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On the Cover:
The Patchogue-Medford Library makes a difference in the lives of the community. Pictured are people who have shared their stories with us. Scan the QR code on the cover to hear from them!

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

Metamorphosis...
Featuring the artists of Family Residences & Essential Enterprises, Inc
March 4 – April 29
Reception: Wednesday, April 3 from 10:30 am-12 pm

Photographs by Steve Caputo
May 1 – June 26
Reception: Saturday, June 1 from 2-4 pm

Friends of the Library
Book Sale!
Saturday, April 6 from 10 am-3 pm
Visit our sale and discover books, movies, video games, board games and more!

Library Closed:
May 12 - Mother’s Day
May 27 - Memorial Day

*Note: Sunday, May 19 will be the last Sunday open until October.

Board of Trustees
Meetings:
Wednesdays, April 17 and May 15 at 5:30 pm

VOTE
4.02.24
Patchogue-Medford Library
Budget Vote & Trustee Election
Tuesday, April 2 from 9:30 am-8 pm
Stop by to cast your paper ballot. This year the Library Board is proposing a 2% increase.
Budget Hearing - Tuesday, March 26 at 6 pm

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Thank you for your continued support.
Sincerely,
Danielle Paisley, Director

A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR:

“Access to knowledge is the superb, the supreme act of truly great civilizations. Of all the institutions that purport to do this, free libraries stand virtually alone in accomplishing this mission.”

—Toni Morrison, Author

Our Annual Budget vote and trustee election will take place on Tuesday, April 2 from 9:30 am to 8:00 pm. Harold Trabold, current Board of Trustees President, is running unopposed on the ballot this year. For thirteen years, your Library Board of Trustees and Administration have been committed to increasing access to library services in our community without sacrificing great customer service and remaining under the tax cap. The Patchogue-Medford Library added the Carnegie Library Teen Center in 2016, and has experience adding the care, maintenance and staffing of an additional building to our budget. We have built the new Medford Library branch by relying on grants, donations, collaboration with our local government and efficient spending. The opening is very close, but still pending. Stay tuned for opening dates!

This year, you will see a decrease in spending on the items we circulate in our buildings. Please know that we will continue to have a complete and highly desirable collection of physical and digital media, as well as Library of Things items and museum passes available to the community. By analyzing what collections are being used most by our community, we can order items in a more efficient manner. Our collection development team meets regularly to ensure that we are taking in all the feedback provided by our community and then purchasing accordingly. You will see an increase in funding for our classes and events to meet the demand for educational, empowering, and entertaining programs for all. You will also see an increase in our employee salaries. Our employees are the lifeblood of what we do here in the library and out in the community. We will meet the contractual obligations for Library employees, including exponentially rising health insurance costs, and add a few key staff members (pages, custodians, security) to help run our Medford facility. This will ensure a safe experience for all. More often than not, the employees hired for these positions come directly from our community, supporting economic development and ensuring that our employees truly know the community we serve. The library board and administration commend the amazing Library staff for the efficiency, commitment, perseverance, and innovation that they show in the service they provide to our residents every day.

The stories shared by those on our cover are a testament to the important role that public libraries play in our communities. Please come down to the Main Library Building and vote on Tuesday, April 2.

A WORD FROM THE CANDIDATE

HAROLD G. TRABOLD

Harold G. Trabold is an attorney practicing in Patchogue, where he resides with his wife, Karlene. They have two children. Mr. Trabold is currently serving as President of the Patchogue-Medford Library Board of Trustees. He is a member and past president of Patchogue Rotary Club, past president and a member of the Board of Directors of the Patchogue Chamber of Commerce, Past President and current member of the Board of Trustees of the Suffolk County Cooperative Library System. During Mr. Trabold’s current term as Trustee of the Library he led the effort to develop and construct the Medford Library Branch to provide enhanced services to the Medford community while maintaining fiscal responsibility.

For questions about the proposed budget, please call the Director, Danielle Paisley at 631-654-4700, ext. 300.
**COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS & EVENTS**

Registration is ongoing, unless otherwise noted.

**Pajama Donation Drive**
April 1 – May 17
In partnership with Assemblyman Joe DeStefano and the organization E.J.’s, we are collecting NEW pajamas, appropriate for all seasons, in all sizes, from newborn to adult.

**Shed the Meds**
Saturday, April 6 from 9:30 am-12:30 pm
Get rid of unwanted or expired medications to keep them out of our groundwater and away from children. Sponsored by Legislator Dominick Thornton and the Suffolk County Sheriff’s Office.

**Solar Eclipse for Everyone**
Sunday, April 7 from 2-4 pm
For adults and families. Learn about the solar eclipse, explore different activity stations and meet a NASA Solar System Ambassador. Register to receive your complimentary eclipse glasses. Two per family, while supplies last.

