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# FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

#### Library Budget, Trustee and Library Expansion Election Tuesday, April 7, 2020 1 PM - 9 PM

This is an unusual budget request. Our original plan was to remain under the tax cap. This expansion project addresses accessibility issues. Insuring that our Library is accessible to all is a good thing. It's particularly important as we age.

The Library has <u>never</u> asked for financial support of a capital project. We would save and then make necessary repairs and upgrades, and save again. We are asking for a *one-time* \$1 million appropriation to support a modest expansion. If approved, the average home assessed at \$3500 will be asked to support this expansion with a *one-time* approximate \$107 investment over the standard budget. Other municipalities ask for 20 or 30 years of larger annual bond payments. We are asking for *one-time* funding. This is a necessary project for the good of the community. We have saved enough to initiate the expansion, but not quite enough for completion. Grant applications will be submitted to help with this endeavor; we have been very successful in the past. More information is available elsewhere in this issue of the *News and Notes* and in the Library.

## Your Board of Trustees feels it is important to enlist the community's input and support in this venture.

We have invested in high efficiency a/c and heating, windows and doors, solar panels, LED lighting, high definition surveillance cameras and parking, to make our Library functional and sustainable in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. This is the next step.

#### This is the right thing to do. This is the right time. We are being transparent.

We strongly believe that this is an imperative project and we hope that you feel the same way. Be sure to cast your vote on April 7th.

# Your Board of Trustees believes that the budget and proposal are worthy of your support.

Tory T. Hare, President Theresa DeBlasi, Vice President Muriel Schechtel, Financial Officer Ira Hester, Secretary Patricia Ziegler, Assistant Secretary



Proposed Main Love Floor Plan



Proposed Lower Level Floor Plan



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### What changes will be made?

We seek to build an accessible, ground level meeting room, accessible bathrooms and elevator access to the book stacks. We will repurpose other areas to include a quiet study area. These improvements are designed to bring the library in further compliance with the ADA.

#### What is the ADA?

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) became law in 1990. The ADA is a civil rights law that prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities in all areas of public life, including jobs, schools, transportation, and all public and private places that are open to the general public. The purpose of the law is to make sure that people with disabilities have the same rights and opportunities as everyone else. The issue for our Library is accessibility. We are obligated to uphold this law.

#### Why do we need to do this?

The original design of the building does not accommodate the needs of the entire community. When we host a program in the basement meeting room and a patron is unable to negotiate the stairs, we move the program upstairs to the adult reading room or the children's room. This is inconsistent with a functional library. At least 50% or our programs have required relocation for ground level access.

#### How much will this cost the average taxpayer?

We will use our capital reserves - funds we have saved to pay for these types of improvements for the initial expenses. We are asking for your support of a *one-time* investment of approximately \$107. This is *not* a bond. It will *not* be repeated.

#### Will the Library be open during construction?

Yes, we plan to remain open through the construction as much as possible, unless it becomes an issue of public and staff safety. Closings will be communicated with as much advance notice as possible.

#### Will we lose parking spaces?

We anticipate the loss of a few spaces, particularly during construction, as fencing will be erected around the construction site. At the conclusion, we will redefine the handicap parking spaces.

# What are the expected additional expenses to maintain the new addition?

Our current custodial staffing will be able to handle the additional workload.

#### Is there a smaller option?

This is the most economical option that the Library and architects have developed. There is no Plan B.

#### What if the proposal is not approved?

We will be unable to address the needs of our patrons. Programs will continue to be moved upstairs or cancelled. Relocated programs disrupt the regular operations of the Library. Our patrons deserve better. We would operate under last year's budget.

#### What is the timeline for this project?

We will conduct an election on April 7, 2020. If approved, we require State Education Department approval, followed by putting the project out to bid and seeking the lowest *responsible* bidder. Between announcement of the project, distribution of the bid packets, expansion data and requirements, vetting and successful contract with the winning bidder, work could begin as early as Fall 2020, with an anticipated 9 – 12 month construction period. Once we have final SED plan approval, we should be able to better estimate the project timeline.

