

MCPL QUARTERLY

NEWS & PROGRAMS AT MIDDLE COUNTRY PUBLIC LIBRARY

SPRING 2024



JANE GOODALL'S ROOTS & SHOOTS

This spring, the MCPL Green Teens are working on a special project with support from Roots & Shoots USA, a program of the Jane Goodall Institute, to educate the community on recycling and reducing individual waste. These hardworking volunteers are currently developing litter cleanup kits that will circulate at the library.



SOLAR ECLIPSE 2024

On Monday, April 8th, we will experience a Total Solar Eclipse in our area. Here are a few ways to participate in this historic event with MCPL:



- Register for a **Total Solar Eclipse Viewing Kit (A407)** including two pairs of safe viewing glasses and fun activity guides (one kit per household).
- Visit our **Eclipse Outreach** tables in the lobby on Wednesday, April 3rd from 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the Selden building; Friday, April 5th from 3:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, April 6th from 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the Centereach building to learn all about the eclipse and pick up your safe viewing glasses.
- Participate in one of our **upcoming programs** – Total Solar Eclipse (J513), ROARING Rockets (J516) or Starlab (J542) for some space science fun.
- Stop by the Parking Lot at the Centereach building on April 8th between 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. to view the Eclipse.

ANNUAL MESSAGE & BUDGET INFORMATION FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Our library continues to provide a vibrant and inclusive environment for lifelong learning, discovery, cultural enrichment and community engagement. We are committed to offering exceptional resources and dynamic programs to enhance the quality of life for our residents. Our outreach efforts enable us to build strong connections and remain engaged with the Middle Country community.

This past year, we opened the MCPL Café in our Centereach building! We welcome you to stop by for a cup of freshly brewed coffee or tea and enjoy a variety of baked goods and grab-and-go items. Our new Innovation Space continues to be very popular. Over 9,700 programs were offered, 405 passports were processed, 1,582 museum passes were circulated and 200 teens participated in our Buddy programs and Teen Volunteer clubs!

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Join the Smokey Bear Reading Challenge! During April and May children 4 -10 years old will read books and complete activities while learning about wildfire prevention, forests, and natural resource careers. More information and resources can be found in the Museum Corner. Register through Beanstack online or at the Youth Services desk.

PROGRAM CATALOG:

- ADULTS/SENIORS 5 - 9
- TEEN SERVICES 10 - 13
- CHILDREN & FAMILIES 13 - 17

SPRING REGISTRATION: CHILDREN & TEENS - THURSDAY, MARCH 21ST
ADULTS - FRIDAY, MARCH 22ND

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

2024/2025

SALARIES

Professional, Clerical, Computer Support, Page, Custodial/Security

\$7,728,685

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Retirement, Social Security, Workers Compensation, Health, Dental, Vision, Life, Disability, Long Term Care, EAP

\$3,763,350

LIBRARY MATERIALS AND SERVICES

Furniture & Equipment, Books, Microforms/E Books, Audio Materials, Subscription Services, Visual Materials, Realia/Other, Professional Development, Publicity & Printing, Rental of Equipment, Contracts with Other Libraries, Programs

\$2,168,695

OPERATING EXPENSES

Custodial Services, Office & Library Supplies, Telecommunications, Cartage, Postage, Travel, Professional Contract Services, Membership Dues, Rental, Repair & Maintenance of Office Equipment, Snow Removal, Protective Service, Maintenance & Custodial Supplies, Repairs to Buildings & Building Equipment, Insurance, Utilities, Computer Software & Services

\$1,829,118

OTHER EXPENSES

Transfer to Capital Fund

\$400,000

Proposed Budget

Less Anticipated Revenues

Less Appropriated Fund Balance

\$15,889,848

\$234,000

\$400,000

Total Tax Appropriation

\$15,255,848

GASTOS ESTIMADOS

SALARIOS

Profesionales, Personal de Oficina, Personal de Asistencia con Computadoras, Pages, Mantenimiento/Seguridad

BENEFICIOS PARA LOS EMPLEADOS

Jubilación, Seguro Social, Compensación de Trabajadores, Salud, Dental, Visión, Seguro de Vida y Discapacidad, Cuidado por Tiempo Prolongado, EAP

MATERIALES BIBLIOTECARIOS Y SERVICIOS

Muebles y Equipo, Libros, Microformas/Libros Electrónicos, Materiales Audiovisuales, Servicios de Suscripción, Materiales Visuales, Desarrollo Profesional, Publicidad e Impresión, Alquiler de Equipo, Contratos con otras Bibliotecas, Programas

GASTOS OPERATIVOS

Servicios de Mantenimiento, Artículos de Oficina y Bibliotecarios, Telecomunicaciones, Transporte, Franqueo, Servicios Profesionales Contratados, Membresías, Alquiler, Equipos de Reparación y Mantenimiento de Oficina, Remoción de Nieve, Servicios de Protección, Suministros de Mantenimiento y Limpieza, Reparaciones de Edificios, Equipo de las Instalaciones, Seguro, Utilidades, Servicios de Software y Computadoras.

OTROS GASTOS

Transferencia al Fondo Capital

Presupuesto Propuesto

Menos Ganancias Anticipadas

Menos Balance de Fondos Apropriados

Crédito Fiscal Total

ANNUAL MESSAGE

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As part of the annual message, a summary of next year's budget is included. The proposed 2024/2025 budget reflects an increase of .37%, which is below the tax cap limitation. We strive to be financially prudent while providing exemplary services, programs, and resources, to remain a steady local employer and as always, your neighborhood library. We hope that you continue to enjoy all that the library offers. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Please contact Sophia Serlis-McPhillips, library director, at 631-585-9393 ext. 219 or email serlismc@mcplibrary.org with any questions you may have pertaining to the budget.

How to Determine Your Household's Proposed Library Tax

Proposed Tax = (Home's Assessed Value x Tax Rate per \$100) ÷ 100

2024-2025 Proposed Estimated Tax Rate per \$100 = \$28.66

For a Home Assessed at:	Proposed Estimated Annual cost for Library Services:	Estimated Annual Increase
\$2,000	\$573.20	\$2.20
\$3,000	\$859.80	\$3.30

Based on the most recent data at time of printing.

Como determinar el impuesto de la biblioteca propuesto por su propiedad

Impuesto Propuesto = (Valor Tasado de la Casa x tasa de impuesto por \$100) ÷ 100

2024-2025 Tasa de Impuesto Estimada Propuesta por \$100 = \$28.66

Para una Casa Valorada en:	Costo Anual Estimado Propuesto por Servicios Bibliotecarios:	Incremento Anual Estimado
\$2,000	\$573.20	\$2.20
\$3,000	\$859.80	\$3.30

Basado en la información más reciente al momento de la impresión.

LIBRARY PODCAST CELEBRATES 6 YEARS ON THE AIR



The Middle Country Public Library Podcast is celebrating six years on the air... and now you can WATCH us every week on YouTube! Join Sal, Sara and Nicole as they discuss all the great things that are happening at the library in addition to the library's fabulous collection. If you are interested in books, music, movies, places around our community and more, check them out on your favorite podcast app or our YouTube Channel, mcpl.tv!

LIBRARY BUDGET VOTE & TRUSTEE ELECTION

TUESDAY, APRIL 9TH, 2024
9:30 A.M. - 9:00 P.M.

**at the Centereach building, 101 Eastwood Blvd.,
Centereach, NY**

In order to vote you must be:

- A citizen of the United States
- 18 years of age or older
- Registered to vote*
- A resident of Middle Country School District #11 for at least 30 days prior to the vote

**You are registered if you have voted in a general, school, or library election within the last four years. If you have not, you may register on Tuesday, April 2nd between 2:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at the Centereach Building.*

Absentee ballot applications are available at the Centereach Customer Service Desk.

VOTACIÓN DEL PRESUPUESTO DE LA BIBLIOTECA Y ELECCIÓN DE LOS FIDEICOMISOS

MARTES 9 DE ABRIL, 2024
9:30 A.M. - 9:00 P.M.

**En la sede de Centereach, 101 Eastwood Blvd,
Centereach, NY**

Para ser elegible para votar, usted debe:

- Ser ciudadano de Los Estados Unidos
- Tener 18 años o ser mayor de 18 años
- Estar registrado para votar*
- Ser residente del distrito escolar de Middle Country #11 por lo menos 30 días antes de la votación

**Usted está registrado si ha votado en la elección general, votación de la escuela o biblioteca en los últimos 4 años. Si usted no se ha registrado, lo puede hacer el martes 2 de abril entre las 2:00 - 9:00 p.m. en nuestra sede de Centereach.*

Las solicitudes para votar en ausencia están disponibles en el escritorio de Servicio al Cliente, Customer Service.

Para el mensaje anual en español haga click www.mcplibrary.org/spanish-message/.

BE CREATIVE IN OUR INNOVATION SPACE



The library's Innovation Space allows users of all ages to explore their creativity and technical skills using our different kinds of "maker" equipment. Patrons can make an appointment or attend a program to learn more about the latest makerspace technology such as 3D printing, laser engraving, Cricut cutting, sublimating with a heatpress, using a mat cutter, recording in the media studio, and more! To learn more or make an appointment, visit mcplibrary.org/Innovation-Space.

CELEBRATE SPRING . . .

