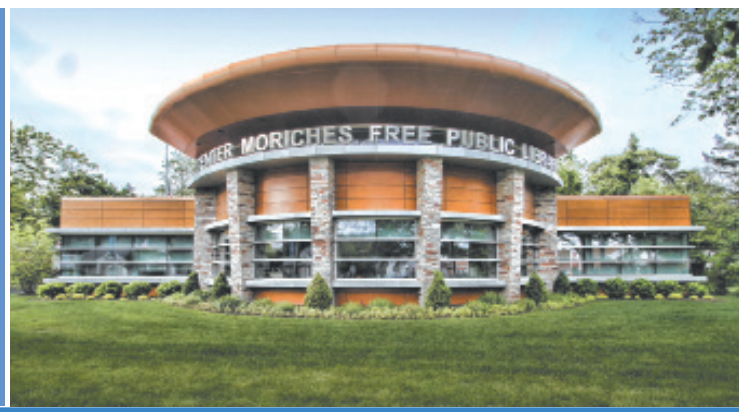


Center Moriches Free Public Library

Newsletter

Serving Center Moriches, East Moriches, Eastport, Manorville,
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January/February 2024



Thank You!

Community members are warmer this winter because of all the donations of lovingly knitted, crocheted or purchase of new mittens, hats and scarves for our mitten tree! Your donations make a difference for those in need during the cold winter months.



Our community responded overwhelmingly with bags upon bags of new toys that were donated and distributed by the United States Marines' Toys for Tots program. Your donations made a child's holiday a little brighter!



A special thank you to Kurt Weiss Greenhouses with their generous donation of poinsettias and evergreen arrangements to brighten up the library.



Stony Brook Medicine's Healthy Libraries Program (HeLP)

is a partnership with the Public Libraries of Suffolk County, the Suffolk Cooperative Library System Outreach Services Department, and is supported

in part by the American Heart Association of Long Island. The program is an interdisciplinary team of public health, nursing, and social work students whose aim is to provide evidence-based health information, screening, and case management to a diverse community of patrons in the public library setting. Students will refer patrons to promote access to appropriate local health and social services programs to address patrons' health and social support needs. The HeLP program will be at our library on February 6th, February 20th, March 5th and March 26th from 2-4:30 PM. No appointment is necessary and all are welcome.

Social Work Intern

Our Social Work Interns, Natasha and Sean are available on Tuesdays between the hours of 10:00 am- 5:00 pm, Wednesdays 9:00 am- 3:00 pm and Thursdays from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. Our Social Work Interns can help assist with emergency shelter, family matters, food assistance and other related services. This service is not for counseling services. To schedule an appointment please call the reference desk at 631-878-0940 ext. 5. There is no fee to use this service. All are welcome and all information is confidential.



Music and Memory ™

Music is beneficial to people living with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. The Center Moriches Library is offering Music and Memory, a music therapy which uses customized music. Eligible patrons will receive preloaded personalized music on an MP3 player loaned to you by the library. Please contact Jessica, the teen librarian, for more information.



Puzzle Exchange

Thank you to the Friends of the Library for overseeing the puzzle exchange area. Gently used puzzles may be donated and exchanged in the cubby located in the lounge area next to the café. Please make sure the puzzles are complete and in their original box.



PUBLIC LIBRARIES of Suffolk County, NY

LIVEBRARY DOWNLOADS

Effective December 1, 2023, the Livebrary Downloads service will no longer grant access to users in Suffolk County:

- With an expired card
- Patrons who owe \$100 or more on their library card account

Please visit us at the library and renew your library card and/or clear your account to enjoy these electronic services.

Book Donations

The Friends of the Library are not accepting donations until April 1, 2024. This time allows the volunteers to sort through the current donations and to prepare for upcoming book sales. If you are interested in joining the Friends and learning how to volunteer, see page 7 of the newsletter.

Antiques, Vintage & Premium Book Sale

The Friends will be holding a sale of these special books on Thursday, January 25th between 2:00 pm -8:00 pm; Friday, January 26th between 10:00 am-5:00 pm and Saturday, January 27th between 10:00 am-4:00 pm.



Passport Services

Going on a trip and need a passport? Have questions about your passport renewal? The Center Moriches Library is a Passport Acceptance Agency and can help you apply and send in your application to the Passport Office in one

easy step. Call the Reference Desk at 631- 878-0940, ext. 5 for more information or to set up your appointment! Evening and weekend appointments available.

CONCERTS

HARD DRIVE

Sunday, January 21st, from 2:00 pm-3:30 pm CMA947
Hard Drive brings you 6 decades of music (Rock, Classic Rock, Top 40, Disco, R&B, Motown and Country) for an incredible set that brings the house down! You will be sure to hear your favorites! **All are welcome but please register.**



Artists Alley

In January, Deanna Pelosi will showing a collection of abstract and aesthetic paintings done in acrylic. A reception will be held on Saturday, January 6 from 2-4 PM. All are welcome.

In February, we will be showing our 2nd Annual Teen Art Show. Local teens created these works with an outer space theme in honor of the upcoming solar eclipse!

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Adult Programs

Adult Registration Guide

Unless otherwise stated, Registration is **Saturday, December 16th at 9:00 am**. DUE TO THE POPULARITY OF THE FOLLOWING CLASSES, programs are for adults only (16 years and above), and a Center Moriches Library Card is required, unless advertised as "All Suffolk County Library Cardholders Welcome". **Registration begins for MOST**

Monthly Events on Saturday, December 16th at 9:00 am and must be done online on our website at www.centermoricheslibrary.org, or in person. Click on Programs & Events and choose "Library Calendar". There is also a tab with directions on how to register online for programs.

Some programs are offered as both in-person and Zoom classes. With the exception of exercise programs, we ask that you choose between taking it in person or online (not both).

Registration for the Defensive Driving class has a different registration date than the rest of the programs. Please read the class description for registration information.

THE WRITER'S TABLE

Saturdays, January 6th, from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm and February 3rd, from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

This is an informal gathering for anyone interested in writing or listening to poetry. Each person will have an opportunity to recite and talk about a poem of their choosing. On occasion, the group may indulge in an essay or short story. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

All Suffolk County Library Cardholders are welcome.

