November 2025

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Thank You for supporting the Library by passing our 2026 Budget!

Congratulations to our elected Trustees:

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Veterans Tree

During the month of November, a Veterans Tree will be set up at all four library buildings. Patrons who would like to donate items are welcome to bring them in to decorate our tree. At the end of the month, we will be donating these items to the **Long Island State Veterans Home**. Items accepted for donation include: adults-sized hats, gloves, scarves, sweatshirts, sweatpants, earphones, adult coloring books, small packages of crayons, crossword, word search books and magazines. We cannot accept: toiletries, edible items and used items. For more information contact Community Relations at (631) 360-2480 x 216.

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Commack • Fort Salonga • Hauppauge • Head of the Harbor • Kings Park • Nesconset
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CHILDREN

Registration is required for these programs unless otherwise indicated • All program fees are non-refundable • Register online at www.smithlib.org

Children's Program Registration Information

In person, online and telephone registration begins at 9:30am for **Commack on Wednesday, October 29, Kings Park on Friday, October 31, Nesconset on Tuesday, November 4.** 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, November 24 • 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 & Me

N-Monday, December 1 • 10:30-11:15am
(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 Bookworms

K-Friday, November 7 • 10:30-11:15am
(Birth-18 months with parent/caregiver)
Enjoy stories, songs and play time with other babies.

Nursery Rhyme Time

C-Saturday, November 8 • 10:30-11:00am
C-Monday, November 10 • 10:00-10:30am
C-Wednesday, November 19 • 10:30-11:00am
C-Saturday, November 29 • 10:30-11:00am
K-Saturday, November 15 • 10:00-10:30am
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K-Tuesday, November 25 • 10:30-11:00am
N-Monday, November 10 • 10:30-11:00am
N-Wednesday, November 12 • 10:00-10:30am
N-Friday, November 21 • 10:00-10:30am
N-Tuesday, November 25 • 10:00-10:30am
N-Saturday, November 29 • 10:00-10:30am
(Birth-35 months with parent/caregiver)
Enjoy a traditional time of nursery rhymes and songs for baby.

Wonderful Ones

C-Friday, November 21 • 10:30-11:15am
K-Wednesday, November 5 • 3:00-3:45pm
N-Thursday, November 13 • 10:30-11:15am
(12-23 months with parent/caregiver)
This action-packed program engages little ones in language-based activities; includes free play, stories and fun.

Story Tots

C-Saturday, November 15 • 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.

Young at Art

K-Thursday, November 6 • 10:30-11:00am
N-Tuesday, November 18 • 10:00-10:30am OR 11:00-11:30am
(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.

Rockin' Tots

C-Tuesday, November 25 • 10:30-11:00am
K-Wednesday, November 26 • 10:30-11:00am
(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, November 7 • 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.

Toddler Tales

K-Saturday, November 29 • 10:30-11:15am
(18-35 months with parent/caregiver)
Make friends while building early literacy skills with songs, stories, crafts and play.

Lil' Athletes

C-Wednesday, November 12 • 10:00-10:45am
(23-35 months with parent/caregiver)
Get ready for fun as we learn how to play soccer and football.

Time for Twos

C-Thursday, November 20 • 10:30-11:15am
K-Friday, November 21 • 10:30-11:15am
N-Monday, November 24 • 10:30-11:15am
N-Tuesday, December 2 • 3:00-3:45pm
(24-35 months with parent/caregiver)
Enjoy building social skills in a relaxed, friendly environment; includes free play, songs, stories and a craft.

If You Find a Leaf

K-Wednesday, November 5 • 10:30-11:15am
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)
Fall in love with crafting while we read some stories and create leaf-inspired art! Dress to make a mess.

Art Starts

C-Friday, November 7 • 10:30-11:15am
N-Thursday, November 13 • 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.

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Jammin' with Miss Jessie
***C*-Monday, November 10 • 2:30-3:00pm**
(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.

Construction Zone
***K*-Tuesday, November 18 • 2:30-3:15pm**
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)

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

Library Playdate
***N*-Tuesday, November 18 • 3:00-3:45pm**
***C*-Monday, November 24 • 2:30-3:15pm**
(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.

Fine Motor Fun
***N*-Friday, November 21 • 2:30-3:15pm**
(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.

Createful Cut-outs
***K*-Tuesday, November 25 • 2:30-3:00pm**
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)
What will you create after we enjoy stories, songs and time to make a craft of your choosing with lots of different colors and shapes.

Drama with Your Mama
***C*-Friday, December 5 • 2:30-3:15pm**
(2-4 years with parent/caregiver)
Enjoy live music, storytelling and imaginative play in this introduction to acting!

