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Join us at our Friends' Garage Sale on Saturday, May 2. Vendor applications are now available. For more information go to [www.smithlib.org/about/friends](http://www.smithlib.org/about/friends).



## Smithtown Grows

Smithtown Grows is back for its sixth year! Patrons with an adult Smithtown Library card can come to any of our four buildings to pick up seed packets for their gardens. Please see the Adult Reference Desk for more information. We are excited for you to grow with us!



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# CHILDREN

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## Children's Program

### Registration Information

In person, online and telephone registration begins at 9:30am for **Commack on Wednesday, February 25, Kings Park on Friday, February 27, Nesconset on Tuesday, March 3.**

Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise indicated. Check the Library's calendar or contact your local Children's Department for availability. *Please note: each child must have his/her own Library card to register for programs. Priority is given to Smithtown residents for program registration.*

*Children's programs are created with the needs, abilities and interests of the age groups listed. To make programs enjoyable for the children and their caregivers, please register for programs that correspond with the child's age. Programs that include food may not be suitable for those with food allergies.*

**C** = Commack Building **N** = Nesconset Building  
**K** = Kings Park Building **S** = Smithtown Building

### Baby Bounce

**C-Monday, March 9 • 10:00-10:30am**  
(Birth-11 months with parent/caregiver)

Join us for a program especially for babies. There will be songs, props and most of all, fun. No older siblings, please.



### Baby and Me

**N-Tuesday, March 31 • 2:30-3:15pm**  
(Birth-12 months with parent/caregiver)

Spend quality time with your little one by practicing early literacy skills through song, story and open play.

### Baby Playground

**K-Monday, March 23 • 10:30-11:15am**  
(Birth-12 months with parent/caregiver)

Enjoy free-play and language-based activities with other babies in a relaxed, friendly environment.

### Baby Playdate

**N-Monday, March 16 • 10:00-10:45am**  
(Birth-18 months with parent/caregiver)

Visit the Library for a playdate just for baby! Meet other babies while enjoying free play and songs.

### Nursery Rhyme Time

**C-Thursday, March 12 • 10:30-11:00am**

**C-Friday, March 20 • 10:00-10:30am**

**C-Saturday, March 21 • 11:00-11:30am**

**C-Saturday, March 28 • 10:00-10:30am**

**K-Tuesday, March 3 • 10:30-11:00am**

**K-Tuesday, March 10 • 3:00-3:30pm**

**K-Thursday, March 19 • 4:00-4:30pm**

**K-Saturday, March 28 • 10:30-11:00am**

**N-Wednesday, March 11 • 10:30-11:00am**

**N-Friday, March 13 • 10:00-10:30am**

**N-Saturday, March 14 • 10:00-10:30am**

**N-Friday, March 20 • 10:00-10:30am**

**N-Friday, April 3 • 10:00-10:30am**

(Birth-35 months with parent/caregiver)

Enjoy a traditional time of nursery rhymes and songs for baby.

### Story Tots

**C-Saturday, March 7 • 10:00-10:30am**  
(12-23 months with parent/caregiver)

Unplug and unwind with your little ones. Engage in stories, fingerplays, rhymes and musical activities.

### Wonderful Ones

**C-Friday, March 6 • 2:30-3:15pm**

**C-Monday, March 16 • 10:30-11:15am**

**K-Monday, March 16 • 10:30-11:15am**

**N-Thursday, March 12 • 11:30am-12:15pm**  
(12-23 months with parent/caregiver)

This action-packed program engages little ones in language-based activities; includes free play, stories and fun.

### Young at Art

**K-Wednesday, March 4 • 10:00-10:30am**

**N-Monday, March 9 • 10:00-10:30am**

**N-Friday, March 27 • 10:00-10:30am**

(12-30 months with parent/caregiver)

Explore and discover art with your toddler through hands-on activities and fine motor fun. Children will take home their own masterpieces. Dress to make a mess.



### Tiny Tot Storytime

**K-Wednesday, March 25 • 10:30-11:00am**

(12-30 months with parent/caregiver)

Join us for stories, songs, play and activities designed for little ones.

### Rockin' Tots

**C-Monday, March 30 • 10:00-10:30am**  
(12-30 months with parent/caregiver)

Join us for stories, fingerplays, songs and dancing in an engaging and social atmosphere.

### Move and Groove

**N-Friday, March 6 • 10:00-10:30am**  
(18-35 months with parent/caregiver)

Shake your sillies out at the Library! Enjoy music, movement and bubbles as we sing, dance and move to the beat.

### Dance with Me

**K-Wednesday, March 11 • 10:00-10:45am**  
(18-35 months with parent/caregiver)

Enjoy bonding time with your little one through dance, movement and storytime.

### Paint Pals

**K-Thursday, March 12 • 3:00-3:45pm**  
(18-35 months with parent/caregiver)

Let's have a paint party! Little ones will paint and play the afternoon away. Dress to make a mess.

### Tot Tunes

**K-Monday, March 30 • 10:30-11:00am**  
(18-35 months with parent/caregiver)

Enjoy songs, fingerplays, stories and dancing in this musical program.

### Time for Twos

**C-Wednesday, March 18 • 10:30-11:15am**

**K-Thursday, March 5 • 2:30-3:15pm**

**N-Thursday, March 5 • 11:00-11:45am**

**N-Wednesday, March 25 • 2:30-3:15pm**

(24-35 months with parent/caregiver)  
Enjoy building social skills in a relaxed, friendly environment; includes free play, songs, stories and a craft.

### Shamrock Shake

**N-Tuesday, March 10 • 10:00-10:45am OR**  
**3:00-3:45pm**

(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

It's your lucky day - celebrate St. Patrick's Day and join us for stories and crafts.