Solar Eclipse 2024 (J532)

Monday, April 8, 2024 • 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

For all ages

Join us to view the total solar eclipse. Weather permitting.
Centereach Parking Lot

Youth Abilities Day (J509)

Saturday, April 13, 2024 • 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

For families

A special needs resource fair and family fun day!
Centereach

Free Comic Book Day (J506)

Saturday, May 4, 2024 • 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

For all ages

Come down to the library to celebrate Free Comic Book Day with fun activities! Free comics available, while supplies last. - **Centereach**

Touch-a-Truck (J452)

Saturday, May 11, 2024 • 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

For families

Children can explore various vehicles, sit in the driver's seat and discover the world of trucks. This unique event will feature large trucks and heavy equipment from law enforcement, fire department, commercial companies, industrial companies and more. - **Centereach**

International Museum Day (J529)

Thursday, May 16, 2024 • 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

For families

Join us for our annual festival celebrating Museum Day. Representatives from many local museums, historical societies, science and nature centers will be on hand to share information regarding their collections, programs and exhibits! - **Centereach**

Decorate Your Grad Cap! (T769)

Thursdays, June 6th, 13th OR 20th

5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

For teens in 12th grade

Graduation is just around the corner! Come to the library and decorate your graduation cap with a unique design celebrating your accomplishment. - **Centereach**

Spring Jubilee (J464)

Friday, June 7, 2024 • 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

For families with children in K - 5th grade

Join us as we welcome Spring with the official opening of our Nature Explorium! Buzz on down and enjoy some bug-themed crafts and activities. Then enjoy a presentation from Sweetbriar Nature Center. - **Centereach**

Join us for our exciting summer entertainment series

Open
to all!

MCPL UNDER THE STARS

**GUILTY
PLEASURES**
80s Band

Wednesday,
July 10th

**THE
LONGHORNS**
Country

Wednesday,
July 31st

**THE MEN
OF SOUL**
Soul and R&B

Tuesday,
August 13th

MOVIE NIGHT
The Wizard of Oz
Wednesday,
August 7th
@8:30PM

Concerts run 7PM - 8:30PM

Bring your lawn chairs and join us at MCPL - Centereach this summer for outdoor entertainment. Each event will offer activities for all ages.

Concerts above are supported by a Suffolk County Dept of Economic Development & Planning grant sponsored by Legislator Nick Caracappa.

ISLAND IDOL
Friday,
July 26th
@6PM

**Strictly 2024
Business**

Tuesday, May 7, 2024 @ 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. ~ **Centereach**

Featuring local businesses, Strictly Business highlights the economic successes of our region. For more information on becoming a sponsor or a vendor, visit www.strictlybusinesstradeshows.org or contact Elizabeth Malafi at malafielizabeth@mcplibrary.org.

ATTENDING PROGRAMS

- A valid MCPL library card for each patron (adults, children and teens) is required at time of registration.
- Register online at www.mcplibrary.org, in person at Centereach and Selden, or by calling 631-585-9393.
- Registration for Children's and Teen programs begins on Thursday, March 21st at 9:30 a.m.
- Registration for Adult programs begins on Friday, March 22nd at 9:30 a.m.
- Program fees must be paid at the time of registration. Payment for online or phone registrations are due within three days or the registration will be cancelled. **Program fees are non-refundable.**
- Out-of-District patrons with a valid card from their home library may attend programs designated with a (*). Based on availability, registration for these Adult programs begins Monday, April 1st (except where noted).
- For the most up-to-date registration and program information please visit www.mcplibrary.org/calendar or call 631-585-9393.
- Please let us know if you require any special accommodations because of a disability.

ADULTS/SENIORS

Non-refundable material fees are due within 3 days of registering. Adult programs are for patrons aged 14+. Please visit programs.mcplibrary.org for complete descriptions.

Arts & Crafts

Ceramic Pineapple Centerpiece (A389)

Materials Fee: \$5

Wednesday, June 12 | 2:30pm - 4:30pm **OR** 6:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

Comic Book Creation (A388)

Tuesdays June 11, 18 **AND** Thursdays, June 13, 20
6:30pm - 7:30pm | Selden

Comic Book Flower Bouquet (A351)

Wednesday, May 1 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

Crafting for a Purpose: Wheelchair Caddy (A340)

Cut, iron, & sew as we make wheelchair caddy organizers that will be donated to local nursing homes.

Saturday, April 20 | 10:30am - 12:30pm | Selden

Crafts, Coffee & Conversation (A337)

Thursdays, April 18 **AND/OR** May 16 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm | Centereach

Crochet Group (A317)*

Tuesdays, April 9, May 14, June 11 | 7:00pm - 8:30pm | Centereach

Crochet: Sampler Blanket (A335)

For intermediate crocheters. Materials needed: 2 skeins of number 4 worsted weight yarn, and two H crochet hooks. Colors can vary if desired, but they should be the same brand.

Thursdays, April 18, 25, May 2, 9 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Selden

Decorative Bird Houses (A331)

Wednesday, April 17 | 1:00pm - 2:30pm **OR** 6:00pm - 7:30pm | Selden

Diamond Art (A391)

Wednesday, June 26 | 1:30pm - 2:30pm **OR** 6:30pm - 7:30pm | Centereach

DIY Egg Carton Wreath (A361)

Wednesday, May 8 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Selden
OR Thursday, May 9 | 11:00am - 12:30pm | Selden

Knotted Candle Holder (A400)

Monday, June 3 | 2:30pm - 3:30pm | Selden
OR Tuesday, June 4 | 6:30 - 7:30pm | Selden

Pressed Flower Mason Jars (A346)

Thursday, April 25 | 5:00pm - 6:00pm **OR** 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

Quilting Instructional: Sunflower Garden (A318)

Please visit the Adult Reference Desk for materials list.

Tuesdays, April 9, 16, May 7, 14 | 6:00pm - 8:30pm | Selden

Quilting Sew n' Sews (A303)

Basic sewing skills recommended.

Wednesdays, April 3, May 1, **AND** June 5 | 6:00pm - 8:30pm | Selden

Resin Coasters (A377)

Materials Fee: \$10

Thursday, May 30 | 5:00pm - 6:00pm **OR** 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

Scrapbooking & Journaling Group (A350)*

Tuesdays, April 30, May 28, June 25 | 6:30pm - 8:30pm | Selden

Seasonal Home Sign (A357)

Materials Fee: \$15

Tuesday, May 7 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

Sewing 101 (A378)

Saturdays, June 1, 8 | 11:00am - 12:30pm **OR** 1:00pm - 2:30pm | Selden

Stained Glass: Geometric Sun Catcher (A365)

Materials Fee: \$20

Wednesday, May 15 | 6:30pm - 8:30pm | Selden **OR**

Thursday, May 16 | 1:30pm - 3:30pm **OR** 6:30pm - 8:30pm | Selden

Take & Make Programs

Reserve a kit & create using the detailed instructions included.

Earth Day (A0338)

Registration begins: Friday, April 19

Wood Mushrooms (A0367)

Registration begins: Friday, May 17

Flower Pounding on Paper: A Creativebug Take & Make Program (A0382)

Registration begins: Friday, June 7

Book Discussions & Writing

Afternoon Book Discussion*

Please register separately for each date you will be attending.

April 4th: See description below for Long Island Museum Tour and Book Discussion (A280)

June 5th: See page 8 for Lighthouse Tour and Author Book Talk (A381)

June 27th: *The Celebrants* by Steven Rowley (A333)

2:00pm - 3:00pm | Selden

History Buffs Book Club (A360)*

May: *The American Civil War: A Military History* by John Keegan

June: *Band of Brothers: E Company, 506th Regiment, 101st Airborne from Normandy to Hitler's Eagle's Nest* by Stephen Ambrose

Tuesdays May 7, June 18 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

Long Island Reads (A416)*

Long Island Reads will honor Christian Cooper, author of *Better Living Through Birding: Notes from a Black Man in the Natural World* at the Plainview-Old Bethpage Public Library on April 21st at 2pm.

Tickets available starting April 1st at longislandreads.wordpress.com.

Long Island Museum Tour and Book Discussion (A280)*

Join us at the Long Island Museum for a collaborative and engaging tour and book discussion. First take an educator-led walk through the Long Island Museum's exhibit *The Power of Two: Artist Couples of Long Island* followed by a librarian-led discussion of the book, *Foursome: Alfred Stieglitz, Georgia O'Keeffe, Paul Strand, Rebecca Salsbury* by Carolyn Burke. **Registration open now.**

Thursday, April 4 | 2:00pm - 4:00pm | Offsite

Writers' Group (A320)*

Wednesdays, April 10, May 8, June 12 | 7:00pm - 8:30pm | Centereach

Business & Finance & Careers

Visit www.millerbusinesscenter.org for the most up-to-date list upcoming business programs.

Build Your Business Using Social Media (A296)*

Thursday, April 11 | 7:00pm - 8:30pm | Centereach

Business Innovation Space Open Time (A376)*

Wednesday, May 29 | 8:30am - 9:30am | Centereach

One-on-One Financial Counseling (A301)

Tuesdays, April 2, May 7, June 4

Appointments at 6:00pm **OR** 6:45pm **OR** 7:30pm | Centereach

Podcasting 101 for Small Businesses (A373)*

Wednesday, May 22 | 9:00am - 10:00am | Centereach

Protecting Yourself and Your Team: Coverage Essentials for Businesses (A334)*

Presented by the Advocate for Business at the NYS Workers' Compensation Board

Thursday, April 18 | 10:00am - 11:00am | Centereach

Smart Business Book Club (A364)*

Meet us at Joe's Campus heroes in Selden to discuss *The Energy Bus* by Jon Gordon

Wednesday, May 15 | 9:00am - 10:00am | Offsite

Stony Brook Hospital Job Fair (A402)*

Wednesdays, April 3 **AND/OR** June 12 | 3:00pm - 7:00pm | Centereach

Suffolk County Dept. of Labor Job Fair (A411)*

Wednesday, April 10 | 10:00am - 12:00pm | Centereach

Suffolk County Dept. of Labor Job Readiness Workshop (A306)*

Thursday, April 4 | 10:00am - 12:00pm | Centereach

English Class: Intermediate (A308)*

Thursdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, June 6
7:00pm - 8:30pm | Selden

Saturdays, April 6, 13, 20, 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25, June 1, 8
10:00am - 11:30am | Centereach

English Conversation Group (A316)*

Mondays, April 8, 15, 29, May 6, 13, 20, June 3, 10, 17, 24
10:30am - 11:30am | Selden

Literacy Celebration (A398)*

Thursday, June 13 | 6:00pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

Mujeres Latinas: Connecting Through Your Library! (A343)*

Saturdays, April 13, May 11 | 12:30pm - 2:00pm | Centereach

Wednesdays, April 24, May 29 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

Computers & Technology

Book-a-Librarian

Make an appointment with a librarian for assistance with library resources and services at www.tinyurl.com/MCPLBookaLibrarian.