Tiny Turkeys
***N*-Thursday, November 20 • 2:30-3:15pm**
(2-5 years with parent/caregiver)
Get into the holiday spirit with a variety of Thanksgiving-themed crafts and art projects. Dress to make a mess.

Stop Horsing Around
***K*-Saturday, November 8 • 10:30-11:00am**
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)
Let's read stories about prancing ponies and do a playful pony craft.

Lil' Athletes Sports Fun
***C*-Wednesday, November 12 • 11:00-11:45am**
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)
Get ready for fun as we learn how to play soccer and football with **Lil' Athletes**.

Marvelous Me
***N*-Wednesday, November 12 • 11:00-11:45am**
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)
We are all wonders - celebrate one and another and what makes each of us unique with stories and movement activities.

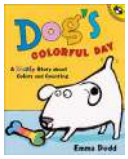
Preschool Dance Party
***N*-Friday, November 14 • 2:30-3:00pm**
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)
Move and groove to the beat. Put on your dancing shoes for an afternoon of music and movement fun.

Turkey Time
***C*-Monday, November 17 • 10:00-10:45am**
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)

Join us for a special Turkey Time celebration! A real, live turkey from the **Suffolk County Farm** will be visiting and we can't wait to share the fun with you. We'll enjoy turkey-themed stories, crafts and learn some fascinating facts about our feathered friend.

Once Upon a Storytime
***N*-Monday, November 17 • 10:30-11:15am**
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)
Join us as we spotlight a favorite fairy tale. We will revisit classic stories and create a coordinating craft or special project. Dress to make a mess.

Monkey Mania
***K*-Monday, November 17 • 3:30-4:00pm**
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)
There will be no monkeying around today as we read about mischievous monkeys and do a craft.

Dog's Colorful Day
***N*-Saturday, November 22 • 10:00-10:45am**
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)
Enjoy the book *Dog's Colorful Day* by **Emma Dodd** and have fun making a craft to go along with the story.


All Aboard at the Library
***K*-Saturday, November 22 • 10:30-11:15am**
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)
If you love trains, then hop aboard and join us for this fun-filled adventure. We will have a short storytime and then we will play with plenty of trains.

Pot Belly Turkeys
***C*-Monday, November 24 • 6:30-7:00pm**
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)
Come on down to the Library for a fun **Thanksgiving** story and create your very own turkey!

Thankful Turkeys
***N*-Tuesday, November 25 • 11:45am-12:30pm**
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)
Wobble down to the Library for some turkey fun. Shake your tail feathers as we read, make crafts and do the turkey pokey.

Fun with Play Dough
***K*-Friday, November 28 • 10:30-11:15am**
(3-5 years with parent/caregiver)
Enjoy our play dough playsets and meeting new friends.

Animal Interviews
***K*-Monday, November 10 • 4:00-5:00pm**
(3-6 years with parent/caregiver)
Meet and interact with some of the resident animals of **Sweetbriar Nature Center**, including reptiles, amphibians, mammals and birds. Learn about how each animal is unique and different.

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Balloons over Broadway

***C*-Saturday, November 22 • 11:00-11:30am**
(4-7 years with parent/caregiver)

Get a front row seat to your very own **Thanksgiving** Day Parade! Listen to a story and then create your own balloon out of paper.

Autumn Art

***N*-Thursday, November 6 • 4:30-5:15pm**
(5-7 years)

Let's celebrate fall with some autumn art. Enjoy stories and crafts about the fall.

Fall Leaf Wreath

***C*-Thursday, November 13 • 4:30-5:15pm**
(5-7 years)

Let's decorate for the season by making a beautiful fall leaf wreath and read all about fall!

Thanksgiving Pie

***C*-Saturday, November 15 • 11:30-12:15pm**
(5-7 years)

Get ready for **Thanksgiving** as we read all about the iconic dessert, pies! Then choose your flavor and make your own Thanksgiving pie craft!

Dinosaur Dig

***C*-Wednesday, November 19 • 4:30-5:15pm**
(5-7 years)

Stomp on over to the Library to celebrate **Dinovember** by joining us for dinosaur stories, activities and crafts. We'll go digging for dinos and create our very own prehistoric fossils! Dress to make a mess.

STEAM Buddies

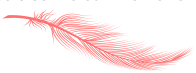
***N*-Friday, November 21 • 4:15-5:00pm**
(5-8 years)

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

Backyard History Buddies

***K*-Thursday, November 20 • 4:15-5:00pm**
(5-9 years)

Learn about Long Island's Native American history as you complete activities with the help of teen volunteers.