#### Are grants available?

Yes. Our track record has been exceptional. We received the largest grant in the history of the Library Construction Aid program when we expanded our parking lot. We expect continued success.

#### Who can vote on this proposition?

Any registered North Babylon School District resident may vote.

#### Do I have to register to vote?

Yes. Registration information is on page 5.

# I won't be here on the date of the election. Are absentee ballots available?

Yes. Absentee ballot information is on page 5.

# Will there be a public hearing to discuss the budget and the expansion?

Yes. Prior to the March 17, 2020 Board meeting (6:00 PM), there will be a special meeting to review the budget and proposition. The Board of Trustees and the Library Director will be in attendance. You are always welcome to speak with the Library Director beforehand.

Annual Budget Vote and Trustee Election Tuesday, April 7, 1:00 - 9:00 PM In the Library

	North Babylon Public Library				
	Proposed Budget				
		2019-2020	2020-2021	\$ Change	% Change
		Approved	Proposed	Proposed	Proposed
EXPENSES					
Supplies and					
	Books, E-books, DVD, CD	209,650	215,500	5,850	2.8
	Periodicals	14,500	14,500	0	0.0
	Software, Online Services	39,400	39,400	0	0.0
	General Supplies	46,000	46,000	0	0.0
	Circulation Control	20,000	20,000	0	0.0
	Maintenance Supplies	5,000	5,000	0	0.0
	Library Programs	58,000	68,000	10,000	17.2
Professional					
and Technical					
	Legal, SCLS, Treasurer, Auditor	70,300	71,000	700	1.(
Building Opera-					
tion and					
	Telephone, Electric, Gas, Water	75,500	75,500	0	0.0
	Building Repair, Building Improvement	30,000	30,000	0	0.0
	Snow Removal, Trash Removal	15,300	15,300	0	0.0
	Security Service	48,000	52,000	4,000	8.3
	Fire, Liability, Comprehensive	20,200	20,200	0	0.0
Library Opera-					
	Printing, Publication, Postage	28,500	29,500	1,000	3.5
	Travel, Continuing Education	6,000	6,000	0	0.0
	Membership Dues, Election Expenses	8,500	8,500	0	0.0
	Equipment Repair, Service Contracts	38,000	38,000	0	0.0
	Miscellaneous, Other Professional fees	6,000	6,000	0	0.0
Fixed Employ-					
	Retirement, Social Security	397,000	397,000	0	0.0
	Health Insurance	420,000	425,000	5,000	1.2
	Workers Compensation	17,000	17,000	0	0.0
	Optical, Disability, Dental, Life Ins.	27,650	27,650	0	0.0
	Employee Assistance Program	1,400	1,400	0	0.0
Equipment					
	Equipment and Furniture	35,000	35,000	0	0.0
Salaries					
	Professional, Clerical, Maintenance	1,504,200	1,533,900	29,700	2.0
	Technical	56,200	57,300	1,100	2.0
	Pages	43,700	44,575	875	2.0
Expansion					
	One Time Support	0	1,000,000	1,000,000	
Total		3,241,000	4,299,225	1,058,225	32.6
REVENUES					
	State Aid, Interest, Copy, Fines, Etc.	106,055	101,300	-4,755	-4.
	Amount to be raised by taxation	3,135,945	4,197,925	1,061,980	33.9
	Assessed Valuation	32,390,240	32,589,131	198,891	0.
	Tax per \$100 assessed value	9.682	12.881	3.20	33.0
	Proposed cost / household @ \$3500	338.86	450.85		33.0

#### **Voter Information**

Who can vote: Anyone who is:1.A citizen of the United States2.At least 18 years of age3.A resident of the North Babylon School District for a period of 30 days preceding the election.