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## Little Leprechauns

*N-Tuesday, March 17 • 10:00-10:45am*  
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

Get your green on and join us for special **St. Patrick's Day** stories, songs and crafts with your little shamrock.



## St. Patrick's Day Fun

*K-Tuesday, March 17 • 11:00-11:30am*  
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

Top o' the morning to you! Enjoy stories and fun about this favorite holiday and make a festive **St. Patrick's Day** sticker scene.

## Art Starts

*C-Thursday, March 19 • 10:30-11:15am*

*K-Tuesday, March 31 • 10:30-11:15am*

*N-Thursday, March 19 • 2:30-3:15pm*  
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

Different crafts encourage children's hand-eye coordination and gross and fine motor skills development; includes storytime. Dress to make a mess.

## Fine Motor Fun

*N-Monday, March 23 • 10:00-10:45am*  
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

Give your muscles a workout with crafts and activities that help develop fine motor skills. Dress to make a mess.

## Jammin' with Miss Jessie

*C-Wednesday, March 25 • 10:00-10:30am*  
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

Get your jam on and explore instruments of all kinds while playing along with Miss Jessie. We'll also read a musical story.



## Library Playdate

*C-Friday, March 27 • 10:30-11:15am*

*K-Monday, March 23 • 3:30-4:15pm*

*N-Tuesday, March 24 • 10:00-10:45am*  
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

Seize the play and keep the mess at our place. Meet other children and families while playing with toys and creating an art project.

## Construction Zone

*C-Tuesday, March 31 • 10:30-11:15am*  
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

Put on your hard hats and bring your little construction workers to build with all types of blocks.

## Shamrockin'

*N-Thursday, March 5 • 2:30-3:15pm*  
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Get your green on and meet us at the end of the rainbow for lucky tales, then create your own binoculars to help you look for leprechauns.

## All Things Green

*K-Saturday, March 7 • 10:30-11:00am*  
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Hop to it as we read about some of our favorite green friends and then do a friendly frog craft.

## Marching into Music

*C-Wednesday, March 11 • 10:00-10:30am*  
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Clap your hands, stomp your feet and wiggle to the beat.

## Let's Dance

*K-Wednesday, March 11 • 11:00-11:45am*  
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Move and groove with music and games from **Great South Bay Dance**.

## Sensory Sandbox - Bluey Beach Party

*K-Friday, March 13 • 11:30am-12:15pm*  
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Bluey toys meet kinetic sand in a sensory bonanza!



## How to Catch a Storytime

*N-Tuesday, March 17 • 2:30-3:15pm*  
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Have you ever wondered how to catch a . . . leprechaun? Let's find out as we read a book from the **How to Catch** series and then play at related activity stations.

## Jump & Play

*K-Wednesday, March 18 • 11:00-11:45am*  
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Meet new friends at the Library and work on social skills with our fun playground toys.

## Storytime Safari

*N-Saturday, March 21 • 10:00-10:45am*  
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Wild characters abound when you open a book. Treat your mind to an adventure with stories and an art project.

## Things That Go

*K-Tuesday, March 24 • 10:00-10:45am*  
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Do you love cars, trucks and other vehicles? Join us for storytime and crafts inspired by our favorite things that go! Dress to make a mess.



## Preschool Dance Party

*N-Friday, March 27 • 2:30-3:00pm*  
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Move and groove to the beat. Put on your dancing shoes for an afternoon of music and movement fun.

## Ducks and Bunnies

*N-Tuesday, March 31 • 10:30-11:15am*  
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Join us for some spring stories and create an adorable duck and bunny craft.

## Feathered Friends

*N-Monday, April 6 • 10:30-11:15am*  
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Listen to some birdie stories and create a cute bird craft.

## Lucky Rainbow Tambourine

*C-Tuesday, March 3 • 4:30-5:15pm*  
(3-6 years with parent/caregiver)

The leprechaun has lost his lucky rainbow tambourine! Let's read some **St. Patrick's** stories and make our own tambourines to take home.

## Here Kitty, Kitty

*C-Monday, March 16 • 4:30-5:15pm*  
(5-7 years)

Join us for some fur flying fun in this storytime all about kitties. Create your own crafty kitty to take home.



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## Rainbow Windsock

*N-Thursday, March 19 • 4:30-5:15pm*  
(5-7 years)

Listen to a story about rainbows and make a paper windsock craft.



## Read, Rock and Roll

*C-Friday, March 27 • 4:30-5:15pm*  
(5-7 years)

Rock on at the Library! Join us for some groovy stories and fun jams, then craft a musical instrument to start a band of your own.

## Storytime Surprise!

*N-Saturday, March 28 • 11:00-11:45am*  
(5-7 years)

Bring a mystery item in a bag (or grab one at the Children's Desk prior to the program), share three fun facts about it, and then everyone will guess what it is! This community show and tell is all about surprises, stories and a whole lot of fun!

## Hooray for Birds

*N-Thursday, April 2 • 11:00-11:45am*  
(5-7 years)

Birds of all feathers flock together for this fun storytime and craft.

## Monster Mania

*N-Tuesday, April 7 • 10:30-11:15am*  
(5-7 years)

Join us for a monstrously good time as we read friendly monster stories and create our own adorable creatures to take home.

## Signing with Sara

*N-Wednesday, April 8 • 10:30-11:15am*  
(5-7 years)

Join us for an interactive American Sign Language (ASL) program designed to introduce children to basic signs through songs, movement, games and storytelling. Participants learn functional vocabulary and simple phrases while building communication skills in a fun, inclusive and engaging environment. The class encourages active participation and is appropriate for beginners with no prior ASL experience.



## Little Book Buddies

*K-Monday, March 16 • 4:15-5:00pm*  
(5-8 years)

Book Buddies is a program in which a child is paired with a teen for a rewarding reading experience.