Little Game Buddies

***K*-Monday, November 24 • 4:15-5:00pm**
(5-9 years)

If you love playing board games, then this program is for you! Children will be paired with a teen buddy for an afternoon of playing some of your favorite board games.

Dino Dilemma

***N*-Wednesday, November 26 • 11:30am-12:00pm**
(5-10 years)

Celebrate **Dinovember** with a prehistoric adventure! Work together to find clues, solve puzzles and see if you have what it takes to find the missing dinosaur before time runs out.

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.*

LEGO® League

***K*-Tuesday, November 4 • 3:00-3:45pm**
(5-12 years)

Calling all master builders! Bring your imagination to this block party and construct your own creations using our collection of LEGO® bricks!

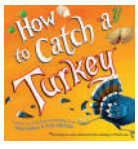
Chess and Checkers Buddies

***C*-Friday, November 14 • 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.

How to Catch a Turkey

***C*-Thursday, November 20 • 4:30-5:15pm**
(6-9 years)



Gobble, gobble your way into catching a turkey in this STEM program based on the *How to Catch a Turkey* by **Adam Wallace**.

Cricut Crafts - DINOvember

***K*-Thursday, November 13 • 4:30-5:15pm**
(6-10 years)

Create a roaring work of stencil art while learning about the Cricut cutting machine. Dress to make a mess.

Hip Hop Dance

***C*-Wednesday, November 26 • 10:00-10:45am**
(6-10 years)

Join **Great South Bay Dance** for an upbeat hip hop class filled with fun! Spend class warming up, learning an energetic dance combination and playing some games. Be sure to wear comfortable clothing with sneakers and bring water.

Fall Gnome Canvas Art

***N*-Tuesday, November 18 • 5:30-6:30pm**
(6-12 years)

There's gnome place like the Library. Celebrate the fall season and use various painting techniques to decorate a festive gnome masterpiece. Dress to make a mess.

Seedling Sleepover

***K*-Wednesday, November 19 • 5:30-6:15pm**
(6-12 years)

Help **Miss Laura** tuck seeds in for a winter slumber. This interactive program will teach children the importance of the winter season that helps prepare seeds to sprout in spring.

Leaf Mosaic

***N*-Thursday, November 20 • 4:30-5:15 pm**
(6-12 years)

Get creative and design a fall-themed mosaic.

Turkey Treats

***N*-Friday, November 21 • 6:30-7:15pm**
(6-12 years)

Celebrate the season of fall leaves and autumn breezes when we make **Thanksgiving**-themed cupcakes that are good enough to gobble-gobble up.

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Kitchen Scientists

N-Saturday, November 22 • 3:30-4:15pm
(6-12 years)

Come learn about kitchen chemistry and make your own butter to take home and enjoy.

Water Bottle Scarecrows

C-Friday, November 28 • 4:00-4:30pm
(6-12 years)

Learn how to upcycle empty plastic bottles into cute scarecrows.

Scorch Art Thanksgiving Keepsake

K-Monday, November 24 • 6:30-7:15pm
(7-12 years)

Decorate a keepsake using scorch art and paint pens to share with your family this **Thanksgiving**. Dress to make a mess.

Stuff that Turkey

N-Wednesday, November 26 • 10:00-10:45am
(8-12 years)

Give your **Thanksgiving** table some DIY crafting flair. Make a one-of-a-kind plush (or stuffed!) turkey centerpiece.

Thankful Charm Bracelet

C-Saturday, November 29 • 12:00-12:45pm
(8-12 years)

Create a beaded bracelet in fall colors and leaf-shaped charms perfect for celebrating fall!

Creation Station

C-Saturday, November 1 • 10:00-3:00pm
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 a Saturday? Come to the Library during these hours and complete some cool crafts. *No registration required.*

Cricut Cards - Cards for Vets

K-Tuesday, November 4 • 10:00am-3:00pm
N-Tuesday, November 4 • 10:00am-3:00pm
(Families)

Give back this **Veterans Day**! Join us in the Children's Room during these hours to create some extra special cards for local veterans, prepared with makerspace technology. *No registration required.*

Touch A Truck

N-Saturday, November 8 • 10:00-11:00am
(Families with children ages 3-12)

Come touch a truck with the **Nesconset Fire Department** in our parking lot. Get up close and meet the heroes behind the wheel. Children will have the opportunity to interact with a real fire engine and a first responder vehicle to learn about fire safety. *Please note: this program will take place outdoors. In the event of rain, this program will be cancelled.*

Thanksgiving with Charlie Brown

C-Monday, November 17 • 4:30-5:15pm
(Families)

Join us as we watch *A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving*. Charlie Brown gets into hot water once again when Peppermint Patty invites herself and the other kids over for Thanksgiving! Make a Peanuts ® character picture frame to take home.