**NYC Train Tickets**
Saturdays, April 20 and May 18
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.

**Tour Canine Companions for Independence**
Wednesday, April 24 at 10:30 am
Join us for a unique behind-the-scenes tour of our local facility. Learn how they train incredible service dogs to empower individuals with disabilities and support professionals in healthcare, criminal justice and education. Meet us at the facility located at 286 Middle Island Road in Medford. PML cardholders only. Registration required.

**Genealogy Assistance**
**One-on-One**
**Genealogy Assistance**
Thursdays 6-9 pm
Call ext. 152 to make an appointment.
Get expert assistance for all of your genealogy questions.

**Community Legal Help Project**
Every 4th Thursday
Volunteer attorneys will give free legal help to Suffolk County residents ONLY. Appointments preferred. Call 631-822-3272 to make an appointment.

**ADDITION & RECOVERY HELP**
SMART Friends & Family Workshop
Saturday at 10 am
For family and friends of people with addictive behavior.

**SMART Recovery**
Saturdays at 12 pm
For people struggling with addiction.

**Healthcare Navigators with HWCLI**
**Tuesdays and Thursdays**
April 2 and May 7 from 10 am-4 pm
Qualified bilingual Healthcare Navigators will help you choose the right plan and help complete applications for Medicaid, Essential Plans, Child Health Plus and Qualified Health Plans. Call 516-505-4426 to make an appointment.

**HiCap (Health Insurance Information Counseling Assistance Program)**
**Thursdays**
April 11 and May 5 from 10 am-1 pm
Trained volunteers provide guidance to those with questions about Medicare and Medicaid. Call ext. 152 to make an appointment.

**Medicaid Enrollment for the Aged, Blind & Disabled**
**Monday**
April 22 from 3-7 pm
Bilingual Facilitated enrollers trained by NYS Dept of Health assist these populations with Medicaid programs free of charge. First-come, first-served.

**90s Computer Lab: Spring Break Edition**
**Thursday**
April 25 from 4:30-7:30 pm
Join us for a reboot of our drop-in ‘90s Computer Lab program! Play a mix tape of edutainment computer games, including Oregon Trail, Carmen Sandiego and more! This Spring Break edition will also feature classic afterschool computer games and a bonus retro video game console! Revisit your computer glory days and discover what the millennials were up to when they should’ve been doing their homework. 
For all ages, no registration required.

**Bideawee Adoption Event**
Saturday, May 4 from 11 am-2:30 pm
Give a loving pet a fur-ever home! The Bideawee Adoption truck will be in the rear of the Library with pets ready to be adopted.

**A Very Senior Prom:**
**Song and Dance for the Young at Heart**
Friday, May 10 from 2-4 pm
Celebrate Older American Month by dressing up for an afternoon of music and light refreshments.

**The PML BlueBrela Tours Presents...**
**The Patchogue-Sumner Anniversary Tour**
Saturday, May 18 at 11 am or 4 pm
Take a step back in time and explore Patchogue’s Main Street in 1924! Experience the bustling commerce and unique character of the era – with a few unexpected surprises along the way! After our walk down memory lane (1.5 miles, rain or shine), we’ll refuel with some lite bites and chat about the good ol’ days at a local eatery. The tour departs from the Carnegie Library - 160 West Main Street. Ages 16+ Wear comfy shoes and dress for the weather. Register for ONE time slot.
Suggested donation to the Greater Patchogue Foundation of $10 per person upon registration.

**LIVE AT THE LIBRARY**
Registration is ongoing.

**Watch a Movie Wednesdays**
**April 10 at 1 pm: Aquaman and the Lost Kingdom**
**May 15 at 1 pm: Wonka**

**Open Mic**
**Sunday, May 5 at 2 pm**
Perform in front of an audience of your friends and neighbors or just come to listen and enjoy!

**WE CAN HELP**

**Meet with a Licensed Social Worker**
To make an appointment call ext. 152 or email socialworkers@pmlib.org.

**Practice for the Citizen's Interview**
A librarian will help you prepare by reviewing questions that may come up in your interview. Call ext. 405 for 30 minute appointment.

**Career Counselling (Bilingual)**
Mondays from 5:30-8:30 pm
(In-person/Virtual)
Get help with resumes, career advice and job applications. Call ext. 152 to make 30-minute appointment.

**English Conversation Group**
Mondays from 7:30-8 pm
Practice your English conversation skills.

**Bilingual Immigration Counseling**
Tuesdays from 3-7 pm (phone call)
Call ext. 152 to sign up for a 30-minute appointment with a lawyer to answer your immigration questions.

