here, and it is time to get comfy and warm! Create your own no-sew snowflake pillow to bring home.



New Year, New Dreams: Motivational Dreamcatchers Saturday, January 7 • 1:00-2:00 pm

New year, new me! Start the year off right by creating your own personalized New Year's resolution dreamcatchers!

Arctic Terrarium

Wednesday, January 11 • 5:30-6:30 pm

Create a unique winter scene with snow and fluffy critters.

Harry Potter Craft Night

Monday, January 23

5:30-6:30pm

Experience the wizarding world of magic as you create miniature potion bottle charms, Hogwarts house bookmarks, and more!



Mardi Gras Trees

Tuesday, February 21 • 2:00-3:00pm

Celebrate the Bayou's most beloved holiday by decorating festive feather trees!

Boho Lanterns

Thursday, February 23 • 12:00-1:00pm

Create unique designs with us as we decorate boho-style mason jar lanterns!

TEEN LOFT (Grades 7-12)

Teens attend these programs by themselves.

Twitch Tuesdays

Tuesdays, January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 &
February 7, 14, 21, 28

Twitch Channel: twitch.tv/teenloftatrl
Watch and chat as our Librarians Nicole and Ashley play various games on Twitch!

Tabletop Thursdays

Thursdays, January 5, 29 &
February 2, 16 • 5:30-7:00pm

Live action role playing tabletop games for those who love Dungeons and Dragons. From Fantasy to Mystery games.



Five Nights at Freddy's: The Library is Alive!

Friday, January 20 • 5:00-7:00pm

Freddy Fazbear's Pizza is not the only place to house animatronics that come alive at night...Investigate the Riverhead Free Library, to see if the rumors are true.

Podcasting RPG

Thursdays, February 9, 23
6:00-7:00pm

Love role playing games? How about a role playing podcast? In this program we make our very own adventure.



Teen Loft Friday Nights • 3:00-4:30pm

Friday, January 6: Anime Night

Friday, January 13: Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Friday, January 27: Art and a Movie

Friday, February 17: Splatoon 3 Tournament

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Teens attend these programs by themselves.

Smiles to Go

Thursdays, January 26 & February 23
4:00-5:00pm

Color and decorate premade coloring sheets that will be sent to various organizations. **Participants will earn one hour of community service.**



Crafts for a Cause: Warming for Winter

Tuesday, January 3 • 4:00pm (Pick up kit)

Help those in need of warmth this winter by crocheting squares that will be patchworked into blankets. Pick up yarn and a crochet hook to bring home and create TEN 8X8 inch squares. Materials must be returned to the library if the project is completed or not. **Participants will earn up to five hours of community service upon completion.**

Crafts for a Cause: Hello With a Heart

Monday, January 6 • 4:00-5:00pm

Put your heart into this! Create handmade Valentine's Day cards to brighten the day of the residents at Acadia Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation. **Participants will earn one hour of community service.**

There are other ways to give back to your community! Check out the Teen Services page on our website for more details.



Call (631) 727-3228 or visit our website at riverheadlibrary.org to register for programs that do not have a fee. Register in-person at the front desk for all programs with a fee. Payment is due at the time of registration. Registration fees are non-refundable unless the program is canceled by the library.

LANGUAGE LEARNING

Beginning German

Tuesdays, January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 & February 7, 14 • 10:00-11:00am

An introduction to vocabulary and grammar for beginners. Some familiarity with German is helpful.

Conversational Italian

Wednesdays, January 4, 11, 18 & February 1, 8, 15 4:00-5:30pm

Join Franco Varuolo each week to learn about Italian culture and to practice Italian conversation and grammar skills.



Conversational Spanish

Thursdays, January 5, 12, 19 & February 2, 9, 16 • 4:00-5:30pm

Practice conversational Spanish with Jennie Locicero. Some familiarity with Spanish is helpful.

Conversational German

Fridays, January 6, 13, 20, 27 & February 3, 10, 17 10:00-11:15am

Mark Hobson leads us in conversation to sharpen your vocabulary and improve fluency.

English For New Learners (ENL)

Beginner English Study Group

Tuesdays, January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 & February 7, 14, 28 • 6:30-7:30pm

This class is for beginners with little to no English language skills.

Grupo de estudio de inglés para principiantes

martes, 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 de enero y 7, 14, 28 de febrero • 6:30-7:30pm

Esta clase es para principiantes con poco o ninguna habilidad en el idioma inglés. Este es un programa en persona.

