

PATCHOGUE-MEDFORD LIBRARY

November & December 2023

A photograph of two young children with blonde hair lying on a couch, reading books. The child in the foreground is wearing a grey t-shirt with a cartoon animal and an anchor patch, holding a Dr. Seuss book about a green egg. The child in the background is wearing a pink and black patterned shirt, holding a book with a gingerbread house illustration. The couch has a blue and white geometric patterned blanket and several pillows.

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Parker and Tristan have found the perfect cozy spot to enjoy their books this season!

Gallery Exhibits

On view in the Claire Davidson Siegel Gallery and online at pmlib.org/gallery

PML Staff Exhibit

November 1 – December 29



Friends of the Library Book Sale!

Saturday, November 18 from 10 am-3 pm
Enjoy amazing deals on books, board games, DVDs and more!

Board of Trustees Meetings:

Wednesdays, November 15
and December 20 at 5:30 pm

Library Closed:

November 11 - Veterans Day
November 22 at 3 pm - Thanksgiving Eve
November 23 - Thanksgiving Day
December 24 - Christmas Eve
December 25 - Christmas Day
December 31 at 12 pm - New Year's Eve
January 1 - New Year's Day



PLEASE NOTE: Photos may be taken in the Library and at events for promotional purposes.



Beginning November 30 you can customize a brick on the patio of the new Medford Branch Library!

Limited space is available.



Call 631-654-4700 ext. 225 for more information.

To order scan here or go to pmlib.org/brick

A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR:



**Fill your house with stacks of books,
in all the crannies and all the nooks.**

—DR. SEUSS

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and Administration, we hope you find a little time and space to cozy up with a good book! We've energized the Library with amazing book displays and we're always here to help you discover your next great read. Our dedicated staff are not only experts in books, but they can help with questions about the community, services available, homework help, digital literacy and so much more. In addition, beginning November 1, our creative staff members will be showing off their artistic skills in a new exhibit in the Claire Davidson Siegel Art Gallery, found in the lower level in the lobby. We hope you come and check it out!

Have you seen our new Tinker Lab space? Children have the opportunity to play, create, explore and learn through STEM and STEAM activities right in our children's room. And, the new Tinker Lab To Go will now allow you to take home different STEAM activities that you can do as a family.

We hope to see you soon at the new Medford Branch! We're still working on our opening day plan, but you can follow us on social media and our website for updates. We're currently waiting for the new sidewalks, landscaping, and parking lot to be completed. Our brick fundraiser is temporarily closed, but we'll reopen it on November 30. It's the perfect holiday gift! Any questions, please contact the director at 631-654-4700, ext. 300.

Patchogue-Medford Friends of the Library are celebrating 50 years of service to the Library!

Join us on December 16 from 1-3 pm to honor their special dedication to the community and pay special tribute to their founding member, Marjorie Roe. And, don't forget about the Friends book sale on November 18 from 10 am-3 pm! Find one-of-a-kind, sustainable gifts for the holiday season.

Wishing you a peaceful holiday season,
Danielle Paisley, Director

WE CAN HELP with one on one, personal assistance. Call 631-654-4700 for more information.

Career Counseling (Virtual)

Mondays from 5:30-8:30 pm

Our bilingual career counselor is available to help with resumes, career advice and job applications. Call ext. 152 to sign up for a 30 minute appointment.

English Conversation Group

Mondays from 7-8:30 pm

Join us in the Library to practice your English conversation skills.

Bilingual Immigration Counseling (phone call)

Tuesdays from 3-7 pm

Get answers to your immigration questions. Call ext. 152 to sign up for a 30 minute appointment with a lawyer.

One-on-One Genealogy Assistance

Thursdays 6-9 pm

Get expert assistance for all of your genealogy questions, big or small. Call ext. 152 to sign up for an appointment.

Community Legal Help Project

Every 4th Thursday of each month

Do you need help with a legal problem? The Community Legal Help Project will have volunteer attorneys giving free legal information to Suffolk County residents ONLY. Appointments preferred; walk-ins welcome. Call 631-822-3272 to make an appointment.

HIICAP (Health Insurance Information Counselling Assistance Program)

Thursdays, November 9 and

December 14 from 10 am-1 pm

Trained volunteers provide guidance, by appointment, to those with questions involving Medicare and Medicaid. Call the Library to make an appointment at 631-654-4700 ext. 152.

Healthcare Navigators with HWCLI

Tuesdays, November 14 and

December 5 from 10 am-4 pm

Health & Welfare Council of Long Island's qualified bilingual Healthcare Navigators will help you choose the right plan and help you complete applications for Medicaid, Essential Plans, Child Health Plus and Qualified Health Plans. Call to schedule an appointment: 516-286-5016.

Senior Advocate

Thursday, November 16 from 2:30-4:30 pm

A representative from Suffolk County Office of the Aging will discuss different benefits and programs that Suffolk County offers its senior residents. The Advocate is available on a walk-in basis; no appointment required.

Medicaid Enrollment for the Aged, Blind & Disabled

Thursdays, November 16 and

December 21 from 3-7 pm

Facilitated enrollers trained by NYS Dept of Health assist the aged, blind and disabled populations with enrollment into Medicaid programs free of charge. Service is on a first-come, first-served basis. A Spanish speaker will be available.