Apple Support Group (A342)

Monday, April 22 | 7:00pm - 8:15pm | Selden

Computer Basics (A329)

Tuesday, April 16 | 10:00am - 12:00pm | Selden

AND/OR Thursday, May 9 | 6:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

Introduction to Android (A349)

Saturday, April 27 | 10:00am - 12:00pm | Selden

Introduction to Canva (A325)

Intermediate computer skills required.

Thursday, April 11 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Selden

OR Thursday April 18 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

Laser Engraved Floral Bouquet (A285)

Intermediate computer skills required.

Thursday, May 2 | 5:00pm - 6:30pm **OR** 7:00pm - 8:30pm | Centereach

OR Saturday, May 4 | 10:30am - 12:00pm | Centereach

Microsoft Excel: Pivot Tables (A319)

Intermediate computer skills required.

Tuesday, April 9 | 7:00pm - 8:30pm | Selden

Microsoft PowerPoint: Photo Album (A356)

Intermediate computer skills required.

Tuesday, May 7 | 7:00pm - 8:30 pm | Selden

Microsoft Word: Features & Tips (A379)

Tuesday, June 4 | 7:00pm - 8:30pm | Selden

Sublimation "Stained Glass" Tumbler (A286)

Materials Fee: \$5

Intermediate computer skills required.

Saturday, June 1 | 10:30am - 12:15pm | Centereach **OR**

Thursday, June 6 | 5:00pm - 6:45pm **OR** 7:00pm - 8:45pm | Centereach

Cooking

Zucchini Bread (A359)

with Linda Doomes

Thursday, May 9 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Selden

Tacos & Salsa (A396)

with Chef Maria

Thursday, May 16 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

Titanic Tea (A314)

Wednesday, April 17 | 2:00pm - 3:30pm | Selden



COMING THIS SPRING
SECURITY GUARD TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION
For more information, please visit programs.mcplibrary.org or call the Adult Reference Desk

Citizenship & ESOL & Literacy

The Literacy Office is open to assist patrons with limited literacy or English proficiency needing help accessing library services and programs. Call 631-585-9393 ext 274 or ext 248.

Career and School Counseling for ESOL Students (A395)

Wednesdays, April 3, May 1, June 5

Appointments at 10:00am **OR** 11:00am **OR** 12:00pm | Selden

Wednesdays, April 10, 17, May 8, 22, June 12, 26

Appointments at 4:30pm **OR** 5:30pm **OR** 6:30pm | Centereach

Citizenship Preparation (A330)*

Wednesdays, April 10, 17, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, June 5, 12

7:00pm - 8:30pm | Selden

English Class: Basic (A307)*

Thursdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, June 6
7:00pm - 8:30pm | Selden

Saturdays, April 6, 13, 20, 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25, June 1, 8

10:00am - 11:30am | Centereach

Defensive Driving & Pre-Licensing*

AARP Smart Driver (A348)*

Program Fee: \$25 for AARP Members/ \$30 for non-Members
Please make check payable to AARP.

Saturday, April 27 | 10:00am - 4:30pm | Selden **OR**

Monday, May 20 **AND** Tuesday, May 21

10:00am - 1:30pm | Selden **OR**

Monday, June 10 | 10:00am - 4:30pm | Selden

Defensive Driving (A312)*

Program Fee: \$25 (\$22 for students with High School ID)
Please make check payable to NYSTA, Inc.

Wednesday, April 3 **AND** Thursday, April 4 | 5:30pm - 8:30pm | Selden

OR Saturday, April 6 | 10:00am - 4:30pm | Selden

OR Saturday, May 4 | 10:00am - 4:30pm | Selden **OR**

Wednesday, May 15 **AND** Thursday, May 16 | 5:30pm - 8:30pm | Selden

OR Saturday, June 1 | 10:00am - 4:30pm | Selden **OR**

Wednesday, June 12 **AND** Thursday, June 13 | 5:30pm - 8:30pm | Selden

Pre-Licensing Class (A313)*

Program Fee: \$55 in CASH on day of class.

Saturdays, April 6 **OR** May 4 **OR** June 1 | 10:00am - 3:00pm | Selden

Games

To Catch a Killer: Mystery Game Night (A323)

Thursday, April 11 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

Family Chess Club (A311)*

No registration necessary.

Fridays | 5:00pm - 8:30pm | Centereach

Fun and Games (A305)*

No registration necessary.

Wednesdays | 1:00pm - 4:00pm | Selden

Mah-Jongg Club (A302)*

Tuesdays | 6:00pm - 8:30pm | Centereach

Genealogy

Genealogy Research Assistance

Request an appointment at www.tinyurl.com/MCPLgenealogyappt.

D.I.G.: Drop-In Genealogy (A401)*

Thursday, April 18 | 10:00am - 12:00pm | Selden

Health & Wellness

Ask a Dietitian (A339)*

No registration necessary.

Fridays, April 19, May 17, June 21 | 11:30am - 1:00pm | Selden

Chemical Dependency: Impact and Treatment (A380)*

Wednesday, June 5 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

Coping with Stress and Anxiety (A392)*

Thursday, June 27 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

Free Health Screening with St. Francis Hospital (A383)*

No registration necessary.

Friday, June 7 | 10:00am - 2:00pm | Selden **OR**

Monday, June 24 | 10:00am - 2:00pm | Centereach

Koga Lite (A327)

Fridays, April 12, 19, 26, May 3, 10, 17 | 10:00am - 10:45am | Selden

Learn More About Pain Management (A418)*

Tuesday, April 16 | 1:00pm - 2:00pm | Selden

Mat Pilates (A399)

Mondays, April 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

A Matter of Balance (A298)

Improve balance and prevent falls.

Mondays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20

10:00am - 12:00pm | Selden

Reducing Anxiety through Meditation (A387)*

Tuesday, June 11 | 7:00pm - 8:30pm | Centereach

Shed the Meds (A419)

Looking to get rid of unwanted or expired medications? Drop them off for safe disposal by the Suffolk County Sheriff's Office. Liquid medications and sharps will not be accepted.

Friday, April 19 | 11:00am - 1:00pm | Selden

Strength Training Total Body Workout (A375)


Thursdays, May 23, 30, June 6 | 6:30pm - 7:30pm | Selden

Understanding Blood Pressure (A405)*

Wednesday, May 8 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

GARDENING PROGRAMS

Celebrate Earth Day with one of these great programs!



MCPL Seed Library

Our Seed Library has a wide selection of herbs, flowers and vegetable seeds. Patrons may select up to 4 packets of seeds per visit!

GreenThumbs: Plant Exchange (A374)*
Wednesday, May 22 | 7:00 pm - 8:30pm | Selden


Local Eats: Zippy Zucchini (A410)
Tuesday, June 11 | 6:30pm - 7:30pm | Centereach

Plant Containers: Thrill, Fill and Spill (A408)
Tuesday, April 23 | 2:00pm - 3:30pm | Centereach

Sunflower Power (A386)
Monday, June 10
3:00pm - 4:00pm **OR** 6:00pm - 7:00pm | Selden

Who Goes There? Friend or Foe? Insect Identification for Gardening Success (A384)*
Saturday, June 8 | 10:00am - 11:30am | Selden

Volunteer and Learn at Hobb's Farm (A328)*
Tuesdays, April 16 **AND/OR** April 30 **AND/OR** May 14
10:00am - 11:30am | Hobb's Farm



Sign up for our MCPL Seasonal Leaflet
Email for great gardening advice!
www.mcplib.org/adults/seed-library

History & Heritage

The 80th Anniversary of D-Day (A293)*

Tuesday, June 4 | 7:00pm - 8:30pm | Centereach

The History of Camp Upton (A294)*

Tuesday, April 16 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

A History of Entertainment in the Modern White House (A0289)*

Presented by Alan DeValerio, White House Butler from 1980-1989.
Tuesday, April 9 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Zoom

LGBT History 101 (A390)*

Presented by the LGBT Network. 
Tuesday, June 18 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

A Lighthearted Look at the American Presidency (A290)*

Tuesday, May 14 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

Lighthouse Tour and Author Book Talk (A381)*

Visit Southold for a guided tour of the Horton Point Lighthouse, Nautical Museum and the Maple Lane Museum Complex of historic buildings. We will also be joined by author Mary Korpi for a discussion of her book, *The Lady Lighthouse Keeper*. **Program fee: \$5**
Wednesday, June 5 | 11:00am - 2:00pm | Offsite

Interests & Lifestyle

Art Not Art: The Big Business of Faking Masterpieces (A358)*

Thursday, May 9 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

Boat America: Boating Safety Education (A341)*

All boaters must complete a state-approved boating safety course by 2025. Don't wait until the last minute. **Program Fee: \$20 in CASH or CHECK on day of class. Please make check payable to USCGAUX Flotilla 22-06 Port Jeff, NY**

Saturday, April 20 | 10:00am - 4:30pm | Selden **AND** Monday, April 22
6:30pm - 8:30pm | Selden **OR**

Saturday, May 11 | 10:00am - 4:30pm | Selden **AND** Monday, May 13
6:30pm - 8:30pm | Selden **OR**

Saturday, June 15 | 10:00am - 4:30pm | Selden **AND** Monday, June 17
6:30pm - 8:30pm | Selden

Colorful Spring Eyes (A363)

Tuesday, May 14 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

Conversational Spanish (A355)

Learn basic phrases that can help you get by in most situations: airports, restaurants, doctors and casual conversations with friends.
Mondays, May 6, 13, 20, June 3 | 7:00pm - 8:30pm | Centereach

Free Comic Book Day (A354)*

Saturday, May 4 | 9:30am - 5:00pm | Centereach

Green Cleaning for Mirrors, Windows, Sinks & Tubs (A372)

Tuesday, May 21 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Selden

Guided Nature Hike: Jayne's Hill (A353)

Join us at for a 3.7-mile moderate hike at West Hills County Park. Hiking boots are suggested.