**CLASSES EN ESPAÑOL**

**Trabajadora Social**

**Práctica para la Entrevista de Ciudadanía**
Llame al 631-654-4700 ext. 405 para hacer una cita de 30 minutos. Si tiene una entrevista de ciudadanía próximamente, haga una cita con una bibliotecaria en la que le ayudará a prepararse. En esta cita no se estudiará material para el examen de ciudadanía, simplemente se practicarán preguntas que pueden surgir en su entrevista.

**Asesoramiento Profesional con Betty Valdés**
Los lunes de 5:30-8:30 pm (En persona/Virtual) 
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 7:30 pm (por teléfono) 
Unase a nosotras en la biblia de practicar sus habilidades de conversación en inglés.

**Consejería de Inmigración Bilingüe**
Los martes de 5:30-7:30 pm Regístrese para una cita de 30 minutos con un abogado para responder sus preguntas sobre inmigración.

**Años Dorados**
Los miércoles de 10:30 am-12 pm 
Viva sus años dorados con nuevas amistades, juegos, diversión y un delicioso cañecito.

**Alfabetización para Adultos**
Los sábados a las 10 am 
¿Desea usted aprender o conoce a alguien quien quiere leer y escribir bien en español? Aprenda con la maestra, Aura.

**Club de Lectura en Español**
Los martes y 16 de abril y 7 y 28 de Mayo de 7-8 pm 
Aumenta tu motivación por leer, potencia la confianza y el autoestima, fomenta la socialización y motivación en nuestro club de lectura.

**Noche ELL del Distrito Escolar de Patchogue-Medford**
Jueves de 4 de abril a 5:30-6:45 pm
Para los padres de los actuales Estudiantes del idioma Inglés. Representantes de PMSD estarán aquí para discutir información importante sobre los próximos exámenes de NYS. Voluntarios adiestrados proveerán actividades divertidas para los niños que asisten. Asista en persona o vía Zoom.

**Capacitación Narcan**
Los martes de 7 de mayo a 7:30 pm 
Representantes del Departamento de Policía del Condado de Suffolk instruirán a los participantes sobre el uso de Narcan, que se puede administrar en caso de una emergencia por sobredosis de opioides. Es necesario registrarse.

**Las Redes Sociales para su Pequeña Empresa**
Sábado 18 de mayo de 7-8 pm 
Venga a este taller de redes sociales interactiva en español donde aprenderá consejos y trucos sobre cómo usar las redes sociales para aumentar el número de seguidores y el interés de su clientes.

**Cómo Iniciar un Negocio con un Presupuesto Pequeño**
Lunes 20 de mayo de 7-8:30 pm 
Para las personas que están pensando en iniciar un nuevo negocio, aprenda los conceptos básicos para establecer un negocio.
MEET, MAKE & CREATE

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

Do the Write Thing
Thursday, April 4, 11 and May 2, 9 from 2-4 pm
Write, share and discuss different kinds of creative writing. Attend in person or via Zoom.

"Bee Kind" Painting
Thursday, April 11 at 7 pm
Paint a honeybee-themed work of art guided by artist Kathy Reccardi. No experience needed.

Long Island Reads Book Discussion: Better Living Through Birthing
Wednesday, April 17 at 6:30 pm
Discuss the Long Island Reads title. Register now!

Ooh La La! Chocolate Mousse
Thursday, April 18 at 6:30 pm
Celebrate National Chocolate Mousse Day all month long! Samples will be provided.

Bingo With Barbara
Fridays, April 19 and May 17 at 10 am
Play Bingo and win prizes! Register now!

Strategy Board Games
Saturdays, April 20 and June 1 from 12-3 pm
Sharpen your mind with some engaging games. Register now!

News and Views
Thursdays, April 25 and May 30 at 10:30 am
Join fellow community members to discuss current events. Register now!

Painted Birdhouses
Thursday, April 25 at 6:30 pm
Decorate a house for your featherly friends.

Art for All Abilities: Handmade Connections
Fridays, April 26 and May 24 from 1-3 pm
Contribute to a community mosaic art project that will be displayed in the Patchogue Community Garden. All skill levels welcome.

Senior Social Hour (Bilingual)
Mondays, April 29 and May 20 at 1 pm
Come and have a friend for guided activities and friendly conversation. Register now!

Needle Felting: Flower Pins
Wednesday, May 1 at 6:30 pm
Use felting needles and natural fibers to create a 3D flower brooch.

Turkish Cooking and Culture
Saturday, May 11 from 1:30-4:30 pm
Learn to make traditional Turkish dishes, including treatment, prevention and resources.

