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Library Board Of Trustee Meetings

- Monday, March 17
5:30 pm (DH)
- Tuesday, April 8
5:30 pm (DH)



Women Who Scat

Sunday, March 2, 2 pm (DH)

Celebrate Women's History Month with Cristiana Drapkin in a joyous romp through jazz standards with a special nod to female vocalists.

An Irish Odyssey

Sunday, March 16, 2 pm (DH)

Singer, songwriter and virtuoso flute player Sean Grace brings to life the musical heritage of the Emerald Isle in an engaging program of traditional and contemporary music.



Carousel

Sunday, April 13, 2 pm (DH)

Celebrate National Library Week with the exquisite music and song of Plaza Theatrical's presentation of this beloved Rodgers and Hammerstein musical.

H.M.S. Pinafore

Sunday, April 27, 2 pm (DH)

The Gilbert & Sullivan Light Opera Company of LI presents an operetta filled with infectious tunes, mirth and silliness to spare.



Attention

- Limit of 2 tickets for each weekend performance.
- Doors open 15 minutes before the performance.
- No one will be seated before scheduled time without a ticket.
- Available seats will be given to non-ticket holders on a first-come, first served basis.

March/April 2008

@ Your Library

Absentee Ballots

The Annual Budget Vote & Trustee Election is Tuesday, April 8, 2008, 9:30 am – 9 pm at the Dix Hills building. If you cannot vote in person, you may be eligible to vote absentee. Remember that filing for an absentee ballot is a multi-step process: application, ballot, vote.

1. You may pick up an application at the Library (DH or M); call 421-4530, ext. 350 to have one mailed to you or get it online at the Library's web site: <http://hhhl.suffolk.lib.ny.us>. Applications can be mailed directly to family members away at college.
2. Return the signed application to the Library in person or by mail. You may personally pick up a ballot between Monday, March 17 and Monday, April 7, 9:30 am – 5 pm weekdays (call us to make other arrangements). To receive the ballot by mail, we must receive the signed application by Tuesday, April 1, 5 pm. NOTE: By NYS law, the ballot must be mailed or handed personally to the voter.
3. The completed ballot must reach the Library no later than 5 pm on April 8. It may be returned by someone other than the voter.

Thank you for taking the time to vote! If you have any questions or would like to contact me, Michele Lauer-Bader, Library Director, please call me at 421-4530, ext. 348 or email me at mlauerba@suffolk.lib.ny.us

— Michele Lauer-Bader,
Library Director

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For Adults



Long Island Reads...

Be a part of the seventh "Long Island Reads," an island-wide program promoting the reading and discussion of the same book. This year's selection, *Aloft* by Chang-Rae Lee, will be featured at the **Luncheon Book Discussion on Friday, April 11, 12 pm (M)**. The book explores alienation, a fractured family, mixed heritage and the quest for identity. It spotlights (or exposes) Long Island on the cultural map of the world.

Dramatic Readings...

Wednesday, April 9, 2:30 pm (DH)

David Houston presents selected readings from *Aloft* in the style of radio drama, with special effects and underscoring.

Bus Trips

East Meets West

Tuesday, May 13. Ticket sales begin 3/1.

Join us for a guided bus/walking tour of two bustling Asian communities in NYC—Chinatown and Little Korea. In the afternoon, we'll have a guided tour of the Asia Society & Museum which exhibits traditional and contemporary Asian art in a stunning setting. Luncheon will be in the museum's lovely Garden Court Cafe. Tours, admissions, luncheon & gratuities are included. **Cost: \$82.00 pp.**

Mansions Along The Delaware

Thursday, June 19. Ticket sales begin 3/8.