ONE ON ONE CAREER COUNSELING:

NOW THROUGH THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

Career Coach Richard Gluck will answer any questions you may have regarding resumes, job interviewing, and anything career related. Follow-up counseling to more in-depth questions will also be available. All inquiries will remain private and confidential. Please e-mail rcgluck0120@yahoo.com. **CMOR Cardholders only.**

KNITTING AND CROCHET CIRCLE

Mondays, January 8th from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm, and February 5th from 6:00 pm – 8:00pm CMZ477

Have you been missing our monthly Knitting & Crochet Circle? Want to show off your current work in progress or need a little help? Then join us for this informal hangout where like-minded crafters can get together. Bring your coffee and tea with you. **CMOR Cardholders only.**

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

(In Person) Tuesdays, January 9th and February 13th at 11:30 am CMA721

Alzheimer's Disease Resource Center (ADRC) will offer a monthly caregiver support group. ADRC's support groups are an opportunity for caregivers to discuss challenges, share feelings and find emotional support. Talking with people who truly understand helps caregivers feel less alone as they confront the many challenges of caring for a person with Alzheimer's Disease or other dementias. Participants will also be helped to develop methods and tools to balance their own personal, physical, and emotional needs while caring for their loved one. For additional information, email sharon.reichman@adrcinc.org or call 631.580.5100. **All Suffolk County Library Cardholders are welcome.**

ONE ON ONE MEDICARE COUNSELING AND ASSISTANCE BY PHONE

Friday, January 19th from 10:30 am-12:30 pm OR Friday, February 16th from 10:30 am-12:30 pm CMZ400

HIICAP is now offering one on one Medicare counseling by phone! Appointments are a half hour long and you will be called between 10:30 am-12:30 pm on the day you register for. Please make sure you have a valid telephone number on file when registering. **All Suffolk County Library Cardholders are welcome.**

IN-PERSON DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Saturdays, January 20th, from 12:00 pm – 3:30 pm and February 17th, from 12:00 pm – 3:30 pm CMA455

This game craze is back, live and in person! Transform yourself into a powerful hero and join DM Kateland for an epic journey of mystery and magic where you can meet fellow adventurers, battle monsters, and win treasure. Beginner friendly. This program is for Adults only. Bring a pen and some paper. **All Suffolk County Library Cardholders are welcome but please register as SPACE IS LIMITED.**

HEALTH AND WELLNESS PROGRAMS

GENTLE TONING AND MUSCLE STRENGTHENING ON ZOOM

(attend all 5 sessions) Tuesdays, January 9th, 16th and 23rd, from 11:00 am-12:00 pm CMZ401

Join Kim R. in this 5-week class to gently tone and strengthen your body. Exercises will be done in a chair, in your house. Please have weights and a towel ready. This program will be presented on Zoom. Link (invite) to join the class will be sent to you before the program starts. **All Suffolk County Library Cardholders are welcome.**

GENTLE CHAIR YOGA WITH SUSAN ON ZOOM

(attend all 5 sessions) Wednesdays, January 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st, and February 7th from 11:00 am-12:00 pm CMZ405

Join Susan Semerade as she shows you gentle, yet effective yoga moves that can be done sitting in a chair or using a chair for support. ***Please use a sturdy kitchen chair (no wheels) *** This program will be presented on Zoom. Link (invite) to join the class will be sent to you before the program starts. **All Suffolk County Library Cardholders are welcome.**

IN-PERSON EXERCISE PROGRAMS CMOR CARDHOLDERS ONLY

Join us for these fun and effective exercise programs.

IN-PERSON YOGALATES

(attend all 4 sessions) Tuesdays, January 16th, skipping January 23rd, 30th, February 6th, and 13th from 6:00 pm-7:00 pm CMA404

Join Michelle W. for this exercise series which is a combination of Pilates and core work with sculpting using weights and a mat that will firm and tone your body. Please bring a mat, towel, water and wear sneakers. This series requires a moderate level of fitness.

IN-PERSON GENTLE TONING AND MUSCLE STRENGTHENING WITH KIM

(attend all 5 sessions) Wednesdays, January 10th, 17th and 24th, from 8:30 am –9:15 am CMA496

Join Kim R. in this 5-week series to gently tone and strengthen your body. Exercises will be done in a chair and can be adapted to different fitness levels. Please bring your weights and a towel to class.

IN-PERSON CARDIO SCULPT TRAINING WITH KIM

(attend all 5 sessions) Fridays, January 12th, 19th and 26th, from 8:30 am – 9:15 am CMA497

Join Kim for this energizing class, which involves cardio intervals mixed with strength training intervals using resistance bands. You can use your own bands or checkout resistance band kits from our Library of Things collection in the library.

LECTURES

HOW TO MAXIMIZE YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS IN RETIREMENT

Thursday, January 11th from 6:30 pm-8:00 pm CMA928 ***Updated information added!*******

Back by popular demand! Wes H. Triani, LUTCF, FSS, will facilitate this interactive workshop and will educate you on the various choices you're given when considering taking Social Security benefits. Spousal and divorce aspects of Social Security will also be discussed. **All are welcome, but please register.**

DISCOVER YOUR FOCUS WORD IN 2024

Wednesday, January 24th, from 6:30pm-7:30pm CMA949

Imagine bringing expanding awareness, positive responses, and new experiences into 2024 based on what matters most to YOU! Join Life Coaches Patricia Scully and Linda Mazza in this fun, interactive workshop designed to allow you to find a unique word for the new year by participating in 4 different exercises. You may become aware of the benefits and clarity that ONE WORD can bring to your life! **All are welcome, but please register.**

BOOK TALK

Saturday, February 10th from 12:00pm-1:00pm CMA880



Local author, Lauren E. Rico, will be coming to our library on Saturday, February 10th, 2024 at 12:00pm. She will share readings from her latest book "Familia." The book is about a young woman's journey of discovery that uncovers a possible Puerto Rican connection to her birth parents. Lauren will be signing copies of her book which will be available for purchase. **All are welcome, but please register.**

UNDERSTANDING MEDICARE AND HOW IT CAN AFFECT YOUR RETIREMENT

Thursday, February 29th, from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm CMA950

Medicare and retirement planning can be intimidating, but it does not have to be! Wes H. Triani, LUTCF FSS will go over what every pre-retiree and retiree needs to know about taxation and your retirement. Areas that will be discussed will be the impact of taxation on Social Security, Medicare, tax deferred assets, estate planning and more. **All are welcome, but please register.**

PROGRAMS

CHEF ROB LIVE: Vegetarian Moroccan Sweet Potato Lentil Soup and a Toasted Coconut Hot Chocolate with Almond Whipped Cream

(choose one time) Monday, January 8th, from 2:00pm-3:00pm OR 6:00pm-7:00pm CMA951