Meet with a Licensed Social Worker or Social Work Intern

To make an appointment call ext. 152 or email socialworkers@pmlib.org.

Practice for the Citizenship Interview

If you have a citizenship interview coming up, make an appointment with a librarian who can help you prepare by reviewing questions that may come up in your interview. Call ext. 405 to make a 30 minute appointment.

ADDICTION & RECOVERY HELP

SMART Friends & Family Workshop

Saturdays at 10 am

For family and friends of people with addictive behavior.

SMART Recovery

Saturdays at 12 pm

A workshop for people struggling with addiction.

COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS & EVENTS

Registration is ongoing, unless otherwise noted.

Stony Brook Hospital Job Fair

Wednesday, November 1 from 1-4 pm
and Tuesday, November 21 from 6-8 pm
Meet and interview with recruiters from
Stony Brook Hospital. Dress to impress
and bring copies of your resume.

Mitten Tree

November 13-December 11

Please help us decorate our Mitten Trees with
donations of new winter hats, scarves, gloves, socks
and mittens, for adults and/or children. Bring donations
for adults to the tree located by the Reference Desk
and donations for children to the tree located in the
Children's Department. All items will be distributed
to local agencies for children and adults in need.

SCPD 5th Precinct Community Meeting

Tuesdays, November 14 and December 12 at 7 pm
Bilingual officers from the Suffolk County Police
Department will discuss crime and policing incidents
in our town and answer questions from residents.

NYC Train Tickets

Saturdays, November 18 and December 16

Meet at the Patchogue Train Station no later than 8:20 am
and ride together into Penn Station on the 8:43 am train.
Return any time that day. Nonrefundable tickets must be
purchased in advance at the Public Services Desk via cash
or credit card for \$10.75 per person over the age of 5.

Patchogue Holiday Parade

Saturday, November 25 at 6 pm

Gather your friends and family and meet us in
front of the Main building for some fun at the
annual Christmas parade on Main Street.

'Tis the Season

Friday, December 8 from 2-5 pm,

Friday, December 22 from 3:30-5:30 pm or

Saturday, December 23 from 10:30-4:30 pm

Need your gifts wrapped? Local teens will help
you get your gifts ready for the holiday!

Friends of the Library 50th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, December 16 from 1-3 pm

The Friends of the Library is celebrating 50 years! Join
us as we honor past and current members and pay
tribute to the memory of longtime friend Marjorie Roe.

Community Quilting for a Cause

Join us for this community project, where we'll be making our second improv quilt to donate to our local Project Linus!



Improv Quilt Block Kits

Saturday, November 18 - Friday, December 29
Stop by the Public Services Desk for a kit containing
fabric and instructions for an improv quilt block.
While supplies last. **Blocks must be returned to
the Library no later than Sunday, January 7.**

Community Quilting Bee

Saturday, January 20, 2024 from 10 am-4:30 pm
For adults, teens and children ages 6+. Join us for any
part of this day-long community event where we will be
sewing missing blocks, assembling blocks into quilts
and quilting these unique blankets to donate. Bring your
own sewing machine and/or iron or use one of ours!



LIVE AT THE LIBRARY

Registration is ongoing, unless otherwise noted.

Belly Dancing with Darling

Sunday, November 12 at 2 pm

Belly dance is a traditional Middle Eastern
dance style that emphasizes fluid, undulating
movements of the torso and hips. In this
belly dance class, students will learn basic
technique and combinations, as well as
develop strength, flexibility and musicality.

Comedy Night: Veterans Comedy Assault

Friday, November 10 at 7 pm

Veterans Comedy Assault is a comedy
troupe of military veterans, born from the
comedy workshop offered to all veterans
at Project9Line. Join these veterans
who have not only served our country,
but who also bring nonstop laughs!

Rock Underground Holiday Show

Sunday, December 10 at 3:30 pm

Join us for a special Holiday performance
by students of The Rock Underground.

CLASES EN ESPAÑOL

Para cualquier programa, regístrese en línea en pmlib.org o llame para inscribirse al 631-654-4700, ext. 153.

Práctica para la Entrevista de Ciudadanía

Llame a la ext. 252 para hacer una cita.

Trabajadora Social

Servicio profesional y confidencial en español para
ayudar a familias, niños, adolescentes y adultos. Para
su cita individual llame al 631-654-4700 ext. 153.

Asesoramiento Profesional con Betty Velez

Los lunes de 5:30-8:30 pm

Nuestra consejera profesional bilingüe está
disponible para ayudar con currículums,
asesoramiento profesional y solicitudes de empleo.
Regístrese para una cita de 30 minutos.

Grupo de Conversación en Inglés

Los lunes de 7-8:30 pm

Únase a nosotros en la biblioteca para practicar
sus habilidades de conversación en inglés.

Consejería de Inmigración Bilingüe

Los martes de 3-7 pm (por teléfono)

Regístrese para una cita de 30 minutos con un abogado
para responder sus preguntas sobre inmigración.

Jóvenes

Los miércoles a las 6:30 pm, excepto días festivos
Grupo de apoyo y orientación para jóvenes
que sean nuevos al país o que tengan
pocos años en los estados unidos.