Saturday, May 4 | 9:00am - 11:30am **OR** 12:30pm - 3:00pm | Offsite

Interior Paint Décor (A322)

Thursday, April 11 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Selden

International Museum Day (J529)

See page 4 for more information!
Thursday, May 16 | 4:00pm - 7:00pm | Centereach

Library for All (A404)*

For adults with sensory issues; on the autism spectrum; or who have other specific needs.

Wednesday, May 8 | 10:00am - 11:00am | Centereach

Wednesday, June 12 | 10:00am - 11:00am | Selden

Long Island Songbirds (A368)*

Saturday, May 18 | 11:00am - 12:00pm | Selden

Me Time: A Fun Friday Series*

Name That Tune (A347)

Friday, April 26 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

All About Chocolate (A366)

Friday, May 17 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

Escape Room (A393)

Friday, June 28 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

NASA Missions to Mars (A287)*

Presented by NASA Solar Ambassador Malmi Kiriwandalage
Thursday, May 2 | 7:00pm - 8:30pm | Selden

Photography Hike at Elizabeth A. Morton National Wildlife Refuge (A324)

Meet at the Refuge and be prepared for a 1.5-mile hike.

Thursday, April 11 | 11:00am - 1:00pm | Offsite

Rainforest Butterflies (A397)*

Wednesday, May 1 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

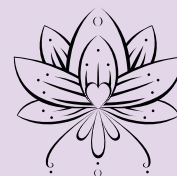
Solar Eclipse 2024 (J532)

Monday, April 8 | 2:00pm - 4:00pm | Centereach Parking Lot

Solar Eclipse Viewing Kit (A407)

Get prepared for the Total Solar Eclipse on April 8th! Pick up a viewing kit to learn about solar eclipses and how to make your own pinhole viewer. Each kit includes 2 pairs of safe eclipse viewing glasses and fun activity guides. **One kit per household. Kits will be available for pickup beginning Thursday, March 21st.**

Zen Den
Programs



Join us in the relaxing pop-up Zen Den in Centereach for these programs!

Book Discussion: Joy on Demand: The Art of Discovering the Happiness Within (A409)
Monday, May 6 | 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Meditation (A315)
Tuesday, May 7 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Library for All* in the Zen Den (A404)
For adults with sensory issues; on the autism spectrum; or who have other specific needs.
Wednesday, May 8 | 10:00am - 11:00am

Sound Healing (A403)
Wednesday, May 8
2:00pm - 3:00pm **OR** 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Performances

Live at MCPL: Barbra Streisand and Neil Diamond Tribute (A281)

Sunday, April 7 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm | Selden

Live at MCPL: The Long Island Brass Guild (A369)

Sunday, May 5 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm | Selden

Live at MCPL: There's No Business like Show Business: The Music of Irving Berlin! (A385)

Sunday, June 9 | 2:00pm - 3:30pm | Selden

Music & Poetry Night (A244)*

Friday, April 12 | 6:00pm - 8:30pm | Centereach

Senior Services

Friday Films @1 (A310)

Fridays, in April, May, June, **Except** June 7 | 1:00pm | Selden

Island Harvest's Commodity Supplemental Food Program (A284)*

For eligible seniors only. Seniors can contact Island Harvest at 631-873-4775 to determine eligibility.

Wednesdays, April 17, May 15, June 19 | 10:00am - 12:00pm | Centereach

PACE: People with Arthritis Can Exercise (AO297)

Tuesdays, March 26, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14, 21, June 4

12:30pm - 1:30pm | Selden **OR** Zoom

Prime Time: Older Adults Connecting through the Library (A295)*

Meet with old and new friends, join us and enjoy some lively conversation, refreshments and fun activities.

Tuesday, May 14 | 10:00am - 11:30am | Centereach

Senior Advocate (A370)*

Monday, May 20 | 2:30pm - 4:30pm | Centereach

Senior Connections (A309)*

Fridays, April 5, 19, May 3, 17, June 7, 21 |

11:00am - 1:00pm | Selden **AND**

Fridays, April 12, 26, May 10, 24, June 14, 28 |

11:00am - 1:00pm | Centereach

Senior Prom 2024 (A288)

Friday, June 7 | 2:00pm - 4:00pm | Selden

Thriving in Your Third Act*

Protecting Assets: Should I Put My Home in a Trust? (A321)

Wednesday, April 10 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

Aging in Place at Home (A332)

Wednesday, April 17 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

Essential Estate Planning for You and Your Parents (A344)

Wednesday, April 24 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

Topical Tuesdays @ 2: Dining with Diabetes (A412)*

Tuesday, May 28 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm | Selden

Topical Tuesdays @ 2: Coping with Stress and Anxiety (A291)*

Tuesday, June 18 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm | Selden

Topical Tuesdays @ 2: A Heart Healthy Diet (A292)*

Tuesday, April 16 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm | Selden

Video Games for Seniors (A362)

Learn how to play video games with the experts: Teens!

Friday, May 10 | 5:00pm - 6:00pm | Centereach

Support Services

Community Legal Help (A406)*

Need help with a legal problem? Free limited legal advice and assistance is available. Appointments preferred but walk-ins welcome. Please call 631-822-3272 to make an appointment.

Thursdays, April 4, 11, 18, May 2, 9, 16, June 6, 13, 20

2:00pm - 5:00pm | Centereach

HIICAP Medicare Counseling (AO352)*

Phone appointments only

Fridays, April 5, 19, May 3, 17, June 7

30 minute appointments via phone between 11:00am - 1:00pm

Long Island Cares Mobile Food Van (J431)*

Long Island Cares Mobile Food Van will be in the Centereach parking lot to distribute a three day food supply. No identification required.

Thursdays, April 11, May 9, June 13

11:30am - 12:30pm | Centereach Parking Lot

Medicaid Enrollment Assistance for the Aged, Blind, and Disabled (A300)*

Mondays, April 1, May 6, June 3 | 10:00am - 1:00pm | Selden

Veterans Benefits Assistance (A304)*

Wednesdays, April 3, May 1, June 5 | 9:30am - 1:30pm | Selden **AND**

Mondays, April 8, May 13, June 10 | 9:30am - 1:30pm | Selden **AND**

Wednesdays, April 17, May 15, June 19 | 9:30am - 1:30pm | Centereach

Veterans Community Resource Table (A336)*

Thursdays, April 18, May 16, June 20 | 11:00am - 1:00pm | Centereach

What is 211 Long Island and How Can It Help Me? (A326)*

Fridays, April 12 **OR** May 10 **OR** June 14 | 10:00am - 11:00am | Selden

Widowhood...The Journey Continues (A345)

Thursdays, April 25, May 30, June 27 | 2:00pm - 3:30pm | Centereach

Trips & Travel

Armchair Travel Galapagos: Darwin's Enchanted Islands (A371)*

Monday, May 20 | 7:00pm - 8:30pm | Selden

Broadway Bus Trip: The Notebook on Broadway (A394)

We will depart the Centereach parking lot promptly at 9:30am for a 2pm show. There will be time for lunch on your own. Seats are located in the rear mezzanine and require walking up stairs. **A non-refundable payment of \$120 per person (cash/check/charge) is due within 3 days of registration** or the spot will be cancelled. Patrons may register themselves and 1 guest. This trip is open to MCPL card holders only.

Saturday, July 13 | 9:30am - 7:00pm | Centereach Parking Lot

SENIOR FAIR

THURSDAY, APRIL 11TH

11:00AM - 2:00PM



MCPL-SELDEN
575 Middle Country Rd

Visit wellness, leisure and volunteer organizations. Consult housing, safety, healthcare, legal and caregiver support agencies at our free Senior Fair.

NO
REGISTRATION
REQUIRED

TEEN SERVICES

All programs for teens entering 6th - 12th grade unless otherwise noted.

100 Books Before Graduation (T488)

Participating teens are challenged to read 100 books before graduating high school. Every 10 books read will earn a free book, and when the challenge is completed teens will receive a final prize and their name on the Underground Wall of Fame! Sign-up today by visiting: 100books.mcplibrary.org or call 631-585-9393 ext. 595.

Arts/Crafts/Cooking

Take and Make Program Bags

For teens in 6th - 12th grade

-Available at the Youth Services desks in Centereach and Selden
-Open to MCPL card holders only for the first 4 days, then out-of-district patrons may also pick up bags
-Quantities are limited, and bags are available on a first-come, first-serve basis.
Centereach & Selden

Cottagecore Miniatures (T768)

Friday, April 19

Chocolate Dessert Cones (T749)

Friday, May 17

Rock Photo Holder (T745)

Friday, June 21

Crafting with Pride! (T773)

Monday, June 10

6:30pm - 7:30pm

Centereach

Decorate Your Grad Cap! (T769)

For teens in 12th grade

Graduation is just around the corner! Come to the library and decorate your graduation cap with a unique design celebrating your accomplishment. Supplies will be provided.

