

# HALF HOLLOW HILLS

## COMMUNITY LIBRARY

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2025

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than Books!***

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All classes require a registration unless otherwise stated. Zoom login information sent within 24 hours of class beginning via e-mail. Registration for September events begins on Tuesday, August 26 and October events begins Tuesday, September 30, at 10 AM, unless otherwise indicated. All classes will take place in-person with the location specified unless noted as follows:  Zoom

## Fun Classes

Supplies are limited to in-class participation only.

### Art with Us

Fridays | 11 AM (DH)

*Presented by Librarians Antonietta & Karissa*

Join us for step-by-step art instruction. Registration required.

**September 5 & 19:** Watercolor  
**October 3 & 24:** Acrylic

### Party-Game Fun

Have fun and win prizes!

### BINGO

Tuesday, September 9 | 4 PM (DH)

### Trivia!

Friday, October 17 | 4 PM (DH)

### Fall Wreath

Wednesday, September 17  
7 PM (DH)

*Presented by Tout Ruban*

Follow step-by-step instructions to make a beautiful wreath. **Cost:** \$5



### Crafternoon!

Tuesdays | 11:30 AM (DH)

**September 23:** Exploding Canvas  
**October 21:** Decoupage Pumpkin



### Butterfly Ranunculus

Wednesday,  
September 24  
7 PM (DH)

*Presented by Artist Casey Cunningham*

Follow step-by-step instructions to create this flower.



### The More We Get Together

*Presented by Instructor Doreen McIlwaine*

These events are geared for adults with special needs.

### Decorative Apple Plate

Thursday, September 18

11 AM (DH)

Make a pretty apple themed plate.

### Day of the Dead Wreath

Wednesday, October 22

11 AM (DH)

Create a colorful wreath that will look great during the Halloween season.

### Sea Glass Jewelry

Tuesday, September 30  
5:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by RoRo's Sea Glass Jewelry*

Create your own sea glass jewelry pieces using tools and material needed to successfully create your unique piece. **Cost:** \$5



### Paint Nite:

#### Witch's Boot

Tuesday, October 7  
6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by Canvas Creations*

Have fun painting a canvas. Please wear appropriate attire for painting. **Cost:** \$5



### Pumpkin Centerpiece

Thursday, October 23 | 6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by Everlastings by Diana*

Make a beautiful centerpiece from dried/preserved flowers and herbs. All supplies included. **Cost:** \$5



### Day of The Dead Ceramics

Wednesday, October 29

6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by Instructor Rosemarie Attard*

We supply the materials and step-by-step instructions. **Cost:** \$5



## Concert Hall

Registration required for auditorium seating.

### Stardust and Moonbeams

Sunday, September 28 | 2 PM (DH)

Join the Gold Coast Jazz Band for a romantic and energizing journey through arrangements of classic tunes from a bygone era. The nostalgia-packed performance includes songs like *Moonglow*, *Fly Me To The Moon*, *Moon-dance* and many more.

### The Band Easy Street

Sunday, October 12 | 2 PM (DH)

Best known for its dance and party sounds, including a wide variety of music from the '60s, '70s, '80s, '90s and current hits from today. Soulful vocals, tight arrangements and engaging performances will have music lovers of all ages dancing in their seats.

### Hart & Soul

Sunday, October 19 | 2 PM (DH)

This female-fronted high-energy band performs music from the 1960s to the present, including classic rock, Motown, disco, country rock and more.

### In Need of a Notary?

The library offers a free Notary Public service. Please thoroughly review our policy at [hhhllibrary.org](http://hhhllibrary.org). Call the library at 631-421-4530 to be connected with the notary and to schedule an appointment. Appointments are required.





## What's Cooking

Payment must be made in-person or online at time of registration, no exceptions.

### Honey Challah

Wednesday, September 10 | 6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by Flour4Purpose*

Just in time for the holidays, a hands-on instructional class to learn how to prepare a honey challah. Must bring a large Ziploc bag, rolling pin and sifter. **Cost:** \$5

### Stuffed Cabbage

Thursday, September 11 | 6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by Naela's Mediterranean Market*

Made with ground beef and rice, served with a Middle Eastern salad. **Cost:** \$5

### Apple Pie Empanadas

Tuesday, September 16 | 7 PM (DH)

*Presented by The Baking Coach*

Create dessert empanadas that can be baked or fried! Make 4 to 8 empanadas - depending on size. Bring a rolling pin to class. **Cost:** \$5

### Dubai Chocolate Brownies

Thursday, September 18  
7 PM (DH)

*Presented by A Mano Baking Company, LLC*

Learn to make mouthwatering brownies inspired by the latest trend: Dubai chocolate! Must bring a mixing bowl and utensil. **Cost:** \$5



### Harvest Afternoon Tea

Tuesday, October 7 | 1 PM (DH)

*Presented by Cookbook Author Margaret M. Johnson*

Take part in a proper tea which includes tea and harvest-themed foods such as Waldorf chicken salad, pumpkin tea bread and pear & apricot roulade. A sparkling beverage will be served, and cookbooks will be available for sale and signing. We encourage you to bring your own teacup and saucer. **Cost:** \$5

### Cinnamon Rolls

Tuesday, October 7 | 7 PM (DH)

*Presented by The Baking Coach*

Nothing spells autumn better than fresh cinnamon rolls. Must bring a rolling pin to class. **Cost:** \$5

### Rajma Curry

Wednesday, October 8 | 5 PM (DH)

*Presented by Certified Nutrition Coach & Certified Dietary Manager Geetu Makin*

A North Indian dish of kidney beans cooked with onion, tomatoes and spices in a flavorful vegetarian curry. **Cost:** \$5

### Carnitas

Thursday, October 9 | 7 PM (DH)

*Presented by Maria's Mexican Cooking*

Chef Maria will demonstrate how to make delicious carnitas. Make sure you come with an empty stomach! **Cost:** \$5

### Bakery-Style Pumpkin Muffin Tops with Cinnamon Glaze

Saturday, October 11 | 12 PM (DH)

*Presented by Chef Rob Scott*

Must bring a large and medium bowl, whisk, baking sheet, box grater and small container with lid. **Cost:** \$5

### Just A Taste (Demo, Tips & Tasting)

Tuesday, October 14 | 10:30 AM-12 PM (DH)

*Presented by Librarian Antonietta*

Pumpkin crumb cake muffins.

### Gnocchi Primavera

Thursday, October 16 | 7 PM (DH)

*Presented by Knead, Sprinkle, Stitch*

Make the potato-based pasta while Judy demonstrates making a delicious primavera sauce. Must bring mixing bowl, spatula, cutting board and cookie sheet **Cost:** \$5

### English Muffin Bread

Monday, October 20 | 7 PM (DH)

*Presented by A Mano Baking Company, LLC*

A golden crust, delivering the classic nooks and crannies perfect for soaking up butter. Must bring a mixing bowl and utensil. **Cost:** \$5

### Mini Chocolate Houses for Halloween

Wednesday, October 22 | 7 PM (DH)

*Presented by Them's The Breaks Chocolate*

Decorate a pre-poured chocolate house with icing, candy and sprinkles **Cost:** \$5

## Veterans



### Veterans Testimonial Project

Be a part of your Community's rich history. Share your military experiences with future generations. All interviews will be recorded and added to the Library's collection and archived with the Veterans History Project at the Library of Congress. To participate in this initiative, call our librarian, Joe Brown, at 631-498-1234, or e-mail [jbrown@hhhllibrary.org](mailto:jbrown@hhhllibrary.org).