Alfabetización en Español para Adultos

Los sábados a las 10 am

¿Desea usted aprender o conoce a alguien
quien quiere leer y escribir bien en español?
Las clases son en persona en la biblioteca.
Llame a la ext. 153 para inscribirse.

Madres Latinas

Los lunes 6 y 20 de noviembre y
4 y 18 de diciembre de 7-8:30 pm
Grupo de apoyo y educación para
mujeres que hablan Español.

Club de Lectura en Español

Los martes 14, 28 de noviembre y
12, 26 de diciembre de 7-8:30 pm

Aumenta tu motivación por leer en nuestro
club de lectura, discutiremos el libro *Cometas
en el Cielo* por Khaled Hosseini.

Reunión Comunitaria del 5to Precinto

Martes 14 de noviembre

y 12 de diciembre a las 7 pm

Oficiales bilingües del Departamento de Policía
del Condado de Suffolk hablarán sobre incidentes
policiales y delictivos en nuestra ciudad y
responderán las preguntas de los residentes.

Hora de Cuentos Bilingüe

Miércoles 15 de noviembre de 4:30-5:15 pm

Para los grados K-2. ¡Juega a la Lotería,
escucha un cuento y gana premios!

Bingo con Barbara y Martiris: Edición Bilingüe

Miércoles 29 de noviembre a las 6:30 pm

¡Ven a jugar una versión bilingüe especial de
Bingo With Barbara! El registro está en curso.

Casa Familiar de Pan Jengibre

Sábado 2 de diciembre a las 10:30 am o 12 pm

o Domingo 3 de diciembre a las 1:30 pm

o 3 pm en la Biblioteca Principal

o Sábado 2 de diciembre a las 3 pm en Medford Branch*

Decora una casa de pan de jengibre con tu familia. Sólo
puede inscribirse en una sesión. Para inscribir a su
familia, llame a la biblioteca al 631-654-4700 ext.
200. El espacio es limitado pero una lista de espera
estará disponible. Nota: se ofrece a los titulares de
tarjetas PML solamente.

Hora de Cuentos Bilingüe

Lunes 11 de diciembre de 4:30-5:15 pm

Para los grados 3-6. Disfruta de una historia
bilingüe sobre un vecindario y juega al juego
de mesa con un búho, un ratón, un gato y otros
animales. ¿Cuál es tu personaje favorito?

¡Adivina la Canción!

Lunes 11 de diciembre de 7-8 pm

¡Formen equipos y compitan para adivinar la canción!

MEET, MAKE & CREATE

Registration for PML cardholders begins 2 weeks before the program. Out-of-district residents may register one week prior, if space allows.

Do the Write Thing

Thursdays, November 2, 9 and December 7, 14 at 10 am
Join us for a workshop in which you'll write, share and discuss different kinds of creative writing.

Bingo With Barbara

Friday, November 17 at 10 am
Play bingo and win prizes! Registration is ongoing.

Ukulele 101 Workshop with Vigg

Sunday, November 19 at 2 pm
This beginner's workshop will teach you how to hold and strum a ukulele and introduce you to different practicing techniques. Bring your own uke or borrow one from the Library.

Chunky Blanket Workshop

Saturday, November 25 at 1 pm or Sunday, December 3 at 2 pm
Hand knit a cozy throw blanket. All materials provided. PML cardholders only. Register for one single session only.

Bingo With Barbara & Martiris: Bilingual Edition

Wednesday, November 29 at 6:30 pm
Play a special bilingual version of Bingo! Registration is ongoing.

Intermediate Ukulele Workshop with Vigg

Saturday, December 2 at 2 pm
Ready to up your ukulele game? This intermediate ukulele workshop will focus on fingerpicking patterns, barre chords and chord-melody style of playing. Bring your uke to class.

Whodunit with Hanna: A Cozy Mystery Book Discussion

Wednesday, December 6 at 6:30 pm
Discuss *The Golden Spoon* by Jessa Maxwell with our resident book reviewer, Hanna. This cozy mystery/thriller takes place on the set of a reality TV baking show! The first 10 people to register will receive a complimentary hardcover copy.

Book Folding: Hearts

Thursday, December 14 at 6:30 pm
Learn how to fold the pages within books to create 3D hearts. Books provided by the Friends of the Library.

Cupcake Decorating: Holiday Wreaths

Sunday, December 17 at 2 pm OR 3:30 pm
Fanny Cakes is back to teach you how to make your cupcakes look like seasonal wreaths! Register for one session only.

Watch a Movie Wednesday: Jingle Hell

Wednesday, December 20 from 1-3 pm
This 2011 indie film is a witty and stylish comedy about a large Irish Catholic family from Long Island, whose grown children have gathered for a holiday that turns out to be a far cry from the picture-postcard Christmas anyone had in mind. Runtime is 1 hr 23 min. Registration is ongoing.

'Tis the Season: DIY Gifts & Wrapping

Thursday, December 21 at 6:30 pm
Make some last-minute gifts and wrap them in style with festive paper and gift tags. All materials will be provided.

FOR ADULTS

Please read carefully for locations. Registration is ongoing (which means anytime), unless otherwise noted. Visit our events calendar online at pmlib.org or call 631-654-4700, ext. 152 for more information and to register.

