Together We're Making It!

Check Out Our Grab & Go Kits
Plan a Visit to Our Makerspace

¡Juntos lo Estamos Haciendo!

Venga a Buscar Nuestros Kits de Grab & Go
Haga un Plan para Visitar Nuestro Makerspace
DEAR PATCHOGUE-MEDFORD LIBRARY RESIDENTS,

We hope this newsletter finds you and your loved ones safe and healthy. Thanks to all of the first responders, health care workers, and everyone who has helped to keep our community safe and strong throughout 2020. We hope your Library has been some comfort to you and a helpful informational resource throughout this very difficult time. We strive to be the community hub for our district and will continue to provide educational and recreational opportunities, socially distanced and safe for all. Our theme for this newsletter, “Together, We’re Making It,” illustrates these concepts. Whether you’ve made a memory doing a fun activity with us or took home one of our Grab & Go kits, made a curbside call to pick up your items or made something in our new Makerspace, joined us online for a virtual program or made an appointment for one on one help, we hope that your experience with the Library has added something positive to your year at home. Hope is on the horizon and we look forward to the days when we can gather together again as a community.

In the meantime, the Library Board and staff have been busy making plans for the future, including making a library in Medford! One of the most frequent questions we get is, “When will the Medford Branch will be open?” We are excited to let you know that a timeline is in place to take the project from concept to the finish line. The basic timeline moving forward is approximately 18-24 months. We anticipate sending the design plans to the NY State Education Department by early summer. Once they approve the plans, the bid process begins. The public bidding process will end with awards going to the lowest responsible bidders, and the actual construction process is estimated to take about a year to complete.

A virtual public meeting is scheduled for January 25 at 7 pm at which time H2M Architects will walk through the plans for the facility and enlist community feedback.

Visit the website for the latest information. If you have any questions or concerns, you can reach out to the library director, Danielle Paisley, at dpaisley@pmlib.org or call the Library at 631-654-4700, ext. 300.

Respectfully yours,
The Board of Trustees of the Patchogue-Medford Library

VOTER REGISTRATION

In order to vote you must be:
- a citizen of the United States
- 18 years of age or older
- registered to vote
- a resident of the Patchogue-Medford School District for at least 30 days prior to the vote

If you are not already registered, you may do so at Patchogue-Medford Library: Tuesday, March 23 from 11 am-8 pm or any weekday up to April 1 between 9:30 am-4:30 pm

Applications for absentee ballots are available at the Reference Desk or call the Library District Clerk at 631-654-4700, ext. 306. Petitions to elect a Trustee of the Patchogue-Medford Library will be available at the Main Desk beginning February 3.

Complete budget information will be available at the Library and on the Library’s website in March and in the April/May 2021 Newsletter.
**COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS & EVENTS**

**I Spy! Community Challenge**

Beginning Tuesday, January 12
I spy with my little eye an interactive detective game for all ages!
Pick up your I Spy clues and activities in the Children’s Department, then get to work finding the mystery items on Main Street!

**2021 EXTREME BOOK CHALLENGE**

**For Adults**

Beginning January 4
A year-long reading challenge for PML members. Read 40 books from 50 categories in one year and earn a prize. Stop by or check out our website to sign up.

**Junior Edition**

January 4 - June 5
A half-year reading challenge for grades 3-12! Read books from 25 fun categories to earn prizes. Register for the Challenge and find your reading log on our website.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

*Pick up these kits and return your completed projects to any service desk at the Main Building.*

**Kind Kits**

January
MLK Day of Service is a way to honor the life and teachings of Dr. King by engaging in service. This year, we are making it an entire month! During the month of January, stop by any service desk to pick up everything you will need to create a care package for a senior citizen or healthcare worker in our community.

**Kindness & Kittens Community Service Kit**

February
Show some love to cats this month by making cat toys. Bring them to the Children’s Department when you are finished and we’ll donate them to a local shelter.

**Care Kits for Active Duty Military**

March
Help boost the morale of U.S. Troops, bring smiles to service members’ faces and express your appreciation and support with one of our care kits. Bring them to the Children’s Department when completed and we will send them to those serving overseas.

**DONATE!**

**Seats & Feets Drive**

Drop off new pjs, socks or underwear at any service desk at the Main Building and we’ll donate them to local shelters to help people stay warm this winter.