## Amelia's Big Idea

*C-Saturday, March 14 • 10:00-10:30am*  
(5-8 years)

Come on down to the Library to learn about the world's most famous aviator, **Amelia Earhart**, and design your own plane.



## STEAM Buddies

*K-Thursday, March 26 • 4:15-5:00pm*  
(5-8 years)

Team up with a teen volunteer for hands-on fun as we create, experiment and learn. Dress to make a mess.

## Pipe Cleaner Superheroes

*C-Saturday, March 28 • 11:15am-12:00pm*  
(5-9 years)

Make your own superhero by upcycling everyday materials like pipe cleaners and beads!

## Little Game Buddies

*C-Monday, March 30 • 4:15-5:00pm*  
(5-9 years)

If you love playing board games, this is the program for you. Children will be paired with a teen buddy to play some of their favorite games.

## Catch a Leprechaun

*N-Friday, March 6 • 4:30-5:15pm*  
(5-10 years)

Join us at the end of the rainbow for St. Patrick's Day stories and decorate your very own leprechaun trap.



## Make It Monday

*N-Mondays • 6:30-8:30pm*  
*S-Mondays • 6:30-8:30pm*  
(5-12 years)

Come to the Children's Room during these hours to tinker, build and play with a variety of STEAM challenges, toys and projects. *No registration required.*

## Chess and Checkers Buddies

*N-Thursday, March 12 • 4:15-5:00pm*  
(5-12 years)

It's time for a board meeting; play chess and checkers with our teen volunteers. A great opportunity to learn a new game or practice a favorite.

## Little Maker Buddies

*C-Tuesday, March 10 • 4:15-5:00pm*  
(6-10 years)

Pair up with a teen volunteer to explore a variety of hands-on maker activities.

## Cricut Crafts – Spring Magnets

*K-Wednesday, March 18 • 5:00-5:45pm*  
(6-10 years)

Get ready for spring at the Library by learning the basics of the Cricut cutting machine and creating themed refrigerator magnets.

## Paddy's Plant

*K-Saturday, March 14 • 10:30-11:15am*  
(6-10 years)

Once upon an old wives' tale, planting a pea plant on St. Patrick's Day will bring a lucky harvest. Come to the Library for an interactive garden program, caregivers welcome.



## Leprechaun Traps

*C-Saturday, March 14 • 11:00-11:45am*  
(6-11 years)

It's that time of year again! The tricky leprechauns are out and about getting ready to cause mischief. Come design a leprechaun trap to try and catch them!

## Lucky Cakes

*N-Friday, March 13 • 6:30-7:15pm*  
(6-12 years)

Wear your green and join us for Irish folktales and create a snack fit for a leprechaun.

## Spring Watercolors

*N-Saturday, March 21 • 11:30am-12:15pm*  
(6-12 years)

Enjoy a relaxing time of painting while creating a spring watercolor art project.

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## DIY Wooden Birdhouses

**N-Tuesday, April 7 • 3:00-3:45pm**  
(6-12 years)

Enjoy painting a wooden birdhouse to keep as a decoration or share with our feathered friends.

## Cartooning for Kids

**N-Friday, April 10 • 6:30-7:30pm**  
(6-12 years)

Join comic artist **Tom Duffy** to learn drawing techniques and cartooning basics as he creates some one-of-a-kind caricatures.



## Rainbow Magnets

**K-Wednesday, March 4 • 5:30-6:15pm**  
(7-12 years)

Color your world while making rainbow magnets with Perler beads.



## DIY Sticker Books

**K-Saturday, March 21 • 10:30-11:30am**  
(7-12 years)

Bind a custom, reusable sticker book and create your very own stickers to put inside! Dress to make a mess.

## Fairy Houses

**C-Tuesday, March 24 • 4:30-5:15pm**  
(7-12 years)

Calling all fairy lovers! Let's build tiny houses so we can catch fairies. Using whimsical and magical elements, DIY your own fairy house.

## Eid al-Fitr Lanterns

**C-Friday, March 6 • 4:30-5:15pm**  
(8-12 years)

Celebrate **Eid al-Fitr** by crafting a unique moon lantern and listening to a story about the holiday.



## Playful Penguins

**C-Wednesday, March 25 • 4:30-5:15pm**  
(8-12 years)

Waddle on in for some playful stories featuring our arctic penguin pals. Create your own playful penguin to take home.

## Truffula Tree Treats

**N-Thursday, April 2 • 2:30-3:15pm**  
(8-12 years)

Speak for the trees this **Earth Day**. Celebrate with a reading of *The Lorax* by **Dr. Seuss** and create a snack fit for a Barba-loot.



## Creation Station

**C-Saturday, March 7 • 10:00am-3:00pm**

**K-Saturdays • 10:00am-3:00pm**

**N-Saturdays • 10:00am-3:00pm**

**S-Saturdays • 10:00am-3:00pm**  
(Families)

Are you looking for something to do on Saturday? Come to the Library during these hours and complete some cool crafts. *No registration required.*

## Book Character Bonanza

### All Buildings

**Monday, March 2-Saturday, March 28**

(Families)

Which children's book character is the best of all time? Visit any Children's Room to vote in our Book Character bracket! The final winners will be announced the week of March 30.