LEARN SOMETHING NEW Attend in person or via Zoom, unless otherwise noted.

Coffee with a Curator: *Manu-script*

Saturday, November 4 at 12 pm
Join curator John Cino in a conversation with the artists of *Manu-script*, an exhibit that features the works of artists who create images using invented alphabets. **This program is presented in partnership with the Patchogue Arts Council and will take place at MoCA L.I.**

The Longest Nights: Coping with Grief During the Holidays

Wednesday, November 8 at 6:30 pm
Learn how to cope with grief and get strategies for dealing with expectations, receiving invitations when you're not feeling celebratory, setting boundaries and how to envision a new way to celebrate the holiday season.

Become an Online Seller with Etsy and Poshmark

Thursday, November 9 at 6:30 pm
Find out how to buy and sell craft and clothing items online using Etsy and Poshmark.

AI and Genealogy: Trouble Ahead?

Wednesday, November 15 at 10 am
Learn how AI is currently being used to improve the genealogy experience and whether or not you should seek out other uses of artificial intelligence for your own genealogy research with Thomas MacEntee from Genealogy Bargains. **Attend via Zoom.**

Stirring Up History: Thanksgiving Tastings

Wednesday, November 15 at 6:30 pm
Go on a culinary journey through time and learn about the evolution of the foods we eat, the sayings we use and the important roles women played in the world of the kitchen, while sampling period foods and seeing authentic cookware.

Meet the Author: *Make The Dark Night Shine*

Wednesday, November 15 at 7 pm
at The Better Man Distilling Co.
Inspired by the family story of the parents of Alan Lessik's Aunt, Nina Friedberg Uchida, who formerly lived in Patchogue, *Make the Dark Night Shine* is a love letter from a father to the daughter he never met. Meet the author, enjoy a reading, purchase a copy of the book and have it signed.

Aging in Place at Home

Thursday, November 16 at 1 pm
Join us as the Burner Law Group discusses the importance of basic estate planning documents, the application process for Medicaid and the latest updates to home care Medicaid in New York.

Let's Talk About Water With the SCWA

Thursday, November 16 at 6:30 pm
A panel of experts from The Suffolk County Water Authority will share information about their operations and upcoming projects.

Virtual Genealogy Discussion Group

Wednesdays, November 29 and December 13 at 10 am
Get help with researching your ancestors. Discuss strategies and learn how others have succeeded. **Attend via Zoom.**

Estate Planning Essentials

Thursday, November 30 at 1 pm
An attorney from Fratello Law will guide you through the estate planning process.

Senior Scams and Financial Exploitation

Friday, December 1 at 10 am
Learn how to recognize and protect yourself from con artists claiming to represent known institutions, identity theft, insurance fraud, health care fraud and more in this presentation from the Office of the Suffolk County District Attorney in association with the Suffolk County Police Department Financial Crimes Unit and the Office of Senator Murray. **In person only.**

Where's My Stuff? The Ins and Outs of Managing Space

Wednesday, December 13 at 6:30 pm
Learn unique and creative ways to maximize your space and stay in control of your belongings.

Make Registering for Programs Easier!

Enter your library card number and pin so the rest of your information will automatically populate!

HEALTH AND WELLNESS Attend in person or via Zoom, unless otherwise noted.

Tai Chi

Mondays and Wednesdays, November 1, 6, 8, 15, 20, 27, 29 and December 4, 6, 13, 18, 20 at 3 pm
This series is based on Dr. Paul Lam's Level 1 Tai Chi Program for Arthritis and is facilitated by a certified Tai Chi trainer from the Suffolk County Office of Health Education. **In person only.**

Start Your Day the Right Way: Yin Yoga

Every Tuesday in November and December at 7 am at the Carnegie Library
A slower paced class with a meditative approach for all levels involving variations of seated and supine poses held for 3-5 minutes.

Vinyasa Yoga Before Work

Every Thursday in November and December except November 23 at 7 am at the Carnegie Library
Wake up with stretching and strengthening asanas with us.

What a Pain in the Neck!

Friday, November 10 at 1 pm
A physician from Mather Hospital's Back & Neck Pain Center will teach you how you can relieve your neck and back pain issues.

Acupuncture and You

Saturday, November 18 at 1 pm
Discover the benefits of acupuncture, a traditional Chinese medicinal resource, how it relates to your body's Qi (energy) and how meridians work.

Evening Yin Yoga with Rachel

Tuesday, November 21 and Monday, December 11 at 6:30 pm - location TBA*
Stretch and strengthen your muscles with seated and supine poses.

Staying Independent for Life: Falls Prevention

Wednesday, November 29 at 1 pm
Falls are a leading cause of injury for older adults. Learn about fall risks, what to look for in your home and how to prevent injury, with a health professional from the Suffolk County Department of Health Services. **In person only.**

How To Maintain Balance in Stressful Times

Thursday, November 30 at 6:30 pm
Professional Life Coaches, Linda Mazza and Patricia Scully, will help you achieve balance while you are under stress.

FOR TEENS

IN GRADES 6-12

Programs will be held at the Carnegie Library unless otherwise noted. Programs should be attended independently and without parents or siblings younger than 6th grade. Registration is ongoing until the day of the program. Go to pmlib.org or call 631-654-4700, ext. 500 to register.