Our first stop, Andalucia, is a beautiful Greek Revival mansion. Next, enjoy a buffet lunch at the lovely Pen Ryn Mansion. And finally, a guided tour of Glen Foerd, an elegantly furnished riverfront mansion with a formal art gallery and 18 acres landscaped in the English Park tradition. Tours, admissions, luncheon & all gratuities are included. **Cost: \$85.00 pp.**

NY Philharmonic At Lincoln Center

Friday, March 7 • 8:45 am departure

Cost: \$135.00 pp • Wait List Only

Do-As-You-Please In NYC

Wednesday, April 16 • 9:15 am departure

Cost: \$22.00 pp • Tickets Available

- Trips depart from the East Gym entrance of HHH High School East Parking lot.
- Ticket sales begin 9:30 am, at the Dix Hills building and are limited to 2 per district resident on the first day of sale.
- You may not hold spaces for others on the ticket line.
- Exact amount of cash or a check made out to the HHHCL.
- Provide the name, address & telephone number of each person registered for a trip.



100 Years Of American Literature

Tuesday, April 15, 2:30 pm (DH)

Celebrate National Library Week! NYIT professor of English Dr. Elizabeth Donaldson explores the major literary movements and writers of the past hundred years and the changing form of the great American novel.

Joseph Mallord

William Turner

Wednesday, April 2

2:30 pm (DH)

Art historian Mary Vahey's slide lecture discusses one of the greatest landscape painters. His works helped to define the movement known as romanticism.

Looking At Art In The 21st Century

Wednesday, March 12

2:30 pm (DH)

It is said art is of the time, time never stops and the world is changing faster than ever! Lucy Taylor of the Heckscher Museum of Art examines how the disciplines of painting, drawing, sculpture, etc. are responding to these changes.

Taproot Workshop & Journal

Tuesdays, March 11-May 20, 1-3 pm Cost: \$70.00.

(Spring meetings are at South Huntington Library)

For information, call the Taproot office, 689-0668.

Madness & The Media: Trial By TV

Wednesday, April 16

2:30 pm (DH)

The public has always been fascinated by heinous crime from Lizzie Borden through OJ. Forensic Psychologist and author Dr. Barbara Kirwin will tease out the real facts behind the fiction the media presents when madness erupts into crime.

Showboat

Wednesday, April 23

2:30 pm (DH)

In a lecture illustrated with musical excerpts, Hofstra University Professor Dr. James Kolb celebrates the 80th anniversary of this landmark musical, adapted by Oscar Hammerstein from a novel by Edna Ferber.

Computer Classroom

What's New In Windows Vista

Wednesday, March 26

7:30 pm (DH)

Dave Rukofsky will discuss and demonstrate the new "look and feel" that Microsoft Windows Vista offers and how things have changed from Windows XP.

Computer Tutor

Schedule a 30-minute one-on-one appointment on a topic of your choosing. Certain sessions will require some knowledge of computers and all instruction will be at a basic level. You may schedule two sessions per month, up to six sessions in three months. Then there is a waiting period of two months before another session may be scheduled. Telephone Carol Leifer at **421-4530**, ext **389** or e-mail her at pctutor@suffolk.lib.ny.us.

Social Networking

Wednesday, April 30

7:30 pm (DH)

Make friends or find a job! Dave Rukofsky will discuss MySpace, Facebook, LinkedIn, Internet Blogging, etc. *(Also for parents of teenagers and pre-teenagers who will learn about the dangers that lurk behind the keyboard.)*

March Is . . . Women's History Month



Constructing A Legend

Wednesday, March 5
2:30 pm (DH)

Art Historian Mary Vahey explores the work of Louise Nevelson. She constructed her sculpture much as she constructed her past, shaping each with her sense of self as she created an extraordinary iconography through abstract means.

Those Daring Young Women

Wednesday, March 19, 2:30 pm (DH)

LI aviation historian and commercial pilot Carol Froehlig will speak about the courageous women from Long Island who broke the barriers of their times and learned to fly. Find out about their love of flying, challenges, obstacles and sometimes sacrifices.

Painted Ladies: Muse Or Mistress?

Wednesday, March 26
2:30 pm (DH)

Art historian Louise Cella Caruso presents works that add to our imaginative vocabulary of female beauty. The richly colored paintings, at times, hint of scandal and eroticism, of lovers and models, whose "musedom" was immortal or tragic.