Intermediate English Study Group

Thursdays, January 5, 12, 19, 26 & February 2, 9, 16 • 6:30-7:30pm

This class is for the Intermediate student who would like to improve English language skills already acquired.

Grupo de estudio de inglés para intermedios

jueves, 5, 12, 19, 26 de enero y 2, 9, 16 de febrero • 6:30-7:30pm

Esta clase es para el estudiante de nivel intermedio que le gustaría mejorar las habilidades del idioma inglés ya adquiridas. Este es un programa en persona.

STAYING HEALTHY

PBMC Health Talks: "Let's Talk About Stroke"

Wednesday, January 25 • 6:00-7:00pm

An informal lecture on strokes discussing everything from signs and symptoms to prevention and recovery. Presented by Dr. Richard Jung and Donna Lyburt MSN, RN.



East End Libraries Present: Improve Gut Health

Wednesday, January 18 • 7:00-8:00pm

Integrative Nutrition Health Coach, Jessica Milazzo, will teach you what you can do to support your gut naturally. A few recipes will be given to try at home. Presented by the Amagansett Free Library.

East End Libraries Present: Resurgence of Polio and Monkeypox

Thursday, January 19 • 12:00-1:00pm

Dr. Susan Donelon, Medical Director and Assistant Professor of Infectious Disease at the Renaissance School of Medicine at Stony Brook University, will speak about strategies needed to combat the spread of these and other emerging infectious diseases. Sponsored by the Stony Brook Southampton Hospital and presented by the North Shore Public Library.

East End Libraries Present: Stroke Prevention

Thursday, February 16 • 12:00-1:00pm

Dr. Olga McAbee, Director of Neurology and of the Stroke Center at SBSH, will speak about the different types and causes of strokes, plus how to spot a stroke in its early stages. Sponsored by the Stony Brook Southampton Hospital and presented by the Amagansett Free Library.



\$ Defensive Driving Courses

Saturday, January 14 • 9:30am-3:30pm

Monday, January 23 • 9:30am-3:30pm

Saturday, February 11 • 9:30am-3:30pm

Monday, February 27 • 9:30am-3:30pm



Completing this course may save up to 10% on your insurance and reduce up to 4 points from your driving record. This is a 1 day, 6-hour course with a 30-minute lunch break included. A snack, beverage, and sweater are recommended. Bring your driver's license and a check payable directly to Empire Safety to be given to the instructor on the day of the class. **Fee \$30.**

GETTING FIT

BODY

Virtual Body Sculpting with Claire

Tuesdays & Thursdays

January 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26, 31 • 9:00-10:00am

February 2, 7, 9, 16, 21, 23, 28 • 9:00-10:00am

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Virtual and In-Person Chair Yoga with Susan

Thursdays, January 5, 12, 19 &

February 2, 9, 16 • 11:00am-12:00pm



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Mat Pilates with Leisa

Mondays, January 9, 23, 30 & February 6, 13, 27

10:00-11:00am

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Tai Chi with Denise

Mondays, January 9, 23, 30 & February 6, 13, 27

4:00-5:00pm



Virtual Zumba Gold with Irina

Fridays, January 13, 20, 27 &

February 10, 17, 24 • 10:00-11:00am

Classes will be conducted virtually, but you may choose to join others, in person, as we project Irina's classes on the screen.



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Tai Chi for Arthritis II

Tuesdays and Thursdays

February 2, 7, 9, 16, 21, 23, 28 • 2:00-3:00pm

This program will continue through April 27, 2023.



MIND

Virtual Breathe Together with Charyl

Tuesdays, January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 &

February 7, 14, 21, 28 • 10:00-10:30am

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30 Minute Reiki Circle with Machi

Wednesdays, January 4, 11, 18, 25 &

February 1, 8, 15, 22 • 6:30-7:00pm

Experience a guided energy meditation practice intended to restore balance and inner peace.

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Virtual Meditation with Susan

Wednesdays, January 25 & February 22

7:00-8:00pm

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TECHNOLOGY

Drop-In Tech Help: Bring your Device

Mondays • 4:00-8:00pm

Tuesdays • 9:00am-12:00pm

Wednesdays • 12:00-4:00pm

Get one-on-one help learning to use your phone, tablet or Kindle. Do you have questions about using Google Drive or Microsoft office? Bring any passwords you may need.



Tech Help Appointments Call (631) 727-3228 ext. 301 to make an appointment for tech help.