Guitar & Bass Workshop
Monday, May 20 at 7 pm
Musician and teacher Joe Loschiavo will help stretch your musical muscles.

Country Music Bingo
Wednesday, May 22 from 6:30-8 pm
Bingo with Barbara takes on country music!

Choose Your Own Adventure
Genre Book Club: Science-Fiction
Thursday, May 23 at 6:30 pm
Tired of book club with uninspiring choices? Join our NEW book discussion group where we choose the genre and YOU pitch the book! This month, we’re exploring sci-fi! Register now!

Coll Basket Weaving: Raffa Bowl
Thursday, May 30 from 6-8 pm
Practice an ancient form of basket weaving: coiling. A starter circle will be provided.

FOR ADULTS

The Mess of New York City Vital Records
Wednesday, April 3 at 10 am
Genealogist, Nec Ferretti will discuss access challenges to NYC vital records and ongoing efforts to improve the situation. Attend via Zoom only.

Boating Safety Course
Saturday, April 20 from 10 am-5 pm
Meets requirements for boaters in NYS required by NYS law. Cost is $50, due to the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 18-06 at the time of online registration, which includes the cost of the Boat America Study Guide. For ages 10+. In person only.

Broadway on a Budget
Tuesday, April 23 at 6:30 pm
Theater enthusiast Brian Stoll will discuss all things Broadway and share some money-saving tips!

Virtual Genealogy Discussion Group
Wednesdays April 24 and May 8, 22 at 10 am
Get help with researching your ancestors.

Learning to Look | Earth Works
Wednesday, April 24 at 6:30 pm at MoCA LI. or via Zoom
Discover a conceptual art movement from the 60s and 70s, called Land Art or Earth Art.

Career Journeys from the Ground Up: Discover Your Own Path
Wednesday, April 24 at 6:30 pm
Career counselor Lisa Straus-Lorenc will facilitate a hands-on workshop with interactive activities that help you gain motivation, inspiration and insight into career options.

Coffee with a Curator
Saturday, May 4 at 12 pm at MoCA LI. or via Zoom
A special talk and gallery visit with the artist of MoCA LI’s exhibit, Eccentric Abstractions.

Spanish for Beginners
Saturdays, May 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 10 am
Level up your language skills! This 4-week course covers greetings, introductions, times, days and key grammar. In person only.

Start Your Day the Right Way: Yin Yoga
Tuesdays in April and May at 7 am at the Carnegie Library
A slow paced class with a meditative approach for all levels involving variations of seated and supine poses held for 3-5 minutes. Attend in person or via Zoom.

Vinyasa Yoga Before Work
Thursdays in April and May at 7 am at the Carnegie Library
Wake up with stretching and strengthening asanas. Attend in person or via Zoom.

Ask a Podiatrist
Friday, April 12 at 10 am
Learn diabetic foot care, wound management and general foot related concerns.

ABCs of Medicare
Wednesday, April 17 at 1 pm
Explore the basics of Medicare, learn how to navigate the system and obtain optimum coverage.

Navigating Long Term Care: Medicaid
Thursday, April 18 at 1 pm
Attorneys from Frankerlin PLLC will discuss long-term care and how to navigate the Medicaid system.

Stony Brook Mobile Mammography Van
Wednesday, April 24 from 9:30 am-4 pm
The Mobile Mammography Van will be here to provide screenings to women, age 40 and up. Call 631-638-4135 to book your appointment.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Balance and Strength Fitness
Wednesdays, May 1, 8, 15 and 22 at 10 am
Start your journey to a stronger, healthier you! Learn exercises that enhance your emotional, physical and spiritual well-being. Wear comfortable shoes. No sandals or flip flops.

All Levels Yoga Flow
Every Friday in May at 11:30 am
Join Adrienne’s all-level yoga class focusing on breath, alignment, balance, flexibility and strength. Bring a mat and any props you have.

Vacation Home Rentals
Thursday, May 16 at 6:30 pm
Learn to unlock travel savings by renting vacation homes on Airbnb, VRBO and more.

Horse Power: Equine Therapy
Wednesday, May 22 at 11 am at Equine Healing
Learn about equine assisted therapy programs that enhance your emotional, physical and spiritual well-being. Wear comfortable shoes. No sandals or flip flops.

Learning to Look | Post Minimalism
Wednesday, May 22 at 6:30 pm at MoCA LI or via Zoom
Engage in a discussion on Post Minimalism.

Defensive Driving with Empire Safety Council
Saturday, May 25 from 10:30 am-4:30 pm
Reduce violation points and get a discount on auto insurance. A check or money order for $33 per person made payable to Empire Safety Council is due to the instructor at the beginning of class. In person only.
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 pmilb.org or call 631-654-4700, ext. 500 to register. If you need special accommodations for any program please call 631-654-4700, ext. 254.

