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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

The Sustainable Libraries Initiative

At the New York Library Association virtual annual conference last Fall, our library was honored as a Sustainable Library. We are the second library on Long Island (only the 4th, nationwide) to reach this goal of being environmentally sound, socially equitable and environmentally feasible. We were covered in a Newsday article, November 16, 2020. In a year of pandemic, this is a bright light. It was 3+ years in documentation, but many more years of library upgrades. The initial level of the Sustainability Initiative showed our carbon footprint and the huge differences our actions have taken. In black and white, we could see the changes on graphs over the years. We now recycle, reuse and repurpose more than we could have ever imagined. The second level was library-specific: collective impact, social cohesion, resilience planning, financial sustainability and library collections. You can see our SLI PowerPoint on the screen above the circulation desk. We are pleased to report to our community that the results were well worth the effort. We sincerely hope that our neighborhood recognizes our achievements and will adopt this new culture. Sustainability is simply the right thing to do.

We continue to be ever-cautious to be able to remain open, yet wary of the COVID-19 issues. The staff thanks our patrons who have also taken actions to limit exposure. We continue to offer virtual programs.

Marc D. Horowitz



**Sustainable
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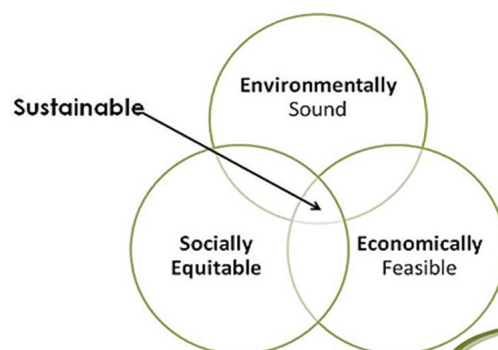
*This Certificate is presented to
North Babylon Public Library*

*In Recognition of the completion of the
Sustainable Library Certification Program*

Date: October 2020

Becky Cornobil
Director of Certification
Sustainable Libraries Initiative

Triple Bottom Line



FAMILY CLASSES

Sign-up for all Family Classes begins January 2. Non-residents may register January 9.

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.

Check to see if these are in-person or via Zoom.

Thursday, January 7, 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Truths I Never Told You

By Kelly Rimmer



Tuesday, February 23, 10:00 - 11:00 AM

Say Nothing: A True Story of Murder and Memory in Northern Ireland

By Patrick Radden Keefe



Career Counselor

Mondays, January 11 and February 1

6:00 - 9:00 PM

Meet with professional Career Counselor Barbara McCleave for help with resumes and career options, all ages. Schedule a half hour phone appointment.

E-mail info@northbabylonpl.org with your name and telephone number. You will receive a time slot and be contacted at your appointment time.

Board of Trustees Meetings

Tuesdays, January 19, February 16, 6:00 PM

If the Board meeting is held by conference call (9:00 AM), e-mail the library for dial-in information.

Family Museum Passes

The Library's Museum Pass program is available to patrons again. Some museums have remained closed. Please check each museum's website for current hours, appointment needs and closings before booking the pass. Expired passes will be re-evaluated in the Spring. Any questions, call the Library. North Babylon cardholders only.

AARP Defensive Driving

AARP is not holding any in-person classes. The course is available online at <https://www.aarpdriversafety.org/>. You can also check <https://dmv.ny.gov/pirp/online> for other courses.

Our Social Work Intern is at the Library to Help You

The Library offers a free service to patrons through the Social Work Intern Program at the Stony Brook University School of Social Welfare. Arhuma Iqbal is our Intern. Patrons will receive personal assistance via Zoom completing forms/applications, referrals to mental health resources and other topics. Our Intern is also available by telephone, 631-769-4490, M-F, 9:00 - 5:00.



Tech Help

Meet via Zoom for help with your technology

Call 669-4020 for a reservation

North Babylon cardholders only

Virtual Art Exhibit

Calling on patrons of all ages to send us photos of your artwork to display on Pinterest and YouTube. Artwork can be drawing, painting, photography or a model. Submit your art to info@northbabylonpl.org. Include your first name, last initial and age.

Follow Us On Social Media

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Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/northbabylonpl/>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/Northbabylonpl>

Pinterest: <https://www.pinterest.com/NorthBabylonPL/>

We are always adding information to our website. Virtual reference assistance is available. You can register for programs, too!