NOVEMBER

Jóvenes

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm (excluding holidays)
Join us for fun activities and making friends with people your age from different countries.

Paint in the Style of... Vincent van Gogh

Friday, November 3 from 6:30-8 pm
Learn about an artist and create a painting in their style. This month's artist is Vincent van Gogh. The artwork you create will be put on display in our Carnegie Art Gallery for the months of November and December.

RPGs with Michael

Saturdays, November 4 & December 9 from 1-4 pm
Explore fantastic worlds with your dungeon master, Michael!

Jewelry Making

Wednesday, November 8 from 5:30-6:30 pm
Go through our jewelry-making supplies and make your own unique creation!

English Muffin Pizzas

Thursday, November 9 from 6-7 pm
Pick out your favorite toppings to make a delicious pizza dinner!

Makerspace @ Carnegie

Friday, November 10 from 6-7:30 pm
Make your own unique craft with the help of our Makerspace!

Mystery Video Game Tournament

Friday, November 17, from 6:30-8 pm
Compete in a video game tournament against your friends! The winner will receive a small prize and have their name added to our leader board.

Perlers, Please

Monday, November 20 from 6-8 pm
Come and make your own fun design with our perler beads! All materials provided.

Chopped: Claytastic Clash

Tuesday, November 21 from 4-5 pm
Explore the world of Chopped...only this time, you make your dishes with...clay! Put your artistic skills to the test as you try to make appealing food!

Sharpie Mugs

Friday, November 24 from 6-7 pm
Decorate a coffee mug to keep or give as a gift!

Manga Book Club

Wednesdays, November 29 and December 27 from 5-5:30 pm
Try some Japanese snacks and discuss a new book with us! New books will be given at each session.

Bobbinology Gifts: Scrunchies

Thursday, November 30 from 6-7:30 pm
Gift-giving season is right around the corner and these easy-to-sew scrunchies will make perfect handmade gifts.

DECEMBER

Board Game Tournament

Friday, December 1 from 6:30-8 pm
Challenge your friends to a board game that plays just like Mario Kart! Do you have what it takes to be our Tabletop Champion?

Bobbinology: Mittens

Thursday, December 7 from 6-7:30 pm
Sew some cozy mittens to keep your fingers warm all winter!

Chocolate Dipped Pretzels

Friday, December 8 from 6:30-7:30 pm
Make your own festive treats using pretzels, chocolate, sprinkles and more! ***This program may not be suitable for teens with food allergies.**

Teen Jeopardy

Friday, December 15 from 7-8 pm
Join a team and test your knowledge. Do you have what it takes to win Jeopardy?

DIY Shower Steamers

Wednesday, December 20 from 5-6 pm
Like bath bombs, but for the shower! Make your own shower steamers to keep for yourself or give them as a homemade holiday gift.

Chocolate Peanut Butter Balls

Thursday, December 21 from 6-7 pm
Make these delicious cookies from scratch! ***This program may not be suitable for teens with food allergies.**

DIY Ornaments

Friday, December 22 from 6-7 pm
Create beautiful ornaments!

Drop-in Games

Friday, December 29 from 7-8 pm
Come to Carnegie and choose something from our collection of board games and video games to play with your friends!

HOMEWORK HELP

Virtual Tutors

Get online help with your homework from tutors every day from 2-11 pm
For more information call the Carnegie Library at 631-654-4700, ext. 500 or visit pmlib.org/homework-help

Math Homework Help

Every Thursday from 4-5 pm (excluding school holidays)
Students in grades 6-12, bring your math homework and questions and receive help from a certified teacher.



GAMING
AT THE LIBRARY

STREAMING ON TWITCH
WEDNESDAYS AT 4 PM

GAMEPLAY - TUTORIALS - TIPS



The Teen Center at the Patchogue-Medford Carnegie Library

160 West Main St. | 631-654-4700, ext. 500

Hours:

Monday-Friday 2:30-8:30 pm

Saturdays 12:30-5:30 pm

Sundays 1-5 pm (October-May)

During School Vacations and Holidays:

Monday-Friday 12:30-8:30 pm

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Carnegie Crew

Tuesdays, November 14 and December 12 from 4-4:45 pm
Improve the Library and earn community service by giving your opinions.

Perler Bead Sorting

Wednesday, November 15 from 3-5 pm
Earn up to 2 hours of community service credit by helping to sort our Perler beads for future programs!

Green Teens

Thursdays, November 16 and December 14 from 5:30-6:30 pm
Attend these first Green Teens meetings to discuss ways to help the environment and take meaningful action, plan field trips and even design environmental library programs, all while earning community service hours.