APRIL

Dungeons & Dragons

Friday, April 5 from 5-8 pm
Roll dice, defeat villains and become heroes in this two-part tabletop roleplaying adventure!

Customized Umbrellas

Thursday, April 11 from 6-7 pm
Decorate an umbrella in this program and you'll always know which umbrella is yours.

Universal Yums

Friday, April 12 from 6-7 pm
Explore other countries through trivia and a variety of sweet and savory snacks, all with unique flavors and spices! *This program may not be suitable for teens with food allergies.

TOOL FOR SCHOOL

SAT Prep

Sign up for this two-week series on getting ready for the SAT. One session will focus on English and the other on Math. A free book will be provided which you can pick up starting on April 1 or on the day of the class.

Wildflower Seed Bombs

Saturday, April 20 from 2:30-3:30 pm
Celebrate Earth Day by making your own wildflower seed bombs using recycled paper!

DIY Spring Witch Brooms

Sunday, April 21 from 2-3 pm
Create a witchy, floral broom!

‘90s Computer Lab: Spring Break Edition

Thursday, April 25 from 4:30-7:30 pm
For details see COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS & EVENTS on page 3.

Improv Comedy Night

Friday, April 26 from 6:30-8 pm
Join us for a night of laughter, theatrics and thinking on the spot with a series of hilarious improv comedy games.

MANGA BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, April 17 from 5:30-6 pm
Join us for a night of laughter, theatrics and thinking on the spot with a series of hilarious improv comedy games.

RPGs with Michael

Saturday, April 27 from 1-4 pm
Enjoy fun adventures with your dungeon master, Michael!

MAY

Bobbinology: Sashiko Keychains

Thursday, May 2 from 6-7:30 pm
Celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month by exploring Japanese sashiko techniques and creating a fun keychain to hang on your backpack!

Dungeons & Dragons

Friday, May 3 from 5-8 pm
Roll dice, defeat villains and become heroes in this two-part tabletop roleplaying adventure!

Battle of the Books Information Meeting

Wednesday, May 8 from 6-6:30 pm
Do you like books and trivia? Enjoy some snacks, hear about this year’s books and learn about this fun county-wide competition!

Makerspace @ Carnegie: Teen Mug Making

Thursday, May 9 from 3-8 pm
Drop in any time to use our sublimation printer and mug press to make a personalized mug. Give it as a Mother’s Day gift or keep it for yourself!

Universal Yums

Friday, May 10 from 6-7 pm
Explore countries through trivia and a variety of sweet and savory snacks, all with unique flavors and spices! *This program may not be suitable for teens with food allergies.

Flowers for Someone Special

Saturday, May 11 from 2-3 pm
Design a pot and fill it with beautiful flowers.

Mystery Video Game Tournament

Friday, May 17 from 6-7:30 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.

RPGs with Michael

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Enjoy fun adventures with your dungeon master, Michael!

Manga Book Club

Wednesday, May 22 from 5:30-6 pm
Join us for a night of laughter, theatrics and thinking on the spot with a series of hilarious improv comedy games.

Calling All Paper Pilots!

Friday, May 24 from 6-7 pm
Ditch the classic paper airplane and try something more advanced! Make some paper planes designed for speed, distance and even acrobatics.

Amazing Zines: DIY Magazines

Thursday, May 30 from 6-7 pm
Learn about zines then make and print your very own!

Teen Paint Night

Friday, May 31 from 6-7:30 pm
Unwind with a relaxing paint night! Learn about an artist and create a painting in their style. Your artwork will be displayed in our Carnegie Art Gallery for the entire summer!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Program Buddies: ELL Night

Friday, April 4 from 5-7 pm
Earn community service hours and facilitate fun activities for younger students while their adults attend a program in the Library. This program will be held in the Main Building.

Carnegie Teen Advisory Board

Tuesdays, April 9 and May 7 from 5-6 pm
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!

Extraordinary Earth Art

Wednesday, April 24 and May 29 from 5:30-6:30 pm
Earn community service credit by making art out of recycled materials and found objects. Your art will be shared with Students Rebuild, who will make a $5 donation per project to organizations tackling environmental issues responding to the climate crisis across the world.

Carnegie Garden Club

Wednesday, May 15 from 5:30-6:30 pm
Join us to start seeds for our garden beds at Carnegie and learn about our projects this year!

For more information call 631-654-4700, ext. 500.

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

Student Success Series
Every Tuesday and Thursday from 5:30-6:30 pm (except for school holidays)
For grades 1-6. A certified teacher will be here to tutor children in math, reading and writing. Please register for ONE session per week beginning April 1 and May 1.