## Create and Celebrate - Women's History Month

**C-Saturday, March 21 • 10:00am-2:00pm**

**K-Wednesday, March 18 • 3:00-7:00pm**

**N-Friday, March 13 • 2:00-5:30pm**

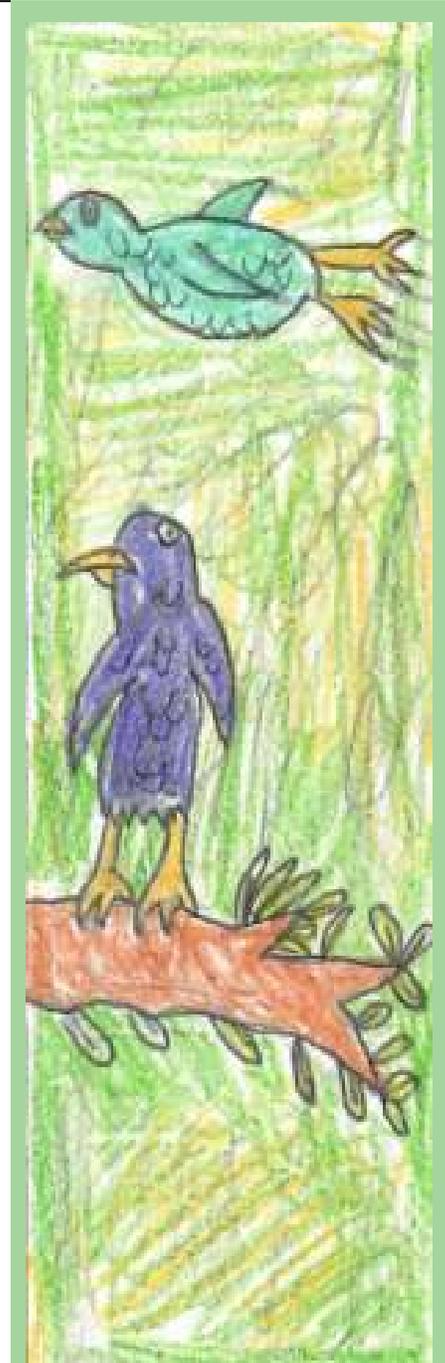
**S-Friday, March 20 • 2:00-5:30pm**

(Families)

March is **Women's History Month!**

Stop by the Children's Room

during these hours to celebrate with crafts and activities while you learn all about some influential people. *No registration required.*



**MARCH BOOKMARK  
Contest Winner  
MAVERICK S.  
GRADE 2  
HOME SCHOOL**

# TEEN SCENE

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## Teen Services Program Information

In person, online and telephone registration for **March** programs began on **Monday, February 9**. April program registration begins **Monday, March 9**. Registration is required unless otherwise noted. Programs that require fees can be paid in person by credit card, cash, check or money order to The Smithtown Library. Credit card payments are also accepted through our online payment system. If paying in cash, please bring exact change only. Program fees are non-refundable and non-transferable. Teen Services programs are open to those in grades 6-12 (up to age 18) unless otherwise noted. When registering online, please indicate name and grade in the note field. Check the Library's calendar or contact the Library for availability. Programs that include food may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

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## Teen Take and Bake - Shamrock Sugar Cookies

Take home a kit with all of the supplies you need to bake shamrock sugar cookies! *Kits will be available at the Building of your choice beginning March 2 and must be picked up by March 13.*



## Dungeons and Dragons

**C-Monday, March 2 • 6:00-8:00pm**

Join us for a round of this classic role-playing game! Perfect for players of all skill levels, this campaign will introduce you to the game and its rules while you play. Dice and snacks will be provided.

## Tech It Out

**N-Tuesday, March 3 • 5:00-6:00pm**

Celebrate **Teen Tech Week** with the Library. Use our **Meta Quests** to play virtual reality games, battle it out on the **Nintendo Switch** and check out all the other technology we have to offer.



## Shrinky Dink Accessories

**K-Thursday, March 5 • 6:15-7:15pm**

Create keychains, pins and necklaces with your own personal designs using Shrinky Dink plastic.

## Poster Creations

**K-Saturday, March 7 • 3:00-4:00pm**

Learn the ins and outs of Canva and create a personalized poster. Each teen will be able to receive a printout of their poster up to two weeks after the program.

## Happy Go Lucky Sign

**C-Monday, March 9 • 7:00-8:00pm**

Decorate a wood sign in time for **St. Patrick's Day!**



## Shamrock Pretzel Bites

**N-Tuesday, March 10 • 7:00-8:00pm**

Get in the **St. Patrick's Day** spirit and make a sweet and salty snack. This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies.



## Yarn Painting

**C-Wednesday, March 11 • 7:00-8:00pm**

Choose from a rainbow of colors and create your own unique piece of yarn art on canvas.

## Teen Barreless Barre

**N-Friday, March 13 • 4:00-5:00pm**

Do you ever wonder what Barre is and why there are so many studios popping up? Come try it for yourself with certified Barre instructor **Alana Bergen** as she teaches you how to strengthen the entire body utilizing traditional barre movements without the barre. If you like ballet, Pilates or yoga this is a class for you! Please bring a yoga mat to class.

## International Snack Taste Test Challenge

**K-Tuesday, March 17 • 7:00-8:00pm**

See if you can identify the home country of these delicious snacks. We'll be trying treats from all around the world!

## Anime and Manga Club

**C-Wednesday, March 18 • 7:00-8:30pm**

Join us to discuss manga, watch anime and enjoy Japanese snacks.

## Monster of the Week

**K-Tuesday, March 24 • 6:00-8:00pm**

Jump into the supernatural underbelly of our world with tabletop role-playing game **Monster of the Week!** Create your character, fight monsters, cast spells, and work together to save the day with a group of fellow heroes.

## Vintage Pressed Flower Decor

**C-Thursday, March 26 • 7:00-8:00pm**

Welcome spring by creating a glass frame with an array of dried, pressed flowers.



## Maker Fest

**N-Friday, March 27 • 7:00-8:30pm**

Discover. Create. Celebrate. Spend an evening exploring a variety of hands-on maker activities such as sublimation, vinyl crafts, button making and more.

## Women's History Totes & Quotes

**N-Tuesday, March 31 • 7:00-8:00pm**

Celebrate **Women's History Month** by decorating tote bags with inspiring quotes from notable women.