Thursdays, June 6, OR 13, OR 20

5:30pm - 8:00pm

Centereach

Egg Carton Geodes (T724)

Tuesday, June 11

5:00pm - 5:45pm

Selden

Hangin' @ Club 5, 6, 7 – Diamond Paint Bookmarks (T740)

For teens in 5th - 8th grade

Monday, June 17

5:00pm - 5:30pm

Centereach

Miniature Secret Garden Tin (T728)

Thursday, June 27

5:00pm - 6:00pm

Centereach

Pokémon Sculpey Workshop (T747)

Wednesday, May 8

7:00pm - 8:30pm

Centereach

Poppin' for Pop-Tarts (T732)

Wednesday, May 29

6:30pm - 7:30pm

Selden

Pounded Nature Prints (T779)

Tuesday, April 30

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Centereach

Prom Glam (T733)

For teens in 7th - 12th grade

Join makeup artist Angelique Velez as she demonstrates makeup techniques. Please bring your own makeup to the class.

Wednesday, May 1

5:00pm - 6:00pm

Selden

Recycled Book Flowers (T734)

Thursday, May 2

5:00pm - 6:00pm

Centereach

Sewn By You Sleep Masks (T783)

Wednesday, April 10

7:00pm - 8:30pm

Selden

Spring Has Sprung: Cookie Decorating Workshop (T735)

Thursday, April 18

5:00pm - 6:30pm

Selden

Teen Paint Along (T756)

Saturday, April 27

1:00pm - 2:15pm

Centereach

Teens Chat & Craft (T736)

For teens in 7th - 12th grade

Relax, socialize and craft at the library with our MCPL social worker!

Thursdays, April 11, June 20

6:30pm - 7:30pm

Centereach

Texture Painting (T770)

Monday, April 8

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Selden

Tweens Chat & Craft (J457)

For children in 4th - 6th grade

Relax, socialize and craft at the library with our MCPL social worker!

Thursdays, April 11, June 20

5:00pm - 6:00pm

Centereach

Underground in the Afternoon - Spring Diamond Paintings (T771)

For teens in 8th - 12th grade

Monday, April 22

4:30pm - 5:00pm

Centereach

YinYang Hemp Bracelet (T737)

Monday, April 15

5:30pm - 6:30pm

Centereach

Books/Films/Writing

Anime Night (T757)

Tuesday, May 28

6:30pm - 8:00pm

Centereach

Battle of the Books (T742)

For teens entering 6th - 9th grade

Lots of book-ish fun! We'll all read the same six books as the rest of Suffolk County. Each library will compete in a huge trivia contest at the end of the summer. Join in to earn your place on the MCPL team. Book titles TBA.

Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18, 25, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, August 6

5:30pm - 6:45pm

Selden

Battle Date & Time TBD

Offsite

Free Comic Book Day (J506)

For all ages

Saturday, May 4

11:00am - 1:00pm

Centereach

Teen Writers Café (T758)

Tuesdays, April 16, May 21, June 18

6:45pm - 8:00pm

Centereach

Tell Us About It Book Club (T751)

Tuesdays, April 9, May 7, June 11

4:00pm - 5:00pm

Selden

Underground in the Afternoon - Book to Big Screen (T776)

For teens in 8th - 12th grade

Join us for a viewing of *Hunger Games: The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes* and enjoy some snacks.

Tuesday, May 28
1:30pm - 4:15pm

Centereach

Zine Club (T738)

Join us in designing and swapping Zines about a favorite topic or interest. Supplies will be provided to create and self-publish your own zine, or mini-magazine. After the last session, you will receive "Zine Mail" along with a special treat!

Tuesdays, April 9, May 7, June 4
5:00pm - 6:00pm

Centereach

College/Careers

Career & College Counseling Services*

Looking for a job? Interested in a career? Need help with the college admissions process? Meet one-on-one or virtually with a counselor. Call 631-585-9393 ext. 133.

This confidential service is by appointment only.

All Regents review classes are taught by NYS certified teachers. Please bring your charged school Chromebook with you to each class.

NYS Regents Review: Algebra I (T729)

For teens in 8th - 12th grade

Wednesdays, May 22, 29
5:30pm - 6:30pm OR 6:45pm - 7:45pm

Selden

NYS Regents Review: Algebra II (T730)

For teens in 8th - 12th grade

Mondays, June 10, 17
5:30pm - 6:30pm OR 6:45pm - 7:45pm

Selden

NYS Regents Review: Earth Science (T759)

For teens in 8th - 12th grade

Thursdays, May 23, 30, June 6, 13
7:00pm - 8:45pm

Selden

NYS Regents Review: ELA (T760)

For teens in 8th - 12th grade

Tuesdays, June 4, 11
5:00pm - 6:00pm

Centereach

NYS Regents Review: Geometry (T731)

For teens in 8th - 12th grade

Tuesday, June 11
5:30pm - 6:30pm OR 6:45pm - 7:45pm

Selden

NYS Regents Review: Global II (T761)

For teens in 8th - 12th grade

Wednesdays, May 29, June 5, 12
6:00pm - 7:00pm

Centereach

NYS Regents Review: Living Environment (T762)

For teens in 8th - 12th grade

Thursday, June 6, 13
5:30pm - 7:00pm OR 7:15pm - 8:45pm

Selden

NYS Regents Review: U.S. History (T741)

For teens in 8th - 12th grade

Wednesdays, June 5, 12
6:00pm - 7:30pm

Selden

Community Service

Visit <https://www.mcplibrary.org/teens/just-for-fun/community-service/> for a complete list of teen community service opportunities.

Buddy Programs

Buddy Training (T750)

Let's buddy up with some kids and have fun! You must attend Buddy Training in order to volunteer in any of our Buddy programs. Choose one date.

Tuesday, April 2
5:30pm - 6:15pm

Centereach

OR

Thursday, April 4
6:00pm - 6:45pm

Selden

For the following programs you must have completed Buddy Training to volunteer:

Art Buddies (T720)

Tuesdays, May 14, 21
6:00pm - 7:00pm

Centereach

Book Buddies (T743)

Thursdays, April 18, 25
5:30pm - 6:30pm

Centereach

STEM Buddies (T744)

Mondays, May 13, 20
5:30pm - 6:30pm

Centereach

Community Service Craft: Summer Reading Club Display (T752)

Monday, June 24
4:30pm - 5:30pm

Centereach

Crochet for a Cause (T722)

Join instructor Miss Lisa to make crochet projects that we will donate to various local organizations. Everyone from beginner to experienced is welcome. All supplies will be provided. You must attend three out of five sessions in order to obtain community service hours.

Mondays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
6:30pm - 7:30pm

Centereach

Teen Volunteer Clubs

To join, fill out a virtual application available at www.mcplibrary.org/teens/just-for-fun/community-service/

Green Teens (T705)

For teens in 6th - 12th grade



Discuss environmental issues, work on eco-friendly projects and receive community service credit for participating.

Media Teens (T678)

For teens in 6th - 12th grade

Get community service for helping promote library events and clubs by making videos and taking awesome pictures! We'll meet each month to discuss which events and clubs to promote!

Mutt Club (T699)

For teens in 6th - 12th grade



Do you love animals? Want to personally help local shelters? Become a Mutt Club Member and get involved! The Mutt Club will meet monthly where members will be able to help animals in a variety of ways.

Teen Advisory Council (T684)

For teens in 7th - 12th grade

Members plan and implement library programs, and provide input on teen services at MCPL.

Gardening Crew (T778)

Join us at the Hobb's Community Farm to learn about the benefits of organic gardening and to serve the community by planning, preparing, planting, caring for and harvesting gardens.

Tuesdays, May 14, 21, 28
5:30pm - 7:00pm

Offsite - Hobb's Farm

How Money Smart Are You? (T727)

For teens in 9th - 12th grade

Earn community service while learning how to be smart with your money! *How Money Smart Are You?* is a suite of 14 games and related resources about everyday financial topics. It's based on FDIC's award-winning Money Smart program. Teens will choose one or two of the available games and earn 1.5 hours of community service.

Monday, April 15
5:00pm - 6:30pm

Selden

Driving/Pre-Licensing

Pre-Licensing Class (A313) *

For teens in 11th - 12th grade

Students will learn the basic rules of the road, safe driving principles, defensive driving skills, and other factors which affect driving. Bring your permit and a Program Fee: \$55 in CASH on day of class.

Saturdays, April 6 **OR** May 4 **OR** June 1
10:00am - 3:00pm

Selden

Friday Night Teen Programs (T767)

For teens in 6th - 12th grade.

Please pre-register for each date you plan on attending.

Bingo (T767)

Fridays, April 5, May 3, June 7
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Selden

Challenge Night (T767)

Fridays, April 26, May 24, June 28
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Selden

Computer Drop-in (T767)

The Library's Internet policy is applicable to all participants.
Fridays, April 5 through June 28
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Selden

Create-On Crafts (T767)

April: Happy Poetry Month, May: Floral Terrarium, June: Yarn Wrap Art.
Fridays, April 19, May 17, June 21
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Selden

Game Night (T767)

Fridays, April 12, May 10, June 14
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Selden

Open Door TRC (T767)

Want a place to go with your friends to play games & hangout together? A place that's fun and best of all FREE!
Fridays, April 5 through June 28
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Selden

Virtual Reality Night (T767)

Friday, May 31
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Selden

Fun & Games

Dungeons & Dragons (T723)

Join us on an epic adventure with your Dungeons & Dragons guide, Jace!

Thursdays, April 11, 25, May 9, 23, June 6, 20
6:00pm - 8:30pm

Centereach

Escape Room: Wednesday (T725)

For teens in 8th - 12th grade

Wednesday, April 10
6:30pm - 7:30pm

Centereach

Gamers Meet-Up (T746)

Come hang out with fellow gamers, play Nintendo Switch, Xbox Series X, or try Mario Kart Live Circuit!