**Who is registered:** All persons who were registered for and who voted in any North Babylon school or Library election within four years prior to April 7 2020 are eligible to vote in this election. Any district resident who is qualified to vote in general elections and who remains qualified to vote from the residence address from which he registered and who has voted in a general election within the last four years is qualified to vote in the library election.

Register in person at Central Administration North Babylon School District 5 Jardine Place North Babylon between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM or through the Board of Elections. Board of Elections are available at the Reference Desk.

#### **Absentee Ballots:**

1.Obtain an application in person at the Library or call and the Library will mail one to you.

2.Return the signed application.

3. The Library will send you an absentee ballot with SASE. The ballot must be mailed or handed personally to the individual voter.

4.Return the signed ballot by April 6, 2020.

#### Public Information Meeting and Candidate Presentation Tuesday, March 17, 6:00 PM

Annual Budget Vote and Trustee Election: Tuesday, April 7 1:00 - 9:00 PM In the Library

#### From Your Board of Trustees

We had planned to present a budget that was below the tax cap for the 2020/2021 fiscal year. Instead, we are asking for your support of an additional one million dollars to complete a very modest expansion. This additional budget line bumps us over the tax cap. We are unable to separate the additional expansion request from the annual budget.

We need to address accessibility issues. We desperately need an accessible meeting room, accessible bathrooms and elevator access to the book stacks. This is no longer an option; these improvements are designed to bring the library in further compliance with the ADA.

We have met with a variety of architects, with a variety of ideas. We narrowed down the selection to two firms with extensive library experience and selected the more realistic of the finalists. The developed design that you will vote upon is a reasonable plan to address the needs of the community while remaining financially conservative. We don't wish to spend many millions of your dollars.

This additional investment will add approximately \$107 per house to next year's library tax income. We have saved enough funds to initiate the expansion, but short of completion. We commit to our tax paying community that this will be a *one-time* request. It is *not* a continuing bond issue.

We know that you value the service provided and we know that the library is an essential service within the community.

We have never asked for your financial support in upgrading your library, this is a different situation. We have anticipated expenses and saved accordingly. Every other project we accomplished was done without extra financial support, this is unique.

If we did not have to address the accessibility issues, we would have remained within the NYS tax cap.

If you agree with our plan, we urge you to come down on April 7th and demonstrate your support.

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Sign-up for all Adult Classes begins March 2. Non-residents may register March 9.

Unless otherwise noted, the first week of sign-up for all classes is limited to North Babylon residents only. Non-residents may sign up, space permitting, 1 week later. All fees are non-refundable. Please let us know in advance if you will need an accommodation that will make an event accessible to you.

## **Book Discussions**

New members are always welcome. Please pick up your book at the Circulation Desk.

Thursday, March 5, 7:00 - 8:00 PM <u>A Tree Grows in Brooklyn</u> By Betty Smith

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**Tuesday, March 31, 10:00 - 11:00 AM** <u>True Grit</u> By Charles Portis

**Thursday, April 2, 7:00 – 8:00 PM** <u>Light from Other Stars</u> By Erika Swyler Long Island Reads 2020



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**Tuesday, April 28, 10:00 - 11:00 AM** <u>The Magician's Elephant</u> By Kate DiCamillo

#### **Career Counselor Mondays, March 2 or April 6**

6:00 - 9:00 PM Saturdays, March 21 or April 18 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Meet with professional Career Counselor Barbara McCleave for help with resumes and career options, all ages. Call 669-4020 to schedule an appointment. North Babylon cardholders only.

## **Movies for Adults**

Fridays at 1:00 PM (residents) Fridays at 3:30 PM (open to all) Doors open at 12:40 PM. Bring your favorite travel coffee cup! No movie on Good Friday, April 10



## **Knitting Club**

Mondays, March 9 and 23, April 6 and 20 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

# **Board of Trustees Meetings**

Tuesdays, March 17 and April 21, 6:00 PM

# Library of Things



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#### April Discounts With Your Library Card

It's back! During the month of April, show your valid North Babylon Public Library card at participating local businesses and receive discounts. Learn how your library card is more than just for library access. Stop in for a complete listing.