## Volunteer Opportunities

Each teen will receive  
COMMUNITY SERVICE CREDIT FOR  
THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS.

## Computer Build-a-Thon Volunteers

**C-Wednesday, March 4 • 6:00-8:00pm**

Have you ever wondered how to build a computer? In this hands-on program, teens will first learn about how the different components work together to create a functioning machine. After, teens will aid library staff in building brand new computers from scratch.

## Cognitive Care Kits Volunteers

**K-Monday, March 9 • 4:00-5:00pm**

Assemble activity kits for those with memory impairment. Kits will contain word puzzles and light craft activities.



# TEEN SCENE

# ADULTS

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## Volunteer Opportunities CONTINUED

### Maker Buddies Volunteers

**C-Tuesday, March 10 • 4:00-5:00pm**

Assist a younger child with a variety of hands-on maker activities.

### Chess and Checker Buddies Volunteers

**N-Thursday, March 12 • 4:00-5:00pm**

Teach younger children how to play chess and checkers. You do not have to be an expert to volunteer but knowledge of the rules is required.

### Book Buddies Volunteers

**K-Monday, March 16 • 4:00-5:00pm**

Read to a younger book buddy. It is a rewarding experience that you won't want to miss.

### Sleeve A Message Volunteers

**C-Monday, March 16 • 7:00-8:00pm**

Decorate coffee cup sleeves to donate to local coffee shops and businesses in Smithtown to spread kindness and cheer.

### Birthday Bundle Bag Volunteers

**N-Wednesday, March 18 • 4:00-5:00pm**

Make bags full of birthday goodies for patrons of our Children's Department to enjoy.

### Take and Bake Dog Treat Volunteers

**N-Saturday, March 21 • 3:30-4:15pm**

Help feed our furry friends at the Smithtown Animal Shelter. We will prepare all ingredients for dog treats at the Library and you will take them home to bake.

### Cards for Hospitalized Kids Volunteers

**C-Monday, March 23 • 4:30-5:30pm**

Make one-of-a-kind cards to brighten the day of a hospitalized child.

### Mindfulness Magnets Volunteers

**K-Wednesday, March 25 • 4:00-5:00pm**

Paint canvas magnets that showcase encouragement and positivity. These magnets will be featured in the Kings Park Teen Room.



### STEAM Buddies Volunteers

**K-Thursday, March 26 • 4:00-5:00pm**

Team up with a child for hands-on fun as we create, experiment, and learn. Dress to make a mess.

### Bookmark Volunteers

**N-Saturday, March 28 • 3:00-4:00pm**

Teen volunteers are needed to design and make bookmarks for Smithtown Library patrons.

### Game Buddies Volunteers

**C-Monday, March 30 • 4:00-5:00pm**

Play fun board games with a younger child.

### Community Wash Kits

**N-Monday, March 30 • 7:00-8:00pm**

Help your community by making wash kits to donate to local shelters.



### Spectacular Suncatcher Volunteers

**K-Tuesday, March 31 • 7:00-8:00pm**

Make suncatchers that will fill the Kings Park Children's Room with rainbows!

### Teen Volunteer Opportunity in a Box

Can't fit our volunteer opportunities into your schedule? The Smithtown Library now offers one-hour volunteer sessions by appointment! Teens can spend time at the Library working on a variety of projects to help make a difference in our community.

Teens may schedule up to two time slots per month. For more information or to schedule a session, contact any Reference Desk.



### Adult Program Information

In person, online and telephone registration for all programs is required and begins one month prior to the program date unless otherwise noted. Programs that require fees can be paid in person by credit card, cash, check or money order to The Smithtown Library. Credit card payments are also accepted through our online payment system. If paying in cash, please bring exact change only. Program fees are non-refundable and non-transferable. Check the Library's calendar or contact the Library for availability. Out of district residents should call the Library for program availability. Programs that include food may not be suitable for those with food allergies.

### Take and Make - Clay Bunny Garland

Take home a bag filled with the supplies to make a neutral garland perfect for spring. *Online and in person registration begins on March 3 and ends on March 17. Supply bags can be picked up from the building of your choice beginning March 20. Fee: \$10.00 per person.*



### Take and Make - Spring Carrot Pallet

Take home a bag filled with the supplies to create a whimsical wood sign. A hot glue gun is required to complete this project. *Online and in person registration begins on March 12 and ends on March 26. Supply bags can be picked up from the building of your choice beginning March 30. Fee: \$10.00 per person.*



# ADULTS

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## Commack

### Game Day

Wednesdays • 12:00-2:30pm

We provide the space, tables, chairs and a variety of games. Meet friends here or make new ones. *No registration required.*

### Preplanning Your Funeral

Monday, March 2 • 12:00-1:30pm

Planning ahead provides peace of mind and relieves the emotional and financial burden on your loved ones.



A representative from **Maloney's Funeral Home** will offer guidance and answer your questions on how to plan your funeral in advance, cremation vs. burial, how to prepay, veteran benefits and more.

### Open Knit and Crochet

Tuesday, March 3 • 1:00-3:00pm

Join our local group and enjoy a friendly and informal get-together. Beginner and experienced crafters are welcome to knit and crochet with other enthusiasts. Guidance available for knitting beginners. *No registration required.*

### Digestive Health and Colon Cancer Awareness

Monday, March 9 • 3:00-3:45pm

March is **National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month**. Come join Health Educators from **Stony Brook Cancer Center** to learn about colorectal cancer. Colorectal Cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States. We will be discussing causes of colorectal cancer, how to prevent it and screenings available.

### One-On-One Medicare Counseling and Assistance

Tuesday, March 10 • 10:00am, 10:45am, 11:30am OR 12:15pm

Register for an appointment to meet individually with a Suffolk County **RSVP** (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) volunteer from **HIICAP** (Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program) to answer questions and provide information specific to your own needs regarding your Medicare health insurances and benefits, Medicare Savings Programs and EPIC.