**Help Stock Our Shelves**

Drop off non-perishable goods and personal care items at our curbside location or at any service desk when the Library is open. Items will be available to anyone in need! Help yourself and your neighbors.

**FOR FAMILIES**

For Patchogue-Medford Patrons. Pick up kits beginning on the dates listed. One kit per family for each program, while supplies last.

**FAMILY DATE NIGHT!**

Monthly kits designed to create an unforgettable night with the family.

**Be a Pizza Chef Kit**

Thursday, January 7
Learn how the professionals make pizza then gather to create your own delicious family sized pizza! Perishable ingredients included.

**Crazy Cookie Pizza Kit**

Monday, February 1
It’s the month of love and candy! What could be better than designing a cookie pizza? Garnish it with Swedish fish “anchovies”, marshmallow “cheese” and more!

**Pretzel Party Kit**

Monday, March 1
Family date night this month is all about pretzels. Learn how to twist the dough and make pretzels like a pro! Perishable ingredients included.

See page 4 for more Grab & Go kits!

**STUDY SPACE AT THE LIBRARY**

The Meeting rooms at the Patchogue-Medford Library and the Carnegie Library are equipped with laptops and free wifi for students who need a space to complete their distance learning assignments. Social distancing practices will be followed and masks are required. No appointments necessary. Space is limited.

Submit your photos to promotions@pmlib.org

Show us how YOU LIBRARY! Send us your photos for a chance to be featured in our future Library Newsletters!
FOR KIDS

PLEASE READ! All programs are virtual. Unless otherwise noted, registration is ongoing (which means anytime). Note: A star ★ indicates that program supplies are available for pickup with registration. All program links will be listed on our online events calendar and will also be emailed upon registration. Please register in person, online at pmlib.org or by phone at 631-654-4700, ext. 200. Call us if you have any questions or need help accessing our programs.

JANUARY

Facebook Live Storytime With Miss Mary!
Every Wednesday through March at 3:30 pm
For children of all ages. No registration required.
The 2021 Extreme Book Challenge: Junior Edition
Monday, January 4 - Saturday, June 5
See page 3 for details.
★ Hibernation Vacation
Tuesday, January 12
For grades K-5. Meet an animal friend who hibernates, explore how animals prepare for the winter and create a hibernation craft. Register beginning January 2 to pick up your materials from the Children’s Department.
I Spy! Community Challenge
Beginning Tuesday, January 12
See page 3 for details.

FEBRUARY

Tiny Tunes
Tuesday, February 9 at 10:30 am
For children ages 12 months-5 years. Sing along to classic children’s songs and rhymes. Bring a scarf and a music shaker to enhance the fun!
★ Otterly Fantastic Adventures
Tuesday, February 9
For children grades K-5. Discover facts about these adorable mammals and create your own fantastic otter craft. Register beginning January 26 to pick up your craft materials from the Children’s Department.
★ Valentine’s Cupcakes
Friday, February 12
For children of all ages. Register beginning January 29 to pick up your ingredients from the Children’s Department.

MARCH

Book Bistro Presents: Soup in a Jar
Saturday, March 6
For children of all ages. Pick up a jar full of all the dry ingredients you need to make a tasty soup and listen to a savory story. Pick up supplies beginning March 6 from the Children’s Department.
Dance With Me
Tuesday, March 9 at 10:30 am
For children ages 18-35 months. Have fun with dance and movement with Great South Bay Dance!
★ How to Catch a Leprechaun
Monday, March 15 at 4:30 pm
For children of all ages. Learn how to make your own leprechaun trap and hear a shamrockin’ story! Register beginning March 1 to pick up your materials from the Children’s Department.
★ Farm Fun: Cool Cows
Tuesday, March 23
For children grades K-5. Learn about cows through the Adopt-a-Dairy Cow program and create a cool cow craft. Register beginning March 9 to pick up your craft materials from the Children’s Department.

FOR PATCHOGUE-MEDFORD PATRONS. Please pick up kits beginning on the dates listed, while supplies last. Don’t forget to tune in to our YouTube channel for the tutorials!

Note: Kits are available for all children to enjoy but are designed for specific age groups.

Boredom Buster Kits
Stop by at any time to pick up a surprise activity kit!