# **NEW** Free Museum Passes for the Family

Are you looking for something special to do with your family? The Library has free museum passes for several new museums! They include:

- Cooper Hewitt Smithsonian Design Museum
- The Long Island Children's Museum
- The New York Hall of Science

Passes may be reserved up to 2 months in advance. North Babylon Adult Library cardholders only.

#### The Library will be closed: April 12, Easter Sunday

## Irish Bananas and Irish Soda Bread with Chef Rob Scott

Sunday, March 1, 2:30 - 4:00 PM

Watch a demonstration of a delicious Irish Bananas Dessert, followed by a hands-on class to make your own loaf of Irish Soda Bread, ready to take home and bake. Please bring a mixing bowl, large spoon, and a cookie tray. \$10 fee. Non-refundable.

# Join the North Babylon Public Library Walking Club!

Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 9:00 - 9:30 AM Begins Monday, March 2

Take a walk with us! Get some fresh air and exercise. Wear a safety vest. Weather dependent.

#### Leprechaun Ceramic Craft

**Tuesday, March 3, 6:30 - 8:30 PM** We will be painting a ceramic pot with a Leprechaun. All supplies included. \$12 fee. Non-refundable.



#### Art for Women's History Month

**Thursday, March 5, 6:30 - 7:30 PM** See giant flowers that explode with color in paintings by Georgia O'Keefe. Picture a world imagination



in art by Frida Kahlo. Find out how you can make a masterpiece by ripping up your painting and putting it back together again in art by Lee Krasner. Celebrate the diverse creativity of famous women artists and share ideas about what you see in their artworks. Then, based on their innovative techniques, create your own painted-collage masterpiece inspired by Lee Krasner.

# 7's and 3's Irish Band

Sunday, March 8, 2:30 - 4:00 PM The 7's and 3's Irish Band returns to sing and play all of the classic and popular tunes you love to hear! Come join us for our celebration of St. Patrick's Day!



#### **One-on-One Medicare Counseling and Assistance**

Mondays, March 9 and April 13 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Meet individually with an RSVP Suffolk volunteer from the Health Insurance Information, Counseling and Assistance Program for Medicare health insurance and benefits. By appointment only

#### Writing Group

Tuesdays, March 10, 24, April 14, 28 2:00 - 3:30 PM

Explore your writing style and voice by joining our writer's group. You can write whatever you wish, or we will have a new writing prompt available for each session.

#### **Tech Tutors**

Tuesdays, March 10, 24, 3:30 - 4:30 PM Wednesday, March 11, 7:00 - 8:00 PM

**Tuesday, April 21, 3:30 - 4:30 PM** Meet with a teen volunteer who will teach you how to use a computer, cell phone or tablet.



#### Paint Night: Hydrangeas

Tuesday, March 10, 7:00 - 8:30 PM Thursday, April 16, 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Let's paint some fun art! No experience necessary. 16x20 canvas, acrylic paints, brushes, easels and step by step instructions provided. \$10 fee. Non-refundable. Register for only one session.



#### **Body Sculpting Exercise Class** Wednesdays, March 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Everything your body needs and more. Cardio to help transform and energize your body. Bring some light weights to tone and strengthen your muslces and a mat or towel for an abdominal workout.

# Palette Sign Painting Workshop

**Thursday, March 12, 7:00 - 9:00 PM** Rid yourself of those winter blues by joining Pamela Trastelis for a 2 hour step-by-step instructional wooden palette paint party. Included are all



materials needed plus instruction so each patron leaves with a beautiful springtime masterpiece. No prior painting experience needed, just your willingness to learn and get creative! \$10 fee. Nonrefundable.

**Drop in Crafts for Adults** Friday, March 13, 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM Tuesday, April 7, 1:00 - 8:00 PM

## Medicaid Application Assistance

Saturdays, March 14 and April 11 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM

Trained enrollment staff from the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council will provide application assistance for Medicaid to help adults and children who are blind or disabled, anyone over the age of 65, and their families in need.