Chef Rob will warm you up with a sweet and savory menu. Start with a Hearty Moroccan Sweet Potato Lentil soup with spices and a vegetable broth. Craving something sweet? Chef Rob will make a Toasted Coconut Hot Chocolate with Almond Whipped Cream. **PLEASE BRING TWO 12-Ounce Ceramic or Heat Resistant Mugs to class, as the chocolate drink will be very hot! CMOR Patrons Only.**

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE SERIES

(attend all 6 sessions) Tuesdays, January 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th, February 6th, and 13th, from 6:00 pm-8:15 pm CMA900

Join certified ESL teacher Nia O. for this 6-week series that will improve your English language skills. Aimed specifically at high beginners and low intermediate students, this class will cover basic themes such as work, time, families, shopping, community activities, food, the weather, and health. **All are welcome but please register.**

LUCKY DICE BRACELET ON ZOOM

Tuesday, January 9th, from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm CMZ747

Take a chance and pick up your kit that will contain all you need to make a bracelet featuring dice and coins. This program will be presented on Zoom. Link (invite) to join the class will be sent to you before the program starts. **CMOR Cardholders only**

IN-PERSON DEFENSIVE DRIVING SPONSORED BY THE EMPIRE SAFETY COUNCIL

Saturday, January 13th, from 10:00 am-4:00 pm CMA724

Drivers who complete the Empire Safety Council's 6-hour defensive driving course save 10% on their liability, personal injury protection and collision insurance for THREE YEARS and reduce FOUR points off their driving record. Course completion is transmitted to the Department of Motor Vehicles and recorded on each student's driving record. Adventure into traffic safety awareness! Student participation with an informative workbook and safety education films. No formal testing. **\$33.00 cash, check or money order payable to EMPIRE SAFETY COUNCIL at the door on the day of the class NO CREDIT/DEBIT CARD ACCEPTED YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER TO SECURE YOUR SPOT IN THE CLASS**

CMOR CARDHOLDERS may register in person or online beginning on Tuesday, January 2nd

NON-CMOR CARDHOLDERS may register in person or online beginning on Monday, January 8th

IN-PERSON SAND AND SEASHELL SNOWFLAKE MANDALA WALL ART WORKSHOP

(choose one date) Wednesday, January 17th, from 6:30pm-8:00pm OR Thursday, January 18th, from 6:30pm-8:00pm

Begin the new year with intention and transformation. Create your very own Mandala, a symbol of transformation into joy, under the guidance of award-winning mixed media artist, Anna Chan. Experience the simple process of shell art using her proprietary self-hardening sand and bring home a work of art and reminder of your goals for the new year. **CMOR Cardholders only.**



COIN AND STAMP APPRAISAL

Sunday, January 21st, from 1:00 pm-4:30 pm CMA544

Do you think you have rare or valuable stamps or coins in your collection? If so, come to the library and let stamp and coin expert Frank McAlonan take a look and he will give you a free appraisal! You can also bring bills as well. Half hour (approx.) appointment, please indicate the time you would like while registering. Phone Registration only. **PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED! *Registration begins on Monday, January 8th. CMOR Cardholders only.**

Teen Zone

Teen Registration Guide. Programs for Teens Grades 6 – 12.

Teens are required to have their own valid Center Moriches library card to register for programs. Many of our programs can now be registered online. In person and online registration begins at 9:00 am. In fairness to all patrons, please do not ask to register early or over the phone. To register online, go to www.centermoricheslibrary.org and click on the "Program Registration" tab and follow the prompts.

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100 BOOKS



BEFORE GRADUATION

100 Books Before Graduation

100 Books Before Graduation is an initiative that challenges 6th – 12th graders with Center Moriches Library cards to read 100 books before they graduate high school. Ask a librarian for more information or to sign up today!

Knitting & Crochet Circle

CMY171

Monday, January 8th at 6:00 pm
Monday, February 5th at 6:00 pm



Whether you knit or crochet, join Mrs. Ceramello for an informal monthly meeting. Bring your current needle project to work on and share with the group. Light refreshments will be served. Registration is now open!

New Year Resolution Mood Board

CMY200

Tuesday, January 9th at 6:30 pm

Teens will create a mood board consisting of newspaper clippings, magazine clippings, and personal photos. On the mood board the teens will be able to display what their goals are for the new year. Registration is now open.

Lego Builders Club

CMY201

Wednesday, January 10th and 24th at 7:00 pm and/or
Wednesday, February 14th and 28th at 7:00 pm

Join us for this 45 minute free play Lego workshop and create an awesome structure using your imagination or one of our Lego building guides! Registration for either session is now open.

Cookies and Cream Cupcakes at Home*

CMY202

Thursday, January 11th pick up

You're not going to want to miss out on making this yummy treat! Kits include all the dry ingredients you will need to make this dessert at home. We will send an email once kits are ready for pickup. *This program may not be suitable for teens with food allergies. Registration begins on Saturday, January 6th.

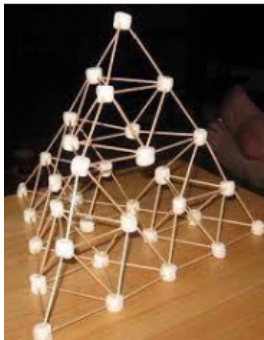


Epsom Salt Luminaries

CMY203

Thursday, January 18th at 6:30 pm

Relax by (tea)candlelight after making these gorgeous luminaries. Registration begins on Saturday, January 6th.



Spaghetti and Marshmallow Building

CMY204

Saturday, January 20th at 2:00 pm

Get creative and work together or by yourself to make some unique creations using various items. Registration begins on Saturday, January 6th.

Dungeons & Dragons

CMY761

Sunday, January 21st at 12:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Sunday, February 25th at 12:30 pm – 4:30 pm

This game craze is back! Transform yourself into a powerful hero and join DM Kateland for an epic journey of mystery and magic where you can meet fellow adventurers, battle monsters, and win treasure. Beginner friendly. This program is for teens only. Limited availability. Registration begins on Saturday, January 6th.

Game Night

CMY212

Tuesday, January 23rd at 6:00 pm

Tuesday, February 20th at 6:00 pm

Come down to the library for some old-fashioned gaming fun! Board games, card games, whatever your style is, join in or try something new! Registration is open now!

Perler Bead Party

CMY205

Monday, January 29th at 6:30 pm

We have millions and billions of Perler beads! Come by and create some awesome art with them! Registration begins on Saturday, January 6th.



No Sew Heart Pillows

CMY206

Wednesday, February 7th at 6:00 pm

Make a cute and cozy fleece pillow to celebrate Valentine's Day! Registration begins on Saturday, January 6th.