The Library will be closed:
January 1, New Year's Day
January 18, MLK Day
February 15, Presidents' Day

FAMILY CLASSES

One-on-One Medicare Counseling and Assistance



Tuesdays, January 5 and February 2
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: Call 631-669-4020 or e-mail info@northbabylonpl.org with your name and telephone number. You will be contacted during the appointed time.



Self-Management and Recovery Training (SMART)

Thursdays, January 7, 14, 21, 28
Thursdays, February 4, 11, 18, 25
10:00 - 11:00 AM

SMART Friends and Family

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM
These meetings are for a global community of mutual support groups. At meetings, participants help one another resolve problems with any addiction (drugs, alcohol, gambling, over-eating, etc.). Participants find and develop the power within themselves to change and lead fulfilling and balanced lives guided by our science based and sensible 4-point programs. Conducted by our Social Work Intern. Via Zoom.

Shake Off The Winter Blues with Gentle Yoga

Tuesdays, January 12, 19, 26, February 2, 9
9:30 - 10:30 AM

This class is designed to open the heart, release the blues and support the immune system. Gentle stretching postures, meditation, breathing exercises and deep relaxation. With Barbara Furlani. Via Zoom.

Take and Make Crafts for Adults

Fridays, January 15 and February 12, 10:00 AM
Register in advance, and pick up your kit at the Reference Desk after 10:00 AM. North Babylon cardholders only.

Barre Stretch

Thursdays, January 21 and 28, February 4 and 11
6:00 - 7:00 PM

Sculpt your way to a dancer's physique! This class features exercises using the "barre" that will tone your legs, lift your glutes, and strengthen your upper body and core. The class ends with a stretch to help you relax and to lengthen your muscles. Will need: light weights, a chair or table to use as a barre, and a yoga mat or towel. With Dominique Dalia. Via Zoom.

Shed the Meds

Friday, January 22, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

The Suffolk County Sheriff's office will be at the library to offer you a safe way to dispose of your unused prescriptions and they will safely be discarded. No questions asked.



The Other Great American Songbook

Tuesday, January 26, 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Tennessee Walt offers a fascinating lecture/concert covering the origins of country music in the fusion of mountain ballads with the blues, the roots of rock & roll in country and R&B, the evolution of today's country and dozens of compelling details. The presentation is studded with 24 songs by Roy Acuff, Loretta Lynn, Willie Nelson and other greats from 90 years of America's musical history performed live via Zoom.



Mobile Mammography Van

Friday, February 5, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

The Mobile Mammography Van from Stony Brook University Cancer Center will be at the Library offering mammography screenings to women, age 40 and up. The van is equipped with 3D digital mammography equipment. No prescription or insurance is necessary to receive a screening on the van. Schedule an appointment in advance, please call (631) 638-4135.

FAMILY CLASSES

Don't Get Ripped Off: Avoid Scams and Frauds

Monday, February 8, 10:30 - 11:30 AM

Gary S. Brown, the statewide Elder Abuse Coordinator for New York Attorney General Letitia James will present a program with a focus on common scams and frauds: the warning signs, how to avoid becoming a victim, and where to seek help if you think you're a victim. There will be special emphasis on COVID-related scams, and common telephone scams such as the "grandparent scam," the "Internal Revenue Service scam" and the "foreign lottery scam" as well as identity theft, romance scams and Internet safety. Via Zoom.



St. Francis Health Bus

Tuesday, February 9, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

St. Francis Hospital will provide a mobile bus with free health screenings including cardiac history, blood pressure, cholesterol and diabetes testing. You must be 18 years of age, no insurance necessary.



Create an E-Mail Strategy

Thursday, February 25, 7:00 - 8:30 PM

This SCORE presentation is recommended for people who already have a business and others who are starting a business. Join us to find out what e-mail marketing really is (and isn't) and what e-mail marketing can do for your business. Via Zoom.



NYS of Health Marketplace Enrollment Assistance

Need health insurance? The Health and Welfare Council of Long Island (HWCLI) staff can help you quickly compare health plan options and apply for assistance that could lower the cost of your health coverage. Call 516-505-4426 to set up an appointment.



Medicaid Enrollment Assistance

Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council's Medicaid enrollment personnel will provide Medicaid enrollment assistance by phone to adults and children, disabled or blind and anyone over the age of 65. They are able to answer questions regarding utilizing insurance, understanding benefits, finding specialist, etc. For assistance, call 631-656-9783, option 2.



YOUNG ADULT CLASSES

Sign-up for all Young Adult classes begins January 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.

Virtual Art Exhibit CSC

Each month we will be showcasing artwork from our community on our social media. Artwork can be drawing, painting, photography, etc. Submit your work to info@northbabylonpl.org All ages.

