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Cookie In A Jar

Sarah Smith and Lauren Ragen enjoyed making "Cookies in a Jar" at one of the many great holiday and winter programs held at the Babylon Library this year. There's always something fun to do at your Library.

OUR APPRECIATION

Thank You. . .



to everyone who donated to the the United States Marine Corps Toys for Tots program this year. Your generous efforts made the holidays much happier for many children in need!

Kudos Once Again to Babylon Village Residents!

Your generous donations towards the Holiday Food Drive were truly appreciated in these difficult times. With so many local residents feeling the economic pinch, your kindness and thoughtfulness were a true blessing. Thank you --
The Young Adult Advisory Committee



A Huge Thank You to All Those Who Remembered the Troops for the Holidays

To all those whose generous donations helped make the holiday season a bit brighter for our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan, we would like to give our sincere gratitude and best wishes. Thanks to your thoughtfulness and the help and coordinating skills of American Legion Post #94, we were able to send a bit of home to our men and women in harm's way.

Check Out Our Local Authors

The following local authors have donated a copy of their book to the Babylon Library. We thank them for their generosity and hope you will stop by to "check out" their work!

Albert, Paul - *A Tour of Duty: November 1942-October 1945, WWII*

Carey, John - *The Working Bassist: What You Really Need to Know to Survive in New York City*

Kotz, George H. - *Poetry for Adults and Children*

Menger, Beryl - *Memories of a Blitz Brat*

Santmann, Theresa - *In Gratitude to My Guardian Angel*

Steinberg, Paul - *Make Yourself Marketable*



Advanced Battle of the Books

If you are in grades 9 - 12 and enjoy reading and competing, join us for the Advanced Battle of the Books. Read three great books and we will have four meetings to prepare for the Battle on Friday, March 19 at the Sachem Library. *First meeting is Friday, February 12 from 3:00 - 4:30 PM. Registration is underway at the Adult Reference Desk.*



Congratulations to Susan Peverley, Library Clerk, who recently celebrated twenty years since joining the Library staff. A party was thrown in her honor by the staff and the Library Board has presented her with a Certificate of Recognition. Susan works in both the Circulation Department and the Technical Services Department. Flanking Susan are her department heads, Arleen Schwenker (left) and Karen Drummond (right), who are also twenty plus employees

ADULT SERVICES

Program Registration Policy

All programs require advance registration unless otherwise noted.
Adult and Young Adult Programs

Unless otherwise noted, Adult program registration is held at the Circulation Desk and Young Adult program registration takes place at the Adult Reference Desk. Patrons may register by phone if there is **NO FEE** for the program. All program fees over \$5 must be paid by check or money order payable to the Babylon Public Library or to the presenter as indicated. *All fees are non-refundable.*

WINTER FUN

January

Computer 1st Grade for Grownups

Wednesday, January 13 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Learn how to work with text including basic word processing skills and understanding commands and dialog boxes. A non-refundable fee of \$10.00, payable to the Babylon Public Library by check or money order, is due at registration. *Registration is currently underway.*

Winterscape Painting

Thursday, January 14 6:15 - 8:45 PM

Artist Christine Weyer will show you how easy it is to create a lovely painting of your own using acrylics on canvas. A non-refundable fee of \$3.00 is due at registration. *Registration is currently underway.*

Career Tips

Tuesday, January 19 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Whether or not you've been affected by the current economic situation, executive search consultant Paul Steinberg can give you some tips on how to succeed in a job market that's more challenging than ever. *Registration is currently underway.*

Small Claims / Landlord Tenant

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

Principal Court Clerk Diana Musso from Suffolk County's Surrogate Court will be here to answer questions and discuss the legal aspects of filing a suit in small claims court or dealing with a Landlord Tenant dispute. *Registration is currently underway.*

The Babylon Village Arts Council Presents Poetry in the Village

Sunday, January 10 2:00 - 4:00 PM

This month's poets will be George Guida, Paula Curci, and Peter Dugan and

Saturday, February 14 2:00 - 4:00 PM

This month's poets will be Graham Everett and Annabelle Moseley



Adult Games in the Afternoon Mondays 1:00 - 4:00 PM

The Community Room has been set aside on Monday afternoons for library patrons to get together with their friends to play card or board games. Participants need to bring their own games. Babylon residents may reserve a table for their entire group at the Circulation Desk, or just drop by any Monday to see if a table is available. New players are welcome.