Walk-in Homework Help
Every Wednesday in April and May from 4-6 pm (except for school holidays)
For grades 1-6. A certified teacher will be here to help your child with homework. No registration required.

Brainfuse Virtual Tutors
Get FREE online help with your homework from tutors every day from 2-11 pm.
For more information visit pmlib.org/homework-help

FOR KIDS

INFANT, TODDLER AND PRESCHOOL WITH A PARENT/CAREGIVER

Babies & Books
Tuesday, April 9 from 10:30-11:15 am
For ages 2-11 months. Explore the best board books for infants and learn simple rhymes and games, too.

Let's Get Movin!
Wednesday, April 10 from 4-4:45 pm
For ages 3-5 years. Get in the game with a variety of Sport-ivities!

Busy Fingers Fun
Thursday, April 11 from 11-11:30 am
For ages 3-5 years. Create crafts with your little one to develop the fine motor skills needed for activities such as cutting and writing.

Signing Stories
Thursday, April 11 from 11:45 am-12:15 pm
For children ages 2 months-4 years. Learn signs in a fun, playful way through stories and song.

Parachute Play
Thursday, April 11 from 5:45-6:15 pm
For ages 18 months-3½ years. Songs, dances and games with our parachute.

Tots’ Night Out
Tuesday, April 16 from 5:30-6:15 pm
For ages 18 months-5 years. Enjoy this fun and hands-on program with activities, crafts, storytime and music!

SCHOOL AGE INDEPENDENT PROGRAMS

Book Time with a Dog
Monday, April 8 at 6, 6:20 or 6:40 pm
For grades K-6. Practice your reading skills with a certified therapy dog.

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Minecraft Club
Friday, April 12 from 4-4:30 pm
For grades 3-4. Connect with other Minecraft fans to play the game and conquer challenges.

STEM Saturday: Save the Egg Challenge
Saturday, April 13
From 2-3 pm - For grades K-3
From 3:30-4:30 pm - For grades 4-7.
Build a device to save your egg from a cracking catastrophe.

Learn to Draw Anime
Monday, April 15 from 5-6:30 pm
For grades 4-7. Learn from a professional comic book artist how to make art in the style of your favorite anime characters.

Customized Umbrellas
Tuesday, April 16 from 6:30-7:30 pm
For grades 3-6. Decorate an umbrella in this program and you’ll always know which umbrella is yours.

Spring Chick Cupcakes
Wednesday, April 17 from 6:45-7:30 pm
For grades K-6. Learn how to make a craft and meet our newly hatched baby chicks.

Beautiful Babies, Wonderful Ones and Terrific Twos
Saturday, April 20
From 10-10:45 am - For ages 2-11 months.
From 11:15-11:45 am - For ages 12-23 months.
From 12:15-12:45 pm - For ages 24-35 months.
Enjoy songs, bubbles, parachute play and other age-appropriate games with your child while getting to know other families in your neighborhood.

Let’s Sing!
Sunday, April 21 from 1:30-2 pm or 2:15-2:45 pm
For ages 2-5 years. Enjoy a guitar sing-along to classic children’s songs.

Baby Chicks and Stories
Friday, April 26 from 10:30-11:15 am or 4:30-5:15 pm
For ages 3-5. Listen to stories, make a craft and meet our newly hatched baby chicks.

Flower Power Story & Play
Saturday, April 27
From 10:30-11:15 am or 2:30-3:15 pm
For ages 2½-5 years. Enjoy a story and playtime centered around planting, growth and patience.

Sketch & Stretch
Monday, April 29 from 6-7 pm
For ages 3-5 years. Art and yoga movements are combined in this unique program.

123 Play With Me
Tuesday, April 30, May 7, 14 & 21 from 10:15-11:30 am
For ages 12-35 months. Our 4-week playgroup series encourages parents and children to play together, while also speaking with early childhood specialists.

Early Education Fair
Saturday, April 6 from 12-4 pm
For details see FOR PARENTS on page 7.

Solar Eclipse for Everyone
Sunday, April 7 from 2-4 pm
For families with children of all ages. See details in COMMUNITY EVENTS & HIGHLIGHTS on page 3.

Tinker Tuesday: LEGO Build
Tuesday, April 9 from 6-7:30 pm
For grades K-6. Drop in for a fun time in our Tinker Lab, focused on the STEAM concept of the day.

Earth Day Every Day
Monday, April 22 from 10:30 am-12:30 pm
For families with children of all ages. Celebrate our planet together with eco-friendly crafts, games and activities.

Dial Children’s Book Day
Sunday, April 28 from 1:30-4:30 pm
For families with children in grades K-6. Celebrate how culture, heritage and language can strengthen our community with music, crafts and snacks.