### Veterans Peer Support Project

Mondays, September 15, October 20  
12 PM-2 PM (DH)

Stop by to speak with a peer mentor about free programs and services.

- Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project
- Legal Services of Long Island
- Long Island State Veterans Home
- Long Island Cares Inc.
- The Harry Chapin Food Bank
- Northport VA Medical Center
- Northwell Health Unified Behavioral Health Center for Military Veterans and their Families
- Paws of War

LEGAL SERVICES  
OF LONG ISLAND



Long Island  
State Veterans Home

AT STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY



## Business

### Small Business Counselor

Tuesdays, September 2, 16

October 7, 21 (DH)

Appointments from 4:30 PM–7:30 PM

**SCORE** Presented by SCORE

To make a one-hour appointment, register online or call us at 631-498-1234.

SCORE, a resource partner with the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), is a non-profit dedicated to helping small businesses form, grow and succeed. This counseling and mentoring is free of charge.

### Job Coach

Thursdays, September 4, October 9 (DH)

Appointments are preferred but walk-ins are welcome from 5:30 PM–8:30 PM (last appointment at 7:30 PM)

Not sure what career path to take after high school or college? Need help finding a job? Get assistance from MaryAnn Verdolino, certified career counselor. Visit [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org) or call a librarian at 631-498-1234 to schedule a one hour appointment.

### Career Counselor

Tuesdays, September 16, October 7 10 AM–1 PM (DH)

Need help with your résumé? Unsure about your current career? Looking to begin a new job? Come talk to Career Counselor Lisa Strahs-Lorenc. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are strongly encouraged. To make a one-hour appointment, please call 631-498-1234.

### Essentials of Funding Your Business

Wednesday, September 17 | 7 PM (DH)  
Presented by SCORE

Geared to those who already have a business and to others who are thinking of starting one. Learn the necessity for a well-written business plan, funding options and more.

### Understanding the Financial Numbers of Your Business

Wednesday, September 24 | 7 PM (DH)  
Presented by SCORE

Geared to people who already have a business and others who are thinking of starting one. Learn why accounting is key, balance sheets, profit & loss statements and more.

### Civil Service 101

Thursday, September 25 | 2 PM (DH)

Presented by NYS Department of Civil Service

Discover the many state jobs and how to apply.

### Social Media and Branding: How Do You Stand Out

Tuesday, October 28 | 7 PM (DH)

Presented by Career Counselor Lisa Strahs-Lorenc

Make a memorable impact using LinkedIn.

### Franchising: in Business for Yourself but not by Yourself

Wednesday, October 29 | 7 PM (DH)

Presented by SCORE


Geared to people who are thinking of purchasing a new business. Gain an overview of franchise industry, types of franchising arrangements, funding and more.

## Book Discussions for Adults

Copies are available for download on your computer/mobile device. It's simple, just visit [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org) and click on [Download & Stream](#) or call us for assistance.

### Lunch Time Talk

Fridays | 12 PM

(DH) & 

Leaders: Jill Rowley & Laura McKinley, Librarians

**September 5:** *Three Days in June* by Anne Tyler

**October 10:** *James* by Percival Everett

**November 7:** *My Friends* by Fredrik Backman

### Reader Selects

Tuesdays | 7 PM 

Leader: Chris Garland, Librarian

**September 16:** *Who is Government?: The Untold Story of Public Service* edited by Michael Lewis

**October 21:** *The Anxious Generation: How the Great Rewiring of Childhood is Causing an Epidemic of Mental Illness* by Jonathan Haidt

## In the Gallery

### My World Of Paper Art

September 1 – October 27 (DH)

Presented by Jack Banham

Amazingly, Jack, a veteran of both World War II and the Korean War is enjoying his 100<sup>th</sup> spin around the sun. Every day, he spends hours making his brilliantly colorful artworks for the enjoyment of his family and the public. The tiny paper art is meticulously adhered to canvas/boards creating landscapes, impressionistic and abstract art.



**Reception: Sunday, September 21 2 PM (DH)**

### Open for Discussion

Thursdays | 11:30 AM (DH)

Leader: Joe Brown, Librarian

Sign up for a literary journey as we discover under-the-radar genre-bending novels. Read debut authors, hidden gems and titles that may not have received mainstream attention.

**September 11:** *The Bright Years* by Sarah Damoff

**October 9:** *Great Black Hope* by Rob Franklin

### 20s & 30s Book Club

Wednesdays | 6:30 PM–7:30 PM (DH)

Leaders: Kasey Doherty & Karissa Durler, Librarians

A book club for twenty & thirty-somethings. Focusing on fantasy & contemporary fiction books made popular on BookTok and Bookstagram. Read with us & see if the books are worth the hype!

**September 24:** *Atmosphere* by Taylor Jenkins Reid

**October 29:** *Not Quite Dead Yet* by Holly Jackson



## Fitness Classes (DH) &

Online and in-person registration for residents with valid library card begins 8/25, unless noted. Non-resident registration begins 8/26. Patrons may choose to attend in-person or virtual classes. Registering for in-person classes reserves a spot in the class. Due to space, virtual registrants cannot be permitted in-person. Due to high demand, one registration per person per class. See page 16 for more information.

**Check your e-mail or the website for a list of supplies needed for class and class descriptions.**

### Pilates

Tuesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 30,  
October 7, 14, 21, 28 (no class 9/23)  
10:45 AM

*Instructor Melissa Levine*

**Cost:** \$40 (8 classes)

### Arthritis Exercise

Wednesdays, September 3, 10, 17, 24,  
October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 12:30 PM

*Instructor Eden Bennett*

**Cost:** \$45 (9 classes)

### CardioFit

Wednesdays, September 3, 10, 17, 24,  
October 1, 8, 15, 22 | 10 AM

*Instructor Evelyn Regan*

**Cost:** \$40 (8 classes)

### Body by Melissa

Fridays, September 5, 12, 19, 26,  
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 | 10:45 AM

*Instructor Melissa Levine*

**Cost:** \$45 (9 classes)



### Pilates

Thursdays, September 4, 11,  
18, 25, October 9, 16, 23, 30  
(no class 10/2) | 6 PM

*Instructor Melissa Levine*

**Cost:** \$40 (8 classes)

### Evening Yoga

Mondays, September 8, 15, 22, 29,  
October 6, 13, 20, 27 | 7 PM

*Instructor Ann McDermott*

**Cost:** \$40 (8 classes)

### Yoga

Mondays, September 8, 15, 22, 29,  
October 6, 13, 20 | 2 PM

*Instructor Evelyn Regan*

**Cost:** \$35 (7 classes)

### Afternoon Yoga

Fridays, September 5, 12, 19, 26,  
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 | 2 PM