Sweet Treat Box*

CMY207

Saturday, February 10th at 2:00 pm

You will get a couple of different sweet treats to decorate. Keep them for yourself or share them with someone special! *This program may not be suitable for teens with food allergies. Registration begins on Saturday, February 3rd.

Pizza, Popcorn & A Movie

CMY600

The Mummy – Rated PG-13

Thursday, February 22nd at 6:00 pm

Join Miss Kerri for this classic, extremely quotable movie! "I... am a Librarian!" (iykyk) At an archaeological dig in the ancient city of Hamunaptra, an American serving in the French Foreign Legion accidentally awakens a mummy who begins to wreak havoc as he searches for the reincarnation of his long-lost love. Registration is now open.



Uno Tournament

CMY208

Friday, February 23rd at 2:00 pm

Teens will participate in a 1v1 game of Uno. Each winner will be paired with another teen until the last two are standing. The winner of the final round will win a prize. Registration begins on Saturday, February 3rd.

Book Talk & Tacos*

CMY209

Monday, February 26th at 6:30 pm

What's better than not paying for extra guac? Eating free tacos and talking about books! Salsa down to the library and join Mrs. Ceramello for a book talk that's 'nacho' average night at the library! You will receive an email when the book is ready for pickup. *This program may not be suitable for teens with food allergies. Registration begins on Saturday, January 6th.



Thank you to all the teens that participated in collecting items for the Animal Shelter.

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

NexTrex Volunteers

CMY135

Calling all teen volunteers, we need help with our plastic recycling program! Our next 12 month challenge is to recycle 1000 pounds of plastic to earn a bench. Sign up for a date and you'll be responsible for coming to the library and picking up bags of plastic that need to be taken to Home Depot in Bellport for recycling. Please sign up for only one time slot per month. Registration is now open.

New Book Reviews for Community Service

Hey Teens! Submitting book reviews for community service is so easy! Just go to <https://centermoricheslibrary.org/in-library-resource/community-service-opportunities/>.

There you will see a list of new teen books that are eligible as well as a form to submit your review. Once we receive your review, we will email you a community service certificate for 3 hours! *Limit of one review per month.*



Kanopy Film Reviews for Community Service

Now you can review films on our streaming service, Kanopy, for 2 hours of community service! The instructions and review form are available to pick up in the Teen Zone or you can go to <https://centermoricheslibrary.org/departments/teens/community-service-opportunities/teen-film-review/> for the instructions and the review form. If you submit online, we will email you a certificate for your community service. *Restrictions apply. Please see instructions for more details. **Limit of one review per month.

2nd Annual Teen Art Show

CMZ753

Calling all Teen Artists! Help us put on our second annual teen art exhibit this winter! Each teen who registers will get a canvas to create an outer space themed masterpiece in honor of the upcoming eclipse! Use whatever art materials you have on hand and bring back your completed piece by January 26th for a February art exhibit in our Library's Artist Alley! *Each teen will receive 3 hours of community service. Registration is now open.



Lego Donations

Hey Teens! Have any old Lego pieces you're not using anymore? For the month of January, the Teen Zone will be collecting gently used Lego pieces. One hour of community service will be given per teen that donates.

Makeup Bags for Those in Need

CMY210

Monday, January 22nd at 7:00 pm

Teens can choose from hundreds of stencils to write special messages of hope onto canvas make-up bags. We will also fill them with a few much-needed items. These will be donated to an organization in need. Teens are welcome to bring in additional non-perishable items to add to their bags. One hour of community service will be given to each teen. Registration begins on Saturday, January 6th.

First Responders Kit

CMY211

Tuesday, February 27th at 7:00 pm



We will decorate canvas bags and add some much-needed items in them for first responders at Stony Brook University. One hour of community service will be given to each teen. Registration begins on Saturday, February 3rd.

Childrens' Programs

Children are required to have their own valid Center Moriches library card to register for programs.* If your child does not have a library card, please take a moment at the Circulation Desk and apply for one. Many of our programs can now be registered for online. In person and online registration begins at 9:00 am. In fairness to all patrons, please do not ask to register early or over the phone. To register online, go to www.centermoricheslibrary.org and find the

link for Events Calendar. When the calendar loads, click on the desired program and enter your child's library card number and password. If this is your first time registering online, you will need to create a password and verify it twice. Continue to register for the program by following the prompts. *Please speak to a Children's Librarian if you have any questions. **Please Note: Unless stated otherwise, these programs are for Center Moriches Cardholders only**

Unattended Child Policy

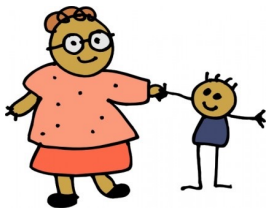
Library Policy States "Parents or guardians are prohibited from leaving children under the age of ten." The staff of Center Moriches Free Public Library wants your child's library experience to be happy and positive. Please remain in the Library.



Follow us on social media for more information and pop-up programming!

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Toddler & Me with Miss Cecilia!

CMJ187

Ages Walking-18 Months

Wednesday, January 3rd at 10:30 am and/or

Wednesday, January 17th at 10:30 am and/or

Wednesday, February 7th at 10:30 am and/or

Wednesday, February 21st at 10:30 am

Bring your little one to shake, rattle, and roll with Miss Cecilia in this sweet introduction to library fun. Register for each class two weeks before.

Baby & Me with Miss Cecilia!

CMJ188

Ages Birth-Not Yet Walking

Wednesday, January 3rd at 11:30 am and/or

Wednesday, January 17th at 11:30 am and/or

Wednesday, February 7th at 11:30 am and/or

Wednesday, February 21st at 11:30 am

As above but for the littlest library users!

Register for each class two weeks before.



Storytime

CMJ087

Ages 2-Not Yet in Kindergarten

Thursday, January 4th and/or 18th at 10:30 am and/or

Friday, February 2nd and/or 16th at 10:30 am

Join us for 30 minutes of songs, stories, activities and flannel board fun! Open to all; no registration required!

Baby Play Hooray

CMJ112

Ages Birth-17 Months

Fridays, January 5th, 12th, 19th,

and 26th at 9:45 am

Play Hooray is here for a lively introduction of nursery rhymes, books, music, and movement for your little one.

Registration begins Tuesday, December 26th.



Play Hooray!

CMJ116

Ages 18 Months-Not Yet in Kindergarten

Fridays, January 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th at 10:45 or 11:45 am

Get ready to dance, march and Play Hooray with your toddler/preschooler! This fun-filled music and movement program will have everyone up and moving to the beat! Registration begins Tuesday, December 26th.