Create and Celebrate - Native American Heritage Month

N-Friday, November 21 • 3:00-7:00pm
(Families)

November is **Native American Heritage Month**! Stop by the Library during these hours to celebrate with crafts and activities while you learn all about some influential people. *No registration required.*

November Bookmark Contest Winner
Kaylie L.
Grade 5
R.J.O. Intermediate School

TEEN SCENE

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Teen Services Program Information

In person, online and telephone registration for November programs began on Tuesday, October 14. December program registration begins Monday, November 10 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 Make - Gratitude Candle

Create a gift of gratitude in time for **Thanksgiving**. *Supply bags can be picked up from the building of your choice beginning November 3. When registering online, please indicate pick up building. Kits must be picked up by Friday, November 14.*

Teen Take and Make - Melted Crayon Pumpkins

Kings Park Building

Use crayons to decorate a pumpkin that will explode with color and flair. *Kits will be available at the Kings Park Building beginning November 7 and must be picked up by November 29.*

Teen Take and Make - Pumpkin Spice Sugar Cookies

Nesconset Building

Celebrate pumpkin spice season and decorate delicious cookies. *Kits will be available at the Nesconset Building beginning November 19 and must be picked up by November 26.*

Hello Fall Wood Sign

***N*-Monday, November 3 • 6:30-7:30pm**

Welcome fall with a sunflower wooden sign!

Fall Fox Painting

***N*-Wednesday, November 5 • 4:30-6:00pm**

Join **Art Teacher Amy** as she shows us how to make a fall-themed painting.

Ombré Pumpkin Sign

***K*-Thursday, November 6 • 4:00-5:00pm**

Make a fabulous fall themed decoration by using different paint shading techniques.

Dungeons and Dragons

***C*-Monday, November 10 • 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.

Scorch Art Coasters

***C*-Wednesday, November 12 • 7:00-8:00pm**

Learn how to use scorch pens and heat to create a set of personalized wooden coasters.

Teen Writer's Corner

***N*-Thursday, November 13 • 4:30-5:15pm**

Middle school and high school students are able to bring in school essays, creative writing, or college application drafts to get help and constructive peer feedback from teen volunteers.

Autumn Welcome Wreath

***N*-Monday, November 17 • 4:00-5:00pm**

Create a fall-themed wreath to show off to your **Thanksgiving** guests.

Anime and Manga Club

***C*-Wednesday, November 19 • 7:00-8:30pm**

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

Turkey Trot Trifle

***N*-Wednesday, November 19 • 7:00-8:00pm**

Enjoy a no bake trifle with **Fanny Cakes** for **Thanksgiving**!

STEM Saturdays

***N*-Saturday, November 22 • 2:00-3:00pm**

Join us on Saturdays to explore STEM in a fun and practical way using common household materials. This program will build STEM understanding, application and incorporation into everyday life.

Needle Felted Owls

***K*-Tuesday, November 25 • 6:30-8:00pm**

Get ready to bring wool to life with the magic of needle felting! Learn how whalers carved beautiful needlework tools from whalebone as heartfelt gifts. Then grab a felting needle and dive into this satisfying, hands-on craft.

Volunteer Opportunities

EACH TEEN WILL RECEIVE COMMUNITY SERVICE CREDIT FOR THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS.

Chess and Checkers Buddies Volunteers

***N*-Monday, November 3 • 4:30-5:30pm**
***C*-Friday, November 14 • 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.

Victory Volunteers

***K*-Tuesday, November 4 • 4:15-5:15pm**

Create patriotic pins for the community just in time for **Veterans Day**.

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Volunteer Opportunities CONTINUED

Cards for Veterans
N-Tuesday, November 4 • 4:30-5:30pm
Celebrate **Veterans Day** by writing letters and decorating cards that will go to our local veterans.

Thanksgiving Table Tidings Volunteers
C-Monday, November 10 • 4:30-5:30pm

Join us in creating woven placemats for seniors in our community, spreading warmth and appreciation to brighten their **Thanksgiving** dinners.

New York Regiment Redesign Volunteers
N-Monday, November 10 • 7:00-8:30pm

The **11th NY Regiment** serves veteran's families throughout the five boroughs of New York City and Long Island. In this community service program, we will be rebranding a website, learning basic coding and volunteering to this military organization in honor of **Veterans Day**.

Friends of The Smithtown Library Book Sale Volunteers
N-Saturday, November 15 • 9:30-11:00, 11:00-1:00pm, 1:00-3:00pm, 3:00-4:30pm

Teen volunteers are needed to support the **Friends of The Smithtown Library** Book Sale. Tasks may include setting up book displays, creating signage, posting signs, maintaining the sale tables, collecting money and light cleaning.