Broadway Musicals: Year By Year

Presenter: Hofstra University Professor James Kolb

Thursdays, March 13 & April 10, 2:30 pm (DH)

This two-part musical lecture covers 1960, an extraordinary year on and Off-Broadway. *Greenwillow*, *Bye Bye Birdie*, *The Fantastiks*, *Irma la Douce*, *The Unsinkable Molly Brown*, *Camelot*, *Wildcat* and *Do-Re-Mi* were among the shows that made their debuts.

Crafts



Victorian Slipper

Thursday, March 20
7 pm (DH)

Instructor: Estelle Cohen

This enchanting slipper of gold or black wired mesh is filled with tulle and exotic roses, in a choice of colors. Bring a glue gun & sticks and scissors to class. **Cost: \$15.00. Registration now through 3/13.**

Ikebana

Thursday, April 24
7 pm (DH)

Instructor: Nancy Golder

Following the principles of Japanese flower arranging you will make two arrangements, one high and one low, constructed from living branches, leaves, grasses and flowers. Bring a clipper or scissors to class. **Cost: \$22.00. Registration 3/1 through 4/17.**

Suffolk County Job Fair

Thursday, April 17
3:30-7:30 pm (DH)

This event is being presented by the Suffolk County Department of Labor One-Stop Employment Center. Meet job recruiters and receive employment information from more than 50 organizations representing various industries. Dress for success and bring your resumé! No registration is required. Call Edna Susman at 421-4530, ext. 360 if you have any questions.



Online Job Search & Resumé Writing

Presenter: Sharper Training Solutions, Inc.

Session 1: Search & Resumé Techniques Thursday, March 13, 7:30 pm (DH)

This lecture and demo covers the elements of a resumé: content and language, dos and don'ts, style and format, the online job search, general and industry specific web sites, forums, keywords and terms, and the process: customizing a cover letter, interview questions and answers, the thank you note. No registration required; no limit.

Session 2: Hands-On Writing & E-Mail Thursday, April 3, 7:30 pm (DH)

Create, style and format a resumé using Microsoft Word. E-mail (appropriate addresses, attaching a file, writing a cover e-mail) and traditional mail (letter styles, formatting envelopes) will also be covered. You will receive access to an online manual and more. *Prerequisites: Computer skills, internet skills, e-mail address.* Telephone registration, 421-4530, x 320; limited to 24. If you are unable attend, please let us know, so another may go in your place.

Roam The World



Arctic Adventure

Thursday, March 27, 2:30 pm (DH)

Laurie Campbell takes an adventure cruise to the High Arctic on the icebreaker *Kapitan Khlebnikov*, chopping through the ice to visit remote landing spots, call on Inuit communities, see ancient Thule Eskimo sights and more.

Bolivia: Tibet Of The Americas

Thursday, April 24, 2:30 pm (DH)

Doug Going offers richly authentic music and insightful narration in a multimedia presentation about the western hemisphere's most rugged and isolated nation. It has the world's highest capital city and South America's largest indigenous population.

New English Speakers' Conversation Group

Wednesdays, March 5, 12, 19, 26 and April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 7-9 pm (DH)

A friendly group of people of all nations who have fun practicing English together. Call Catherine Given at 421-4530, ext. 325.

Bridge Lessons: Advanced Beginner & Beginner

Thursdays, April 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 10 am (DH)

Lloyd Karpf teaches the simple standard American system with minimal conventions. **Cost: \$45.00. Registration begins 3/1.**

Defensive Driving Courses

National Safety Council's Defensive Driving Course

Saturday, March 1 *or* Monday, March 24 &
9:30 am-4:30 pm (DH) Tuesday, March 25
7-10 pm (DH)

Registration underway.

Saturday, April 5 *or* Monday, April 28
9:30 am-4:30 pm (DH) Tuesday, April 29
7-10 pm (DH)

Registration begins March 14.

Saturday, May 3 *or* Monday, May 19 &
9:30 am-4:30 pm (DH) Tuesday, May 20
7-10 pm (DH)

Registration begins April 15.

During Saturday sessions there will be a 30-minute break. Bring a bag lunch & beverage.

Cost: \$35.00. Make checks payable to HHHCL.

AARP's 55/Alive Driver Safety Program

Wednesday, April 2 & Thursday, April 3

9:30 am-1:30 pm (DH)

Registration begins 3/8. (Nonresidents beginning 3/15.)