Smartphone Photography II

Tuesday, January 10 • 6:00-7:30pm

Learn how to use the tools on your smartphone and popular editing apps to create amazing photos.

Computer 101

Monday, January 23 • 11:00am-12:00pm

Andrew will get you started with some helpful tips and basic knowledge about using computers.

How to Build a Website

Wednesday, February 1 • 6:00-8:00pm

Jonathon Greene will share the pros and cons of website building platforms and guide you through the process of building your own website.

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CAREER CENTER

Individualized Career Coaching

Wednesdays, January 4, 25 &

February 1, 22 • 10:00am-1:00pm

Schedule a 30 minute in-person or Zoom appointment with a representative from the Department of Labor who can assist with a job search, resume review, readiness programs, and more.



Career Advisor

Wednesdays, January 11 & February 8

5:00-7:00pm

Help searching for a job, writing a resume, or preparing for an interview. Career Advisor Lisa Owens is here to help you explore your career options in a ½ hour virtual appointment.

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SCORE Free Individualized Business Counseling

Fridays, January 13 & February 10

10:00am-1:00pm

Meet with former business executive Ron Breuer for mentoring and advice for small business owners and entrepreneurs. SCORE is a resource partner of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). Call to schedule a ½ hour in person or virtual appointment (631) 727-3228 ext. 301.

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Counselors to America's Small Business

LIFELONG LEARNING

Chanticleer with Cornell Cooperative Extension Monday, January 9 • 6:30-7:30pm



Take a trip to the many "garden rooms" of Chanticleer, one of the best gardens in our region. Design features and landscape materials will be discussed.

Beginning Crochet Thursdays, January 19 & February 16 1:00-2:00pm

For the beginner, but any skill level is welcome. Bring a skein of yarn and a size H, I, J or K crochet hook.



Intermediate Crochet Thursdays, January 19 & February 16 • 2:00-3:00pm

For those who have crocheted before. Bring a skein of yarn and a size H, I, J or K crochet hook.



Long Island Lighthouses Monday, January 23 • 6:30-7:30pm

The Eco-Photo Explorers combine beautiful photography and informative lecture to explore the history of some of Long Island's most interesting lighthouses.

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart: The Man Behind the Music Tuesday, January 24 • 7:00-8:00pm



Take a glimpse into the world of one of music's biggest heroes as we appreciate his genius and attempt to untangle the mystery of his untimely death. An East End Libraries Event hosted by the Port Jefferson Free Library.



Acadia's Top 10 Thursday, January 26 • 7:00-8:00pm



What makes Maine's Acadia National Park...Acadia? Ranger Brooke will present the sites and resources that are protected in this ecologically diverse National Park. An East End Libraries Event hosted by North Shore Public Library.

\$ Chocolate Cherry Scones with Rob Scott Wednesday, February 1 • 12:00-1:00pm

\$8 per person due at time of in person registration. Chef Rob shows us how to make a delicious Valentine treat. Bring to class: a cookie sheet, a large bowl and a rubber spatula.



Valentine's Earrings with Lisa Friday, February 3 • 11:00am-12:00pm

Join Lisa to make heart earrings, just in time for Valentine's Day. You'll learn tips and tricks for working with ear wires and tools. All supplies provided.

African Violets Tuesday, February 7 • 1:00-2:00pm

Members of the Sweetwater African Violet Society will discuss all things African Violet. You'll get tips on where to buy them, how to successfully grow them and why you should show them.



FEBRUARY IS NATIONAL LIBRARY LOVERS' MONTH

An entire month to celebrate your love of libraries, librarians, books and so much more! Stop in and tell us what you love about the library.

TO HONOR DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service Expo! Saturday, January 7 • 1:00-2:30pm

Discover dozens of ways to honor Dr. King. Come speak with representatives from local community organizations to find ways to volunteer with kids, families, seniors, and animals in Riverhead and beyond. Presented by the Riverhead Anti-Bias Task Force.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration

Sunday, January 15 • 3:00-5:00pm

Come join the celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with special guest speaker Reverend Charles A. Coverdale, Pastor of The First Baptist Church of Riverhead. Presented by the East End Voter Coalition.



TO COMMEMORATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH...