Bookmarks for All CSC

Create a bookmark for us to display online. Friends and neighbors will be able to download the bookmarks to use while reading.

Book Reviews CSC

Have you read any good books lately? Submit an application to review a book, available through the "Teen Community Service Opportunities" link on the Teen Services page of our website. Reviews earn you three hours of community service credit.

Random Acts of Kindness CSC

Complete a row on our Random Acts of Kindness worksheet to earn two hours of community service credit.

Snowman Bookmark Craft

Wednesday, January 20, 7:00 PM

Create a fun snowman page corner bookmark. Pick up the supplies beginning Monday, January 18. Via YouTube.



Crowdpurr

Teen Trivia Night

Wednesday, January 27, 7:00 PM

Enter our trivia tournament and play for fun prizes. Each round consists of 10 questions. Winners advance to the next round. Download the Crowdpurr app to play.

Snowflake Craft

Wednesday, February 3, 7:00 PM

Using beads and pipe cleaners, make a beautiful pair of snowflakes to decorate with. Supplies will be available beginning Monday, February 1st. Via YouTube.

Valentine's Day Craft

Wednesday, February 10, 7:00 PM

Create a Valentine's Day wreath to decorate your home. Pick up supplies to make this fun craft beginning Monday, February 8th. Via YouTube.

Calming Aromatherapy Playdough

Wednesday, February 17, 7:00 PM

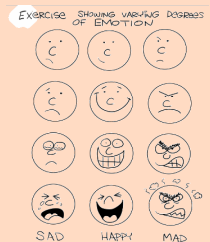
Stop by the library beginning Monday, February 15 to pick up your calming playdough, then join Tara and Meghan on Zoom to learn how to make it in the future. Via Zoom.



Virtual Cartooning Class

Monday, February 22, 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Learn basic cartooning, and special drawing techniques, during this live class. Each student should have several sheets of plain paper, and pencils (colored, or regular) on hand for drawing. This class will be led by professional cartoonist, Rick Stromoski. Via Zoom.



Design Your Own Journal

Wednesday, February 24, 7:00 PM

Pick up the supplies to create your own journal beginning Monday, February 22. Supplies include a journal, colorful gel pens, and washi tape. Via YouTube.

Thank you to everyone who donated to our food drive for St. Paul's Reformed Church.

CHILDREN'S CLASSES

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

Family Story Time

Saturdays, January 9 and February 13
10:30 - 11:00 AM, Grades: PreK - 5

Have fun with your child listening to stories, enjoying songs and a fun craft. Via Zoom.

Take and Make Winter Craft

Tuesday, January 12, 4:00 PM, Ages: 3 - 9
Pick up a fun, winter-themed craft to make at home.

It's Cold Outside!

Wednesday, January 13, 10:30 AM, Ages 2 - 6
Ice and snow, cold winds blow! Explore the fun you can have with Miss Dara's wintry story time. Via YouTube.

Winter Reading Club

Tuesday, January 19 - March 12
Winter Reading Club: (Grades K-5) Have fun earning prizes while increasing your reading and comprehension abilities. Stop by the Children's Room for more information, and to sign up!
Read to Me Club: (Newborn - PreK) Enjoy reading to your little one, and encourage a life-long love of reading and learning! Earn prizes for being a good listener. Stop by the Children's Room for more information, and to sign up.

Preschool Story Time

Wednesdays, January 20 & 27, February 17 & 24
10:30 - 11:00 AM, Ages 2 - 5
Thursdays, January 21 & 28, February 18 & 25
10:30 - 11:00 AM, Ages: 2 - 5
Enjoy stories, songs and activities. Via Zoom.

Lego Challenge

Wednesdays, January 20 and February 17
4:00 - 5:00 PM, Grades: 1 - 5

During every interactive session you will be given a challenge to complete with your Legos. Show your creations off! Via Zoom.

Groundhogs!

Monday, January 25, 4:00 PM, Ages: 3 - 9
Learn all about these wonderful creatures. Will we have an early Spring? Via YouTube.

Take and Make Valentine Craft

Monday, February 8, 4:00 PM, Ages: 3 - 9
Make a sweet Valentine's Day craft.

Songs With Heart

Wednesday, February 10, 10:30 AM, Ages: 2 - 6
Enjoy a special musical Valentine story time with Miss Dara. Via YouTube.

All About Penguins

Tuesday, February 16, 4:00 PM, Ages: 3 - 9
Waddle on down and learn all about these adorable feathered friends. Via YouTube.

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