## Commack Continued

### Veterans Benefits Assistance

Thursday, March 12 • 5:00-8:00pm

A representative from Disabled American Veterans (**DAV**) will be available to assist veterans submit disability claims and widows/widowers of deceased veterans apply for benefits. Please bring DD214s and any other relevant service documents. *No registration required.*

### Art Group

Tuesday, March 17 • 12:00-2:15pm

Tuesday, March 31 • 12:00-2:15pm

Fulfill your passion for art. Bring your supplies and work on your current project while you share ideas and learn new techniques from others in a relaxed atmosphere. *No registration required.*

### Snooze Science - Exploring Brains and Sleep

Wednesday, March 18 • 3:00-4:00pm

Explore the inner workings of sleep with a program on the neuroscience of slumber. Uncover how your brain manages this essential function, from how brain stages of sleep are monitored to the areas of your brain that control sleep. Join scientists from the **Department of Neurobiology and Behavior at Stony Brook University** to discuss the fascinating activities our brain performs while we get shut-eye.



### All Abilities Bingo Night

Tuesday, March 24 • 6:00-7:00pm

Join us for our noncompetitive, slow-paced bingo. This program is geared towards patrons 18 years and older with sensory issues, those on the autism spectrum or those who have other specific needs. *Registration begins on February 25.*



## Commack Continued

### Planning Ahead to Prepare for Your Life, Your Home and Your Family

Tuesday, March 24 • 7:30-8:30pm

Find out why planning early matters and how all the pieces connect. Elder law attorney **Mary Raghunandan** will discuss wills vs. trusts, power of attorney, and healthcare proxies. Financial Planner **Emily Koenig** covers income planning, budgeting for longevity and avoiding surprises. **Jennifer Bonnadonna** with Brightview Port Jefferson explains aging-in-place vs. senior housing options and real estate specialist **Emma Pisciotta** outlines downsizing, selling "as-is," and timing the market.

### Angels in Your Life

Friday, March 27 • 2:00-3:30pm

**Maria D'Andrea**, The Budapest Psychic, explores the powerful and uplifting ways angelic beings guide, protect, and inspire us every day. In this enlightening presentation, Maria shares practical methods for recognizing angelic signs, strengthening your spiritual connection, and inviting divine assistance into your daily life. With her signature blend of mysticism and real-world insight, she helps participants understand how angels communicate and how to align with their supportive, transformative energy.

### Chef Brian Adwar's Texas-Style Chili with Homemade Sweet Cornbread

Monday, March 30 • 7:00-8:30pm

Chef **Brian Adwar** will demo how to make his famous Texas-style chili with sweet cornbread. A tasting will follow the demo. *Fee: \$10.00 per person.*



### Kings Park Game Day

Mondays • 12:30-2:30pm

We provide the space, tables, chairs and a variety of games. Meet friends here or make new ones. *No registration required.*

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## Kings Park Continued Bunny Door Hanging

Monday, March 2 • 6:00-8:30pm

Join us to create this festive doormat to welcome guests into your home. *Fee: \$15.00 per person.*



## Seed Exchange

Tuesday, March 3 • 7:00-8:00pm

Get ready for spring and join us for our seed exchange. Share seeds from your favorite plants or come to find new varieties. Please label the seed you want to share with as much information as possible. Please bring empty jars, bags or envelopes to transport your seeds home. Patrons do not need to bring seeds to attend.

*Please note: seeds are alive and people donating seeds have varying degrees of skill in saving seeds. You may experience low germination rates or receive seeds that were not properly labeled. We do not knowingly accept or share any seeds that are chemically treated, patented (PVP) or genetically modified.*



## Chairobics and Strength

Fridays, March 6, 13, 20 & 27 • 10:00-10:45am

Join **Debbie Krzyminski** from Fitness Figures with exercises for strength, balance, aerobics and flexibility that can be done seated or standing. *Fee: \$12.00 per person.*

## Your Home's Electrical System

Saturday, March 7 • 11:30am-1:00pm

Learn how the electrical system in your house provides appropriate power to satisfy your electrical needs safely. **Brian Schnee** of KL Home Inspection Services will discuss the incoming service, main electrical panel, wiring materials, outlets, smoke detectors and safety measures.

## Kings Park Continued Big Tim Sullivan, Tammany Hall & New York City

Thursday, March 12 • 7:00-8:30pm

Focusing on the career of **Big Tim Sullivan**, historian **Richard Welch** explores the operations of Tammany Hall, the democratic machine that dominated New York City politics in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Timothy D. "Big Tim" Sullivan, the King of the Bowery, began as a poor Irish kid from the notorious Five Points district, who went on to leverage his intelligence and ambition to create an impregnable multiethnic political machine on New York's Lower East Side. Celebrating **Irish American Heritage Month** and 250 years of American History, this program presents a rich excursion into Gotham on the cusp of the modern age through the life a career of the man who exemplified much of it.



## Pictionary Game Night

Wednesday, March 18 • 6:30-8:30pm

Come have a blast and play the classic game of **Pictionary**. Break into teams and let the fun begin!

## All Abilities Pot o'Gold

Thursday, March 19 • 10:00-11:00am

Paint a pot o'gold to celebrate **St. Patrick's Day**. This program is geared towards patrons 18 years and older with sensory issues, those on the autism spectrum or those who have other specific needs. *Registration begins on February 25.*

## Medicare Advantage - Is It An Advantage?

Friday, March 20 • 11:30am-12:30pm

**Kiersten Palma** from RN4Medicare will discuss Medicare Advantage Plans. Learn what they are, key benefits, potential drawbacks, how costs, networks and coverage work and find out what questions to ask before choosing a plan.