Tuesday, May 6 & Thursday, May 8

6-10 pm (DH)

Registration begins 3/22. (Nonresidents beginning 3/29.)

Geared to participants 50 years of age and older. Bring driver's license and black pen.

Cost: \$10.00. Checks only, payable to AARP.

Luncheon Book Discussion

Friday, March 14 • 12 pm (M)

No Country For Old Men by Cormac McCarthy

Friday, April 11 • 12 pm (M)

Aloft by Chang-Rae Lee

Leader: Director Michele Lauer-Bader

Mid-Morning Book Break

Thursday, March 20 • 11 am (DH)

Maus I & II by Art Spiegelman

Thursday, April 17 • 11 am (DH)

Middlesex by Jeffrey Eugenides

Leader: Educator Helen Harris

The Reader Selects

Tuesday, March 18 • 7:30 pm (M)

Inferno by Ayaan Hirsi Ali

Tuesday, April 15 • 7:30 pm (M)

Agent Zigzag by Ben Macintyre

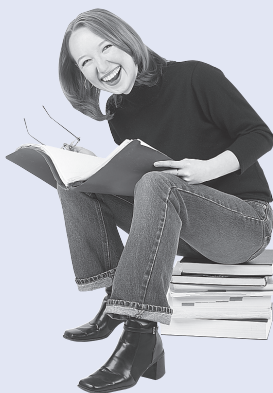
Leader: Librarian Chris Garland

Poetry Discussion Group

Mondays, March 17 & April 21 • 7 pm (DH)

Discussion of the current issue of *Poetry* magazine.

Facilitators: Charlene Knadle & Barbara Southard



Fitness

Total Body Workout

Certified Personal Trainer

Maria Adriane

Tuesdays & Fridays,

10 am (DH) April

29, May 2, 9, 16,

20, 23, 27, 30 (no

session 5/6 & 13)

A combination of low-

impact aerobics and

weights. Bring hand

weights & mat. Registration

underway. Cost: \$32.00.



Interval Training

Certified Personal Trainer

Denise Calcagno

Mondays, 7:15 pm (M)

Session I: March 24, 31, April

7, 14, 21, 28, May 5, 12

Session II: May 19, June 2, 9,

16, 23, 30 (no session 5/26)

Alternates cardio training with

weights to sculpt your body.

Bring hand weights and mat.

Session I: Registration under-

way. Cost: \$32.00 (8 classes)

Session II Registration begins

3/15. Cost: \$24.00 (6 classes).

Therapeutic Yoga Plus

Certified Yoga Instructor

Jane Kearns-Landow

Tuesdays & Fridays, 9:45 am (DH)

March 25, 28, April 1, 4, 11, 15, 18, 22 (no session 4/8)

Yoga and Pilates for all ages and all levels. Wear footless clothing;

bring a sticky mat & towel. Registration underway. Cost: \$32.00.

Feature Films

The Last King Of Scotland (2006) R 123 min.

Thursday, March 6 • 2 pm (DH)

Friday, March 28 • 2 pm (M)

Volver (2006) R 121 min.

Thursday, April 3 • 2 pm (DH)

Friday, April 25 • 2 pm (M)



The Screening Room (Independent Films)

Adam's Apples (2006) Unrated 94 min.

Friday, March 14 • 7:30 pm (DH)

A neo-Nazi sentenced to community service at a church clashes

with the blindly devotional priest. English subtitles.

Arranged (2007) Unrated 89 min.

Friday, April 18 • 7:30 pm (DH)

The friendship of an Orthodox Jewish woman and a Muslim

woman who are going through the process of arranged marriages.

Attention: Please observe posted ratings and be aware that unrated

films may include hard language, violence and adult situations.

Green Living Seminars

Starflower Experiences presents seminars to help people think about life choices and their impact on the earth.

Energy Independence

Thursday, March 13, 7 pm (M)

Bill Lauto has the details on how to lower energy bills without sacrifice. He will teach you trade secrets that will allow you to lower your thermostat and not need a sweater.