*Instructor Cathy Adamo*

**Cost:** \$45 (9 classes)

### Chair Yoga

Thursdays, September 4, 11, 18, 25,  
October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 12:30 PM

*Instructor Eden Bennett*

**Cost:** \$45 (9 classes)

### Evening Zumba

Mondays, September 15, 22, 29,  
October 6, 13, 20, 27 | 5:45 PM

*Instructor Adriana Molinelli*

**Cost:** \$35 (7 classes)

### Wednesday Zumba

Wednesdays, September 17, 24,  
October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 5:30 PM

*Instructor Adriana Molinelli*

**Cost:** \$35 (7 classes)

### Thursday Zumba

Thursdays, September 18, 25,  
October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 10:30 AM

*Instructor Adriana Molinelli*

**Cost:** \$35 (7 classes)

### Saturday Zumba

Saturdays, September 20, 27,  
October 4, 11, 18, 25 | 10:30 AM

*Instructor Adriana Molinelli*

**Cost:** \$30 (6 classes)

## Flower Show

### The Language of Flowers

Friday, September 19

1 PM–7 PM (DH) &

Saturday,

September 20

10 AM–1 PM (DH)

*Presented by The Dix  
Hills Garden Club*

See what the flowers  
are whispering to  
you! Join us for a  
National Garden Club  
Standard Flower Show.



## Experience Coltrane



### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual

**Force for  
Good Day**

Saturday,  
September 13  
3 PM (DH)

Enjoy an  
unforgettable

afternoon of music featuring some of Long  
Island's most talented student musicians  
joined by the Coltrane Home Ensemble.

### ContraPunctus

Saturday, October 18 | 2 PM (DH)

*Presented by  
The John & Alice  
Coltrane Home*

Their repertoire  
ranges from  
originals by each  
member to music  
by Carla Bley,  
Baden Powell, and Billy Strayhorn. You're in-  
vited into an ever-changing tapestry of ideas,  
emotions, generosity and joy. Made possible  
by a grant from Suffolk County Legislators  
Tom Donnelly and Rebecca Sanin.





## Find A Hobby

### Acting 101

Tuesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23  
6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by Theater Instructor Stephanie Mandra-Martinez*

New to the stage or already have a few credits under your belt? Brush up on the basics, learn new skills and have a few laughs along the way.

### Knitting Circle

Wednesdays, September 3, 10, 17, 24  
October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 7 PM (DH)

*Presented by Instructor Cheryl Westerfeld*

Learn to knit, brush up on your skills, get help with current projects, learn finishing techniques and get suggestions for new projects. Beginning knitters should bring worsted weight (#4) yarn and US size 8 needles to the first session.

### Joy of Journaling

Thursdays, September 4, October 2  
6:30 PM–8 PM (DH)

Use your creativity to bullet journal, junk journal and more. Stencils, markers and materials will be available.

### Siamese Mah-Jongg

Thursday, September 4 | 10 AM–12 PM (DH)

*Presented by Instructor Jacqui Palatnik*

Fascinating two handed version of the game. Participants must have knowledge of the game. If you own a Mah-Jongg set, please bring it with you.

### Smartphone Photography

*Presented by Photographer Holly Hunt*

Bring your fully charged smartphone to class.

#### Smartphone 101

Monday, September 8 | 7 PM (DH)

Learn the basic settings of a smartphone camera and skills of composition and lighting.

#### Smartphone 102

Monday, September 15 | 7 PM (DH)

Explore photo editing including filters, cropping, light and color settings, markup tools and more.

#### Smartphone 103

Monday, September 29 | 7 PM (DH)

Discover the most popular, easy-to-use and free editing applications, Snapseed and Lightleap.

### Magic: The Gathering: Jumpstart

Tuesdays, September 9, 23  
October 14, 28 | 6 PM (DH)

*Presented by Game Master James*

Learn to play this trading card game or bring your own deck to play various versions of the game. Participants will receive 2 jumpstart packs and earn a booster pack for each win.

### The Long Island Writers' Guild Workshop: Got Words? Give 'Em Life

Tuesdays, September 9, October 14  
2 PM–4 PM (DH)

Improve your writing skills while enjoying a community of other motivated writers. Read works-in-progress, offer constructive criticism, receive writing prompts and more.

### Beginner Calligraphy

Tuesday, September 16 | 7 PM (DH)

*Presented by Instructor Paige Sztabnik*

Learn how to use a calligraphy pen and write in calligraphy.

### Intro to Cricut

An introductory class to Cricut and Design Space that focuses on projects you can make with different materials. Class curriculum is the same for every intro class, repeat registration is discouraged. **Prerequisites:** Basic computer skills

#### Cardstock

Wednesday, September 17 | 11 AM (DH)

#### Vinyl

Wednesday, October 15 | 11 AM (DH)

### Coffee & Coloring

Wednesdays, September 24  
October 29 | 10 AM (DH)

Need to de-stress? Take a break and color! We supply the materials or you may bring your own.

### Beginner Bollywood

Tuesdays, October 7, 14, 21, 28  
6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by Instructor Navjot Bal*

Learn the basics of this dance which provides a cardio workout, releases stress from the mind and uplifts you emotionally.

### Learn To Play Canasta

Thursdays, October 9, 16, 23, 30  
10 AM–12 PM (DH)

*Presented by Instructor Jacqui Palatnik*

Perfect for beginners or as a refresher! Learn the updated rules of this amazing game as well as how to interact with a partner.

### Introduction to Zentangle

Wednesday, October 15 | 6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by Artist Aimee J Saccio*

Learn this meditative style of line drawing one stroke at a time. Create a Zentangle tile. No experience required. Please bring reading glasses if needed.

### Intro to Still Life Drawing - Pencil

Tuesday, October 21 | 6:30 PM (DH)

*Presented by Instructor Donna Carucci-Krumm*

Learn composition, creating something out of basic shapes, working with negative space and shading. Perfect for seasoned artists and beginners. All supplies included.

## Discussion Group

### Here's The Thing

Thursday, October 23  
12 PM–1 PM (DH)

*Moderated by Jill Rowley, Librarian*

A monthly discussion group on a variety of topics. Moderator will pick a random thought-provoking question at the beginning of each meeting and let the answers flow! No registration required.

NEW

## Social Worker

Our Social Work Intern from Stony Brook University can assist you with information regarding mental health, finding employment opportunities, government services and forms, locating support groups and much more. **To make an appointment, e-mail [socialworker@hhhllibrary.org](mailto:socialworker@hhhllibrary.org).** Check [hhhllibrary.org](http://hhhllibrary.org) for schedule.

## Throwback Theater

***Some Like It Hot*** (1959) Not rated.

121 minutes.

Thursday, October 23 | 11 AM (DH)



## Streaming Movies



Watch these movies, available from either Hoopla or Kanopy, for free with your library card at [hhhllibrary.org](http://hhhllibrary.org). Then, register to join a lively discussion!