Take and Bake - Dog Treat Volunteers
N-Monday, November 17 • 6:30-7:15pm

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.

Birthday Bundle Bag Volunteers
K-Tuesday, November 18 • 4:00-5:00pm
Make bags full of birthday goodies for patrons of our Children's Department to enjoy.

Community Wash Kits
N-Tuesday, November 18 • 7:00-8:00pm
Help your community by making wash kits to donate to local shelters.

Backyard History Volunteers
K-Thursday, November 20 • 4:00-5:00pm
Help children learn about Long Island's Native American history.

STEAM Buddies Volunteers
N-Friday, November 21 • 4:00-5:00pm
Team up with a child for hands-on fun as we create, experiment, and learn. Dress to make a mess.

Game Buddies Volunteers
K-Monday, November 24 • 4:00-5:00pm
Play fun board games with a younger child.

Cards for Hospitalized Kids Volunteers
C-Monday, November 24 • 4:30-5:30pm
Make one-of-a-kind cards to brighten the day of a hospitalized child.

Handmade Happiness Volunteers
N-Monday, November 24 • 7:00-8:00pm
Teen volunteers are needed to create and assemble craft kits for our local nursing homes and senior centers.

Teen Volunteer Opportunity in a Box

Can't fit our volunteer opportunities into your schedule? The Smithtown Library 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
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Take and Make - Give Thanks Sign

Take home a bag filled with the supplies needed to make a whimsical seasonal decoration to keep or give as a hosting gift this holiday season. A hot glue gun is required to complete this project. *Online and in person registration begins on November 1 and ends on November 10. Supply bags can be picked up from the building of your choice beginning November 14. When registering online, please indicate pick up building. Fee: $8.00 per person.*

Take and Make - Holiday Tea Towels

Take home a bag filled with the supplies needed to make four decorative tea towels for the holiday season. *Online and in person registration begins on November 7 and ends on November 21. Supply bags can be picked up from the building of your choice beginning November 26. When registering online, please indicate pick up building. Fee: $10.00 per person.*

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. *Please note: there is no Game Day on November 5. No registration required.*

ADULTS

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Commack Continued

Great Landscape Evergreens

Friday, November 7 • 3:00-4:00pm

Many species of conifers and broadleaf evergreens can thrive in varying types of environmental conditions offering beauty, function and privacy in the landscape. This lecture will offer many suitable screening trees and shrubs and how they should be properly cared for. Design tips such as how to create an effective privacy screen and proper site selection will also be discussed.

Bring Your Device Day

Thursday, November 13 • 10:00am, 10:30am, 11:00am OR 11:30am

Meet with a **SeniorNet** volunteer for a half-hour session to get help with your smartphone, tablet or computer. Bring your username and password for the device you need help with, along with the fully charged device.

One-On-One Medicare Counseling and Assistance

Tuesday, November 18 • 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.

Open Knit and Crochet

Tuesday, November 18 • 1:30-3:30pm

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.

Veterans Benefits Assistance

Friday, November 21 • 12:00-3:00pm

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.

Commack Continued

Shape Your Own Textured Plate

Saturday, November 22 • 12:30-2:30pm

Michele Morstadt will guide you in shaping clay to form a plate. Add texture using lace, snowflakes and assorted stamps. Your creation will then be fired, glazed and returned to participants at a later date. *Fee: $10.00 per person.*

Art Group

Tuesday, November 25 • 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.*

All Abilities Bingo Night

Tuesday, November 25 • 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 October 29.*

Nobody Does it Better - The Music of James Bond

Wednesday, November 26 • 3:00-4:30pm

James Bond films are known for beautifully arranged and sung theme songs that carry a life of their own on radio and streaming services. **Keith Crocker** will highlight these songs and the singers who brought them to life. View footage of the songs performed live on various shows from the 60's on. If you are a Bond fan and love good music, this program is for you!

Puzzlepalooza - Thanksgiving Edition

Friday, November 28 • 1:00-3:30pm

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

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.*

King Park Continued

A Matter of Balance

Mondays, November 3, 10, 17, 24, December 1, 8, 15 & 22 • 10:00am-12:00pm

This evidence-based program for older adults emphasizes practical strategies to manage falls. Participants will learn to reduce fall risks at home, set goals for increasing activity and exercise to increase strength and balance. Sponsored by Suffolk County **RSVP**. *Please note: weeks 1 and 2 are informational on how to prevent falls; exercises will be incorporated in weeks 3-8.*

Lost Long Island — Long Island Room

Monday, November 3 • 7:00-8:30pm

From sprawling potato farms and incredibly lavish estates, to whaling ships and early race cars, Long Island has an incredibly rich history often lost through the generations. In the world of racing, Long Island hosted the nation's first professional auto races. Though farming still thrives in Suffolk County, there are only a few working farms left in Nassau County, where hundreds of farms dotted the landscape generations ago. Cold Spring Harbor, Greenport, Sag Harbor and Southampton were centers of the whaling industry in America and maintain a whaling heritage today. Join author **Richard Panchyk** as he reveals the fascinating narratives of Long Island's lost history.