Star Wars Day
Saturday, May 4 from 1-3 pm
For families with children in grades K-6. Journey to a galaxy not so far away with activities like building your own droid, an out-of-this-world photo op, themed snacks and more.

Sign Out-Unplugged: Saturday Afternoon Storytime
Saturday, May 4 from 2-3 pm
For ages 2-11 months. Explore the best board books and meet our newly hatched baby chicks.

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Chef’s Kitchen
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For children ages 2½-5 years. Wear one of our chef costumes and use your imagination to create meals with our play food.

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Box Party
Saturday, May 4 from 3-5 pm
For ages 12 months-3 years. Your imagination is in charge during this fun cardboard box program!

Tinker Tuesday: Domino STEM Challenge
Tuesday, May 7 from 6-7:30 pm
For grades K-6. Drop in for a fun time in our Tinker Lab, focused on the STEAM concept of the day.

Game-Play-Palooza
Thursday, May 23 from 11 am-3 pm
For families with children of all ages. Choose from a variety of games, puzzles, blocks and more in this mash-up of activities!
FOR FAMILIES  One registration per family. See our Drop-in programs for more family fun!

Save, Spend, Share DIY Bank
Saturday, April 13 from 11 am-12:30 pm
For families with children in grades K-6. Use Makerspace technology to create a customized family bank while learning about financial literacy for the whole family from a professional financial educator. This program is proudly sponsored by Assemblyman DeStefano. Register beginning Monday, April 1.

Watercolor Workshop
Wednesday, April 24 from 6-7:30 pm
For families with children in grades 3-6. Learn how to make beautiful art using watercolor pencils. You will each get to make your own masterpiece. Register beginning Monday, April 1.

Grow & Taste in the Garden
Sunday, May 19 at 2 pm
For families with children in grades K-6. Plant seeds to take home and taste what your seeds will grow to be! This program takes place at the Patchogue Community Garden, 380 Bay Ave, Patchogue. Register beginning Wednesday, May 1.

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

INFANT, TODDLER AND PRESCHOOL  WITH A PARENT/CAREGIVER

Lil Athletes Kiddies
Wednesday, May 8
From 3:30-4:15 pm - For children 18-35 months.
From 4:30-5:15 pm - For children 3-5 years.
A mix of basic skills, fitness concepts and beginner offensive and defensive learning will be used to engage little athletes in the fundamentals of sports.

Tummy Time
Friday, May 10 from 10:30-11:15 am
For ages 2-11 months. Bond with your baby while they explore with toys, play and learn in a relaxed setting.

Babies Boogie & Toddlers Tango
Monday, May 13
From 5-5:45 pm - For ages 3-17 months.
From 5:45-6:45 pm - For ages 18-35 months.
Join us for a fun adventure with movement, music, dancing, instruments and so much more!

TO KINDEYGARTEN & BEYOND! PRE-K GRADUATION
Wednesday, May 15 from 4:30-5:15 pm
For families with a child graduating Pre-K and going into kindergarten in 2024. Join us for a story and sweet graduation ceremony!

Preschool Prom
Wednesday, May 15 from 5:30-6:30 pm
For ages 2½-5 years. Dress up and get ready for an afternoon filled with crafts, music, dancing and snacks.

Beautiful Babies,
Wonderful Ones and Terrific Twos
Saturday, May 18
From 10-10:45 am - For ages 2-11 months.
From 11-11:45 am - For ages 12-23 months.
From 12-12:45 pm - For ages 24-35 months.
For details see APRIL on page 6.

Baby Start
Monday, May 20 from 10-10:30 am
For ages 2-11 months. Join us for a sweet, interactive infant program.

Honey Bunny Storytime
Wednesday, May 22
from 10:30-11:15 am or 4:30-5:15 pm
For children ages 12 months-3½ years. Hippity-hop into this sweet storytime with rhymes, a simple craft and 15 minutes of free play at the end.

Sprouts & Friends
Thursday, May 23 from 10:30-11:15 am or 11:30 am-12:15 pm
For ages 2 months-3½ years. Make new friends at this music and movement program!

Creepy Crawlers Story & Play
Friday, May 24 from 10:30-11:15 am or 4:15-5 pm
For ages 2½-5 years. Join us for an insect themed story and play session.

Mother Goose & More
Wednesday, May 29
from 10:30-11 am or 11:15-11:45 am
For ages 2-3½ months. Enjoy classic Mother Goose rhymes, songs and a short story.

SCHOOL AGE  INDEPENDENT PROGRAMS

Small Stitches: Sashiko Keychains
Monday, May 6 from 6:30-8 pm
For grades 4-6. Celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month by exploring Japanese sashiko techniques and creating a fun keychain to hang on your backpack!