### Art House Film Discussion

**Moderator:** Chris Garland, Librarian

***The Phenomenon*** (2020) Not rated. 100 minutes. Kanopy.

Wednesday, September 10 | 6:30 PM

***The Monk and the Gun*** (2023) Rated PG-13.

111 minutes. Kanopy and Hoopla.

Wednesday, October 29 | 6:30 PM

## Monday Matinees



***Apollo 13: Survival*** (2024) Not rated. 98 minutes.

Monday, September 15 | 11 AM (DH)

***Jurassic World: Rebirth*** (2025) Rated PG-13.

134 minutes.

Monday, September 29 | 11 AM (DH)

***A Kind of Madness*** (2025) Rated PG. 99 minutes.

Monday, October 13 | 11 AM (DH)

***F1: The Movie*** (2025) Rated PG-13. 156 minutes.

Monday, October 27 | 11 AM (DH)

## Friday Family Film

***Lilo & Stitch*** (2025) Rated PG. 108 minutes.

Friday, October 10 | 6:30 PM (DH)



## Seed Library

### Seed Library

Pick out your seed packets at the card catalog near the Dix Hills

Public Service Desk (limit 3

packets per visit) and start growing your

garden! We have a variety of flower,

vegetable and herb seeds that are

open-pollinated. Some are heirloom

All you need is your library card. Send

pictures of your garden and tag us

[#imagineyourgardenhhhl](https://www.instagram.com/imagineyourgardenhhhl). The seed

library will close for the winter Monday,

September 22.

### Love 'em + Leave 'em: Use Your Leaves to Build Soil, Reduce Weeds & Support Pollinators

Tuesday, September 30 | 7 PM (DH)

**Presented by Seedsower Farm**

**Regina Dlugokencky**

Understand the benefits of "leaving the leaves," discovering what they can bestow upon your garden and how they help keep beneficial insects of all types in your home garden this winter.

### Modern Fall Garden

Thursday, October 16 | 2 PM (DH)

**Presented by Horticulturist Paul Levine**

Discover the best techniques, fertilizer, soil, watering and more for growing.

### Grow Your Own: Microgreens

Monday, October 20 | 7 PM (DH)

**Presented by Seedsower Farm**

**Regina Dlugokencky**

Introduce yourself to the benefits of growing (and eating) microgreens, discover economical solutions for growing materials and the 411 on how to grow your own all year long!



## Healthy Living

### Memory Fitness

Wednesdays | 2 PM (M)

Have fun exercising your brain with games, puzzles and trivia, as well as optional creative arts and crafts projects. Learn ways to help keep your brain healthy. **Note:** An interactive class, not a lecture.

### Weekly Online Newsletter

Filled with activities to help exercise your brain. Includes trivia, puzzles, games, brain teasers and more, as well as helpful community and library resources. To subscribe, please contact us at [memoryfitness@hhhllibrary.org](mailto:memoryfitness@hhhllibrary.org) or call us at 631-498-1234.

### Senior Brain Challenge

Mondays | 10:30 AM

Join your peers on Zoom for a fun brain workout with puzzles, quizzes and games.



### Alzheimer Disease Resource Center

Mondays, September 8  
October 13 | 5:30 PM (M)

A monthly caregiver support group for community members who are impacted by having a loved one living with Alzheimer's Disease or other dementias. Support groups provide family care partners with the emotional support, education and guidance they need to better understand the disease.

### One-On-One Medicare Counseling & Assistance

Mondays, September 8, October 13  
10 AM–1 PM (DH)

**Presented by Suffolk County Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)**

Register for a half-hour appointment.

### Healthy Living for Your Brain & Body

Thursday, September 11 | 6:30 PM (DH)

**Presented by Alzheimer's Association**

Uncover the lifestyle habits to adopt to help maintain and/or potentially improve your health and help to keep our brains healthy as we age and delay the onset of cognitive decline.

### Sound Meditation with Guided Imagery

Monday, September 15 | 7 PM (DH)

**Presented by Licensed Acupuncturist Donna Nesteruk, L. Ac.**

Create pleasant and peaceful images to access your subconscious mind. This relaxed state helps to produce a balance between the body and mind. No experience needed!

### Unlocking Joyful Memories: Innovative Activities for Dementia Patients

Tuesday, September 30 | 2 PM

**Presented by Family & Children's Association Alzheimer's and Dementia Caregiver Support Program and is funded by Parker Jewish Willing Hearts, Helpful Hands**

Discover innovative activities that offer hope for dementia patients - allowing them to rediscover joy and connection.

**St. Francis Health Screenings**

Friday, October 17  
10 AM–2 PM (DH)

St. Francis Hospital's Community Health, Education & Outreach Program is pleased to offer FREE health screenings by registered nurses from St. Francis Hospital. No registration required.

Screenings include:

- Blood pressure
- Brief cardiac history
- Cholesterol (finger-stick blood test)
- Diabetes (finger-stick blood test)

### Shed The Meds

Tuesday, October 28  
10:30 AM–12:30 PM (DH)

Properly dispose of unused or expired prescription and over-the-counter medications.

No questions asked and no personal information is required. All medication must be emptied into plastic Ziploc bags before arrival or it can not be accepted.



### New Hope for Alzheimer's Disease

Tuesday, October 28 | 2 PM

**Presented by Parker Jewish Institute's Willing Hearts, Helpful Hands and Center for Excellence for Alzheimer's Disease at Stony Brook University**

Learn what to do if you or your loved one is experiencing memory loss and where to seek help.

## Lectures

### Skyscrapers, Architecture and Art

Monday, October 6 | 2 PM (DH)

**Presented by Artist & Professor Chris Vivas**

Explore the monumental achievements in architecture: the Great Pyramids, the Eiffel Tower, Empire State Building; and the current tallest man-made structure, the Burj Khalifa.

### New York State Wines

Tuesday, October 14 | 10:30 AM (DH)

**Presented by Sommelier Pascal Zugmeyer**

Discover useful and distinctive information on New York wines. Learn about types of wines, grapes and winemaking techniques.

### The Coming of the Korean War

Wednesday, October 15 | 12 PM–2 PM (DH)

**Presented by St. Joseph's University Professor Steven Fuchs, Ph.D.**

Uncover the impact of World War II, changes in Korean society, the American-Soviet zones of occupation, the Cold War and personal ambition in starting the war.

### Impressionism and Post-Impressionism: Avant-Garde to Modernism

Friday, October 24 | 2 PM (DH)

**Presented by Art Historian Sandra Palmer**

Learn about the two artistic movements arising in mid-nineteenth century France and their similarities, differences and the works of art and artists who are so deeply admired today.

**THE GREENS AT HALF HOLLOW**

Wednesdays | 10:15 AM (DH) &

Visit [hhhllibrary.org](http://hhhllibrary.org) for events in partnership with the Greens' Men's Group.



## Donation Corner

### Birthday in a Box Donation Drive September 1 – September 30

Donate unopened birthday supplies to be given to the *Birthday in a Box* program by Birthday Wishes, a nonprofit organization that supports the social-emotional needs of families experiencing homelessness. Items needed include: birthday-themed plates, wrapping paper, napkins, tablecloths, party hats, blowers, candles, cake mix (yellow, chocolate or Funfetti), frosting (yellow, chocolate or Funfetti) and 6-packs of juice boxes.