Friends of the Library Book Sale

Saturday, November 18 from 10 am-3 pm
Earn up to 5 hours of community service by volunteering at the Friends sale of books, board games, DVDs and more! ***This event will be held at the Main Building.**

Improv Quilt Block Kits

November 18 - December 29
Earn 3 hours of community service for completing a quilt block for this season's Community Quilt for a Cause. Pick up a kit containing fabric and instructions for an improv quilt block. While supplies last. **Blocks must be returned to the Library no later than Sunday, January 7.**

Gift Wrapping

'Tis the Season Drop-in

Friday, December 8 from 2-5 pm
OR Friday, December 22 from 3:30-5:30 pm OR
Saturday, December 23 from 10:30-4:30 pm
Make someone's day extra merry & bright and earn community service credit by wrapping gifts! ***This event will be held at the Main Library.**



For information on community service at the Library scan the QR code or get updates for upcoming opportunities by texting @pmlv to 81010

If you need special accommodations for any program please call 631-654-4700, ext. 254.

FOR KIDS

Please register in person, online at pmlib.org, or by phone 631-654-4700 ext. 200. Patchogue-Medford Library patrons are given first priority, please have your library card when registering. If you or your child need an accommodation, please let us know at registration.

TOOLS FOR SCHOOL

Walk-in Homework Help

Every Wednesday in November and December from 4-6 pm (except for school holidays) For grades 1-6. Students from St. Joseph's School of Education will be here to help your child with homework. **No registration required!**

Brainfuse Virtual Tutors

Get online help with your homework from tutors every day from 2-11 pm For more information call the Library at 631-654-4700 ext. 200 or visit pmlib.org/homework-help

NOVEMBER

Registration for these events begins on Wednesday, November 1 at 9:30 am.

INFANT, TODDLER AND PRESCHOOL WITH A PARENT/CAREGIVER

To Kindergarten & Beyond! Storytime

Monday, November 6 from 4:45-5:30 pm
For families with a child starting kindergarten in September 2024. Join us for an interactive preschool storytime with an emphasis on numbers 1-20!

Sketch & Stretch

Thursday, November 9 from 6-7 pm
For ages 3-5 years. Combine art and yoga in this fun movement program.

123 Play With Me

Tuesdays, November 14, 21, 28 and December 5 from 10:15-11:30 am
For ages 12-35 months. Our 4-week playgroup series encourages parent and child to play together, while also speaking with early childhood specialists.

Be Thankful Storytime

Wednesday, November 15
from 10:30-11 am or 11:15-11:45 am
For ages 12 months-3½ years. Celebrate gratitude with a story, rhymes and a simple craft.

Signing Stories

Thursday, November 16 from 10-10:30 am
For children 2 months-4 years. Learn sign language through stories and songs.

Sprouts & Friends

Friday, November 17 from 10:30-11:15 am
For ages 2 months-5 years. Make new friends at this music and movement class!

Wonderful Ones, Terrific Twos and Beautiful Babies

Saturday, November 18
From 10:30-11:15 am - For ages 12-23 months.
From 11:30 am-12:15 pm - For ages 24-35 months.
From 12:30-1:15 pm - For ages 2-11 months.
Enjoy songs, bubbles, parachute play and other age-appropriate games with your child while getting to know other families in your neighborhood.

Obstacle Boxtacle Course

Wednesday, November 29
from 10:30-11 am or 4-4:30 pm
For ages 2½-5 years. Have a blast practicing balance and other gross motor skills in a course filled with boxes and other obstacles.

Tiny Tunes

Thursday, November 30
from 12-12:30 pm or 5:30-6 pm*
For ages 2-35 months. Enjoy songs and fingerplays that you know and love. ***The 5:30 session is a hybrid program and will be available in person or on Zoom.***

To Kindergarten & Beyond! Holly Jolly Storytime

Monday, December 4 from 4:45-5:30 pm
For families with a child going into kindergarten September 2024. Join us for an interactive color and shape storytime with a holiday twist!

SCHOOL AGE INDEPENDENT PROGRAMS

English Muffin Pizzas

Tuesday, November 14 from 6-7 pm
For grades 3-6. Pick out your favorite toppings to make a delicious pizza dinner!

Bilingual Storytime

Wednesday, November 15 from 4:30-5:15 pm
For grades K-2. Play Lotería (Bingo) and listen to a story.

Turkey Time

Thursday, November 16 from 4:30-5:15 pm
For children in grades K-5. Learn all about turkeys and meet a live turkey!

Draw Elephant and Piggie

Monday, November 20 from 4:30-5:30 pm
For grades K-3. Learn how to draw these famous best friends just like author Mo Willems.

Minecraft Club

Tuesday, November 21
from 4:30-5:30 pm or 5:45-6:45 pm
For grades 3-6. Hang out with other kids who love Minecraft while you play the game and complete in-game challenges.

Sew with Me Gifts: Scrunchies

Monday, November 27 from 6-7:30 pm
For grades 1-3 with a caregiver. Gift-giving season is right around the corner and these easy-to-sew scrunchies will make perfect handmade gifts.

Small Stitches Gifts: Scrunchies

Tuesday, November 28 from 6:30-8 pm
For grades 4-6. Gift-giving season is right around the corner and these easy-to-sew scrunchies will make perfect handmade gifts.

Book Time with a Dog

Wednesday, November 29 at 6, 6:20, 6:40 or 7 pm
For grades 1-6. Practice your reading skills with a certified therapy dog.

Happy Birthday, Walt Disney!

Tuesday, December 5 from 5-6 pm
For grades K-3. Celebrate the man behind the mouse with stories, crafts and of course...cake!

FOR FAMILIES ONE REGISTRATION PER FAMILY

Every Move Counts!