Toxic-Free Lawns

Thursday, April 10, 7 pm (M)

Learn practical, effective methods in a "four step" process that will help your lawn build up natural defenses to diseases and pests without using harmful chemicals.

Library Budget Vote/Trustee Elections

Tuesday, April 8, 9:30 am-9:00 pm - Dix Hills

... a message from your Library Board

WHAT IS THE SMARTEST CARD IN YOUR WALLET? YOUR LIBRARY CARD! GET IT. USE IT.

The Library Trustees are presenting a proposed 2008 – 2009 budget for the community’s approval with a 1.70% increase that maintains current services while initiating new ones. Proposed budget increases include additional monies for library materials for borrowing and research; monies for computer equipment to insure fast and easy access to information and for building maintenance and utilities.

New in 2007

- Museum Passes to borrow for visiting area museums.
- A Kurzweil Reader for patrons with low vision.
- A redesigned *First R* newsletter.
- A listening station at Dix Hills.
- Films and audiobooks for adults and children to download from the Library’s website at <http://hhhl.suffolk.lib.ny.us> (click on Download Media).
- A library presence on Facebook.com.

Did You Know? In 2007

- Over 2,000 Library patrons logged on to our wireless network.
- 29,317 community members had library cards.
- 6,888 patrons visited the library each week.
- Attendance at programs was 13,458 adults, 9,321 children and 2,321 teens.
- 460 adults attended our New English Speakers’ Conversation Group.
- Over 60,000 reference questions were answered.
- 357 library patrons met with a Computer Tutor.

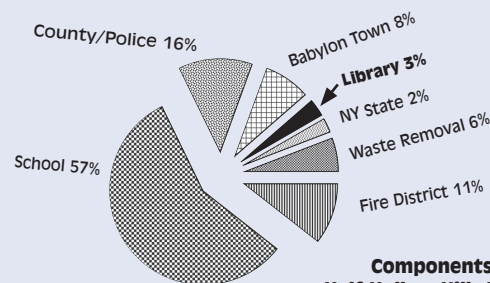
We are committed to maintaining Half Hollow Hills as a library of excellence at a reasonable cost. Take advantage of all your public library has to offer and please take the time to vote on Tuesday, April 8.

If you have any questions, call our director Michele Lauer-Bader at 421-4530, extension 350 or email her at:

mlauerba@suffolk.lib.ny.us.

Summary of Proposed 2008-09 Library Budget

EXPENDITURES	Approved Budget 2007/08	Proposed Budget 2008/09
PERSONNEL COSTS		
Salaries	\$3,893,100	\$3,865,800
Employee Benefits	1,340,822	1,349,734
EQUIPMENT & FURNITURE		
	65,000	79,000
LIBRARY MATERIALS		
	692,200	742,300
LIBRARY PROGRAMS		
	54,700	56,500
LIBRARY OPERATION EXPENSES		
Telephone	25,400	25,400
Telecommunications	36,600	36,600
Printing/Postage	58,500	61,000
Professional & Computer	26,150	26,150
Supplies, Equipment Maintenance & Misc.	162,866	162,500
Suffolk Coop. Lib. System Services	113,000	117,010
OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		
BUILDING & GROUNDS		
Utilities	205,652	204,360
Bldg. Equipment Maint. & Supplies	67,600	67,600
Insurance	43,000	44,000
Building Service Contracts	109,300	113,590
Transfer To Capital	30,000	90,000
TOTAL	\$6,923,890	\$7,041,544
REVENUES		
State Aid	\$12,941	\$13,521
Fine Revenue	25,000	25,000
Interest on Deposits	60,000	67,500
Sale of Materials, Commissions & Other Misc.	17,900	14,000
Balance from Prior Year	139,000	139,000
	<u>\$254,841</u>	<u>\$255,021</u>
To be Raised by Taxation	TOTAL \$6,669,049	\$6,782,523



You may pick up an Annual Report & Budget Information booklet beginning March 25.