Children's Registration Guide

link for Events Calendar. When the calendar loads, click on the desired program and enter your child's library card number and password. If this is your first time registering online, you will need to create a password and verify it twice. Continue to register for the program by following the prompts. *Please speak to a Children's Librarian if you have any questions. **Please Note: Unless stated otherwise, these programs are for Center Moriches Cardholders only**

Pre-School Programs

Saturday Babies Boogie

CMJ263

Ages Birth-17 Months

Saturday, January 6th and/or 20th at 9:45 am and/or

Saturday, February 17th and/or 24th at 9:45 am

OR

Saturday Toddlers Tango

CMJ264

Ages 18 months-not yet in kindergarten

Saturday, January 6th and/or 20th at 10:45 am and/or

Saturday, February 17th and/or 24th at 10:45 am

Enjoy tons of wiggles and giggles with your young one as you clap your hands, stamp your feet and wiggle to the beat of this music appreciation program.

Registration for each session one week before.



Kidnastics

Tuesdays, January 9th, 23rd, 30th, and February 6th

Ages Walking-Not Yet 3 Years Old at 9:45 am

CMJ810

Ages 6 Months-Not Yet Walking at 11:00 am

CMJ800

Ages 3 Years-Not Yet in Kindergarten at 12:15 pm

CMJ815

Family Kidnastics (Mixed aged children,

CMJ820

walking- Not Yet in Kindergarten) at 1:20 pm or 6:00 pm

Join Miss Gail for four weeks of fun and educational Kidnastics classes! In fairness, we ask that you only register if you plan on making all 4 classes.

Registration begins Tuesday, January 2nd .

Monday Kidnastics

CMJ810

Ages Walking-Not Yet 3 Years Old at 9:30 or 10:30 am

Mondays, January 8th, 22nd, 29th, and February 5th

Miss Gail is here on Mondays too! Please choose ONE class (either Mondays OR Tuesdays) to attend. In fairness, we ask that you only register if you plan on making all 4 classes. Registration begins Tuesday, January 2nd.

Little Moments Sensory Play

CMJ211

Ages 18 Months-Not Yet 3

Wednesday, January 10th at 11:00 am

Celebrate the joy of discovery through sensory play. Join Little Moments Little Fam on a journey of exploration, laughter, and learning, where every sensation sparks a smile. Registration begins Tuesday, January 2nd.

Snowmen at Night

CMJ212

Ages 3-Not Yet in Kindergarten

Thursday, January 11th at 1:00 pm

Ever wonder what snowmen do at night while you're asleep? Listen to this story to find out, then create your own snowman craft. Registration begins Tuesday, January 2nd.

Storycraft Thursdays

CMJ324

Ages 2-Not Yet in Kindergarten

Thursdays, February 1st, 8th, and 15th at 11:00 am

Come see what fun activities, stories, and crafts Miss Dominique has in store for you! Registration begins Monday, January 22nd.



New Year, New Luck!

CMJ107

Ages 3-5 years

Thursday, February 1st at 4:30 pm

Start the new year off right and explore good luck traditions from around the world. Design and decorate your own Lunar New Year dragon, Irish clover, and other good luck charms. Registration begins Monday, January 22nd.

Messy Mondays!

CMJ354

Ages 18 Months-Not Yet in Kindergarten

Monday, February 12th and 26th from 1:00 pm- 2:30 pm

Sensory play offers a fun, natural way for kids to discover and explore their world. Children will have a great time using all their senses in this unstructured program. Dress for mess. These activities require close adult supervision by parent or guardian. Open to all; no registration required!

Preschool Valentine's Craft

CMJ314

Ages 3-Not Yet in Kindergarten

Tuesday, February 13th at 1:00 pm

Love is in the air, and we have the perfect craft to make for Valentine's Day! Registration begins Monday, February 5th.

Music Makers

CMJ213

Ages 3-Not Yet in Kindergarten

Wednesday, February 14th and/or 28th at 11:00 am

Join Adam from Reprise Music and make your very own musical instrument to play along with some fun songs! Registration begins Monday, February 5th .

Leap Day Craft!

CMJ229

Ages 3-Not Yet in Kindergarten

Thursday, February 29th at 11:00 am

It's Leap Day! Celebrate with us by making a fun leapfrog craft together. Registration begins Tuesday, February 20th.



Book Talks in a Bag!

Beat the winter doldrums by hosting a book club! Our Book Talk in a Bag Collection makes it easy! Curated by your Children's Librarians, each bag contains 10 copies of a title, a folder of discussion questions, puzzles, games and activities that are connected to the story. It also contains a DVD if there is a movie based on the book, and an audiobook if available. There are kits for many age ranges and interests. Come on in and check them out!

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Childrens' Programs

School-Age Programs: unless otherwise noted, children enter the Activity Room independently.

Unattended Child Policy: Library Policy States “Parents or guardians are prohibited from leaving children under the age of ten.” The staff of Center Moriches Free Public Library wants your child’s library experience to be happy and positive. Please remain in the library.

School Age Programs*
*In alignment with the Center Moriches School District, children must turn 5 before December 1, 2023 to attend School Age Programs.



Kitchen Creations
Grades K-6th **CMJ103**
Thursday, January 4th at 5:30 pm
Design your very own apron and wooden utensil to use while doing your winter baking! We provide the tools, you put them use! Registration begins Tuesday, December 26th.


School Age Kidnastics
Grades K-2nd **CMJ805**
Tuesdays, January 9th, 23rd, 30th, and February 6th at 5:00 pm.
Join Miss Gail for four weeks of fun and educational Kidnastics classes! Registration begins Tuesday, January 2nd.

Lego Builders Club
Grades K-6th **CMJ700**
Wednesday, January 10th and/or 24th at 6:00 pm and/or Wednesday, February 14th and/or 28th at 6:00 pm
Join us for this 45 minute free play Lego workshop and create an awesome structure using your imagination or one of our Lego building guides! Register for either session a week before.

Mini Birdfeeders
Grades K-6th **CMJ573**
Monday, January 22nd at 5:00 pm
Create a mini bird feeder with an edible roof using seeds! Registration begins Tuesday, January 16th.

Homeschool Hang!
Grades K-6th **CMJ434**
Tuesday, January 23rd at 4:00 pm and/or Tuesday, February 27th at 3:00 pm
You don’t have to be a homeschooler to attend this fun social gathering featuring games, physical activity and Miss Gail! Registration begins Tuesday, January 16th.