Scott Joplin: King of Ragtime Thursday, February 16 • 7:00-8:00pm

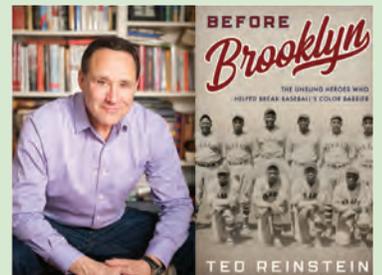


Learn what made ragtime so special as we delve into the details of the life of Scott Joplin and enjoy select pieces by the king of ragtime composers. An East End Libraries Event hosted by the Port Jefferson Free Library.



Before Brooklyn: The Unsung Heroes Who Helped Break the Color Barrier with Author Ted Reinstein Tuesday, February 21 7:00-8:00pm

Join the author as he discusses stories, featured in his book, of little-known heroes who fought segregation in baseball. An East End Libraries Event hosted by the Hampton Bays Library.



GET TOGETHERS

SENIOR SOCIALS

Come out and make new friends. You will be responsible for paying for what you order. Cash is often preferred for tipping and settling the group bill.



Senior Lunch Social

Wednesday, January 11 • 1:00-3:00pm

Pulaski Street Grille, 424 Pulaski St., Riverhead

Senior Dinner Social

Wednesday, January 18 • 5:30-7:30pm

Maple Tree BBQ, 820 West Main St., Riverhead

Senior Lunch Social

Wednesday, February 8 • 1:00-3:00pm

Cucina 25, 12 West Main St., Riverhead

Senior Dinner Social

Wednesday, February 15 • 5:30-7:30pm

The Birchwood of Polishtown, 512 Pulaski St., Riverhead

Hallockville Old Time Jam

Thursdays, January 12, 26 & February 9 & 23 • 5:30-7:30pm

All are welcome to join in or just listen to this acoustic jam. Fiddles, banjos, mandolins, guitars, spoons, washboards, etc., are all used to play Appalachian Mountain and Traditional Music from the 1600's to 1900's.

Structures of Sound

Tuesdays, January 17, 31 & February 14, 28 • 5:30-6:30pm

Join Ben to discuss classic albums by the greatest artists of all time, including The Grateful Dead, Led Zeppelin, TOOL and King Gizzard & The Lizard Wizard.

Poetry Street: The Room Without a Roof Where Every Voice is Heard



Saturdays, January 28 & February 25 • 2:00-4:00pm

Community open mic for poetry and spoken word. Take the mic to share your poem or a poem you love. Listeners are welcome, too. Support your local poets.

ADULT WINTER READING RAFFLE

Warm Up With a Good Book

**Tuesday, January 3 –
Sunday, January 29**

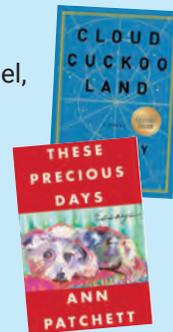
Registration for RFL card holders begins December 29. Sign up at the Reference Desk to receive a kit that includes raffle tickets and suggested reading lists. Weekly drawings will be held each Friday at noon. The Grand Prize Drawing which will take place on Sunday, January 29.



IT'S ALL ABOUT THE BOOKS

Virtual Book Club at Byrd's Books

Alice Byrd, owner of Byrd's Books in Bethel, CT, hosts this online book club. Alice invites Riverhead patrons to join the conversation.



Thursday, January 19 • 7:30-9:00pm

Cloud Cuckoo Land by Anthony Doerr

Thursday, February 16 • 7:30-9:00pm

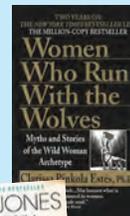
These Precious Days by Ann Patchett

Women's Circle Book Club

Join Social Work Intern, Alanna to discuss books that empower women.

**Tuesdays, January 24 & February 28
2:00-3:00pm**

Women Who Run With the Wolves
by Clarissa Pinkola Estés



Vintage Vignettes: Historical Fiction Club

Thursday, January 26 • 2:00-3:00pm

Daisy Jones and the Six
by Taylor Jenkins Reid



Thursday, February 23 • 2:00-3:00pm

The Personal Librarian
by Marie Benedict



Book and a Movie

Read and discuss a book, then watch the movie based on the book.

Friday, February 10 • 2:00-3:00pm

Book Discussion: *Just Mercy*:
A Story of Justice and Redemption
by Bryan Stevenson



Friday, February 17 • 2:00-4:00pm

Movie: *Just Mercy*



BEYOND THE BOOKS

A Conversation with Martha Waters

Wednesday, January 25 • 7:00-8:00pm

Join this popular historical romcom author as she discusses her career, popular Regency romance titles and the release of her new book, *To Swoon and to Spar*.