Drop-in Tuesday, November 7 between 11 am-2 pm
For families with children of all ages. Learn a new game or play a classic from our board game collection. Life-size games will be available too! **No registration required.**

National STEAM Day

Drop-in Wednesday, November 8 between 6-8 pm
For families with children in grades K-6. Celebrate National STEAM Day with some fun, hands-on activities focusing on Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math. **No registration required.**

Take a Veteran to the Library

Drop-in Friday, November 10 between 11 am-2 pm
For families with children of all ages. Special invitation for children who want to come with a special Veteran in their life. **No registration required.**

Autumn Wreaths

Monday, November 13 from 6-7 pm
For families with children in grades 2-6. Join us for a story and create a wreath to hang on your door!

Block n' Roll

Drop-in Friday, November 24 between 11 am-4 pm
For families with children of all ages. Roll out of bed after all that turkey, then join us at the Library for a variety of activities for the family, from puzzles to card games to LEGOS! **No registration required.**



Family Gingerbread House Decorating

Saturday, December 2
at 10:30 am or 12 pm OR
Sunday, December 3 at 1:30 pm
or 3 pm at the Main Building
OR Saturday, December 2 at 3 pm - location TBA*
For families with children of all ages. Decorate a delicious gingerbread house with your family. **This event**

is open to PML cardholders only. ONE HOUSE per family. Each family may only sign up for ONE session – space is limited. Call the Children's Department at 631-654-4700, ext. 200 to register beginning November 1.

DECEMBER

Registration for these events begins on Friday, December 1 at 9:30 am.

INFANT, TODDLER AND PRESCHOOL WITH A PARENT/CAREGIVER

Create A Puppet Show!

Wednesday, December 6 from 4:30-5:15 pm
For ages 2½-5 years. Make your very own colorful sock puppet and use our puppet theater to create fun stories and shows!

Sprouts & Friends

Monday, December 11 from 10:30-11:15 am
For ages 2 months-5 years. Make new friends at this music and movement series!

Signing Stories

Wednesday, December 13 from 1-1:30 pm
For children 2 months-4 years. Learn sign language through stories and songs.

Wonderful Ones, Terrific Twos and Beautiful Babies

Thursday, December 14

From 10:30-11:15 am - For ages 12-23 months.

From 11:30 am-12:15 pm - For ages 24-35 months.

From 12:30-1:15 pm - For ages 2-11 months.

See description in NOVEMBER.

Let's Sing!

Saturday, December 16 from 10:30-11 am
For ages 2 months-5 years. Enjoy a guitar sing-along to classic children's songs.

SCHOOL AGE INDEPENDENT PROGRAMS

Miss Cathy's Crafty Creations

Wednesday, December 6
from 5-5:45 pm or 6-6:45 pm
For grades K-3. Get crafty and make a seasonal masterpiece.

Bilingual Storytime

Monday, December 11 from 4:30-5:15 pm
For grades 3-6. Enjoy a bilingual story about a neighborhood and play a board game with an owl, a mouse, a cat and other animals. Which is your favorite?

Chocolate Peanut Butter Balls

Tuesday, December 12 from 5:30-6:30 pm
For grades 3-6. Make these delicious cookies from scratch! ***This program may not be suitable for children with food allergies.**

Minecraft Club

Friday, December 15 from 4:30-5:30 pm
For grades 3-6. Hang out with other kids who love Minecraft while you play the game and complete in-game challenges.

FOR FAMILIES ONE REGISTRATION PER FAMILY

Polar Express Extravaganza

Thursday, December 7 from 6:30-7:15 pm
For families with children of all ages. Hear the classic story and enjoy festive activities with a special treat. Don't forget to wear your pajamas!

'Tis the Season

Drop-in Friday, December 8 between 2-5 pm OR
Friday, December 22 between 3:30-5:30 pm OR
Saturday, December 23 between 10:30 am-4:30 pm
For families with children of all ages. Make someone's day extra merry & bright by creating, decorating or wrapping a special gift for a teacher, family or friend. Enjoy festive music and a sweet treat too! **No registration required.**

Rustic Winter Garland

Saturday, December 9 from 1-2 pm - location TBA*
OR Sunday, December 10
from 1:30-2:30 pm at the Main Building
For families with children in grades K-6.
Work together as a family to make a lovely winter decoration to hang in your home.

Introduction To Mother Goose

Monday, December 18
from 10:30-11 am or 11:15-11:45 am
For ages 2-24 months. Learn classic nursery rhymes and songs in this sweet program!

Gingerbread Cookies Storytime

Wednesday, December 20
from 10:30-11 am or 4:30-5 pm
For ages 12 months-3½ years. This cookie-themed storytime is a tasty treat, featuring rhymes and a simple craft.

Celebrate the Winter Solstice

Thursday, December 21 from 4-4:45 pm
For ages 2½-5 years. Celebrate the shortest day of the year with some cozy together time—stories, snacks, and a solstice-themed craft.

Let's Make a Bird Fly

Wednesday, December 27 from 4-4:45 pm
For ages 3-5. Learn the sport of badminton! Birdies will soar as children use lollipop pads to balance and learn beginner skills!