February

How To Use Your Camera - Intermediate Class

Tuesday, February 2 6:45 - 8:45 PM

If you've learned the basics of your digital camera, but want to use some of its more advanced features, let local photographer Peter Tejera guide you through the steps. Remember to bring your camera, fresh batteries, and manual. Class size is limited. Babylon patrons only. *Registration begins Tuesday, January 12.*

Massage For Better Health

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

Learn how to reduce stress as Licensed Massage Therapist Lynda Delucia teaches you some simple massage techniques that you can try yourself. *Registration begins Tuesday, January 12.*

Valentine's Day Cake

Thursday, February 11 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Learn the art of cake decorating as The Baking Coach shows you how to transform an ordinary cake into something special for Valentine's Day. A non-refundable fee of \$3.00 is due at registration. *Registration for Babylon patrons begins Tuesday, January 12. Out of district residents may begin to register Tuesday, January 26.*

Chinese New Year

Wednesday, February 24 7:00 - 8:15 PM

Popular chef Penn Hongthong will be here to demonstrate how to prepare easy and delicious Chinese meals. Samples of course will be provided. *Registration begins Tuesday, January 12.*

COMING IN MARCH



Nancy Hirten School of Irish Dance

Sunday, March 7 2:00 - 3:00 PM

Irish dancing and music. *Registration begins Tuesday, February 9.*

Long Island Home Buying Seminar

Thursday, March 11 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Learn about the home buying process. *Registration begins Tuesday, February 9.*

The Boston Burglars

Saturday, March 13 2:00 - 3:00 PM

An afternoon of popular Irish musical fun. *Registration begins Tuesday, February 9.*

An Evening of Irish Music

Tuesday, March 16 7:00 - 8:00 PM

An evening of traditional Irish entertainment. *Registration begins Tuesday, February 9.*

Beaded Necklace

Tuesday, March 23 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Create your own beaded necklace. Fee of \$3.00 due at registration. *Registration for Babylon patrons begins Tuesday, February 9. Out of district residents may begin to register Tuesday, February 23.*

What's Happening in the Children's Room?



February 2010



Registration for February programs begins on Monday, January 4th at 9:30 AM both in person or online with your CHILD's Babylon Library card. Please note age requirements. Registration is required unless otherwise noted. Out of district residents may register for programs open to them two weeks after registration has begun, **IN PERSON ONLY**, using a Child's library card.

INCHWORMS

for 2's and 3's with parent



Mondays, February 1, 8
10:00 - 10:30 AM

Stories, music, and a craft.

Child must be 2 by February 1

WIGGLEWORMS

for 3's without parent



Mondays, February 1, 8
11:00-11:30 AM

Stories, music and a craft.

Child must be 3 by February 1



DROP-IN CRAFT

for K - 5th Graders

Tuesdays, February 2, 9
3:30 - 4:30 PM

Drop in for a weekly craft project to make and take home.

Registration is not required

TEDDY BEAR TIME

for 4's and 5's not yet in Kindergarten



Thursdays, February 4, 11
11:00 - 11:30 AM

Weekly storytime with a craft

Child must be 4 by February 4



BOOK DISCUSSION

for 3rd and 4th graders

Thursday, February 4
3:30 - 4:30 PM

Monthly book discussion group. This month's book is *Enemy Spy* by Wendelin Van Draanen.

For Babylon patrons only

MY FIRST STORYTIME

for 6-23 months with parent



Fridays, February 5, 12
10:00-10:30 AM

Stories, music and fingerplays

MOVEMENT PROGRAMS

Saturday, February 6

Little Tots

11:00 - 11:45 AM

for 6-18 months with parent

Toddler Time

12:00 - 12:45 PM

for 19 months through 3 1/2 years old with parent

Join Kathy Roeder for music, movement and songs.

VALENTINE'S DAY CRAFT

with MISS JILL

for 3 years through 5 years

Friday, February 12

1:00 - 1:45 PM

For Babylon patrons only



I LOVE BOOKS!

for K - 2nd Grade with parents

Thursday, February 11

4:00 - 5:00 PM

What was your favorite children's book? What is your child's favorite children's book? Come share your family's favorite children's books at a special book discussion.