Tuesdays, April 23, May 28, June 25
7:00pm - 8:15pm

Selden

Hangin' @ Club 5, 6, 7 - Escape Room: Wednesday (T739)

For teens in 5th - 8th grade

Wednesday, April 10
5:00pm - 6:00pm

Centereach

Hangin' @ Club 5, 6, 7 - Harry Potter Trivia (T721)

For teens in 5th - 8th grade

Saturday, April 20
11:00am - 12:30pm

Selden

Harry Potter Trivia (T726)

For teens in 8th - 12th grade

Saturday, April 20
1:00pm - 2:30pm

Selden

Homeschool Hangout (T754)



Thursday, May 23
12:00pm - 1:00pm

Centereach

International Museum Day (J529)



For families

See description on page 4.

Thursday, May 16
4:00pm - 7:00pm

Centereach

Star Wars Trivia (T774)

Saturday, May 4
11:15am - 12:15pm

Centereach

Teen Discord (T0372)

For teens in 7th (age 13) - 12th grade

Drop in to our Discord server to game or just chat with one another. Fill out a Teen Discord application in order to be added to our Discord server, which will allow you to join the program: <https://tinyurl.com/mcplteendiscord>

Daily Monday - Friday, April through June except May 27th
1:00pm - 9:00pm

Discord

Health & Wellness

American Red Cross Babysitters Training (T719)

This is a two-part certification program designed to teach decision making skills, give baby and kid care tips, obtain basic safety tips, and learn basic first aid skills. Non-refundable check, cash or charge for \$16.95 payable to Middle Country Public Library for materials and certification. Participants must attend both sessions in full in order to receive a certificate.

Saturdays, April 27, May 4
10:00am - 1:15pm

Selden

Teen Yoga & Meditation (T748)

Bring water, yoga mat and/or towel.

Tuesdays, April 2, May 7, June 4
7:00pm - 8:00pm

Selden

Yoga for All (T765)



For teens in 6th to 12th grade with special needs. Parents and/or caregivers are encouraged to attend to support their child as needed. Please bring a yoga mat or towel/small blanket and water.

Wednesdays, April 3, June 5
4:00pm - 4:45pm

Selden

Youth Abilities Day (J509)



For families

A special needs resource fair and family fun day!

Saturday, April 13
11:00am - 1:00pm

Centereach

De-Stress at MCPL!

De-Stress Fest (T777)

Stressed about upcoming exams? Join us for a night of relaxing craft activities focused on stress management while spending time with some guinea pigs!

Wednesday, May 22

7:00pm - 8:00pm

Centereach

Stress Management Tips for Teens (T775)*

Join this interactive workshop designed for teens facing the pressures of modern life. Learn to identify stress triggers and tackle them with practical mindfulness and time management.

Monday, May 6

5:30pm - 6:30pm

Selden

Underground in the Afternoon - Sit, Stay & Relax (T772)

Join us for an afternoon of relaxing activities and spend time with a certified therapy dog.

Monday, June 3

4:00pm - 5:00pm

Centereach

Music

Underground Media Studio Music Intro (T766)

For teens in 8th - 12th grade

Get an overview of the music equipment in the Underground Media Studio and learn how to make your own music.

Saturday, May 11

11:30am - 12:30pm

Centereach

Nature/Science & Technology

3D Printing with TinkerCad (T780)

Monday, June 24

5:45pm - 7:00pm

Centereach

3Doodler (T755)

Monday, May 6

6:45pm - 7:45pm

Centereach

Cricut Summer Series (T782)

A two-part event where you'll personalize summertime essentials!

Saturdays, June 8, 15

11:30am - 1:00pm

Centereach

Innovation Space Craft Day (T787)

An assortment of Innovation Space crafts. First come, first serve.

Limit two crafts per person.

Tuesday, April 23

5:30pm - 7:00pm

Centereach

Laser Engraved Planter (T781)

Laser engrave a small wooden planter for your summer herbs.

Monday, May 27

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Centereach

Total Solar Eclipse (J513)

For families

Join Vanderbilt Museum as you learn all about eclipses. Please register each person attending.

Monday, April 1

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Selden

Tote Sublimation (T753)

Customize a tote, just in time for summer!

Wednesday, June 5

7:00pm - 8:00pm

Centereach

Solar Eclipse 2024 (J532)

Monday, April 8

2:00pm - 4:00pm

Centereach

Solar Eclipse Viewing Kit (A407)

Get prepared for the Total Solar Eclipse on April 8th! Pick up a viewing kit to learn about solar eclipses and how to make your own pinhole viewer. Each kit includes 2 pairs of safe eclipse viewing glasses and fun activity guides. One kit per household. Kits will be available for pickup beginning Thursday, March 21st.

Centereach & Selden

Starlab (T784)

From star stories of the ancients to a future of space travel and tourism, teens will enjoy a journey of imagination in an inflatable planetarium.

Monday, April 8

5:20pm - 5:40pm **OR** 5:40pm - 6:00pm

Centereach

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Family Programs

Family Matinee: The Little Mermaid (J527)

For families with children in K - 5th grade

Please register one person per family.

Tuesday, May 28

11:00am - 1:30pm

Selden

Family Style Baking: Sugar Cookie Flowers (J519)

For families with children in K - 5th grade

Make adorable and tasty sugar cookie flowers! Recipe and ingredients to make six to eight flower cookies are included. Kit with video link will be given to registrants April 23rd.

Please register only one person per family.

Tuesday, April 23

Centereach

Family Style Baking: Red, White & Blue Sprinkle Batter Cookies (J440)

For families with children in K - 5th grade

Choose one session. Register one person per family.

Saturday, May 18

10:30am - 11:30am

12:00pm - 1:00pm

Centereach

Family Style Baking: A Little Birdie Cookie Decorating (J520)

For families with children in K - 5th grade

Choose one session. Register one person per family.

Saturday, June 8

10:30am - 11:30am

12:00pm - 1:00pm

Selden

Family Time at the Movies (J517)

For families with children in K - 5th grade

Let's meet at PJ Cinemas in Port Jefferson Station to see the new release, *Inside Out 2* (PG). Movies starts at 9:30am. Please arrive by 9:00am.

Saturday, June 15

9:00am - 11:30am

Offsite

Free Comic Book Day (J506)

For all ages

Saturday, May 4

11:00am - 1:00pm

Centereach

Grins & Grins Family Comedy Show (J533)

For families

Wednesday, April 24

2:00pm - 3:00pm

Centereach

International Museum Day (J529)

For families

See description on page 4.

Thursday, May 16

4:00pm - 7:00pm

Centereach

Solar Eclipse 2024 (J532)

Monday, April 8

2:00pm - 4:00pm

Centereach



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Spring Jubilee (J464)

For families with children in Pre K - 5th grade
See description on page 4.

Friday, June 7
4:30pm - 7:00pm



Centereach

Stardust & Ziggy Turn Two (J535)

Sing happy birthday with us to celebrate their special day.

Tuesday, April 16
5:00pm - 5:45pm

Centereach

Starlab (J542)

For children in K - 5th grade.

From star stories of the ancients to a future of space travel and tourism, children will enjoy a journey of imagination in an inflatable planetarium.

Monday, April 8
4:00pm - 4:20pm **OR** 4:20pm - 4:40pm **OR** 4:40pm - 5:00pm
OR 5:00pm - 5:20pm

Centereach

Total Solar Eclipse (J513)

For families

Join Vanderbilt Museum as you learn all about eclipses. Please register each person attending.

Monday, April 1
6:00pm - 7:00pm

Selden

Touch-a-Truck (J452)

For families

Saturday, May 11
11:00am - 1:30pm

Centereach

Youth Abilities Day (J509)



For families

A special needs resource fair and family fun day!

Saturday, April 13
11:00am - 1:00pm

Centereach

Infant/Toddler Programs

Babies Boogie (J434)

For parents/caregivers with children birth - 23 months old

Monday, April 1, June 10

10:00am - 10:45am

Centereach

Tuesday, April 30

5:30pm - 6:15pm

Centereach

Friday, May 10

10:00am - 10:45am

Centereach

Baby & Me (J435)

For parents/caregivers with children birth - 23 months old

Choose two dates.

Thursdays, April 18, June 13

10:00am - 10:30am

Selden

Friday, May 3

5:00pm - 5:30pm

Selden

Tuesday, May 21

10:00am - 10:30am

Selden

Baby Music (J485)

For parents/caregivers with children birth - 12 months old

Join Happy Feet and enjoy songs, instruments, sensory play and socialization.

Friday, April 19
10:00am - 10:45am

Centereach

Create & Play (J437)

For parents/caregivers with children 18 - 36 months old

Join us for open play, an art activity and circle time!

Mondays, April 8, June 3

5:00pm - 5:30pm

Centereach

Dance With Me (J439)

For parents/caregivers with children 18 - 35 months old

Wednesdays, April 17, May 15, June 19

10:00am - 10:45am

11:00am - 11:45am

Centereach

Little Crafters Storytime (J487)

For parents/caregivers with children 18 months - 36 months

Join us for open play, an art activity and circle time!

Wednesday, May 22

11:00am - 11:30am

Centereach

Movin' & Groovin' Rhymes (J445)

For parents/caregivers with children birth - 3 years old

Tuesdays, April 9, June 4

10:00am - 10:30am

Centereach

Monday, May 6

10:00am - 10:30am

Centereach

Time for Twos (J448)

For parents/caregivers with children 24 - 35 months old

Thursdays, April 18, June 13

11:00am - 11:30am

Selden

Friday, May 3

6:00pm - 6:30pm

Selden

Tuesday, May 21

11:00am - 11:30am

Selden

Tiny Songbirds (J449)

For parents/caregivers with children birth - 5 years old

An educational and fun live music experience for babies and toddlers.