Create! With Miss Ceci – Winter Windsock
Grades K-6th **CMJ080**
Thursday, January 25th at 5:30 pm
Join Miss Cecilia to create a one-of-a-kind winter craft that you can hang and admire all winter long! Registration begins Tuesday, January 16th.

**Hot Chocolate Mugs***
Grades K-6th **CMJ142**
Wednesday, January 31st at 5:30 pm
It’s National Hot Chocolate Day! Celebrate with us by decorating your very own mug, and making some hot cocoa mix to put in it. *This program may not be suitable for children with food allergies. Registration begins Monday, January 22nd.

New Year, New Luck!
Grades 1st-6th **CMJ107**
Thursday, February 1st at 6:00 pm
Start the new year off right and explore good luck traditions from around the world. Design and decorate your own Lunar New Year dragon, Irish clover, and other good luck charms. Registration begins Monday, January 22nd.

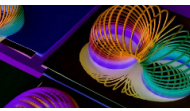
February Craft
Grades K-6th **CMJ107**
Thursday, February 8th at 5:30 pm
Does the Mid-Winter Blues have you feeling down? Come craft at the library- the coolest place in town! Registration begins Tuesday, December 26th.

Heart Cookie Pops*
Grades K-6th **CMJ650**
Saturday, February 10th at 1:00 pm
Join Sugar Island Bakery and decorate 3 heart cookies with icing and sprinkles. *This program may not be suitable for children with food allergies. Registration begins Monday, January 29th.

Valentine’s Craft
Grades K-6th **CMJ414**
Monday, February 12th at 5:30 pm
Put your heart into making something special for your valentine! Registration begins Monday, February 5th.



Edible Chemistry- Popping Boba with Long Island Science Center
Grades 3rd-6th **CMJ417**
Friday, February 23rd at 11:00 am
Believe it or not much of food and cooking is made possible through the wonders of chemical reactions. Learn about how we can use kitchen safe chemicals to alter the texture of foods by making popping bobas! *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies. Registration begins Monday, February 12th.

Physics of Toys with Long Island Science Center
Grades K-2nd **CMJ418**
Friday, February 23rd at 12:30 pm
Experience physics in action through hands-on activities and demonstrations using familiar and old-fashioned toys. Experiment with the forces of gravity and inertia by observing and manipulating materials, then make your own toy to take home! Registration begins Monday, February 12th.

Edible Art
Grades 3rd-6th **CMJ574**
Tuesday, February 27th at 5:00 pm
Create your very own piece of edible art using candy, frosting, and more! First place wins a prize! *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies. Registration begins Tuesday, February 20th.

Create! With Miss Ceci – Leap Year Craft
Grades K-6th **CMJ080**
Thursday, February 29th at 5:30 pm
We get an extra day this year! Leap into the library for a fun craft to celebrate! Registration begins Tuesday, February 20th.

Family Programs

Family Programs are for children and their grownups! Children need an adult with them to attend family programs. Unless otherwise indicated, please register each child attending.

Take and Make Rainbow Cupcakes
Ages 3 years-6th grade **CMJ183**
Pickup begins Thursday, January 11th
Learn how to make fondant rainbows and decorate 3 cupcakes with buttercream icing and marshmallow clouds. *This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies* Please register once for the whole family. *Kit must be picked up by Saturday, 1/13 it will be forfeited to a family on the wait list. Registration begins Tuesday, January 2nd.



Create and Take
Ages 3 years-6th Grade **CMZ186**
Saturday, January 13th at 1:00 pm- 3:00 pm
We are pulling out our crafting supplies so you can make your own creation! Make it here and display it at home. No Registration required.

Winnie the Pooh Day
Ages 3 years-6th Grade **CMZ880**
Thursday, January 18th at 4:30- 6:00 pm
Celebrate Winnie the Pooh Day and A.A. Milne’s birthday with stories, games, and fun activities. No registration required!




Take your Child to the Library Day!
Children ages 3 years-6th Grade **CMZ254**
Saturday, February 3rd at 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Take Your Child to the Library Day is an international initiative that encourages families everywhere to take their children to their local library. Join us for some extra fun in our activity room. No registration required!


Family Bingo!
Children Ages 4 years-6th Grade **CMJ929**
Tuesday, February 20th at 3:00 pm
We are back with everyone’s favorite game- BINGO! Join us for some fun and prizes. Registration begins Monday, February 12th.



Meet the Animals at Quogue Wildlife Refuge!
Children Ages 4 years-6th Grade **CMJ900**
Wednesday, February 21st at 2:00 pm
Meet us at the Quogue Wildlife Refuge to learn about the resident animals and enjoy the natural beauty of the preserve. Please indicate how make people will be attending in the notes field. Registration begins Monday, February 12th.

Open Craft and Pin Trading
Children Ages 3 years-6th Grade
Thursday, February 22nd at 2:00 pm- 4:00 pm
Stop in and see what great crafts Miss Lisa has for you! Don’t forget to bring your Library Card Lanyard, and while you’re here, you can trade the pins you earned over the summer with friends! No registration required.