For Babylon patrons only

PLEASE NOTE

On December 1st, online registration became available to Babylon patrons for Children's programs. Patrons can use the online service from home, or visit the library to register. You will need your child's Babylon Library card to register and be required to create a password. Contact the Children's Department for further information.

MAKE YOUR OWN FORTUNE COOKIES

for 3rd - 5th Graders

Friday, February 12
3:30 - 4:30 PM

Make your own dough from scratch and write your own fortunes. Then take your dough home to bake delicious fortune cookies.

Babylon patrons only



CHINESE NEW YEAR DROP-IN CRAFTS

Tuesday, February 16

For 3 years through Pre-K
10:30 - 11:15 AM

For Kindergarten through 5th Grade
3:30 - 4:30 PM

Registration is not required - Babylon patrons only

WINTER RECESS MOVIE

For all ages

Wednesday, February 17
2:00 PM



We will be showing the movie *Up*, rated PG
Children 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult

DROP-IN AND PLAY

for 6-23 months with parent

Friday, February 19
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

An informal playtime for you and your child. We'll supply the toys and music while you get to know other parents in the area.

Registration is not required



Courtesy Calls

We try to make reminder calls before a program. Please be aware these are a courtesy and cannot always be made.

If you are unsure if you are registered for a program, please call the library to confirm.

FIRESIDE STORYTIME

for 3 years through 2nd Grade

Monday, February 22
7:00 - 7:30 PM



Come in your jammies and listen to some cozy stories by the fireplace.

Registration is not required

WINTER CLAY CRAFT

for 3 - 5 years old with parent

Wednesday, February 24
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Join artist Rona and create a winter clay craft project you and your child will love!

Babylon patrons only

BOOK DISCUSSION

for 5th and 6th Graders

Thursday, February 25
3:30 - 4:30 PM



Monthly book discussion group. This month's book is *Replay* by Sharon Creech

For Babylon patrons only.

March Registration

Registration for March programs begins on Monday, February 1 at 9:30 AM both in person or online with your CHILD'S Babylon Library card. Please note age requirements. Registration is required unless otherwise noted. Out of district residents may register two weeks after registration has begun, IN PERSON ONLY using a Child's library card. Beginning in February, look for a Happenings sheet in the Children's room for more information about the fun programs available in March.

Frosty the Snowman

WINTER PRODUCTION

(For 4's THROUGH 2ND Grade)

Saturday, January 23 **2:00 - 3:00 PM**

"Frosty, the Snowman, was a jolly happy soul . . ."

Come to the Library
and enjoy our rendition of
Frosty the Snowman
performed by

the Young Adult's Advisory Committee,
and make a 'cool' craft as well.

Registration required



SENIOR CORNER

Free Blood Pressure Screening

Every Thursday, 1:00 - 3:00 PM. No appointment needed.

AARP Income Tax Assistance

The Babylon Library will once again be hosting the AARP Income Tax Assistance for Seniors. Appointments are required. Registration begins Tuesday, January 12.

Senior Advocate

Tuesday, February 16 2:00 - 4:00 PM

A representative from the Suffolk County Department for the Aging will be here to help with your questions individually on a first come, first served basis.

AARP Driver Safety

Wednesday, January 20 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

The course is \$14.00 with a two dollar reduction if you are a member of AARP. You must bring your AARP membership proof when you are signing up to receive the reduced rate.

In-person registration is required as the fee, payable to AARP by check or money order, is due at registration. NO CASH will be accepted. One person per check. Class size is limited. Please bring your driver's license and a pen or pencil to class. *Registration is underway.*

YOUNG ADULT SERVICES



Seasonal Keepsake Boxes

Thursday, January 7

7:00 - 8:00 PM

Paint a seasonal scene on a hinged-top box. *Registration is currently underway at the Adult Reference Desk. Registration deadline: Saturday, January 2.*

Valentine Chocolates

Wednesday, February 10 6:00 - 7:30 PM

We will melt white and milk chocolates then mold them into Valentine shapes. Everyone will go home with a bag of chocolates. *Registration begins Saturday, December 26 at the Adult Reference Desk. Registration deadline: Thursday, February 4.*



Mad Tacos

Thursday, March 18 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Join the Baking Coach as she helps you make delicious tacos with your favorite ingredients. *Registration begins Tuesday, February 16 at the Adult Reference Desk. Registration deadline: Friday, March 12.*

SAT Prep Course

Mondays, March 22, April 12, 19, 26

6:15 - 8:45 PM



Learn skills and strategies to help raise your test scores. A check for \$75.00, payable to the Babylon Public Library is due at registration. **Please check with your child's guidance counselor to ensure that your child is ready to take the SAT course, as no refunds will be given.** *Registration for Babylon patrons begins Monday, February 8 at the Circulation Desk. Out of district residents may begin to register Monday, March 1.*

YAAC Meetings

Friday, January 8 3:15 - 4:15 PM

Friday, February 5 3:15 - 4:15 PM

Join us as we discuss library and community service ideas. No registration necessary.