Lil Athletes
Wednesday, May 8 from 6:30-6:15 pm
For grades K-5. See details above in INFANT, TODDLER AND PRESCHOOL.

Sew with Me: Sashiko Keychains
Saturday, May 11 from 11:30-11:30 am
For ages 1-3 with a caregiver. For details see Small Stitches: Sashiko Keychains above.

Cute Canvas Art
Saturday, May 11 from 1-2 pm
For grades K-3. For fans of Squishmallows! Design and paint your own version of a cuddly plushie to hang in your home. Dress for a mess.

Minecraft Club
Monday, May 13 from 4:30-5:30 pm or 5:45-6:45 pm
For grades 3-6. Connect with other Minecraft fans to play the game and conquer challenges.

Strawberry Shortcake Cups
Tuesday, May 14 from 5-5:45 pm or 6:30-7:15 pm
For grades K-6. Celebrate National Strawberry Month by making this classic dessert.

Word Power
Thursday, May 16 from 4:30-5:15 pm
For grades K-2. Master new vocabulary and literacy skills by playing games on our iPads.

In a Jar
Saturday, May 18 from 2-3 pm
For grades 2-6. Join us for a story and a stained-glass mason jar craft.

Miss Cathy’s Crafty Creations
Monday, May 20 from 5:45-6:45 pm or 6-6:45 pm
For grades K-3. Get crafty and make a seasonal masterpiece.

Book Time with a Dog
Monday, May 20 at 6, 6:20 or 6:40 pm
For grades 1-6. Practice your reading skills with a certified therapy dog.

Aromatherapy First Aid Kits
Tuesday, May 21 from 6-7 pm
For grades 3-6. Summer is coming! Before it does, learn how to make a Band-Aid in a Bottle and an Anti-Itch-After Bug Bite Stick.

Let’s Go Fly a Kite
Tuesday, May 28 from 5-6 pm
For grades K-3. Learn how kites stay up in the air and how different materials affect how kites fly. Then make your own kite to take home!

Butterfly Life Cycle Kick-Off
Wednesday, May 29 from 4:30-5:30 pm
For grades K-5. Meet our live caterpillars and learn about the life cycle of a butterfly with stories and crafts.

FOR PARENTS

No registration required.

Adventures in Parenting Podcast!
Hosted by Patchogue-Medford librarians (and busy moms). Listen, laugh and learn as they talk to expert guests on all things parenting. Now available where most podcasts are found!

Shots for Tots
Tuesdays, April 9 and May 14 from 10 am-3 pm
Free immunizations for children (ages infant-18 years) provided by the Suffolk County Department of Health.
**Makerspace Classes**

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

**Laser-Cut Custom Garden Markers**
**Tuesday, April 9 at 4 pm OR 6:30 pm**
For adults. If you received wooden garden markers from the Seed Library and are curious how to make your own, this class is for you! Learn to engrave and cut wooden garden markers in a variety of shapes using the library’s laser. Participants should be comfortable using a computer.

**Save, Spend, Share DIY Bank**
**Saturday, April 13 at 11 am**
For families with children in grades K-6. Use Makerspace technology to create a customized family bank while learning about financial literacy for the whole family from a professional financial educator. This program is proudly sponsored by Assemblyman DeStefano.

**Introduction to Coding with Python**
**Monday, April 15 at 7 pm**
For adults and teens. Learn the basics of the popular coding language Python. We will also discuss resources you can use to continue your learning. This class is for beginners with no coding experience, but you should be comfortable using a computer.

**Cosplay Cosplanner: An Introduction to Cosplay**
**Sunday, April 21 at 2 pm**
For adults and teens. Learn about essential cosplay tools and participate in an EVA Foam make-and-take workshop. Unleash your creativity and embark on your cosplay journey with us!

**Makerspace @ Carnegie: Teen Mug Making**
**Thursday, May 9 from 3-8 pm**
For teens. Drop in anytime to use our sublimation printer and mug press to make a personalized mug. Give it as a Mother’s Day gift or keep it for yourself!

**Personalized Wind Spinners**
**Thursday, May 23 at 5:30 pm**
Welcome in the fresh spring air with your own personalized wind spinner! Use our sublimation printer to add your own photos or designs to this fun decoration. All ages welcome. Younger children may need adult assistance.

**Beginner Sewing with Creativebug: Market Tote**
**Saturday, May 25 at 12:30 pm OR 3 pm**
For adults. We will use the Library’s crafting database, Creativebug, to learn how to sew a simple tote bag using a sewing machine. No experience required.

Can't make a class? Book an appointment for a one-on-one tutorial at pmlib.org/makerspace