Thursday, April 4

10:00am - 10:45am (birth - 18 months)

11:00am - 11:45am (19 months - 5 years old)

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Saturdays, May 4, June 15

11:00am - 11:45am (birth - 18 months)

12:00pm - 12:45pm (19 months - 5 years old)

Centereach

Toddlers Explore (J450)

For parents/caregivers with children 18 - 36 months old

Mondays, April 8, May 13, June 3

10:00am - 10:45am

Centereach

Toddlers Tango (J451)

For parents/caregivers with children 24 months - 4 years old

Monday, April 1, June 10

11:00am - 11:45am

Centereach

Tuesday, April 30

6:30pm - 7:15pm

Centereach

Friday, May 10

11:00am - 11:45am

Centereach

Parenting and Child Care Providers

Let's Talk About Tic / Tourette's Disorder (J443) *

Join Shara O'Connor, Licensed Social Worker and CBIT Therapist (Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for Tics) as she helps bridge the gap between the diagnoses and what you need to know. Discussion and information about CBIT. The only non-medicated proven theory developed through the Tourette's Association of America, brings great hope and excitement to the Tourette's community.

Tuesday, April 16

7:00pm - 8:00pm

Centereach

Long Island Cares Mobile Food Van (J431) *

Open to all

Long Island Cares Mobile Food Van will be in the parking lot to distribute a three day food supply. No identification required.

Thursdays, April 11, May 9, June 13

11:30am - 12:30pm

Centereach-Parking Lot

Play & Chat (J456)

For parents/caregivers of children birth - 3 years old

Come to make friends, build your confidence, learn, listen and be listened to. Bring along your little ones as play materials are provided for each session.

Mondays, April 8, 15, 29, May 13, 20, June 3

10:00am - 11:00am

Centereach

Shots for Tots (J531) *

For families

Please bring child's immunization record. Services provided by the Suffolk County Department of Health.

Tuesdays, April 2, May 7, June 11

11:00am - 3:00pm

Selden

SNAP - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (J534) *

Open to all

Many families can use SNAP to assist in stretching their food budget, but are unaware that they qualify.

Wednesdays, April 10, May 8, June 12

11:00am - 3:00pm

Selden

Preschool Programs

Bilingual Storytime! (J528)

For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old

Friday, May 3

11:00am - 11:30am

Centereach

Celebrate Earth Day (J436)

For children 3 years old - 2nd grade



Monday, April 22

10:30am - 11:15am (3 - 5 years old)

11:45am - 12:30pm (K - 2nd grade)

Centereach

Cloud Creation (J491)

For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old

They are puffy, fluffy and white! Join us for stories and crafts all about clouds.

Monday, April 15

10:00am - 10:45am

Centereach

Dino ROAR! (J499)

For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old

Get ready to go back in time and have some fun exploring dinosaurs and their adventures.

Wednesday, June 12

10:00am - 10:45am

Centereach

Dragon Tales (J500)

For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old

Join us for some stories and create crafts all about the mythical dragon.

Monday, June 17

10:00am - 10:45am

Centereach

Explore the Outdoors (J496)

For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old

Monday, May 20

10:00am - 10:45am

Centereach

Garden Gathering (J493)

For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old

Wednesday, May 1

10:00am - 10:45am

Centereach

Library Pets (J492)

For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old

Enjoy stories and create crafts about our library pets.

Tuesday, April 23

10:00am - 10:45am

Centereach

Mother's Day Tea (J470)

For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 4 years old

Monday, May 6

10:45am - 11:30am

Centereach

Nature Explore (J524)

For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 5 years old



Tuesday, June 18

10:30am - 11:15am

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Centereach

On the Farm (J495)

For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old

Tuesday, May 14

10:00am - 10:45am

Selden

Take and Make Program Bags

For preschool children

-Available at the Youth Services desks in Centereach and Selden

-Open to MCPL card holders only for the first 4 days, then out-of-district patrons may also pick up bags

-Quantities are limited, and bags are available on a first-come, first-served basis

ROARING Rockets! (J516)

Friday, April 5

I LOVE Bugs! (J501)

Friday, April 19

Hello Spring (J442)

Friday, May 3

Off to the Zoo (J502)

Friday, May 17

Get Your Pail and Shovel (J503)

Friday, June 7

Way Out West (J504)

Friday, June 21

Oops, Too Many Scoops! (J498)

For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old

Join us for some stories and crafts about our favorite summer treat!

Friday, June 14

10:00am - 10:45am

Selden

Over and Under the Pond (J490)

For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old

Thursday, April 11

10:00am - 10:45am

Centereach

Perfect Picnic (J494)

For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old

Enjoy some stories and crafts for a perfect pretend picnic.

Thursday, May 9

10:00am - 10:45am

Selden

Saturday, May 18

10:00am - 10:45am

Selden

Sensory Storytime (J475)

For parents/caregivers with children in Pre-K - 3rd grade

This program is specifically designed for children with sensory integration or auditory processing challenges but is open to all!

Tuesday, April 2

5:00pm - 5:45pm

Centereach

Thursday, May 23

5:00pm - 5:45pm

Centereach

Snuggle Bunny (J515)

For parents/caregivers with children 1 - 5 years old

Listen to some stories and create cute bunny crafts.

Friday, April 5

10:00am - 10:45am

Selden

Storytime Yoga (J447)

For parents/caregivers with children 18 months - 5 years old

Please bring a yoga mat or towel.

Tuesdays, April 2, June 11

10:00am - 10:45am (18 - 36 months)

11:00am - 11:45am (4 - 5 years old)

Centereach

Sunny Days (J497)

For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old

Wednesday, June 5

10:00am - 10:45am

Selden

Tiny Movers (J486)

For parents/caregivers with children 18 months - 4 years old

Join Happy Feet's obstacle course to enrich your gross motor skills.

Friday, May 17

10:00am - 10:45am

Centereach

Tiny Tot Prom (J489)

For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 5 years old

Dress up in your best and join us for some groovin' tunes.

Friday, May 3

6:30pm - 7:30pm

Centereach

Under a Shady Tree Playtime (J525)

For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 5 years old



Tuesdays, May 7

6:00pm - 6:45pm

Centereach

Wednesday, May 8

10:30am - 11:15am

Centereach

Zumbini (J454)

For parents/caregivers with children birth - 4 years old

Tuesdays, April 30, May 28

10:00am - 10:45am

11:00am - 11:45am

Centereach

Saturday, June 1

10:00am - 10:45am

11:00am - 11:45am

Centereach

School Age Programs

Take and Make Program Bags

For school age children

- Available at the Youth Services desks in Centereach and Selden
- Open to MCPL card holders only for the first 4 days, then out-of-district patrons may also pick up bags
- Quantities are limited, and bags are available on a first-come, first-served basis
- Bags are for K - 5th grade students, unless otherwise noted.

Fleece Smiley Face Tied Pillow (J518)

Friday, April 5

Rainbow Art (J472)

Friday, April 19

Ceramic Flower Bowl (J473)

Friday, May 3

May Flowers (J511)

Friday, May 17

Mini Travel Tic Tac Toe Tin (J476)

Friday, June 7

School's Out – Surf's Up! (J446)

Friday, June 21

3Doodler Start (J478)

For children in 3rd - 5th grade

Monday, May 6

5:30pm - 6:30pm

Centereach

Art Buddies (J433)

For children 4 - 7 years old

Tuesdays, May 14, 21

6:15pm - 7:00pm

Centereach

Beginner Chess for Kids (J522)

For children in 1st - 5th grade

Tuesdays, April 23, 30

5:30pm - 6:15pm

Selden

Book Buddies (J460)

For children 3 - 7 years old

Thursdays, April 18, 25

5:45pm - 6:30pm

Centereach

Bubble Art (J479)

For children in K - 2nd grade

Dress for a mess.

Wednesday, April 24

10:00am - 10:45am

Centereach

Build It (J465)

For children in K - 5th grade

Let's work together to build structures using all kinds of materials!

Saturday, June 1

11:00am - 11:45am (K - 2nd grade)

12:00pm - 12:45pm (3rd - 5th grade)

Centereach

Bunny Painting (J507)

For children in K - 2nd grade

Monday, May 13

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Centereach

Bunny Pouches (J458)

For children in 2nd - 5th grade

Thursday, April 4

6:00pm - 6:45pm

Centereach

Celebrate Earth Day (J436)

For children 3 years old - 2nd grade



Monday, April 22

10:30am - 11:15am (3 - 5 years old)

11:45am - 12:30pm (K - 2nd grade)

Centereach

Crafting Fun with the Teen Advisory Council (J463)

For children in K - 5th grade

Monday, April 29

6:00pm - 6:45pm

Centereach

Crochet for Kids (J438)

For children in 3rd - 5th grade

Mondays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

5:00pm - 6:00pm

Centereach

Dewey Dollar Scavenger Hunt (J523)

For children in 3rd - 5th grade

Daily Saturday, April 20 - Sunday, April 28

Centereach

DIY Puzzles (J459)

For children in 2nd - 5th grade

Thursday, May 2

6:00pm - 6:45pm

Centereach

DIY Rain Gauges (J466)

For children in K - 5th grade



Tuesday, May 28

6:00pm - 6:45pm

Centereach

DIY Sundial (J467)

For children in K - 5th grade



Tuesday, June 11

6:00pm - 6:45pm

Centereach

Father's Day Gift (J441)

For children in 1st - 4th grade

Monday, June 10

6:00pm - 6:45pm

Thursday, June 13

5:30pm - 6:15pm

Centereach

Fun with Ozobots (J505)

For children in 3rd - 5th grade

Wednesday, May 15

5:30pm - 6:30pm

Centereach

Hangin' @ Club 5, 6, 7 – Diamond Paint Bookmarks (T740)

For teens in 5th - 7th grade

Monday, June 17

5:00pm - 5:30pm

Centereach

Hangin' @ Club 5, 6, 7 – Escape Room: Wednesday (T739)

For teens in 5th - 7th grade

Wednesday, April 10

5:00pm - 6:00pm

Centereach

Hangin' @ Club 5, 6, 7 - Harry Potter Trivia (T721)

For teens in 5th - 7th grade

Saturday, April 20

11:00am - 12:30pm

Selden

Homeschool Meetup (J482)

For children in K - 5th grade

Thursday, May 23
12:00pm - 1:00pm

Centereach

Kids' Chess Club (J521)

For children in 1st - 5th grade

Tuesdays, May 7, June 4
5:30pm - 6:15pm

Selden

Lego Builders (J484)

For children in 3rd - 5th grade

Wednesdays, April 10, June 5
5:30pm - 6:30pm

Centereach

Let's Get Together (J474)



For families with children K - 5th grade

An inclusive environment where families and children are invited to develop friendships and social skills through language, art, and physical activities!