Babies Boogie & Toddlers Tango

Thursday, December 28

From 5-5:45 pm - For ages 3-17 months.

From 6-6:45 pm - For ages 18-35 months.

Join us for a fun adventure into movement, music, dancing, instruments and so much more!

Remarkable Reindeer

Saturday, December 16 from 1:30-2:15 pm
For grades K-3. Learn all about reindeer in this interactive program and make a remarkable reindeer.

Small Stitches: Mittens

Tuesday, December 19 from 6:30-8 pm
For grades 3-6. Sew some cozy mittens to keep your fingers warm all winter.

Book Time with a Dog

Wednesday, December 20 at 6, 6:20, 6:40 or 7 pm
For grades 1-6. Practice your reading skills with a certified therapy dog.

Let's Make a Bird Fly

Wednesday, December 27 from 5-5:45 pm
For grades K-4. Learn the sport of badminton! Birdies will soar as children use lollipop pads to balance and learn beginner skills!

Hot Cocoa Scrub and Lotion

Saturday, January 6 from 10-11 am
For grades 3-6. Learn the secret to making your scrub smell like chocolate, then follow it up with a creamy lotion to chase away the winter blues!

Hot Chocolate Cookies


Wednesday, December 27
from 10:30-11:15 am or 11:30 am-12:15 pm
For families with children in grades K-6. Learn a new recipe and mix up a batch of these tasty cookies to take home and bake.

Snowy Paint n' Sip

Friday, December 29 from 11 am-12:30 pm
For families with children in grades K-6. Families will work together to create a winter themed piece of art while sipping sparkling cider.

Happy Noon Year!

Saturday, December 30 from 11:30 am-12:15 pm
For families with children of all ages.
Help us count down to 2024 a little early!

Be on the lookout for pop-up programs for all ages at the Library and out in the community!
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Tips for Choosing STEAM Toys with Genius of Play's Anna Yudina and PML's STEAM Librarian, Miss Elizabeth

December:

Screen Time and Online Well-being with Digital Literacy Specialist and PML Librarian, Miss Elaine

To listen go to pmlib.org/podcast

FOR PARENTS

Registration is ongoing (which means anytime) unless otherwise noted.

Shots for Tots

Please call the Library for dates and times. Free immunizations for children (ages infant-18 years) provided by the Suffolk County Department of Health. No registration required.

Parents of Infants

Thursdays, November 2, December 7 and/or January 4 from 10:30-11:15 am
For parents and their children 2-11 months.

Parents of Toddlers

Thursdays, November 2, December 7 and/or January 4 from 11:30 am-12:15 pm
For parents and their children 12-23 months. Enjoy songs, bubbles, parachute play and other age-appropriate games with your child. Get to know other families in the neighborhood.

Infant Massage

Thursday, November 16 from 11-11:30 am
For parents and their children 2-11 months. Learn the benefits and basics of massaging your baby.

DROP-IN!

No registration required.

Tinker Lab Time

Fridays, November 17 and December 1 from 4-5:30 pm
For grades K-6. Join us in our new Tinker Lab for hands-on activities focusing on the STEAM concept of the day.

Crafty-Play-Palooza: Turkey Time

Wednesday, November 22
from 10:30 am-2:30 pm
For ages 3-5 years. Come enjoy playtime activities and a variety of seasonal crafts.

Construction Zone

Friday, December 29 from 2-4 pm
For ages 2½-5 years. Build with our blocks and use our special tool kits.

For more fun drop-in programs see FOR FAMILIES on page 6!



Learn how to use a Cricut, button maker, mug heat press and more — appointments are required.

Makerspace Classes

Unless otherwise noted, registration begins one month before the class date.

Makerspace @ The Carnegie:

Cricut Art Project

Friday, November 10

See FOR TEENS on page 4.

Decorative Tile or Trivet

Monday, November 13 at 4:30 or 6:30 pm

For adults or teens. Make your own decorative tile or trivet just in time for the holiday season! Create a design on the computer and use our laser engraver to etch it onto a square tile.

Drop-in Makerspace Days

Friday, November 24 from 9:30 am-5:30 pm,
Saturday, November 25 from 9:30 am-5 pm or
Sunday, November 26 from 1-4:30 pm

All ages welcome. For these three days only, the Makerspace will be spreading out all of our equipment in the spacious Back Room for a drop-in only long weekend. Start making your holiday projects or just check out the Makerspace equipment. Use up some of our leftover supplies from last year's classes or bring your own materials. No registration required. All equipment is first-come, first-served. You may be asked to limit your time using a machine if others are waiting.



Makerspace @ Medford:

Drop-in Winter Mugs

Thursday, November 30
from 11:30 am-7:30 pm - location TBA*

All ages welcome. Come to the Medford Branch and make a wintry mug using the heat press. 1 mug per person, while supplies last.

Acrylic Photo Gift

Monday December 11 at 4 or 6:30 pm

All ages welcome. Younger kids will need an adult helper. Use the laser to make a unique gift. Bring the photo you'd like to use on your phone or a flash drive.

Drop-in Wine Stoppers

Thursday, December 14 from 10 am-8 pm

For adults. Drop in to the Makerspace and make your own personalized wine stopper using our laser engraver! No appointment necessary. One stopper per person, while supplies last.

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