## **Mini Job Fairs**

Wednesdays, March 18, April 22, 1:00 - 3:00 PM Bring your resume and dress for success.

# Foreign Film Night: Cold War

Thursday, March 19, 7:00 - 8:30 PM A sweeping, delirious romance begins in the Polish countryside, where Wiktor, a musician on a state-sponsored mission to collect folk songs, discovers a captiveating young singer named Zula. Over the



next fifteen years, their turbulent relationship will play out in stolen moments between two worlds: the jazz clubs of decadent, bohemian Paris, to which he defects, and the corrupt, repressive Communist Bloc, where she remains.

#### Fairy Garden Workshop Friday, March 20, 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Let's get creative and decorate our own fairy garden to use either inside or outside. This will bring a bit of whimsy to your home! Make this craft with Doreen. This program is especially designed for adults with special needs, but all are welcome to attend.

#### **Pinstripes and Tales: Curious Stories the** Yankees Told Me



#### Sunday, March 22, 2:00 - 3:30 PM

Join Bill Schulman for a discussion of stories former Yankees related to him during his 18 years as a columnist for Yankees Magazine.

#### **Organic Vegetable Gardens** Tuesday, March 24, 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Learn to eat healthy, exercise, and save money all at the same time! This workshop on food gardening takes you through soil preparation, planting dates, garden layout, and vegetable varieties recommended for Long Island. Best practices are presented alongside the most up-to-date gardening information to ensure your success in your own Victory Garden.

#### Volunteer Opportunities at Good Samaritan Hospital

#### Thursday, March 26, 11:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

Brittany Colasanto from Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center will discuss volunteering at the hospital as well as their Thrift Shop in Babylon Village.

#### Census 2020 **Ouestionnaire Assistance** Thursday, March 26, 6:30 - 8:30 PM Monday, March 30, 2:00 - 4:00 PM



On Thursday, the new mobile library, Suffolk Libraries Empowering Discovery (SLED) will be in the parking lot for assistance. On Monday, assistance will take place in the library.

## Jazz at Lincoln Center

Tuesday, March 31, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

The Music of John Lewis and Gerry Mulligan Jon Batiste and Doug Wamble join the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra to celebrate two iconic Jazz musicians and composers: Lewis and Mulligan.

Saturday, April 25, 2:00 - 4:00 PM

Jazz of the 50s: Overflowing with Style

Music director Chris Crenshaw curates an amazing array of material from the decade, and premieres a new suite of his music inspired by the 1950s.

## Health Screenings

Friday, April 3, 11:00 AM - 12:00 Noon Blood pressure screenings. Presented by Good Samaritan Hospital. No registration necessary.



#### Get Together: Songs of the Peace & Love Generation

Sunday, April 5, 3:00 – 4:30 PM Join the Old School Trio for a multimedia musical presentation which highlights the songs of the 1960s that defined a generation. This program celebrates the contributions of song writers from the British Invasion, the "Summer of Love" and Woodstock, featuring the OLD SCHOOL



Mamas & The Papas, The Rascals, Simon and Garfunkel, Crosby Stills & Nash and more.

# Calling All Book Lovers!

Monday, April 6 - Thursday, April 9 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon and 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM Take a photo with your favorite book and background to celebrate National Library Week!

#### **National Library Week Festival**

Tuesday, April 7, All Day

Celebrate NLW with games, temporary tattoos, crafts, prizes, a family movie and a clown.

# Spring Into Yoga

Tuesday, April 7, 12:00 Noon - 2:00 PM

Spring is the season of rebirth and renewal! Join Barbara Furlani in this energizing, detoxing and rejuvenating experience. Bring a yoga mat and water.

## Marketing: The Key to **Increasing Sales**

Thursday, April 9, 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Develop a marketing plan, perform market research, understand pricing, learn about advertising, promotion, and internet marketing, and track results. This lecture is suggested for people who already have a business, and others who are starting a new business.