## Kings Park Continued

### Live Well Age Well

Tuesday, March 24 • 1:00-2:00pm

Learn practical strategies that support healthy aging and overall well-being for older adults and those who care for them. Caregivers will learn approaches that promote safety, independence and quality of life, including supporting physical health, emotional well-being, social connection and meaningful daily routines. Presented by the **Alzheimer's Disease Resource Center of Long Island**.

## Game Night

Thursday, March 26 • 6:30-8:30pm

We provide the space, tables, chairs and a variety of games. Meet friends here or make new ones. *No registration required.*

## Emergency Preparedness Training

Saturday, April 11 • 1:30-3:00pm

The New York Citizen

Preparedness Training Program

teaches residents to have the tools and resources to prepare for any type of disaster. Each family that attends will receive one preparedness kit. *Registration is required at [www.prepare.ny.gov](http://www.prepare.ny.gov).*



## Nesconset

### Game Day

Mondays • 12:00-3:00pm

Fridays • 11:00am-1:30pm

We provide the space, tables, chairs and a variety of games. Meet friends here or make new ones. *No registration required.*

## Dance Fitness

Mondays, March 2, 9, 16 & 23 • 7:00-8:00pm

Dance to get fit with **Annmarie Rigoroso**. Learn to incorporate fitness movements into dancing. Benefits include bone and muscle strength, cardiovascular health, agility and coordination while having fun. *Fee: \$12.00 per person.*

## Art Group

Tuesday, March 3 • 12:00-2:15pm

Tuesday, March 10 • 12:00-2:15pm

Fulfill your passion for art. Bring your supplies and work on your current project while you share ideas and learn new techniques from others in a relaxed atmosphere. *No registration required.*

# ADULTS

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## Nesconset Continued Adult Writers Group

Tuesday, March 3 • 7:00-8:30pm

Meet with our local group to share ideas and get feedback on your latest writing efforts. *No registration required.*

## Morning Bingo for Adults

Wednesday, March 4 • 10:00-11:30am

Join us for a morning of action-packed bingo excitement. Refreshments will be provided and prizes will be awarded.

## Retirement 101 - Making Your Money Last



Wednesday, March 4 • 6:30-7:30pm

In today's day in age, with increased inflation and longer life expectancy, learn how to generate a sustainable retirement income strategy with Kyle Hauptman from Edward Jones.

## One-On-One Medicare Counseling and Assistance

Thursday, March 5 • 12:00pm, 12:45pm, 1:30pm OR 2:15pm

Register for an appointment to meet individually with a Suffolk County RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) volunteer from HIICAP (Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program) to answer questions and provide information specific to your own needs regarding your Medicare health insurances and benefits, Medicare Savings Programs and EPIC.

## Game Night

Thursday, March 5 • 6:30-8:30pm

Thursday, March 12 • 6:30-8:30pm

Thursday, March 19 • 6:30-8:30pm

We provide the space, tables, chairs and a variety of games. Meet friends here or make new ones. *No registration required.*

## Brushes and Bliss - Painting for Peace of Mind

Friday, March 6 • 3:00-4:00pm

Painting has amazing benefits for your mind. It helps you express emotions, lowers stress and makes you more mindful. Whether you're a beginner or a pro, our workshop offers a welcoming space to boost your creativity and improve your mental well-being. Presented by educators from YES Community Mental Health Promotion & Support.

## Nesconset Continued Defensive Driving

Saturday, March 7 • 9:30am-4:30pm

Telephone, online and in person registration begins two months prior to program date. Open to all adult drivers regardless of age. Please bring your license to class. Must have a library card to register; one registration per library card. *Please note: cash payment only is due to the instructor at the beginning of class. Fee: \$30.00 per person.*

## Ceramic Leprechaun

Wednesday, March 11 • 6:00-8:30pm

Join Rosemarie Attard as she shows you how to paint this lucky leprechaun using the dry brush and other techniques. *Fee: \$15.00 per person.*

## All Abilities Bingo

Thursday, March 12 • 10:00-11:00am

Join us for our noncompetitive, slow-paced bingo. This program is geared towards patrons 18 years and older with sensory issues, those on the autism spectrum or those who have other specific needs. *Registration begins on February 25.*

## Women, Warriors and Spies - Unsung Heroes of National Security

Tuesday, March 17 • 1:00-2:00pm

Celebrating 250 years of American history and Women's History Month, Lester Paldy will relate stories of women who have shaped military history and intelligence work from the American Revolution to today.



## All Abilities Sensory Movie

Wednesday, March 18 • 9:30am-12:00pm

*Elio*

*Rated PG; runtime 99 minutes.*

Join us for our sensory friendly movie. This program is geared towards patrons 18 years and older with sensory issues, those on the autism spectrum or those who have other specific needs. *Registration begins on February 25.*

## Nesconset Continued Bingo Night for Adults

Friday, March 20 • 7:00-8:30pm

Join us for an evening of action-packed bingo excitement. Refreshments will be provided and prizes will be awarded.

## Foundations of Investing

Wednesday, March 25 • 6:30-7:30pm

Financial Advisor Kyle Hauptman from Edward Jones explains how to build an ideal investment strategy based on your risk tolerance, goals and time horizon as an investor.

## Puzzlepalooza - Dublin Edition

Saturday, March 28 • 12:15-2:30pm

Get ready for a puzzle competition! Break into teams and compete to finish a 500-piece puzzle of places in Ireland in two and a half hours. The first team to finish the puzzle will receive a prize. Come by yourself or with friends.



## All Abilities Seed Starters

Monday, March 30 • 10:00-11:00am

Help us start our outdoor vegetable and pollinator garden. Join us as we grow the vegetables for our gardening program from seed. This program is geared towards patrons 18 years and older with sensory issues, those on the autism spectrum or those who have other specific needs. *Registration begins on February 25.*

## Coming in April

### Morning Bingo for Adults

Wednesday, April 1 • 10:00-11:30am

Join us for a morning of action-packed bingo excitement. Refreshments will be provided and prizes will be awarded.