January

Early Childhood
Create Your Own Puzzle
Saturday, January 2
All Ages
Learn and Create: Letter Writing
Saturday, January 2
School Age
Fun With Magnets
Saturday, January 16

February

Early Childhood
Kindness All Around
Saturday, February 6
All Ages
Learn and Create: Black History Month
Saturday, February 6
School Age
Bridge Building
Saturday, February 20

March

Early Childhood
Sensory Glitter Mazes
Saturday, March 6
All Ages
Learn and Create: Women’s History
Saturday, March 6
School Age Kits
DIY Bouncy Toys
Saturday, March 20

For Family Grab & Go Kits
See page 3
For a Complete List of Kits
Go to pmlib.org/kits
FOR TEENS
All programs are virtual. Go to pmlib.org or call 631-654-4700, ext. 500 for information.

Girls Who Code
Tuesdays, January 12-March 9 from 4-5 pm
Learn how to code using Scratch, Python and more!

Among Us Tournament
Friday, January 15 from 3-4:30 pm
Play the popular game! Join our Discord channel, PatMedTeen to get the details!
Register on our website to save your spot!

Animal Crossing Meetup
Wednesday, February 17 from 1-2 pm
Fly over to Colleen’s Island where you can pick fruit, trade recipes and meet others while playing with your favorite island neighbors. Meetup is for school age, tween and teen ages. Register online to receive Colleen’s friend code emailed prior to the program.

Join the 2021 Extreme Book Challenge: Junior Edition!
See page 3 for details.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Peace Pole Pioneers
Friday, January 15 from 4-4:30 pm
Attend our virtual session and learn about peace poles and a special project you can earn service for!
See January’s Day of Service Kit or page 3 for more community service opportunities.

SCHOOL & HOMEWORK HELP

Study Space at the Library
The Meeting rooms at the Patchogue-Medford Library and the Carnegie Library are equipped with laptops and free wifi for students who need a space to complete their distance learning assignments. Social distancing practices will be followed and masks are required. No appointments necessary. Space is limited.

Virtual Tutors
Get online help with your homework from tutors every day from 10 am-11 pm. Want more information about this great, free service? Call the Carnegie Library at 631-654-4700, ext. 500 or visit pmlib.org/homework-help

Virtual Math Homework Help
Ms. Talhami is back to help you with your Math questions virtually every Wednesday from 3:30-5:30 pm

GRAB & GO KITS
All Teen kits will be available for pick up at the Carnegie Library on the first Monday each month.

JANUARY

Trivia in a Bag
Play a 6 round game of trivia - with your family or completely solo! Enjoy a delicious snack, too!

Day of Service Volunteer Kit
MLK Day of Service is a way to honor the life and teachings of Dr. King. Instead of one day of volunteer service, we’re doing a whole month’s worth of activities! Pick up your box of several volunteer activities and help spread kindness.

Magnetic Puppets kit
Make a fun puppet that can move through the power of magnetism.

80’s kit
Enjoy some popular 80’s snacks and crafts!

Tissue Paper Painting
Create a colorful art piece with this tissue paper painting activity!

FEBRUARY

Crazy Cookie Pizza Kit
Pick up a kit containing all the ingredients you’ll need to create your own cookie pizza complete with yummy toppings!

Puzzle Pack n’ Snack
Enjoy playing with a variety of different types of puzzles while munching on a snack!

Soup in a Jar
Pick up a jar full of all the dry ingredients you need to make a tasty soup.

DIY Stickers
Learn how to create your own stickers!

Wreath of Hearts
Make a beautiful wreath of hearts for that special someone in your life!

Celebrate Black History Month
Do some crafts while learning about important historical figures who are monumental to Black History Month. You’ll also receive a book on a historical figure in your kit!

Black History Month DIY Mancala
Create your own Mancala Board. Mancala is a counting game that originated in Africa and is now popular all over the world!

MARCH

Shamrock N’ Roll
Learn a little Irish history, enjoy an Irish snack and a few other surprises with this green themed St. Patrick’s Day kit!

Paper Dolls for Women’s History Month
Celebrate Women’s History by creating paper dolls of famous historical women innovators. You’ll also receive a book on a historical figure in your kit!

DIY Bouncy Ball kit
Learn how to make a bouncy ball using simple household ingredients.