## Tech Classes



### How to Manage Personal Finances using Microsoft Excel Thursday, September 18 | 10 AM–12 PM (DH)

Learn how to create a check register and format for bank reconciliation, keep track of expenses and create a simple database. **Prerequisites:** Computer Kindergarten, Computer 1<sup>st</sup> Grade OR basic knowledge of Excel.

### Introduction to QuickBooks Monday, October 13 | 6:30 PM–8:30 PM (DH)

Learn the basics of QuickBooks, including setting up your business, creating and editing accounts, creating estimates and invoices and more. **Prerequisites:** For intermediate and advanced computer users.

### Intermediate QuickBooks Monday, October 27 | 6:30 PM–8:30 PM (DH)

Expand your QB knowledge, including transactions in modules, banking, custom reporting and more. **Prerequisites:** For intermediate and advanced computer users. Introduction to QuickBooks or equivalent knowledge.

### Makerspace Services

By appointment only (DH)

Visit <https://www.hhhlibrary.org/makerspace-services> for more information, to review our policy and see the equipment available for use!

### Tech Tuesdays

Tuesdays | 10 AM–1 PM (DH)

Need cell phone help or assistance with your tablet or laptop? Stop in for one-on-one assistance. Sessions are 30 minutes and are first come first serve.

### EV 101

Thursday, September 25 | 7 PM (DH)

**Presented by Drive Electric Long Island**

Thinking of buying or leasing an electric vehicle? Learn the basics about electric vehicles with the opportunity to ask current EV owners why they chose to go electric and what it's really like to drive.

### Artificial Intelligence for Everyone

Tuesday, September 30 | 7 PM (DH)

**Presented by SUNY Old Westbury Instructor Tanya Tuzo**

Explore the benefits and concerns of AI, from enhancing everyday tasks to understanding its ethical implications. Gain experience with AI tools. You may bring your own fully charged device with internet access, but it's not required.

## Defensive Driving

Saturday, September 13 | 10 AM–4 PM (DH) OR Wednesday, October 15 AND Thursday, October 16 | 6 PM–9 PM (DH)

**Presented by Suffolk Safety Program**

Participants must arrive on time for class. Late arrivals will not be permitted according to NYSDMV rules & regulations, **no exceptions**. Register online or in-person with a valid library card. **Cost:** \$35

## Document Shredding/ Shed The Meds

Sunday, September 7  
9 AM–12 PM (M)

Bring your old papers in paper bags to the parking lot. Shredded material will be delivered to a recycling center.

- Event is well-attended. Maximum of 3 boxes (standard-size record storage box) or bags per person.
- Please be prepared to carry and unload your own boxes and bags.
- Personal household documents ONLY. No business documents - no exceptions.

Properly dispose of unused or expired prescription and over-the-counter medications. No questions asked and no personal information is required. All medications must be emptied into plastic Ziploc bags before arrival, or it can not be accepted.



This event is made possible thanks to:

- New York State Assemblyman Steve Stern
- Suffolk County Legislature Minority Leader Jason Richberg
- Suffolk County Legislator Tom Donnelly
- Suffolk County Legislator Rebecca Sanin
- Half Hollow Hills Community Library



## English Classes



For more language learning opportunities, please contact the HHHCL Outreach Librarian: [outreach@hhhlibrary.org](mailto:outreach@hhhlibrary.org).

### New English Speakers Conversation Café Tuesdays | 10 AM (DH)

Join us for casual conversation, practice English vocabulary and reading skills, explore different cultures and make new friends.

# REASONS WHY EVERYONE SHOULD HAVE A LIBRARY CARD

Library of Things & Seed Library

Books & Media

Access to Databases and Courses

Fun Events for All Ages

Makerspaces

## Free with Your Library Card



Download free digital magazines through Flipster



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Read along with picture books on TumbleBooks



Get community service hours



Download an eBook or eAudio-book through Libby (Live-brary.com)



Have a dance party in your living room with free music from Hoopla



Learn a new language with Pronunciator or its app, Bluebird



Work on projects at your own pace with online art and craft classes from Creativebug

## Library Card Info



Just a reminder, your library card **expires** every three years (homeowner) or yearly (renter). Make sure you are up to date. Log in to your account at home to check. Bring your driver's license and visit the Public Service Desk at either building to renew so you don't miss out on your favorite events and services.

### Need a Library Card?

Residents of the Half Hollow Hills School District can apply for a 30-day digital card. This temporary card gives you immediate access to your library's digital resources and services. Go to [hhhllibrary.org/services/cards](http://hhhllibrary.org/services/cards).

## Museum Passes

We offer passes to many great museums! Call **631-421-4530** or **631-421-4535** for more information and to reserve your museum pass.

## Wi-Fi Hotspots

### Running Out of Data?

We have the solution! Reserve a T-Mobile hotspot for free for 21 days with your library card. Call **631-421-4530** for availability!

## Roku Sticks

Take home our Roku sticks equipped with an impressive lineup of streaming services. Check out for free with your library card for 21 days. Available at Dix Hills and Melville.

## The Value of a Library Card

Library Materials/Service	Value of Use	Library Cost
Book Borrowed	\$18.00	Free
Audiobook Borrowed	\$10.00	Free
eBooks Downloaded	\$10.00	Free
Magazine Read	\$7.00	Free
Movies Streamed/Borrowed	\$7.00	Free
Program Attended	\$15.00	Free
Museum Pass Borrowed	\$20.00	Free
Computer use (per hour)	\$12.00	Free
Fitness Class Attended	\$25.00	\$5.00
Cooking Class Attended	\$100.00	\$5.00
Congratulations Sign from Library of Things	\$50.00	Free
Roku Stick	\$30.00	Free
Hot Spot	\$70.00	Free





## FALL FANDOM FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 25  
11 AM–1 PM (DH)

Comic-Con Meets Fall Fun!

Costume  
Parade

Refresh-  
ments

Seasonal  
Activities

Pumpkin  
Painting

Local  
Artist  
Vendors

Crafts &  
Games

## Children's Services

Registration for September events begins on Tuesday, August 26 and October events begins Tuesday, September 30 at 6 PM, unless otherwise stated.

- District Residents only.
- Please list your child's name, grade and school name in the note fields when registering online. For children not yet in school, please include their birth date. Children must meet the minimum age or grade listed by the first day of class.
- We reserve the right to deny admittance ten minutes after start time, at which point, if there is availability, waitlisted members may be allowed in.
- If your child has any food allergies, please let a children's librarian know or note it when registering.
- Please dress yourself and your child appropriately for the class.
- Programs may be photographed/video-taped for library publicity. Notify library staff if you prefer not to be included.

### Early Childhood

#### Fantastic Fingerplays

Mondays, September 8 **AND/OR** October 20 | 10:30 AM–11 AM (DH) Birth-5 years with a parent or caregiver

Have fun with Ms. Nicole doing fingerplays to get your fine and gross motor skills working.