#### **Documentary Film Night:** Cold Case Hammarskiöld Tuesday, April 14, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

In 1961, United Nations secretary-general Dag Hammarskjöld's plane mysteriously crashed, killing Hammarskjöld and the crew. With the case still unsolved 50-plus years later, Danish journalist, filmmaker, and provocateur Mads Brügger leads us down an investigative rabbit hole to unearth the truth.

# Quilting Lessons

#### Wednesdays, April 15 & 22, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Master quilter and professional sewing arts designer Karen Harry will guide you through the basics of quilting in this two-session series. Please bring some pieces of cotton fabric in different colors, and a needle and thread to the first class. A list of materials will be given out then. No sewing or quilting experience needed.



#### Shed the Meds

Saturday, April 18, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Properly dispose of unused medications and needles.

#### Paper Craft Workshop Sunday, April 19, 2:00 – 3:30 PM

Make two paper crafted items in this workshop with Debbie: a bookmark and a 3D Mother's Day or Birthday card. There will be choices of designed paper and colors, sentiments, paper punches, and embellishments for both projects. \$4 fee. Nonrefundable.

#### Wooden Egg Workshop Tuesday, April 21, 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Let's get ready for Spring, painting and decorating wooden eggs in a basket to take home. Make this craft with Doreen. This program is especially designed for adults with special needs, but all are welcome to attend.

#### Social Media: **Grow Your Small Business** Thursday, April 23, 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Learn about the five most popular social media networks and the benefits of using them, how other businesses use social media, which is right for your business, what kind of content to post, how to tell if it's working, and how social media marketing and email marketing work together.

#### Hands Across Long Island Friday, April 24, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Hands Across Long Island (HALI) will be here to offer information on their services, including advocacy, self-help, food, housing, the HALI Cafe Soup Kitchen, and more. HALI was formed in 1988 as a grassroots, multi-service organization in New York State, helping over 3,500 people each year.

# Take the Train to NYC

Saturday, April 25, 9:45 AM

\$10, roundtrip, purchase by April 20. Arrive at the Babylon train downstairs by 9:45 AM where you will be issued your return ticket. 10:20 train. Nonrefundable.

## Beautification of Babylon

#### Tuesday, April 28, 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Viscel Moore from the Town of Babylon will be here to explain Adopt-a-Spot, Adopt-a-Highway and Adopt-a-Park. Learn how residents of all ages can participate in keeping our town beautiful.

## Coffee with a Cop

#### Wednesday, April 29, 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

Members of the First Precinct will be here to discuss issues in the Babylon area as well as address questions you may have about the community. Bring your favorite travel coffee cup.

## Elder Law Update

#### Thursday, April 30, 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

Former Legal Aid Society Senior Citizen attorney George L. Roach, Esq. will present an Elder Law update. Always a popular speaker!

## YOUNG ADULT CLASSES

Sign-up for all Young Adult classes begins March 2. North Babylon School District residents only with library card, 6th - 12th grade. Please let us know in advance if you will need an accommodation that will make an event accessible to you.

## **Community Service Credit**

The Library provides many opportunities for students to gain service hours. All programs with CSC are volunteer opportunities.

## **Book Reviews CSC**

Already reading a good book? Submit an application to review it!

# Tech Tutors CSC

Tuesdays, March 10, 24, 3:30 - 4:30 PM Wednesday, March 11, 7:00 - 8:00 PM Tuesday, April 21, 3:30 - 4:30 PM TECH Teen volunteers will teach adults how TUTORS use a computer, cell phone or tablet.

## **Beaded Bracelet**

Wednesday, March 18, 7:00 - 8:00 PM Learn how to make two stretch bracelets using lava or natural beads, a tassel and charm of your choice.



# **Teen Paint Night:** Dreamcatcher

Wednesday, March 25 7:00 - 8:00 PM Paint a dreamcatcher with an inspirational quote. Instruction and materials provided.