Treats for Santa or Giving Platter

Wednesday, November 5 • 6:00-8:30pm

Paint a seasonal platter to keep or give as a gift this holiday season. Please indicate which design you would like to paint upon registration. *Fee: $15.00 per person.*

Native American Archeology

Thursday, November 6 • 6:00-7:00pm

Local Archeologist **Allison McGovern, PhD** will describe recent digs on eastern Long Island Native American settlement sites.

Defensive Driving

Wednesday, November 12 • 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.*

ADULTS

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King Park Continued

All Abilities Wood Pumpkin Truck

Thursday, November 13 • 10:00-11:00am

Welcome autumn by decorating this cute pickup truck carrying a pumpkin. 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 October 29.*

Game Night

Thursday, November 13 • 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.*

Saturday Morning Cartoons

Saturday, November 15 • 11:00am-1:00pm

Glenn Andreieiv will bring a touch of nostalgia as he discusses Saturday morning cartoons.

North Shore Flute Choir

Saturday, November 15 • 2:00-3:30pm

The **North Shore Flute Choir** consists of musicians from all over Long Island. Enjoy classical and light popular compositions performed by a talented group of musicians. This concert performance offers a wide range of musical genres, something for everyone! *Sponsored by the Musical Moments Concert Series.*

Long Island Room

World War II Long Island - The Homefront in Nassau and Suffolk

Monday, November 17 • 7:00- 8:30pm

Long Island was transformed from a pastoral rural community to a modern suburban behemoth by playing an integral role in the homefront of World War II. Dozens of Nazi spies infiltrated industry throughout the island and communicated industrial secrets back to Germany as the FBI chased them down. Long Island held the record for producing the most fighter planes in the country with the rapid rebirth of its aviation sector. Five Medal of Honor recipients called the region home. At the close of the war, the United Nations established itself in a weapons factory in Lake Success. Learn more as author **Christopher Verga** charts the rise of Long Island and its role in World War II.

King Park Continued

All Abilities Game Day

Thursday, November 20 • 10:00am-11:00am

Join us in playing some fun games. 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 October 29.*

Understanding Gerrymandering, The Census and What They Mean

Thursday, November 20 • 7:00-8:30pm

Article I of the US Constitution mandates that an "actual enumeration" be conducted every ten years to determine the number of people living in the United States. **James Coll**, adjunct professor of American and Constitutional History at Nassau Community College will analyze the history of the census, the provisions for the process and the way the counting is used after it is conducted.

Coming in December

Catholic Health Services Health Screening

Tuesday, December 2 • 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. Regular flu vaccines (18+) and the senior dose will also be available. First come, first served. *No registration required.*

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.*

Silver Sneakers

Saturdays, November 1, 8, 22 & 29 • 12:00-12:45pm

Laura Grubert will lead seated and standing low impact exercises with hand weights (optional) and a handheld ball. Please bring water and optional light hand weights to class. *Please note: there will be no class on November 15. Fee: $12.00 per person.*

Nesconset Continued

Transitions Saxophone Quartet - Music-The Universal Language

Saturday, November 1 • 2:00-3:15pm

Through performance, narrative and multimedia presentation, **Transitions** will explore the music of cultures and ethnicities around the world and how each has contributed to the development and transformation of music style over hundreds of years. The sharing of different cultural musical characteristics has given rise to the creation of many of the beloved genres, including jazz, pop, hip hop, rock, R & B and Funk. *This work is supported by Long Island Grants for the Arts through funds provided by the office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature and administered by The Huntington Arts Council.*

All Abilities Bingo

Monday, November 3 • 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 October 29.*

Art Group

Tuesday, November 4 • 12:00-2:15pm
Tuesday, November 18 • 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.*

Adult Writers Group

Tuesday, November 4 • 7:00-8:30pm

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

Trusts in Action - Strategies for Estate and Medicaid Planning

Wednesday, November 5 • 11:00am-12:00pm

Join **Brittni Sullivan** from Burner Prudenti Law for a seminar on the power of trusts in estate and Medicaid planning. Learn how trusts can safeguard your assets, minimize taxes and ensure your loved ones are cared for according to your wishes.