#### Come Play with Me!

Tuesday, September 9 | 10:30 AM–11:15 AM (M) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver

Toys provide the opportunity to be creative, improve fine and gross motor skills and have fun. Play with age-appropriate toys and meet new friends with Ms. Donna.

#### Totally Tots

Tuesday, September 16 **AND/OR** October 7 | 10 AM–10:30 AM (DH) Ages 2-3 with a parent or caregiver

Read and make a craft with Ms. Michele.

#### Apple Name Craft

Wednesday, September 17 | 11 AM–11:30 AM (DH) Ages 3-5 with parent or caregiver

Spell names with Ms. Grace using a caterpillar!

#### Baby Bonanza

Thursdays, September 18 **AND/OR** October 9 | 10 AM–11 AM (DH) Birth-18 months with a parent or caregiver

A grownup and baby playdate with music, friends and age-appropriate toys!

#### Stories, Songs & Motor Skills

Mondays, September 22 **AND/OR** October 13 | 10:30 AM–11 AM (DH) Birth-5 years with a parent or caregiver

Enjoy books, songs, rhymes and fingerplays with Ms. Nicole to work on our motor skills.

# Children's Services

## Little Friends in STEM

Tuesday, September 23 | 10:30 AM–11:15 AM (DH) Ages 18 months–4 years with a parent or caregiver  
Dive into the world of STEM and related activities with Ms. Emily.

## Falling Leaves Festivities

Thursday, September 25 | 10 AM–10:30 AM (DH) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver  
Hear stories about leaves and do crafts with Mr. Zack.

## Messy Active Play

Friday, September 26 | 10:30 AM–11:15 AM (M) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver  
Messy play allows for hand strengthening and developing hand-eye coordination. Play with sand, finger paint, playdough and more with Ms. Donna. **Dress for a mess!**

## Poopasaurus:

### Potty Training Storytime

Monday, September 29 | 11 AM–11:45 AM (DH) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver  
Join Ms. Nicole for a potty training storytime!

## Wiggles and Beats

Tuesday, September 30 | 10:30 AM–11:15 AM (M) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver  
Stomp your feet! Wiggle to the beat! Read books with Ms. Donna, play with balls, scarves, drums and more!

## Giggles and Grooves

Friday, October 3 | 10:30 AM–11:15 AM (M) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver  
Listen to a story with Ms. Donna, dance, jump, giggle and enjoy the beat.

## Playdough Fun

Saturday, October 4 | 11 AM–11:30 AM (DH) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver  
Have fun playing with playdough and Ms. Michele!

## Crayon Creations

Tuesday, October 7 | 6:30 PM–7 PM (DH) Ages 3-5 with a parent or caregiver  
Get crafty with crayons and Ms. Mary!

## Shake, Rattle and Roll

Wednesday, October 8 | 10:30 AM–11:15 AM (M) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver  
Dance and move to music with Ms. Donna while playing with drums, bells and more.

## Amazing Acorns

Friday, October 10 | 11 AM–11:45 AM (DH) Ages 2-4 with a parent or caregiver  
Read about acorns and make an acorn to eat with Ms. Eileen. **Please include any food allergies in notes.**

## Stay and Play

Saturday, October 11 | 10:30 AM–11:15 AM (M) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver  
Join us for a play date at the library with Ms. Donna, where your little one will make new friends and have fun.

## Babies Boogie

Friday October 17 | 10 AM–10:30 AM (M) Birth–23 months with a parent or caregiver  
Wiggles, giggles and songs with Ms. Sparling.

## Toddlers Tango

Friday October 17 | 11 AM–11:45 AM (M) Ages 24-48 months with a parent or caregiver  
Clap your hands, stomp your feet and wiggle to the beat of Ms. Sparling.

## Five Little Pumpkins

Tuesday, October 21 | 10:30 AM–11:15 AM (M) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver  
Join A Time for Kids and make a pumpkin craft.



**Be our next Kid Librarian!**

In-person registration required.  
The position is for a full week.  
One Kid Librarian per week, and each child can only be Kid Librarian once per year. District residents only.

## Hedgehog Handprint Craft

Wednesday, October 22 | 11 AM–11:30 AM (DH) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver  
Hear stories with Ms. Grace and make a hedgehog.

## Candy Corn Companions

Thursday, October 30 | 11 AM–11:30 AM (DH) Ages 2-5 with a parent or caregiver  
Enjoy stories and make a craft with Mr. Zack.

## Families

### Stories for You!

Tuesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23, October 7, 14, 21  
Thursdays, September 4, 11, 18, 25, October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30  
6 PM–6:30 PM (M)  
Join Ms. Eileen on Tuesdays and Ms. Joan on Thursdays for fun stories every week.  
**No registration required.**

### Super Storytime

Wednesdays, September 3, 10, 17, 24, October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 6 PM–6:30 PM (DH)  
Stories and songs with librarians. **No registration required.**

### Drop in Craft

Tuesday, September 9 | 5:30 PM–7 PM (DH)  
Create a surprise craft with librarians.  
**No registration required.**

### Board Game Bonanza

Monday, October 20 | 2 PM–3:30 PM (DH)  
Hang out with friends and play games.  
**No registration required.**

## School Age

### Back To School With My Gnomies

Wednesday, September 10  
6 PM–6:45 PM (DH) Grades K-3  
Join Mr. Zack and your new gnome friends to get ready for back to school.



## Origami Bookmarks

Friday, September 12 | 6:30 PM–7:15 PM

(DH) Grades 2-5

Make Origami bookmarks that look like your favorite characters with Ms. Karen!

## Log Cabin Construction

Monday, September 15 | 4:30 PM–

5 PM (DH) Grades K-3

Be creative using Lincoln Logs with Mr. Erik!

## Maker Monday

Mondays, September 15, October 6

6:30 PM–7:30 PM (DH) Grades K-5 must be accompanied by an adult

Explore the latest gadgets and technology.

## Beautiful Leaves

Wednesday, September 17 | 6:45 PM–

7:15 PM (DH) Grades K-3

Make beautiful leaves while learning how they change colors with Ms. Eileen.

## Chess Buddies

Saturdays, September 20 AND/OR

October 11 | 11 AM–12 PM (DH) Grades 2-5

Play chess and advance your current skills with local teen buddies.

## Fantasy House Crafting

Tuesday, September 23 | 2:30 PM–

3:30 PM (DH) Grades 3-5

Create a fairy/gnome house with Ms. Nicole.

## Sunflower Craft

Wednesday, September 24 | 2:30 PM–

3:15 PM (DH) Grades K-3

Make a sunflower with Ms. Michele.

## Lego Buddies

Sundays, September 28 AND/OR Octo-

ber 19 | 1 PM–2 PM (DH) Grades K-5

Build a theme-based creation with a teen.

## Video Game History!

### A STEM Program

Monday, September 29 | 4:30 PM–

5:30 PM (DH) Grades 1-5

Learn about the history of video gaming with Mr. Erik! Try out a few vintage game systems.