# Chess Buddies CSC

Fridays, March 27 and April 24 7:00 - 8:30 PM Teach a child the basics of chess.

## SAT Review Course

Wednesdays, April 1, 8, 6:30 - 8:30 North Babylon Public Library Mondays, April 20 and 27, 6:30 - 8:30 **Deer Park Public Library** Prepare for the SAT or PSAT with this review course. \$85 fee includes study materials. Attend all 4 sessions.



## Fruity Pebbles **No-Bake Cheesecake**

Wednesday, April 15, 7:00 - 8:00 PM Fanny Cakes Bakery will be here to teach you how to design a no-bake cheesecake with Fruity Pebbles. Take home your cake to share with family and friends.



# Springtime Bunnies

Wednesday, April 22, 7:00 - 8:00 PM Bunnies, bunnies, bunnies! Come and create your own bunny canvas art to get ready for the spring season.

# **Authors Unlimited CSC**

Saturday, April 18 St. Joseph's College, Patchogue, NY Attend this free event, which celebrates reading by connecting teens with authors. authorsunlimited.org for more information.





# **Teen Paint Night:** Dragonfly

Wednesday, April 29 7:00 - 8:00 PM Paint a dragonfly. Instruction and materials provided.



#### Mother's Day Pull Apart Cake Wednesday, May 6, 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Fanny Cakes Bakery will be back to teach you how to make a flower themed pull part cake for your mom or other special lady in your life. Work on the project by yourself and give it as a surprise or bring a parent a make the delicious cake together. Sign up begins March 2.





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# CHILDREN'S CLASSES

Sign-up for all Children's classes begins March 2 and April 1. *North Babylon School District residents only with library card and PIN. Limit 3 programs/month pp.* 

## **Drop-In Play Dates**



Fridays, March 6 and April 3 10:30 AM - 12:00 Noon, Ages: 18 months - 5 years We supply the space and toys - you supply the fun!

# Leprechaun Pot of Gold

Monday, March 9, 7:00 - 8:00 PM, Grades: K - 5 Paint a leprechaun pot of gold and get in the spirit for St. Patrick's Day! Enjoy some golden treats to complete your finished product.

# Just Baby and Me

**Tuesdays, March 10 and April 14** 10:30 - 11:00 AM, Ages: Birth - 18 months Join us for music, rhymes, finger-plays, and age appropriate activities for your baby!

#### Pot 'O Gold Cupcakes Thursday, March 12, 4:00 - 5:00 PM



Grades: K - 5 Make some tasty cupcakes complete with green frosting, candy rainbows, and miniature pots of gold to take home and enjoy!

# Family Story Hour

Saturdays, March 14 and April 11 10:30 - 11:30 AM, Grades: PreK - 5 Come and enjoy a story time and crafts.

# Tot's Night Out

Monday, March 16, 7:00 - 8:00 PM Tuesday, April 7, 7:00 - 8:00 PM Ages: 18 months - 5 years Enjoy an evening with music, crafts, stories and fun.

# **Pre-School Story Time Classes**

Wednesdays, March 18 and 25, April 22 and 29 10:30 - 11:00 AM, Ages: 2 - 3 Wednesdays, March 18 and 25 April 22 and 29 2:00 - 2:30 PM, Ages 3 - 5 Thursdays, March 19 and 26, April 23 and 30 10:30 - 11:00 AM, Ages: 3 - 5 Join us for stories, songs, crafts and parachute fun.



## Marine Reptiles

Thursday, March 19, 4:00 - 5:00 PM, Grades: K-5 Discover what makes a reptile a reptile and what adaptations these creatures have developed. Meet live reptiles including a ball python, corn snake, bearded dragon, turtle and a diamondback terrapin.

#### Lego Fun

Fridays, March 20 and April 17 7:00 - 8:00 PM , Grades: 1 - 5 Create something wonderful with Legos.