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		LIBRARY CLOSED	JANUARY CRAFT PICK UP BEGINS : 3 YEARS-6TH GRADE	TODDLER & ME WITH MISS CECILIA! WALKING-18 MONTHS: 10:30 AM BABY & ME WITH MISS CECILIA! BIRTH-NY WALKING: 11:30 AM	STORYTIME, 2 YEARS-NYK: 10:30 AM KITCHEN CREATIONS, K-6TH GRADE: 5:30 PM	BABY PLAY HOORAY! BIRTH-17 MONTHS: 9:45 AM PLAY HOORAY! 18 MONTHS-NYK: 10:45 AM OR 11:45 AM	SATURDAY BABIES BOOGIE! BIRTH-17 MONTHS: 9:45 AM SATURDAY TODDLERS TANGO! 18 MONTHS-NYK: 10:45 AM THE WRITER’S TABLE: 1:00 PM ART RECEPTION: 2:00 PM
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		KIDNASTICS, WALKING-NOT YET 3: 9:30 AM OR 10:30 AM AFTERNOON GAMES: 1:00 PM CHEF ROB LIVE: 2:00 PM CHEF ROB LIVE: 6:00 PM MONTHLY KNITTING AND CROCHET CIRCLE: 6:00 PM	KIDNASTICS, WALKING-NOT YET 3: 9:45 AM KIDNASTICS, 6 MONTHS-NYW: 11:00 AM GENTLE TONING & MUSCLE STRENGTHENING ON ZOOM: 11:00 AM ALZHEIMER’S SUPPORT GROUP: 11:30 AM KIDNASTICS, 3 YEARS-NYK: 12:15 PM KIDNASTICS, WALKING-NYK: 1:20 PM OR 6:00 PM KIDNASTICS, K-2ND GRADE: 5:00 PM ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE SERIES: 6:00 PM LUCKY DICE BRACELET ON ZOOM: 6:30 PM NEW YEAR RESOLUTION MOOD BOARD: 6:30 PM	IN PERSON GENTLE TONING AND MUSCLE STRENGTHENING W/ KIM: 8:30 AM FOL MEETING: 10:00 AM LITTLE MOMENTS SENSORY PLAY, 18 MONTHS-NOT YET 3: 11:00 AM GENTLE CHAIR YOGA WITH SUSAN ON ZOOM: 11:00 AM LEGO CLUB, K-6TH GRADE: 6:00 PM LEGO BUILDERS CLUB: 7:00 PM	COOKIES AND CREAM CUPCAKES AT HOME PICK UP FOL BOOK CLUB #2: 11:00 AM SNOWMEN AT NIGHT CRAFT, 3 YEARS-NYK: 1:00 PM RAINBOW CUPCAKE PICKUP BEGINS MAXIMIZE YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS IN RETIREMENT: 6:30 PM	IN PERSON CARDIO SCULPT TRAINING WITH KIM: 8:30 AM BABY PLAY HOORAY! BIRTH-17 MONTHS: 9:45 AM EXPANDING HORIZONS: OWL CRAFT: 10:30 AM PLAY HOORAY! 18 MONTHS-NYK: 10:45 AM OR 11:45 AM FOL BOOK CLUB #1: 11:00 AM	DEFENSIVE DRIVING SPONSORED BY THE EMPIRE SAFETY COUNCIL: 10:00 AM CREATE AND TAKE, 3 YEARS-6TH GRADE: 1:00 PM
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Friends of the Library

Bus Trips



THE MET CLOISTERS AND LUNCH AS XAVIERS X20 RESTAURANT TRIP

The committee planned and executed a bus trip which was received with an over-whelming positive response by those on the trip that day. The entire trip went well, and we had beautiful weather. The restaurant provided professional and timely service of a 3 course gourmet meal surrounded by excellent views of the Hudson River. We then traveled to the Met Cloisters in Fort Tyron Park. We had a long guided tour of the Cloisters which provided a nice over-view of the museum. Many people want to return on their own and spend more time there.



BOOK CLUB

The Friends of the Library Book club is going strong. Each month the Book Club reads a different book to discuss. The Book Club #1 will meet on Friday January 12th and Friday, February 16th both at 11:00am. The Book Club #2 will meet on Thursday, January 11th, Tuesday, January 30th and Tuesday, February 20th at 11:00am.



During the Library's annual shredding event, the volunteers of the Friends of the Library Food Drive Committee weathered the rain and collected food items and monetary donations which were given as gift cards for Aldi and King Kullen and distributed to local food pantries. Thank you for your generosity.

This Friends of the Library Week we celebrated with a Haunted Tea. Everyone had a hauntingly good time dining on scones, sandwiches, desserts and tea.

PUZZLES AT THE LIBRARY

We have many puzzles in the library, 300 pieces, 500 pieces and 1,000 pieces. Now that the cooler weather will be here before you know it, take a puzzle home and Enjoy! You need not bring in a puzzle to swap.



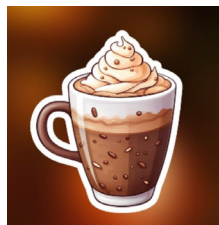
THE FRIENDS' MONDAY AFTERNOON AT THE LIBRARY

Each Monday at 1:00pm, join this informal gathering to play Mahjong, Rummikub, Checkers, Mexican Train Dominoes and other board games in the community room. All are welcome.

THRIFT SHELVES:

COZY UP TO A GOOD BOOK THIS WINTER

Come on in and browse our Thrift Shelves. There is a wide variety to choose from: Fiction, Non-fiction, Sports, Crafts, Cooking, etc. We have books for all ages from young children to adult.



Take advantage of our many CDs and DVDs. Look for our "special" sales and our annual 3 day Book Sale in the Fall.



Please keep an eye out for new fundraising projects that help support the Library! They will be advertised on social media and near the Friends of the Library thrift shelves. Thank you for your continued support.



THE BOOK DONATION BIN WILL BE CLOSED AND NO DONATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL APRIL 1st, 2024.

ANTIQUE, VINTAGE & PREMIUM BOOK SALE:

The Friends will be holding a sale of these special books on Thursday, January 25th between 2:00-8:00 pm; Friday, January 26th between 10:00 am-5:00 pm and Saturday, January 27th between 10:00 am-4:00 pm.



The Scholarship Committee is excited to announce that local author, Lauren E. Rico, will be coming to our library on Saturday, February 10th 2024 at 12:00pm. She will share readings from her latest book "Familia". The book is about a young woman's journey of discovery that uncovers a possible Puerto Rican connection to her birth parents. Lauren will be signing copies of her book which will be available for purchase. Be sure to attend this free event as there is every possibility that this book will be a Best Seller and a good chance for a movie connection. Any donation to the scholarship fund at this event would be greatly appreciated. ALL ARE WELCOME.

The Maurine Rose and Carroll Gerard Donnelly Scholarship

The Friends of the Library invite you to donate to our scholarship to support the high school seniors of 2024.

Please make checks payable to
The Friends of the Library Scholarship Fund and mail to:
The Friends of the Library Scholarship Fund,
P.O. Box 704, Center Moriches, New York 11934.
Your donation is greatly appreciated.



The Friends will hold their monthly meetings on Wednesday, January 10th, 2024 and Wednesday, February 14th, 2024 both at 10:00am.



FOL Membership Donation Application

Become a Friend by sending your membership donation and this form to:

Friends of the CM Library, PO Box 704, Center Moriches, NY 11934 OR drop your envelope in the FOL box next to the Thrift Shelves

(Make checks payable to Friends of the CM Library and mark "Attr: Membership" on the envelope.)

CHECK ONE: ☐ \$10 INDIVIDUAL (annual) ☐ \$25 FAMILY OR BUSINESS (annual) ☐ \$100 LIFETIME (one time only)

Name: _____ Address: _____

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Hedy Campeas

The People's Painter: How Ben Shahn Fought for Justice with Art

Donated by John and Nan Peel

Daniel W. Dern, Jr.