## Homework Help

Wednesdays, October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

4:30 PM–5:30 PM OR 5:30 PM–6:30 PM

(DH) Grades K-5

High school volunteers assist your child with their assignments. Registration is required.

## Super Duper Spiders

Thursday, October 9 | 7 PM–7:45 PM

(DH) Grades PreK-2

Make some not-so-scary spiders with Ms. Mary!

## Shrinky Dinks Keychains

Friday, October 10 | 6:30 PM–7:15 PM

(DH) Grades K-5

Draw on special paper that magically shrinks and turns into plastic with Ms. Karen!

## Square Pumpkin Craft

Monday, October 13 | 2:30 PM–3:15 PM

(DH) Grades 2-5

Make a square pumpkin with Ms. Michele.

## Ghost Buddies

Friday, October 17 | 6:30 PM–7:15 PM

(DH) Grades PreK-2

Read a story about an un-boo-lievable ghost and make crafts with Ms. Victoria.

## Spooky Scary Skeletons

Tuesday, October 21 | 6 PM–6:45 PM

(DH) Grades PreK-2

Create spooky skeletons with Ms. Nicole and listen to music and stories.

## Escape The Haunted Library!

Wednesday, October 22 | 6 PM–

6:45 PM (DH) Grades 3-5

Join Mr. Zack and friends in escaping by solving puzzles and cracking codes.



Grades K-5

Are you looking for a fun reading challenge? Join our new reading program on Beanstack and log every book you've read through elementary school.

Receive a prize for every 100 books read, up to 500. After you log 500 books and write 5 book reviews, receive an entry for our yearly grand prize drawing. To sign up and start logging visit: [hhlibrary.beanstack.org](http://hhlibrary.beanstack.org) or use the Beanstack app.

## FALL FANDOM FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 25

11 AM–1 PM (DH)

See p. 11



## Lights Out

Wednesday, October 29 | 6:45 PM–

7:45 PM (DH) Grades 2-5

Write our very own spooky stories to tell each other with Ms. Emily.

## Events for Children & Teens

### Tweens Night Out:

#### DIY Bag Charms

Tuesday, September 23 | 6 PM–7 PM

(DH) Grades 4-9

Make custom bag charms and enjoy snacks.

### Tin Foil Art Box

Friday, September 26

6 PM–7 PM (DH) Grades 4-8

Decorate a box with tin foil and markers.



### Books & Bakes:

#### Blood in the Water

Friday, October 10 | 5 PM–6 PM (DH)

Grades 4-9

Join our first tween book club of the season! Read *Blood in the Water* by Tiffany Jackson.

Books can be picked up in the Teen Department starting September 5. Registration begins August 26.

Brooklyn girl, Kaylani McKinnon, feels out of place spending the summer in fancy Martha's Vineyard. When a teen dies in an accident, Kaylani searches for clues and uncovers secrets, realizing she might be in danger!



### Art & Artists: Judy Chicago

Tuesday, October 21 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)

Grades 4-8

Learn about Judy Chicago's famous art installation, "The Dinner Party," and recycle pieces of dinnerware into sculptures.



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## Online Community Service

Submissions may be used on our social media channels. This community service is for district residents only in grade 6-12. **Please allow up to one week for a response via e-mail with community service certificates.** This is a virtual submission community service: for more information, examples, and guidelines, visit [hhhlbrary.org/services/teens](http://hhhlbrary.org/services/teens).

### Teen Book Reviewers

Become a teen book reviewer! Once we receive your review, please allow up to 1 week for your certificate. Each review is worth 2 hours of community service. Students may submit up to 3 book reviews per year. To register and submit your review, visit [hhhlbrary.org/services/teens](http://hhhlbrary.org/services/teens).

### Database Reviews

Learn about the library's resources and earn community service! Each review is worth 2 hours of community service. Students may submit up to 3 reviews per year. To register and submit your review, visit [hhhlbrary.org/services/teens](http://hhhlbrary.org/services/teens).

### Take and Make Community Service

Pick up a Take and Make Kit to complete at home. Once completed, return your finished items to the Teen Department for community service and to be donated. Registration is required for each month and supplies are limited. Kits must be picked up by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month, otherwise your spot will be given to the waitlist.

**September: Back-to-School Crayon Frames**  
Tuesday, September 2

**October: Trick-or-Treat Tote Bags**  
Wednesday, October 1



## In-Person Community Service

All community service events award teens 1 hour of community service unless otherwise noted.

### Birthday in a Box Donation Drive September 1 – September 30

Teens receive up to 2 hours of community service for donating new, unused supplies. See p. 9.

### Library Card Sign Up Month: September

**September 1 – September 30**  
Throughout the month, stop by the Teen Room to decorate an "I Love My Library" poster.

### Bookish Pin Packs

**September 1 – September 30**  
Stop by the Teen Desk, show us your library card and create book-inspired pin packs during *National Library Card Sign Up Month!*

### Letters for Veterans

Write letters to veterans and earn 1 hour per 3 letters written, with up to 6 submissions per month. Must be done in person.

### First Responder Kits

**Tuesday, September 9  
6 PM–7 PM (DH)**  
Create cards and a canvas bag for First Responders.



### Stickers for Kids

**Thursday, September 11 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)**  
Color stickers for the Children's Department!

### Homework Help Volunteers

**Tuesday, September 16 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH) Grades 9-12**  
Are you interested in assisting students in Grades K-5 with homework? Join us for an information meeting to learn about this program and what will be required to become part of the team.

### Chess Buddies

**Saturdays, September 20 AND/OR  
October 11 | 11 AM–12 PM (DH)**  
Grades 8-12

Play and teach chess moves to young players in grades 3-5.

### Lego Buddies

**Sundays, September 28 AND/OR  
October 19 | 1 PM–2 PM (DH)**

Assist with the Lego Play grades K-5 program.

### Halloween Pins

**Tuesday, September 30 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)**  
Create Halloween-inspired pin packs to spread smiles to library patrons.

### Build a "Birthday in a Box"

**Monday, October 6 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)**  
Help build and fill a "Birthday in a Box" for the Birthday Wishes organization.

### Pumpkin Coasters for Veterans

**Thursday, October 9 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)**  
Make pumpkin coasters using pom poms to be donated to Veterans.

### Mental Health Day

**Friday October 10 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)**  
Grades 6-12

The Family & Children's Association will present strategies for coping and prevention in recognition of Mental Health Day.

### Mind Builders

**Thursday, October 16 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH) Grades 9-12**

Learn about planning and conducting a program for younger students under the guidance and supervision of a librarian.

### Painting for a Purpose

**Friday, October 17 | 7 PM–8 PM (DH)**

Create special works of art for adults at assisted living homes to brighten up their rooms.



### Great Give Back

**Saturday, October 18  
1:30 PM–3 PM (DH)**

Label and hand books to people attending the Coltrane concert.



**Air Dry Clay Pumpkin Dishes**  
Friday, October 24 | 5 PM–6 PM (DH)  
Grades 9-12  
Make a trinket dish for Veterans.

**Fall Fandom Festival Volunteers**  
Saturday, October 25  
10:30 AM–1:30 PM (DH)  
Assist with activities, setup and cleanup.