# **Beading Basics Class**

Saturday, March 21, 11:00 - 12:00 Noon, Gr: 2-5 Learn beading basics. Make two bracelets of your choice or a beautiful necklace to take home & enjoy

## Hands on Music with Dara

Tuesdays, March 24 and April 21 10:30 AM - 11:10 AM **Ages: Birth - 3 years** Enjoy a musical story time with Miss Dara.



# Universal Treehouse

Grades: K - 5



# Thursday, March 26, 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Design a treehouse where three scientists will live and work in the rainforest for one year. The mission involves making the treehouse animal-proof and wheelchair accessible. Take home your own special project when complete.

## Chess Club

Fridays, March 27 and April 24 7:00 - 8:30 PM, Grades: 1 - 5



Practice your game and improve your skills by matching wits with your playing partners!



#### Saturday, March 28, all day

Stop by the Children's Room for a fun day with family and friends. Play games, enjoy crafts and puzzles.

# Sensory Story Time

Saturday, March 28, 11:00 AM - 12:00 Noon Monday, April 13, 7:00 - 8:00 PM Ages: 2 - 5

Enjoy music, movement activities, sensory/discovery bins, gross motor activities, stories and a craft!

## CHILDREN'S CLASSES

Sign-up for all Children's classes begins March 2 and April 1. North Babylon School District residents only with library card and PIN. Limit 3 programs/month pp.

#### Be a Puppeteer

**Saturday, March 28, 3:00 - 4:00 PM, Grades: K-5** A princess! A unicorn! A Super Hero! What will you create? Discover the art of hand puppets using felt, fabric, pom-poms, ribbons, and other decorative materials. Then put on your own puppet show!

## **Goldfish Painting on Canvas**

Monday, March 30, 7:00 - 8:00 PM, Grades: K - 5 Paint an adorable goldfish on canvas.

## **Drop in Crafts**

**Tuesday, April 7, 1:00 - 8:00 PM** Stop by the Children's Room and have fun making crafts to take home!

## Kids Can Vote Too



Tuesday, April 7, 1:00 - 9:00 PM

Vote for your favorite book, author, character, movie.

#### Movie: The Addams Family Tuesday, April 7, 3:30 - 5:00 PM



## **Clowning Around the Library**

**Tuesday, April 7, 4:00 - 6:00 PM, All ages** A performer from the National Circus Project will be here to entertain and delight our patrons.

## **Bunny Dirt Cups**

Thursday, April 9, 4:00 - 5:00 PM, Grades: K - 5

Create delicious chocolate "dirt" dessert cups, add frosting, candies and a candy bunny for a delicious and fun springtime treat!



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#### **Ceramic Castle Bank**

Wednesday, April 15, 3:00 - 4:00 PM, Grades: 2-5 Paint a beautiful Castle (that just happens to be a bank as well!)

#### **Mars Habitat**

**Thursday, April 16, 3:00 - 4:00PM, Grades: K - 5** Design a habitat for a Martian colony. Explore architectural design to imagine a practical home for people in a colony living on Mars. Then, sculpt your design to create your own 3-D model.

## **Ducks 'N Chicks**

**Saturday, April 18, 11:00 - 12:00 Noon, Ages: 3 - 8** Meet and touch some feathery friends! Listen to a story, learn cool facts about chicks and ducks from "Ditzy Duck" puppet, and make a fun, related craft!

## Sweetbriar - Threatened Wildlife

Monday, April 20, 7:00 - 8:00 PM, Grades: K - 5Learn about threatened wildlife all over the planet. Meet some local threatened wildlife including a variety of exotic animals. No registration required.

# Pet Rock Tic-Tac-Toe

Thursday, April 23, 4:30 - 5:30 PM, Grades: K - 5 Design your own set of pet rocks and make a tic-tac-toe board to use them on!

## **Spring Meadow Paint on Canvas**

Monday, April 27, 7:00 - 8:00 PM, Grades: K - 5 Enjoy using a splatter technique on canvas to create the illusion of a flower filled meadow.

Parents are expected to remain in the building with their children during children's classes.

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