KEEPING FIT



As always, please consult a physician before beginning any exercise regime

Tai Chi

Mondays, January 4, 11, 25, February 1, 8, 22

10:00 - 11:00 AM

Kathy Waszmer is back to start off the new year and whether you're new to Tai Chi or have enjoyed her classes in the past, this 6 week class is especially designed for seniors, those suffering from arthritis, or anyone who simply wants to practice Tai Chi. A non-refundable fee of \$15.00, payable by check or money order to the Babylon Public Library, is due at registration. *Registration is underway at the Circulation Desk.*

Yogalates

Wednesdays, February 3, 10, 17, March 3, 10

10:00 - 11:00 AM

Instructor Paula Siegler employs the best of both worlds in this 5 week exercise course that combines the gentle stretching movements of yoga with the core-building strength of pilates. A non-refundable fee of \$20.00, due by check or money order to the Babylon Public Library, is due at registration. *Registration for Babylon patrons begins at the Circulation Desk Tuesday, January 12. Out of district residents may register Tuesday, January 26.*

ADULT AFTERNOON MOVIE OF THE MONTH



Thursday, January 21 3:00 PM

Nothing Like the Holidays - starring Luis Guzman and Jay Hernandez. Rated PG-13. Runs 98 minutes.

Thursday, February 18 3:00 PM

The Proposal - starring Ryan Reynolds and Sandra Bullock. Rated PG-13. Runs 108 minutes.

Valentine's Raffle

What famous inventor applied for a patent on Valentine's Day in 1876? If you can answer this question, fill out the card at the Adult Reference Desk and put it in the raffle barrel beginning February 1. One winner will be selected at random on Friday, February 12 to win a bag of Valentine candy. Winner will be notified by phone.

We The People Essay Contest



For the second year in a row, the Babylon Public Library has won a bookshelf from the National Endowment for the Humanities. To participate in this essay contest, just read a book from the bookshelf, located in the YA Room, and write a short essay (2 pages), answering the Guiding Questions sheets. Give your essay to a librarian at the Adult Reference Desk. One winner from each category (grades 7 - 8 and grades 9 - 12) will be randomly selected to win a gift card from Barnes & Noble. Essays are due February 22 and winners will be notified via phone by March 1.



Come Join the *Friends of the Babylon Library*

General Meeting

Thursday, January 28 at 7:30 PM
Thursday, February 25 at 7:30 PM
All are welcome to join us!



Book Discussion Club

Wednesday, January 20 7:00 - 8:00 PM
This month we will discuss *Mrs. Dalloway* by Virginia Woolf.
Wednesday, February 17 7:00 - 8:00 PM
This month we will discuss *Unless* by Carol Shields.
All are welcome to join our dynamic group.

January / February Exhibits

Lobby Case

January - To be announced
February - George Washington Memorabilia from the collection of Richard Sullivan

Artist Hall Display

September - Photography Display to be Announced
October - Artwork of Donna Harlow-Moraff

If you have a collection that you would like to display in our lobby showcase or Artist Hallway, please pickup an application at the Adult Reference Desk

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:30 AM - 9:00 PM
Friday - Saturday 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

The Babylon Public Library will be closed:
Monday, January 18 for Martin Luther King's Birthday
and Monday, February 15 for President's Day.

The Board of Trustees will meet on
Wednesday, January 20 at 6:30 PM and
Wednesday, February 17 at 6:30 PM
in the Library Community Room.

The public is invited to attend. Please call 669-1624 to verify.

Phone: (631) 669-1624

Fax: (631) 893-3044

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- renew and request items
- check your patron record



Our library is glad to provide reasonable accommodations for patrons with special needs. Please call us two weeks prior to a program to make arrangements.

Please remember to bring your library card with you for all transactions.

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valentine's Day



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