Babies Boogie

Tuesday, March 25, 10 am (DH)
3-24 months with adult

Toddlers Tango

Tuesday, March 25, 11 am (DH)
or Tuesday, April 29, 7 pm (M)
2-4 years with adult

Explore movement, music and rhythm from around the world that will get you and your child wiggling and giggling! Register beginning 3/18 for March and 4/15 for April.

Eggstra Special

Saturday, April 26,
11 am (DH)
4-8 years
with adult

Celebrate the egg – listen to a story, sing a song or two and make your own “eggheads.” Register beginning 4/18.



Bunnies, Bunnies, Bunnies

Thursday, March 20
1 pm or 2 pm (DH)
3-5 years with adult

Judy Wilson will introduce you to real live baby bunnies you can hold and cuddle. Listen to a story and make a craft, too! Register beginning 3/10.

Tots Night Out

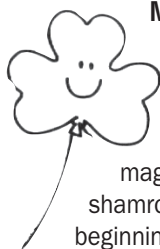
Thursdays, March 27 (M) or
April 3 (DH), 7 pm
18 months-5 years with adult
Enjoy a one-hour interactive family program of music, dancing and a craft. Registration begins 3/20. (You may only register for one program.)

Shamrock Wand

Monday, March 17
4 pm (M)

Grades 1-5

Create a little St. Patrick's Day magic with a special shamrock wand. Register beginning 3/10.



Children in the community are once again invited to vote, in the Dix Hills Children's Room, on the same day as the Library Budget Vote/Trustee Election. This year we're voting for your favorite activity in the Library: Thomas the Tank train table, computer games, read a book, play with puzzles; favorite book character: Curious George, Clifford, Harry Potter, Charlie & Lola; favorite fruit: bananas, apples oranges, grapes. And don't miss Carnival Time from 6:30-8 pm. See Kids & Teens below!!!!

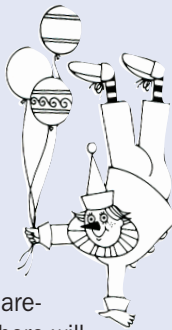
Kids & Teens

Salon Saturday
Saturday, March 15
10:30 am-12 pm (DH)
3-8 years

Enjoy a morning of pampering —get your nails manicured and hair done by the Teen Volunteers. They are scheduling 20 minute appointments; register beginning 3/1.

Carnival Time!
Tuesday,
April 8
6:30-8 pm
(DH) All ages

Drop in for fun and games while caregiver's vote! There will be face painting, crafts and more—plus a visit from a special character! Teen volunteers will help you have a good time. No registration required.



Stay & Play
Saturday, March 22, 11 am
(DH) 1-3 years with adult

Book a special play-date with your child. Age-appropriate toys, puzzles, an art activity and circle time make for a fun-filled hour. Register beginning 3/10.

Saturday Morning Stories

Saturdays, March 29 &
April 19, 11 am (DH)

Family program; 3 years & up
Join us for some fun stories, a little music and movement and a simple craft. Register beginning 3/20 for March & 4/11 for April. (Younger children may attend with an adult if they can listen attentively.)

Pajama Story Time
Wednesdays, March 19 &
April 23, 7 pm (DH)

Family program; 3 years & up
Come in your pajamas and bring your favorite stuffed animal. Enjoy stories, music and movement and a craft. Register beginning 3/12 for March & 4/16 for April. (Younger children may attend with an adult if they can listen attentively.)

Book Time With Our Puppy Pals

Saturday, March 15 & April 5, 11 am (DH) 4 years & up
Spend some time with our two therapy dogs, Bella and Winston. Read to the dogs or share a picture book. Registration is ongoing.

Registration For Children's Programs

- Register your child in person or by phone, 421-4530 (DH) or 421-4535 (M).
- Programs are limited to district residents.
- Let us know in advance if you require any special accommodations because of a disability.
- All programs are age-appropriate; please abide by the age and grade restrictions for each program.
- Please be considerate and arrive on time. We will hold your spot for 10 minutes past starting time.

Homework Help For Grades 1-7

Mondays, March 3, 10, 17, 31 (no session 3/24)
4-5 pm & Thursdays,
March 6, 13, 27 (no session 3/20) 7-8 pm (DH)
Honor students and Key Club members from High Schools East and West will be available for individual assistance. To register telephone Youth Services, 421-4530, ext. 333.