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Nesconset Continued

Morning Bingo for Adults

Thursday, November 6 • 10:00-11:30am

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

One-On-One Medicare Counseling and Assistance

Thursday, November 6 • 12:00pm, 12:45pm, 1:30pm OR 2:15pm

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Game Night

Thursday, November 6 • 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.*

Medicare Changes 2026

Wednesday, November 12 • 12:30-2:00pm

Gracemarie Horan-Luce of Senior Health Plan Specialists will tell you everything you need to know about Medicare, open enrollment and changes in Medicare for 2026. Find out about Parts A, B, C and D, IRMAA (Income related adjustment Amount), prescription drug plans, Medicare Advantage and Medigap, financial assistance programs, what you don't get and more.

Healthy Holiday Cooking

Wednesday, November 12 • 6:00-7:00pm

Join Executive Chef, **Michele Reid** from St. Catherine of Siena for a cooking demonstration featuring tasty ideas for holiday leftovers with nutritional information, tips and recipes.

Bingo Night for Adults

Thursday, November 13 • 7:00-8:30pm

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

Nesconset Continued

The Friends of The Smithtown Library Fall Book Sale

Saturday, November 18 • 10:00-11:00am (Friends Members Only Pre-Sale)

Saturday, November 18 • 11:00am-4:00pm

The **Friends of The Smithtown Library** sale offers hardcover and paperback books, DVDs, CD Music, children's books, baked goods and more. Members of the Friends of The Smithtown Library get "first dibs" on book sale items from 10:00-11:00am. Not a member? Pay for membership at the door and start shopping. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Friends of The Smithtown Library Scholarship.

All Abilities Sensory Movie

Wednesday, November 19 • 9:30am-12:00pm

Snow White

Rated PG; runtime 109 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 October 29.*

The Ten Warning Signs of Alzheimer's

Wednesday, November 19 • 3:30-4:30pm

This course helps caregivers recognize common signs of the disease in themselves and others and identify next steps to take, including how to talk to their doctor. Presented by the **Alzheimer's Association - Long Island Chapter**.

Premium Blend A Cappella Group

Monday, November 24 • 3:30-4:30pm

Premium Blend, Ithaca College's only all females-aligned a cappella group, is coming to Long Island on tour. Their repertoire includes songs from many genres and eras and they are excited to perform for their member Natalie's hometown!

Pictionary Game Night

Tuesday, November 25 • 6:30-8:30pm

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

Nesconset Continued

Coming in December

Defensive Driving

Wednesday, December 9 & Thursday, December 10 • 5:00-8:30pm

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.*

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Catholic Health Services Health Screening

Tuesday, November 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. Regular flu vaccines (18+) and the senior dose will also be available. First come, first served. *No registration required.*

Coming in December

On-Your-Own Train Trip to NYC

Saturday, December 6 • 8:15am

Enjoy a day in the city with reduced-rate tickets via the LIRR and the Library. Register for the trip by 9:00pm on the Wednesday one week prior (November 26) to the trip date and then pick up your ticket(s) at the Smithtown Building starting the Monday before the trip (December 1). On the day of the train trip, all patrons must meet a staff member at the Smithtown train station and leave on the 8:28am train. Everyone must be in the first car together and transfer at Huntington. You will arrive at Penn Station at 10:11am and must return home on any train prior to midnight. *Registration begins two months prior to train trip date and is open to all, regardless of Library District. Those under 5 ride free, those under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. If the minimum requirement of 30 registrants is not met, The Smithtown Library reserves the right to cancel the trip. Please note: train schedule is subject to change. Fee: $11.00 per person.*

ADULTS

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A Letter From The Director

Dear Patrons,

With **Thanksgiving** day on the horizon, on behalf of The Smithtown Library Board of Trustees and Library staff, I'd like to sincerely thank the Smithtown community for passing our 2026 Library operating budget. Your support is a clear affirmation that the programming, collections and all other services Library staff develop and provide are appreciated and relied on by our community.

We are also thankful for all who ran for a seat on the Library Board of Trustees. Congratulations and welcome to our recently elected Trustees **Mildred Bernstein, Ed.D, Annette Galarza** and **Howard E. Knispel**. *Wishing you all a Happy Thanksgiving.*

Robert Lusak
Library Director

Movies at the Library

Registration began on October 1.

Commack

Thursday Movie of the Week

- ***Thursday, November 13 • 1:30pm***

The Children Act
Rated R; runtime 106 minutes.

- ***Thursday,November 20 • 1:30pm***

The Life of Chuck
Rated R; runtime 111 minutes.