International Snack and Craft: Ecuador
Enjoy some yummy Ecuadorian treats while working on a fun craft!

Painted Ice Cream Cone Pots
Give your potted plant a sweet look just in time for planting season!

Pull String Art
Fun and easy art technique for people of all skill levels.

Tune in to our Instagram and YouTube channel for tutorials and more! @PMLIBTeen youtube.com/c/PmlibOrg
FOR ADULTS

All programs are virtual. Unless otherwise noted, registration is ongoing (which means anytime). Visit our events calendar online at pmlib.org or call 631-654-4700, ext. 152 for more information and to register.

LIFELONG LEARNING

Genealogy Discussion Group
Wednesdays, January 6, 13, 20, 27, February 3, 10, 17, 24 and March 3, 10, 17, 24 at 10 am
Get tips and tricks and help with researching your ancestors. Discuss strategies and learn how others have succeeded.

The Basics of Investing
Wednesday, January 13 at 7 pm
Become more confident with investing and develop an understanding of stocks, bonds, mutual funds, CDs, money markets, risk and the language of investing.

Coffee With The Curator: Generations of Color
Saturday, February 6 at 10 am
Join Curator John Cino in conversation with artists from MoCA L.I. exhibition, “Generations of Color” on view January 16-February 27.

What’s It Worth?
Wednesday, February 17 at 6 pm
Have your antique or collectible evaluated by an expert appraiser. The first 25 registrants will be eligible for an appraisal but everyone is welcome to watch.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Yin Yoga
Tuesdays, January 5, 12, 19, 26, February 2, 9, 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 at 7 am
A slower paced class with a meditative approach for all levels involving variations of seated and supine poses held for 3-5 minutes.

Classic Yoga
Thursdays, January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4, 11, 18, 25, March 4, 11, 18, 25 at 7 am
Wake up with stretching and strengthening asanas.

MEDICARE BASICS

Wednesday, March 3 at 6:30 pm
Join Cindy Goldsher, a Senior Services Specialist and licensed insurance broker, to learn about the benefits you can receive through Medicare upon turning 65.

GOING NATIVE: THE SUSTAINABLE CHOICE

Wednesday, February 3 at 7 pm
Learn which plants are native to Long Island and how they are essential to sustainable landscapes.

DECODING CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE WEATHER

Thursday, February 18 at 7 pm
Cut through the confusion about climate change with a discussion of the NOVA documentary, Decoding The Weather Machine.

THE SEED LIBRARY OPENS!
Saturday, February 27 at 11 am
Stay tuned for more details on our annual seed swap.

CULTIVATING A SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLE

Gardening Victoriously
Thursday, March 4 at 7 pm
“Victory Gardens,” coined by George Washington Carver, were grown in yards and parks during World War I and II and provided food security to 20 million people. Learn how we can cultivate a resurgence of community, resilience and joy by growing our own victory gardens with botanist Derek Haynes.

BECOME A BEEKEEPER
Thursday, March 25 at 7 pm
Local beekeeper Moira Alexander will teach you how to set up a new colony of honeybees and the basics of management throughout the year.
CLASES EN ESPAÑOL

Jóvenes Recién Llegados al País/Edad Secundaria
Los lunes de 6-7 pm en la Biblioteca Carnegie

Consejería de Inmigración Bilingüe
Los martes entre 3 y 7 pm
Regístrese para una cita de 30 minutos con un consejero para responder sus preguntas sobre inmigración.

Conversación en Inglés
Los martes de 7-8:30 pm
Unase a nosotros para practicar habilidades de conversación en inglés. No necesita registrarse, al momento de la clase vaya a meet.jit.si/PMLConversationGroup

Alfabetización para Adultos en Línea
Los miércoles de 7-8:30 pm
¿Desea aprender a leer y escribir bien en español?

Ayuda Financiera Universitaria 1 a 1
Los jueves de 5-8 pm y los sábados de 10 am-12 pm
Haz una cita con una experta y recibirás ayuda en cómo llenar tu solicitud de ayuda financiera universitaria.

¡Cheque Cultural!
Jueves 7 y 21 de enero, 4 y 18 de febrero y 4 y 18 de marzo a las 7 pm
Únase a nosotros en nuestra página de Facebook @pmlibespanol compartiendo y aprendiendo anécdotas culturales, juegos, manualidades y más!