**Rise and Reflect: Power of You(th)**  
Wednesday, October 29 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)  
Presented by MADD. Learn about underage substance use prevention and how to say no to alcohol and other substances.

## Just for Fun

Some programs that include food may not be suitable for those with food allergies. Please contact the Teen Desk with any questions.

**Pizza and a Movie**  
Friday, September 5 | 5 PM–6:30 PM (DH)  
Celebrate National Cheese Pizza Day!



**Sunflower Gnome Wreath**  
Saturday, September 6  
2 PM–3 PM (DH)  
Make a sunflower gnome wreath!

**Mario Kart Tournament**  
Monday, September 15 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)  
Compete against friends to see who will win the Grand Cup in our Mario Kart tournament.

**Sphero Night**  
Wednesdays, September 24  
October 15 | 6:30 PM–7:30 PM (DH)  
Race our Spheros and enjoy fun activities.

**International Cooking: Guacamole**  
Thursday, September 25  
6 PM–7:30 PM (DH)  
Make fresh guacamole and delve into Mexican culture/traditions in honor of National Guacamole Day.

**Caramel Apple Bark**  
Monday, September 29 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)  
Create delicious fall-inspired apple bark using pretzels, chocolate, caramel and apples.

**Half Hollow Novel Box**  
Sign up  
September 30 – October 7 (DH)  
Sign up to receive a hand selected book to check out from our collection, a snack and fun swag to keep. Fill out the interest form to help us pick a book for you! The theme for October is Ghostly Gatherings. Pick up box October 20.

**Skeleton Fashion Show Contest**  
Wednesday, October 1 (DH)  
Starting October 1, pick up a Skeleton Kit in the Teen Room to enter our Skeleton Fashion Show Contest! Decorate and return skeletons to the Teen Room (decorations not included) by Monday, October 13. Voting begins October 20 through October 24. The top 3 best dressed skeletons will win a spooky prize! Registration is required and supplies are limited.



**Witch Hat Breakable**  
Friday, October 3 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)  
Fill a sugar cone with treats, cover it in chocolate and decorate it with candy & sprinkles. A small mallet to break it open is included.

**Floral Ghost Figure**  
Tuesday October 7 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)  
Use air dry clay to make a ghost figurine!

**Healthy Fried Rice**  
Wednesday, October 8 | 7 PM–8 PM (DH)  
Make fried rice with healthy ingredients.

**Skeleton Bubble Bath Candle**  
Tuesday October 14 | 5 PM–6 PM (DH)  
Make a unique candle for the spooky season!

**Spooky Creations**  
Wednesday, October 15 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)  
Learn to make pumpkins, ghosts and more!

**Pumpkin Spice Rice Krispie Treats**  
Monday, October 20 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)  
Whip up some pumpkin spice flavored treats!

**3D Printed Charm Bracelet Making with Skullman Prints**  
Wednesday, October 22 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)  
Make a fun and spooky DIY charm bracelet.

**Stranger Things Waffle Party**  
Thursday, October 23 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)  
Enter The Upside Down, eat yummy waffles and make spooky friendship bracelets.

**Spooky Trivia**  
Monday, October 27 | 6 PM–7 PM (DH)  
Test your knowledge of spooky things and win prizes!

**Halloween Movie Night**  
Friday, October 31 | 5 PM–7 PM (DH)  
Enjoy snacks and a Halloween movie!

## 100 Books Before Graduation

Log every book you read on our website and receive a prize for every 20 books you complete. When you read 100 books, receive a prize, a spot on our "Wall of Fame" and entry into our yearly grand prize drawing for a new Amazon Kindle Paperwhite. To sign up and start logging, visit [www.hhhlibrary.org/services/teens/100bb4g](http://www.hhhlibrary.org/services/teens/100bb4g) and visit the Teen Desk to pick up your registration packet!





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**Saturday:** 9:30 AM–5 PM

**Sunday:** 12 PM–5 PM beginning

September 14

**55 Vanderbilt Parkway**

**Dix Hills, NY 11746**

**631-421-4530**

## Library Board of Trustees

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### Board Meetings

Monday, September 29 | 6:30 PM

Tuesday, October 21 | 6:30 PM

## Administration

### Director:

Margie Hartough

### Assistant Director:

Chris DeCristofaro

## Melville

**Monday - Thursday:** 9:30 AM–9 PM

**Friday - Saturday:** 9:30 AM–5 PM

**Sunday:** Closed

**510 Sweet Hollow Road**

**Melville, NY 11747**

**631-421-4535**

## Emergency Closings

If our phones are unavailable,  
try these resources.

**Website:** [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org)

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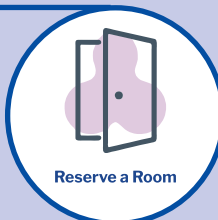
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September 1 for Labor Day

## Reserve a Room

Requests for November and December room  
reservations begins October 1 at 10 AM

- Visit [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org) to review our Use of Facilities Policy before requesting a room.
- Room requests must be made using the online form at [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org) and clicking on "Reserve a Room."
- Groups may not book more than one reservation per week.

Once the library has reviewed your request, you will receive an e-mail confirming the reservation. Please contact the library at **631-421-4530** or **631-421-4535** with any questions.



## Community Legal Help Project



**Wednesdays, September 10, October 8**  
**3 PM–6 PM (DH)**

Do you need help with a legal problem? Call **631-822-3272** for information or to schedule an appointment with an attorney. Walk-ins welcomed. Services provided by Legal Aid Society of Suffolk County, Nassau Suffolk

Law Services, Suffolk County Bar Association, Touro Law Center and volunteer attorneys. Free limited legal information and referrals to Suffolk County residents on topics including:

- Family (Child Support, Visitation, Custody, Order of Protection)
- Matrimonial
- Criminal
- Immigration
- Bankruptcy
- Mortgage Foreclosure

## How To Register

- **Registration for September events begins on Tuesday, August 26 and October events begins Tuesday, September 30, unless otherwise indicated in Dix Hills and Melville buildings. Registration for adult events begins at 10 AM and Children/Teen events begin at 6 PM.** By registering, you are guaranteed a spot in the class.
- We reserve the right to deny admittance once a class has begun.
- Register online at [hhlibrary.org](http://hhlibrary.org), in-person or by calling the library.
- Registration limited to district residents for Children's and Teen programs.
- Payment for programs with fees can be made online with a credit/debit card. Stop by the Public Services Department at Dix Hills or Melville to pay by cash, check or credit/debit card. **Fees are nonrefundable.**
- Pre-registration is required for auditorium seating.
- Doors open 15 minutes before events.
- Opinions presented by speakers are those of the speakers' and do not reflect an endorsement by the Library.
- Programs may be photographed/videotaped for library publicity. Notify library staff if you prefer not to be included.
- Programs for adults are for ages 18 and up, teen programs are for grades 6-12 and children's programs are as noted. See Children's Services section for registration information.

*Thank you for your cooperation.*