Inside 100 Great Cars

Where the Ocean Meets the Sand

Donated by William and Elizabeth Ambrosio

Hook, Line and Supper: New Techniques and Master Recipes for Everything Caught in Lakes, Rivers, Streams and Sea
The Practical Guide to Fishing: An Illustrated Manual for Freshwater, Game, Saltwater and Fly Fishing

Donated by the Monaco Family

Josephine (Jo) Fay

Woo Hoo! You're Doing Great!

Donated by the Faculty and Staff of Eastport Elementary School

Robert Ferguson

U.S. Navy by the Numbers

Donated by the Staff and Trustees of Center Moriches Library

The Kansas City Barbeque Society Cookbook: 25th Anniversary Edition

Donated by Nadine Livoti

The Great British Baking Show: The Big Book of Amazing Cakes

Donated by John and Nan Peel

Don Natoli

Rock the Boat: Boats, Cabins and Homes on the Water
Ultimate Harley-Davidson, New Edition

Donated by Diane and Ken Horsford

Bob Russell

Fieldbook: The Boy Scouts of America's Manual of Advanced Skills

for Outdoor Travel, Adventure, and Caring for the Land

Donated by Alice Forlano

Irene Zinnel

Nora Murphy's Country House Style: Making Your Home a Country House

Donated by Alice and John Forlano

Dedications in Honor of . . .

Jesse Ewing

Boats!: And Other Things that Float

Donated by Christine, Kenny, Holly and Ray

First to finish the Library's teen program challenge: "100 Books before Graduation"

Sophia Healy

Nat Enough: A Graphic Novel

Donated by the Teen Librarians Center Moriches Library



To make a dedication, pick up one of our Dedication forms at the Library's Circulation Desk (or call the Library at 631-878-0940, extension 4, to have one mailed or faxed to you). Your donation will be applied towards the purchase of a new library book representing the life and interests of the person whom you are remembering in this very special way.

Adult Programs (continued from page 2)

IN-PERSON CARDINAL ON GLASS



Join Melissa from MD Studio and paint a stunning winter landscape featuring a colorful cardinal on glass. No painting experience is required to create this lovely piece of art for your home.

Thursday, January 25th, from 6:00 pm-7:30 pm CMA953

This program will also be presented as a Zoom program. Please register for only one class. CMOR Cardholders only.

ZOOM CARDINAL ON GLASS

Monday, January 29th, from 6:00 pm-7:30 pm CMZ748

This program will also be presented as an in-person program at the library. Please register for only one class. Link (invite) to join the class will be sent to you before the program starts. You will be contacted when the kits are ready for pickup. CMOR Cardholders only.

GRAB AND GO LITTLE ITALY PIZZA DOUGH

(Pickup starts on February 5th) CMZ749

Just in time for the big game! Grab your kit that contains the recipe and all dry ingredients needed to make the perfect pizza dough! Recorded link of the class will be included with the kit. CMOR Patrons only.

IN-PERSON HUGGY GNOMES



(choose one date): Monday, February 5th, from 6:30pm-7:30pm OR Wednesday, February 7th, from 6:30pm-7:30pm OR Thursday, February 8th, from 6:30pm-7:30pm CMA 954

Join Teresa from the Silhouette Spot and paint your own gnome couple featuring a heart. CMOR Cardholders only.

****Due to the fragility, cost, and anticipated demand, this project will NOT be held for anyone who does not attend the class. NO EXCEPTIONS****



VEIL-ENTINE BELLY DANCING

Monday, February 12th, from 7:00 pm-8:00 pm CMA955

Join belly dancer Lenora D and learn moves using veils to enhance your belly dancing! No experience required. Veils will be supplied or bring your own! CMOR Cardholders only.

MAKE A BRACELET YOUR WAY ON ZOOM

Join Maryann M. as she demonstrates how to make a bracelet using letter and other types of beads. You will follow along with your own set of assorted beads to create a bracelet that is as simple or elaborate as you like!

Tuesday, February 13th, from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm CMZ750

This program will also be presented as an in-person program. Link (invite) to join the class will be sent to you before the program starts. Please register for only one class. CMOR Cardholders only.



IN-PERSON MAKE A BRACELET YOUR WAY

Thursday, February 15th, from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm CMA956

This program will also be presented as a Zoom program at the library. Please register for only one class. You will be contacted when the kits are ready for pickup. CMOR Cardholders only.

IN-PERSON LAVENDER STEMMED WINEGLASS

Paint away those winter blues! Join Melissa from MD Studio and learn how to paint delicate lavender flowers on a set of 2 wineglasses. NO painting experience required!

Wednesday, February 21st from 6:00 pm-7:00 pm CMA956

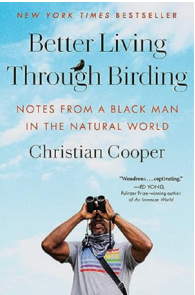
This program will also be presented as a Zoom program. Please register for only one class. CMOR Cardholders only.

LAVENDER STEMMED WINEGLASS ON ZOOM

Wednesday, February 28th, from 6:00 pm-7:00 pm CMZ751

This program will also be presented as an in-person program at the library. Please register for only one class. Link (invite) to join the class will be sent to you before the program starts. You will be contacted when the kits are ready for pickup. CMOR Cardholders only.

The 2024 LONG ISLAND READS pick is...



Better Living Through Birding: Notes from a Black Man in the Natural World by Christian Cooper
Cooper tells the story of his extraordinary life leading up to the now-infamous incident in Central Park and shows how a life spent looking up at the birds prepared him, in the most uncanny of ways, to be a gay, Black man in America today. From sharpened senses that work just as well at a protest as in a park to what a bird like the Common Grackle can

teach us about self-acceptance, Better Living Through Birding exults in the pleasures of a life lived in pursuit of the natural world and invites you to discover them yourself.

Long Island Reads will honor Christian Cooper at a ceremony at the Plainview-Old Bethpage Public Library on April 21, 2024, at 2 pm. More information will in the March/April Newsletter.

Expanding Horizons:

These programs are designed to be easily adaptable for adults accompanied by their aide/ caregiver. To register please call 631-878-0940.

All Suffolk County Cardholders are welcome.

Owl Craft

Friday, January 12th at 10:30am

Listen to a story and make a fun owl craft using markers and paint. Registration begins on Friday, December 29th.



Valentines

Friday, February 9th at 10:30am

Listen to a story and create a one-of-a-kind valentine to keep or give to someone else. Registration begins on Friday, Friday, January 26th.



Bingo

Join Miss Laura for a slower paced version of Bingo where all participants are winners. Registration is now open.

Monday, January 22nd at 10:30 am
Monday, February 26th at 10:30 am

Did you know that your library offers:

Free Internet Computers

Free Wifi

Free Faxing

Free Scanning