Asesoramiento Profesional en Línea con Betty Velez
Los lunes 11 y 25 de enero, 1, 8 y 22 de febrero y 5 y 22 de marzo entre 5:30 y 8:30 pm Nuestra consejera del programa bilingüe está disponible para ayudar con currículums, asesoramiento profesional y solicitudes de empleo. Las citas individuales se llevarán a cabo virtualmente. Regístrese para una cita de 30 minutos.

Clase de Ciudadanía
Los martes de 7-8:30 pm
La primera clase es el 20 de enero. Esta clase se reunirá en la biblioteca. No es limitado. Aprenda cómo crear una cuenta de correo electrónico, un perfil de Facebook, cómo navegar los sitios web del Distrito Escolar de Patchogue-Medford y la Biblioteca de Patchogue Medford.

Computación Básica en Español
Los lunes de 7-8:30 pm
La primera clase es el 25 de enero. Esta clase se reúne en la Biblioteca - Cupo es limitado. Aprenda cómo crear una cuenta de correo electrónico, un perfil de Facebook, cómo navegar los sitios web del Distrito Escolar de Patchogue Medford y la Biblioteca de Patchogue Medford.

Asesoramiento para Pequeñas Empresas
Los martes de 2 de febrero y 2 de marzo
Haga una cita para reunirse en línea con una consejera de Stony Brook Small Business Development Center quien puede ayudarle con información sobre cómo empezar un negocio, escribir un plan de negocio, préstamo de dinero para su negocio y mucho más.

Trabajadora Social
Ayuda para adultos, niños y adolescentes con temas de depresión, problemas de comportamiento, autolesión en adolescentes y mucho más. Llamar para hacer una cita al ext. 153.

Participa en nuestro programa "Read Me In to Kindergarten"
Diseñado para bebés, niños pequeños y preescolares de hasta 5 años. Disfrute de la lectura de cuentos en casa con sus hijos y gane premios en el camino!

Preparación para el Jardín de Infantes en el Hogar
Enviar mensualmente
Para las edades de 3 a 5 años. Inscribase para recibir mensualmente actividades de doble lenguaje enfocadas en las habilidades del jardín de infantes o kindergarten.

¿Llévese uno de nuestros kits GRAB & GO!
Los kits son solo para residentes de Patchogue-Medford.

¡Subscribese al canal de la biblioteca!

YouTube: youtube.com/c/PmlibOrg

Síganos en Facebook @pmlibespanol

DID YOU KNOW...
• You can join our Seed Lending Library
• You can meet with our genealogist or use our ancestry.com to get started climbing your family tree
• You can get personalized book and movie recommendations at pmlib.org/bookrec
• You can travel on a virtual field trip pmlib.org/virtual-field-trips
• You can download free ebooks, audiobooks & magazines or stream free music, movies and more at pmlib.org/downloads
• You can have fun indoors with projectors, games and more. pmlib.org/othermaterials
• You can save money with our discount tickets to the Museum of Natural History, Long Island Aquarium and more! (Subject to museum restrictions & policies)

For more information about any of these services call us at 631-654-4700.
WE’RE OPEN!

Makerspace Classes:
Available at any time online or by appointment in person in the Makerspace!

- Laser Cut Wooden Puzzle (available beginning January 4)
- Make Your Own Stickers with the Cricut (available beginning February 1)
- 3D Printed Mini Planter (available beginning March 1)
- Laser Engraved Coaster (available now)
- 3D Printed Lithophane (available now)
- Make Your Own Pin Button (available beginning January 19)
- 3D Printed Bookmarks (available now)
- Peace Pole Pioneers (see page 5 for details)

PATCHOGUE-MEDFORD LIBRARY

GET A LIBRARY CARD!
If you received this newsletter in the mail, you are eligible for a Patchogue-Medford Library Card. To sign up online scan the QR code or go to pmlib.org/get-a-card.

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Fri: 9:30 am-6 pm
Sat: 12-5:30 pm
Sun (Oct-May): 1-5 pm

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Hours: Monday-Friday 2:30-8:30 pm*
Saturday 12-5:30 pm | Sunday (Oct-May) 1-5 pm
*The Carnegie will be open from 11:30 am-8:30 pm during school vacations.

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