Kings Park

Friday Movie of the Week

- ***Friday, November 7 • 2:15pm***

Superman
Rated PG-13; runtime 129 minutes.

- ***Friday, November 14 • 2:15pm***

The Last Rodeo
Rated PG; runtime 118 minutes.

- ***Friday, November 21 • 2:15pm***

The Life of Chuck
Rated R; runtime 111 minutes.

- ***Friday, November 28 • 2:15pm***

Jurassic World: Rebirth
Rated PG-13; runtime 134 minutes.

Nesconset

New Movie Matinee

- ***Wednesday, November 19 • 1:00pm***

Americana
Rated R; runtime 107 minutes.

Friday Movie Matinee

- ***Friday, November 7 • 2:00pm***

Jurassic Park (1993)
Rated PG-13; runtime 127 minutes.

- ***Friday, November 28 • 2:00pm***

Casablanca
Rated PG; runtime 102 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, November 10 • 12:00-1:00pm
Yellowface by **R.F. Kuang**

Kings Park

Killer Reads Book Discussion Group
Tuesday, November 18 •11:00am-12:00pm
All the Other Mothers Hate Me by **Sarah Harman**

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Sports Pages Book Discussion Group
Monday, November 3 •10:30am-12:30pm
James by **Percival Everett**

Clue - A Mystery Book Discussion Group
Wednesday, November 12 • 2:30-3:30pm
Dead I Well May Be by **Adrian McKinty**

Nesconset Continued

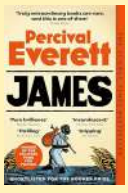
Smithtown Book Discussion Group
Thursday, November 20 • 10:45am-12:45pm
Catcher in the Rye by **J.D. Salinger**

Night Owl Cafe Book Discussion Group
Thursday, November 20 • 7:00-8:00pm
Next Year in Havana by **Chanel Cleeton**

Tea-rrific Reads Book Discussion Group
Tuesday, November 25 • 2:00-3:00pm
The Sicilian Inheritance by **Jo Piazza**

Nesconset Continued

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.*



Smithtown Building
Long Island Room
Patent and Trademark Resource Center & Passport Acceptance Facility

1 North Country Road
Smithtown, New York 11787

MONDAY	9:30am-9:00pm
TUESDAY	9:30am-9:00pm
WEDNESDAY	9:30am-9:00pm
THURSDAY	9:30am-9:00pm
FRIDAY	9:30am-6:00pm
SATURDAY	9:30am-5:00pm
SUNDAY	CLOSED

The first and second floors are opened with limited services.
Check the Library's website for the most up-to-date information.

Commack Building

3 Indian Head Road
Commack, New York 11725

MONDAY	9:30am-9:00pm
TUESDAY	9:30am-9:00pm
WEDNESDAY	9:30am-9:00pm
THURSDAY	9:30am-9:00pm
FRIDAY	9:30am-6:00pm
SATURDAY	9:30am-5:00pm
SUNDAY (Sept-May)	1:00-5:00pm

Kings Park Building

1 Church Street
Kings Park, New York 11754

MONDAY	9:30am-9:00pm
TUESDAY	9:30am-9:00pm
WEDNESDAY	9:30am-9:00pm
THURSDAY	9:30am-9:00pm
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
TUESDAY	9:30am-9:00pm
WEDNESDAY	9:30am-9:00pm
THURSDAY	9:30am-9:00pm
FRIDAY	9:30am-9:00pm
SATURDAY	9:30am-5:00pm
SUNDAY (Sept-May)	1:00-5:00pm

The Library will be closed
Tuesday, November 11 in observance of Veterans Day
and Thursday, November 27 in observance of Thanksgiving.

The Library will open at 12:00pm on Friday, November 12
for Staff Development.

On 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
Pass the Painting Community Project

Teens at the Nesconset Building engaged in a collaborative art activity where they took turns adding to a shared canvas, creating a unique and unexpected art piece through collective creativity! Enjoy the completed canvases throughout the month of November.

Nesconset
Community Room
Toy MiniNatures

View the works of **Andrew Camera**, a local toy photographer and video editor. This display embarks on an imaginative journey that explores the relationship between the natural world and the enchanting realm of toys.

Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, November 18 • 6:30pm
Community Room at the
Commack Building
The public is welcome.

Library Board of Trustees

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Program registration is on a first-come, first-served basis–a place in the program cannot be guaranteed. Dates, times, programs and locations are subject to change. All fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.

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.

Weather/Emergency Closing Information

For weather closings/delayed openings please visit:

- **Telephone: (631) 360-2480**
- **Web: www.smithlib.org**
- **Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/thesmithtownlibrary**
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