## Smithtown

### Catholic Health Services Health Screening

Wednesday, March 25 • 10:00am-2:00pm

Visit the traveling community outreach bus in our parking lot courtesy of Catholic Health Services. This outreach program provides free blood pressure, cholesterol, body mass index and glucose screenings along with patient education and referrals as needed; first come, first served. *No registration required.*



# Movies at the Library



Registration began on February 2.

## Commack

### Thursday Movie of the Week

- Thursday, March 5 • 1:30pm  
*F1: The Movie*  
Rated PG-13; runtime 155 minutes.
- Thursday, March 12 • 1:30pm  
*Wicked: For Good*  
Rated PG; runtime 138 minutes.
- Thursday, March 19 • 1:30pm  
*Good Fortune*  
Rated R; runtime 97 minutes
- Thursday, March 26 • 1:30pm  
*Roofman*  
Rated R; runtime 125 minutes.



## Kings Park

### Friday Movie of the Week

- Friday, March 6 • 2:15pm  
*Wicked: For Good*  
Rated PG; runtime 138 minutes.
- Friday, March 13 • 2:15pm  
*Regretting You*  
Rated PG-13; runtime 117 minutes.
- Friday, March 20 • 2:15pm  
*Song Sung Blue*  
Rated PG-13; runtime 133 minutes.
- Friday, March 27 • 2:15pm  
*Hamnet*  
Rated PG-13; runtime 125 minutes.



## Nesconset

### Friday Night Movie

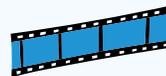
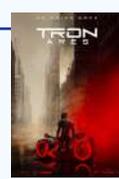
- Friday, March 6 • 6:15pm  
*Eleanor the Great*  
Rated PG-13; runtime 98 minutes.

### New Movie Matinee

- Wednesday, March 18 • 1:00pm  
*Tron: Ares*  
Rated PG-13; runtime 119 minutes.

### Friday Movie Matinee

- Friday, March 20 • 2:00pm  
*Gladiator*  
Rated R; runtime 155 minutes.



# Book Discussion Groups

Copies of the books are available at the Circulation Desk of their respective buildings. Book discussion group denoted with an asterisk (\*) will take place both in person as well as on Zoom. Login information for Zoom, if applicable, will be sent to the email address associated with your library card on the day of the event.

## Commack

### Commack Book Discussion Group\*

Monday, March 9 • 12:00-1:00pm  
*Atmosphere* by Taylor Jenkins Reid

## Kings Park

### Killer Reads Book Discussion Group

Tuesday, March 10 • 11:00am-12:00pm  
*With a Vengeance* by Riley Sager

## Nesconset

### Sports Pages Book Discussion Group

Monday, March 2 • 10:30am-12:30pm  
*The Greatest Game Ever Played* by Mark Frost

### Clue - A Mystery Book Discussion Group

Wednesday, March 11 • 2:30-3:30pm  
*The Violin Conspiracy* by Brendan Slocumb

## Nesconset Continued

### Smithtown Book Discussion Group

Thursday, March 19 • 10:45am-12:45pm  
*The Engineer's Wife* by Tracey Enerson Wood

### Tea-rrific Reads Book Discussion Group

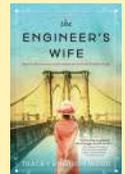
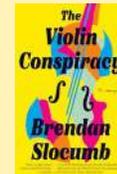
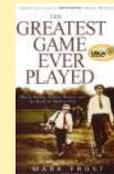
Tuesday, March 24 • 2:00-3:00pm  
*The Lion Women of Tehran* by Marjan Kamali

### Night Owl Cafe Book Discussion Group

Thursday, March 26 • 7:00-8:00pm  
*The Perfumist of Paris* by Alka Joshi

### All Abilities Book Club

This program is geared towards patrons 18 years and older with sensory issues, those on the autism spectrum or those who have other specific needs. Contact Christine Alexander (631) 360-2480 ext. 224 for more information about the Club including upcoming dates and times.



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**SATURDAY** 9:30am-5:00pm  
**SUNDAY** 1:00-5:00pm  
(Sept-May)

**Kings Park Building**  
1 Church Street  
Kings Park, New York 11754

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**FRIDAY** 9:30am-6:00pm  
**SATURDAY** 9:30am-5:00pm  
**SUNDAY** CLOSED

**Nesconset Building,  
Administration/  
Business Office**  
148 Smithtown Boulevard  
Nesconset, New York 11767

**MONDAY** 9:30am-9:00pm  
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**SATURDAY** 9:30am-5:00pm  
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(Sept-May)

*In Exhibit*

Do you have an exhibit you would like to share with your community? We would love to hear from you.

Please call:  
Gina Ferreira  
(631) 360-2480 ext. 235

**Nesconset**

**Display Case**  
Sweet Water African Violet Society  
View an exhibit highlighting African Violet varieties and plant care by the local group.



**Board of Trustees Meeting**  
Tuesday, March 17 • 6:30pm  
Community Room at the  
**Commack Building**  
The public is welcome.

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Library staff may take photographs or video recordings at Library programs for use in publicity. This includes use in our Newsletter, website and social media. Please inform us if you do not want photos or videos taken of you or your child.



The Library cannot accept bills larger than \$20.00 in payment for overdue items or program registration. Thank you for your cooperation.



The Library is glad to provide reasonable accommodations for patrons with special needs. Please call us two weeks prior to a program to make arrangements.



Assistive Listening Device available: a portable listening device is shared among all four Library buildings and is available for use during Library programs. The device must be reserved in advance by contacting a Reference Librarian in any Library building.

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