Fridays, April 19, May 31, June 21
6:00pm - 7:00pm

Centereach

Minecraft (J481)

For children in 3rd - 5th grade

Wednesdays, April 10, May 8, June 12, 19
6:00pm - 7:30pm

Centereach

Mommy & Me Paint Along (J469)

For children in K - 5th grade with parent/caregiver

All levels of artists and non-artists welcomed. Smocks will be provided, but please be mindful that paint can be messy!

Saturday, May 11
12:00pm - 1:00pm (K - 2nd grade)
1:30pm - 2:30pm (3rd - 5th grade)

Selden

Mother's Day Gift (J444)

For children in 1st - 4th grade

Thursday, May 9
6:00pm - 6:45pm
Friday, May 10
5:00pm - 5:45pm

Centereach

Mysteries of Owls (J512)



For children in K - 5th grade with their caregivers

Saturday, June 15
11:00am - 12:00pm

Centereach

Painting with Bubbles (J480)

For children in 3rd - 5th grade

Dress for a mess.
Wednesday, April 24
11:15am - 12:00pm

Centereach

Pet Potato (J488)

For parents/caregivers with children Pre-K - 2nd grade

Come and listen to Pet Potato by Josh Lacey and get your very own pet potato and create the perfect home for it.

Monday, April 15
5:00pm - 5:30pm

Centereach

Pokémon Sculpey Workshop (J462)

For children in 1st - 5th grade

Wednesday, May 8
5:00pm - 6:30pm

Centereach

Reading with the Piggies! (J526)

For children in 1st - 5th grade

Come to the library for a 15-minute reading session with a guinea pig!

Wednesday, May 22
5:30pm - 5:45pm
5:45pm - 6:00pm
6:00pm - 6:15pm
6:15pm - 6:30pm

Centereach

Recycled Art Workshop (J536)

For children in 2nd - 5th grade

Friday, May 10
6:15pm - 7:30pm

Centereach

Sensory Storytime (J475)

For parents/caregivers with children in Pre-K - 3rd grade

See description on page 15.

Tuesday, April 2
5:00pm - 5:45pm
Thursday, May 23
5:00pm - 5:45pm



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Spring Surprise Cupcakes (J530)

For children in 1st - 5th grade

Monday, April 8
4:30pm - 5:30pm
6:00pm - 7:00pm

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Squishy Circuits (J483)

For children in 3rd - 5th grade

Wednesday, June 12
5:30pm - 6:30pm

Centereach

Star Wars Trivia (J514)

For children in 1st - 5th grade

Saturday, May 4
10:00am - 11:00am

Centereach

STEM Buddies (J461)

For children in K - 2nd grade

Mondays, May 13, 20
5:45pm - 6:30pm

Centereach

Tweens Chat & Craft (J457)

For children in 4th - 6th grade

Relax, socialize and craft at the library with our MCPL social worker!

Thursdays, April 11, June 20

5:00pm - 6:00pm

Centereach

Water Warriors (J455)



For children in 1st - 5th grade

Explore the dangerous effects of water run-off through and construct your very own terrarium to grow plants at home!

Monday, April 22
11:00am - 11:45am

Centereach

Wiggly Worms (J477)



For children in K - 5th grade

Become an animal behaviorist as you design a respectful, animal friendly environment for earthworms.

Wednesday, May 22
5:30pm - 6:30pm

Centereach

Yoga for All (J468)



For children in K - 5th grade with their parent/caregiver

Yoga for children with special needs and their parents or caregivers. Please bring yoga mat or towel/small blanket and water. Please register child only.

Wednesdays, April 3, June 5
5:00pm - 5:45pm

Selden

Yoga Time (J453)

For children 6 - 12 years old

Tuesdays, April 9, June 18
6:00pm - 6:45pm
7:00pm - 7:45pm

Centereach

Zen Zone (J471)

For children and families in K - 5th grade



An inclusive environment where families and children are invited to explore by participating in a variety of sensory conscious activities using specific materials.

Saturday, April 13
10:00am - 10:45am
Tuesday, April 23
5:30pm - 6:15pm

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Monday, May 13
5:30pm - 6:15pm
Thursday, May 30
5:30pm - 6:15pm

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Saturday, June 8
10:00am - 10:45am

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Book Sale!

Please join us for the upcoming Friends' Spring Book Sale at the Centereach building.

Friday, April 5th • 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 6th • 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Join to support your library.

Join the Friends at their next General Membership meeting on June 11th at 4:00 p.m. at the Centereach location. If you are interested in learning more about the Friends and volunteer opportunities, please attend a meeting or email friends@mcplibrary.org. Membership applications are available at the library and online at <https://www.mcplibrary.org/about/friends-of-mcpl/>.

The levels of membership are:

- Bronze \$5.00
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- Platinum/Lifetime \$100.00

THINKING MONEY FOR KIDS PROGRAM KIT

In 2019, the American Library Association and FINRA developed a *Thinking Money for Kids* traveling exhibit focused on teaching financial literacy concepts to school age children through fun hands-on and interactive learning stations. This year, Middle Country Library Foundation will be receiving \$6,000 from ALA/FINRA for work provided by two MCPL staff members on their newest initiative, *Thinking Money for Kids Program Kit*. The goal of the new initiative is to create five boxed games for use in library programs focused on the same financial literacy concepts explored in the larger traveling exhibit. One staff member is serving as an advisor in the development and creation of the kits. The other staff member is working on pilot programming and training videos. These program kits and training materials will be distributed to 300 libraries nationwide, selected as *Thinking Money for Kids Program Kit* grant recipients. Middle Country Public Library is proud to work on this important project and to be one of the selected libraries.



REMEMBERING

Luise Weiss



Luise Weiss was a force of nature and an incredible part of the Middle Country Public Library for over 40 years. She was a mentor, an impeccable librarian, and a dear friend to many of us who had the privilege to work with her. Under Luise's vision and guidance, the Miller Business Center became a reality for the Long Island business community. Her legacy lives on in its continued growth and success.

HEROES & HELPERS



Smiles were all around at the Heroes & Helpers event. Suffolk County Police Department 6th Precinct, Centereach Fire Department, U.S. Army, U.S. Marine Corps and U.S. Coast Guard participated in holiday shopping with local children sponsored by Walmart of Centereach.

WINTER COAT DRIVE



NYS Senator Dean Murray with Sophia Serlis-McPhillips, library director, and Ryan Gessner, assistant library director.

During November and December, the library was one of three drop off sites for a winter coat drive sponsored by NYS Senator Dean Murray. Thanks to the generosity of our Middle Country residents, the library collected about 200 coats, which will be distributed to those who need them by Angels of Long Island and Branches of Long Island.

INSPIRE: A COMMUNITY ART PROJECT

During the fall of 2023 library patrons of all ages contributed their time and artistic talents to our latest community art project, INSPIRE which was installed and is on display outside the Centereach and Selden buildings throughout the winter! Thank you to all the community members who made this project so beautiful and successful!



RINGING IN 2024!



About 100 happy revelers kicked off 2024 in style at the Ring in the New Year celebration. With lively music from *The Band Easy Street*, it was a joyful celebration. Here's to a bright and beautiful 2024!

VOLUNTEERING FAIR



On February 8th, 2024 more than 175 adults and teens attended our Venues for Volunteering fair and learned about a variety of community service opportunities from over twenty organizations that participated in the event.

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Saturday 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
(September through June)

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SAVE THE DATE

- March 19**
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Teens Create @ MCPL Art Show Reception
Selden
- March 21**
Children and Teen Program Registration
- March 22**
Adult Program Registration
- April 2**
2:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Library Vote Registration
Centereach
- April 5**
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Friends of the Library Book Sale
Centereach
- April 6**
9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Friends of the Library Book Sale
Centereach
- April 7**
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Live at MCPL! Barbra Streisand & Neil Diamond Tribute Concert
Selden
- April 8**
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Solar Eclipse 2024 (Weather Permitting)
Centereach
- April 9**
9:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Library Vote and Trustee Election
Centereach
- April 11**
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Senior Fair
Selden
- April 13**
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Youth Abilities Fair
Centereach
- April 19**
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Shed the Meds
Selden
- May 4**
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Free Comic Book Day Activities
Centereach
- May 5**
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Live at MCPL! The Long Island Brass Guild
Selden
- May 7**
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Strictly Business
Centereach
- May 11**
11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Touch-a-Truck
Centereach
- May 16**
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
International Museum Day
Centereach
- June 7**
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Senior Prom
Selden
- June 7**
4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Spring Jubilee
Centereach
- June 9**
2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Live at MCPL! There's No Business Like Show Business: The Music of Irving Berlin
Selden
- June 13**
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Literacy Celebration
Centereach



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