Book Buddies

Saturday, March 8 &
Saturday, April 12
11 am-12 pm (M)
3 years to Grade 3
Students from the Junior National Honor Society of the West Hollow Middle School will be reading to children. Registration is ongoing.

Attention Parents Of Teens & Preteens! Social Networking

Wednesday, April 30
7:30 pm (DH)
Learn about the dangers that lurk behind the keyboard! Dave Rukofsky will discuss MySpace, LinkedIn, Facebook, Internet Blogging, etc. See p. 2 for more info.

Musical Moppets

Tuesday, March 11

10:30 am (M)

18 months-5 years with adult

Tuesday, April 8

10:45 am (DH)

19-36 months with adult

Sing, dance and play with your toddler/preschooler. Molly Moppet Mouse will introduce you to nursery rhymes, fingerplay, music, movement and more! Register beginning 3/4 for March and 4/1 for April.



Musical Moppet Babies

Tuesday, April 8, 10 am (DH)

4-18 months with adult

Sing and play with your baby using finger-plays, nursery rhymes, music and movement. Register beginning 4/1.

Spring Storytimes

Wee Walkers

(Crawlers to 2 years with adult) (DH) 10 am
Wednesdays, March 19-April 16

So Big Storytime

(2 years with adult) (M) 10:30 am
Fridays, March 14-April 18 (no session 3/21)

Wee Play

(Activities for 1-3 years with adult)
(DH) 10 am & 1 pm (M) 10:30 am
Mondays, March 17-April 28 (no session 3/24 & 4/21)

Little Listeners

(3 years with adult)
Wednesdays, March 19-April 16 (M) 10:30 am
Thursdays, March 20-April 17 (DH) 11 am

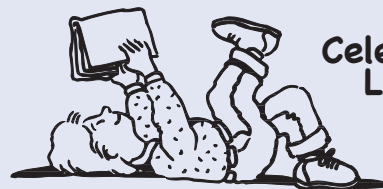
Books Alive

(4-5 years)
Thursdays, March 20-April 17
(DH) 10 am

Stories For You

(Grades K-2)
Tuesdays, March 18-April 15 (no session 3/25)
(DH) 4:30 pm

Registration for Wee Play begins March 3. Registration for all other storytimes begins March 4. Telephone registrations accepted at (DH) 9:30 am and (M) 10 am. **No registration will be accepted prior to library opening.**



Celebrate National Library Week
April 13-19

Dirt Cake

Tuesday, April 22, 11 am (DH) Grades K-5

The Baking Coach will help you make your very own "dirt cake" which will be fun to eat . . . worms and all! Register beginning 4/15.

American Girl Tea Party

Wednesday, April 16, 7 pm (DH) Grades 2-5

Meet Molly and join in some fun and games that Molly would have played back in her time. Make a craft and join in a special tea party. Bring your own American Girl doll or any favorite doll you have. Register beginning 4/9.

Ice Cream Making

Thursday, April 24, 1 pm (DH) Grades K-5

Ice cream is more than a sweet indulgence — it has nutritional value and an interesting history. A Cornell Cooperative Extension instructor will help you learn how to make ice cream the old fashioned way — by hand cranking! You will also sample the fruits of your labor. Register beginning 4/17.



Teens

S.A.T. Preparation Course

Certified Teachers Christopher Cowen and Melissa Bielawski
Tuesdays, March 4, 11, 18, April 1, 8, 29 (no session 3/25, 4/15 & 22) or Wednesdays, March 5, 12, 19, April 2, 9, 30 (no session 3/26, 4/16 & 23), 6:45-8:45 pm (DH)

Students need to purchase and bring to the first day of class: McGraw Hill's S.A.T. I, Black I & Anestis, 2008 (ISBN 0071493395). **Cost:** \$80.00 Registration began 2/22.

Quesadillas Made Easy!

Friday, April 25

6:30-7:30 pm

(DH)

Ever wonder how your favorite Mexican



restaurant makes delicious quesadillas? Find out with the help of the Baking Coach! Everyone goes home with a ready-to-eat delicious quesadilla. Registration begins 4/11.