An East End Libraries Event hosted by the Westhampton Free Library.

Finale by D.T. Max: Late Conversations with Stephen Sondheim

Saturday, February 4 • 1:00-2:00pm

Author D.T. Max brings us front and center with an intimate portrait of a very private Stephen Sondheim. An East End Libraries Event hosted by the Westhampton Free Library.



FRIENDS' MONTHLY MEETINGS: JANUARY 9 & FEBRUARY 13 AT 1:00 PM (MEETINGS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE UPON NOTIFICATION)



Friends of the Riverhead Library Travel Club

Thursdays, January 5 & February 2 • 6:30-7:30pm

January and February will feature Poldi and Mark from Adventure to Africa who will present Antarctica, one of the most beautiful destinations on earth. Terry Bodenstein will present a trip of a lifetime on a Viking River Cruise from Budapest to Bucharest. If you have a trip you'd like to share, please contact Claire Ondrovic at rhosereo@optonline.net.



Friends of the Riverhead Library Photography Club

Thursdays, January 12, 26 & February 9, 23
6:30-7:30pm

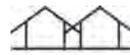
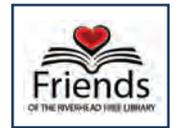
We will review and discuss member's photo assignments and are planning events for the coming months. For up to date information on meetings, photo assignments, photo walks, workshops, and other events please visit our facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/riverheadphotoclub> and website www.riverheadphotoclub.org.



MUSEUM PASSES

Thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Riverhead Free Library, we currently have passes for:

- Children's Museum of the East End (printable)
- Long Island Children's Museum
- Parrish Art Museum
- Vanderbilt Museum



PARRISH ART MUSEUM



ON DISPLAY

IN THE CASES

January - Realizing a Dream:
The Life of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
Curated by AAECF Young Men Transitional & Mentoring Group

February - To commemorate Black History Month, photos, textiles and art of the local African American community will be on display.

Displays presented by the AAECF, Inc.



DISCOUNTED AQUARIUM TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT THE LIBRARY'S CIRCULATION DESK FOR \$24 EACH.

Piano Plus Concert Series



Check our website for dates and times.

SUNDAY AFTERNOONS AT THE LIBRARY

Popcorn and a Movie:

Where the Crawdads Sing

Sunday, January 8 • 1:00-3:30pm

We'll provide the popcorn, while you enjoy the movie!



Warm Up With a Good Book:

Winter Reading Raffle

Wrap Up Event

Sunday, January 29 • 2:00-3:00pm

Warm up with a cup of hot cocoa while listening to Folk Guitarist Drew Velting play feel good songs. The Winter Reading Raffle Grand Prize winner will also be announced.



Selma Movie and Discussion

Sunday, February 5 • 1:00-3:30pm

To commemorate Black History Month, we will view the film, then discuss it with professor James "Dr. Love" Banks. Brought to you by the Riverhead Anti-Bias Task Force.



Stony Brook High C's Concert

Sunday, February 19
2:00-3:00pm

Enjoy this all-male a cappella group as they perform contemporary favorites.





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Saturdays: 9:00am to 5:00pm
Sundays: 12:00 to 4:00pm

The Library Will Be Closed:
Monday, January 2
Monday, January 16
Monday, February 20

The Monthly Board of Trustees Meetings will be held on Wednesdays, January 11 & February 8 at 6:30pm.

Use our QR code for easy access to our resources and programs. Just use your camera to scan the barcode.



CLUB CALENDAR

WEEKLY AND MONTHLY CLUBS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

BRIDGE - Mondays 1:00-4:00pm

CITIZENSHIP TEST STUDY GROUP -
Wednesdays 5:00-7:30pm

MAHJONG - Wednesdays 1:00-3:00pm

CHESS - Thursdays 5:45-7:45pm

CANASTA - Fridays 1:00-3:00pm

STAMP CLUB - 2nd & Last Thursday 6:00-7:00pm



Join your neighbors. Interested in something you don't see?
Email us at adultprograms@riverheadlibrary.org

CURBSIDE SERVICE AT RFL

Curbside service continues. If you would like library staff to bring holds to your car, it's easy to arrange. Once you have received notice that your holds are ready for pick up, you can make a reservation by calling 631-727-3228 ext. 305 or 135. When you arrive, park in one of our marked curbside spots. Then, call to let us know you are here. We'll be right out.

In honor & memory of:

Karen Wulffraat gave a donation in memory of
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Veronica Bobinski's 80th birthday.

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