Teen Health & Wellness Database Real Life, Real Answers

This one-stop self-help resource and interactive online community center for teens is now available on the Half Hollow Hills Community Library web site: <http://hhhl.suffolk.lib.ny.us> From bullying to braces to being a first-generation American teen—You've got questions? We've got answers!

Teen Volunteer Opportunities

Salon Saturday

Saturday, March 15
10:30 am-12 pm (DH)

Enjoy a morning pampering little girls by styling their hair and painting their nails. Register beginning 3/1.

Carnival Time!

Tuesday, April 8
6:30 pm-3 pm (DH)

Help kids with games, face painting, crafts and more while caregivers vote. Register beginning 3/11.

Unity Fair

Sunday, April 13
11 am-3 pm (HSE)

Help out at the Library's Unity Fair table at Half Hollow Hills High School East by showing kids how to make beaded bracelets. Register beginning 3/25.



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Sun. 12 pm – 5 pm

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510 Sweet Hollow Road

Melville, NY 11747

421-4535

Hours:

Mon. – Thurs. 10 am – 9 pm

Fri. & Sat. 10 am – 5 pm

Sun. Closed

- Programs will take place in Dix Hills (DH) or Melville (M) as noted.
- All programs start promptly at the time listed.
- District residents only on the first day of registration.
- Fees are nonrefundable.
- Let us know in advance if you require any special accommodation because of a disability.
- Please Note: Opinions presented by speakers are those of the speakers and do not reflect an endorsement by the Library.



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March/April 2008

2008-09 Library Budget Vote & Trustee Election Information

Budget/Trustee Vote:

Tuesday, April 8, 2008, 9:30 am-9 pm - Dix Hills building

Public Information Meeting:

Tuesday, April 1, 2008, 7:30 pm - Dix Hills building

Register To Vote:

In person - Thursday, March 27, 2008 - Dix Hills Library building, 9:30 am-9 pm

By mail - Call the Suffolk County Board of Elections, 852-4500, to request a registration form or pick one up at the Reference Desk in either library building. Mail to the Board of Elections no later than 25 days prior to the vote. To register, you must be a citizen of the U.S., at least 18 years of age, and a resident of the district for at least 30 days prior to the vote. **PLEASE NOTE:** You are already registered if you have voted in a national, local, school or library election in the past 4 years.

Absentee Ballots:

To file is a multi-step process: application, ballot, vote. Please see p. 1 for details or telephone 421-4530, ext. 350.

Trustee Petitions:

Nominating petitions for one five-year term for Library Trustee are available from the Office of the Library Director, Dix Hills Library building, Monday-Friday, 9:30 am-5 pm. The last day for filing a completed petition is Monday, March 10.

AARP Tax-Aide Program

Tuesdays, through-April 15, 10:00 am-2:00 pm (DH)

Internal Revenue-trained AARP counselors will provide free assistance in completing your income tax forms. **E-Filing is now available at no charge.** Bring your W-2 and 1099 forms, last year's tax statements, and other supporting documents. No appointment is necessary; first come, first served. (Last patron taken 1/2 hour prior to end of session).

Tax Forms & Online Info

Both Library buildings have copies of some tax forms as well as IRS Publication 1132 which contains reproducible tax forms. For forms online: Federal Taxes - <http://www.irs.ustreas.gov> State Taxes - <http://www.tax.state.ny.us/>

Games People Play

Bridge

Mondays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, April 7, 14, 21, 28
 10 am-1 pm (DH)

Chess

Mondays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, April 7, 14, 21, 28
 2-5 pm (DH)

Informal (no instruction) sessions. Bring game equipment.

Player's Choice

Tuesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
 1-4 pm (DH)

Mah-jongg

Fridays, March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11, 18, 25
 1-4 pm (DH)

Inclement Weather/Emergency Closings

Call 421-4530 (DH) or 421-4535 (M) to verify Library hours during periods of inclement weather or other emergencies; or go to our web site: <http://hhhl.suffolk.lib.ny.us>; or they may be announced on local radio stations,