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JULY/AUGUST 2008

Serving Westhampton Beach, Westhampton, East Moriches, Eastport, East Quogue, Manorville, Quogue, Remsenburg & Speonk

Our Budget Passed, Thank You

Thank you to all who voted on the Library Budget in May. We appreciate the support.

Book Donations

While under construction we will no longer be accepting book donations for the Friends of the Library Book Sale. Stop by the circulation desk or visit the Friends section at our website at www.westhamptonlibrary.org for alternate donation sites. We appreciate your cooperation and support.

To Our Remsenburg, Speonk, Eastport, South Manor, Manorville, East Moriches and East Quogue Residents

We invite you to join the Westhampton Free Library. The library contract vote, approved by voters in your district, provides you with an opportunity to receive full library service from us. You may designate only one library as your "home library" for the period beginning July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009. It is important that you choose the library to that is best suited to the needs of you and your family, as you only have one opportunity to make this selection each year.

Assemblyman Fred Thiele: Thank You!



From left: Board Members Karen Andrews, Hank Tucker, Jane Lapple, Maria Moore, Joan Levan and Esther Glazer thank Assemblyman Thiele, center.

On May 10 the Westhampton Free Library thanked Assemblyman Fred Thiele for his support of the Library in two significant ways. Mr. Thiele supported the legislature in providing \$14 million in construction aid to libraries, of which, the Library received over \$56,000.

The program was continued this year and we plan on applying for more.

Mr. Thiele also lent the Library support for our programming. His \$1,000 member item will go to help our exciting summer activities.

New Library Update

by Matthew Bollerman

The new Library facility site plan was recently approved by the Village of Westhampton Beach Planning Board. Cleaning of the annex at 5 Library Avenue is almost complete, as is the emptying of our basements and closets at 7 Library. We are preparing for our move to the temporary location in order to begin work on the new Library facility.

The Library has been working on placing a 5,040 square foot modular facility on 28 Library Avenue for the duration of the construction. The units will allow us to provide access for the

community to our collections, staff and public computers. Our programs, clubs and events have already been scheduled at locations around the community and will continue to do so while we are building. We are still waiting for the approval from the Village and the County Health Department to begin preparing the site for our modulars.

We look forward to announcing our ground breaking as soon as possible. We appreciate everyone's patience and interest in our new Library. All of us involved with the project are as excited as you are to see the construction begin.

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Mon. - Fri. 9:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
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Sun. 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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How to Get Books, Movies & Music at Our Library:

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Create a list of items online, stop in or call the Library.
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Adult Programs for July and August

(Registration begins Tuesday, July 1 at 9:30 am)



THE ULTIMATE BEACH PARTY!

You might have seen them on the Today Show. Caught them on Fox & Friends. Or spent a Sunday Brunch at Tavern on the Green listening to the top steel drum band in the United States.

If not, here's your chance! Straight from **Tavern on the Green**, the famous **Steel Sensation Steel Band** will be performing at the Rogers Beach Pavilion on **Saturday August 23rd at 7:00 pm**. If you've never heard steel drums, you're in for a treat. If you know steel drums and are ready for the best, save the date. It's a family event not to be missed! (Registration required) See you there. Don't forget to bring your own chair!

Funded by a grant provided through the office of New York State Assemblyman Fred Thiele

JOIN US FOR THE SUMMER OF THE TRAVELING LIBRARY!

Westhampton Free Library is on the move! As we prepare for the future, we are still offering a full range of services for our terrific patrons of all ages. Look for the big white Library Van that will be stopping all summer long in various locations around town – even our village beaches and the train station on Friday night – in conjunction with our programs.



The programs are on the move, too. With the help of our friends and neighbors, we are hosting our library programs throughout Westhampton and Westhampton Beach. When you sign up for a program, we'll tell you where that program is going to be held. We'll even give you a map with directions on how to get there.

That means you can keep on enjoying **Bridge Club** and **Bridge Classes**, express your inner bling with **Jewelry Making** or continue your practice of **Senior Tai Chi** or **Senior Aerobics**. You can also sign up for everything from **Yoga** and **Meditation on the Beach** to a **Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad Mozzarella Making Party**.

July is Jane Austen Month at the Library! Join us for an **Armchair Tour of Jane Austen's England**, **Jane Austen-themed Brown Bag Movies**, and even a **Jane Austen High Tea**.



And straight from **Tavern on the Green**, the famous **Steel Sensation Steel Band** will be celebrating our traveling summer with a no-holds barred performance at the Rogers Beach Pavilion on Saturday August 23rd at 7:00 pm. It's the ultimate beach party! (Registration required) See you there!

In addition, checking out and returning the latest books, DVDs, books on CDs and magazines will be even easier with the help of the Library Van. Of course, Library card holders have priority for all that the Library is offering. So make sure your Library card is up-to-date so you can join in all the fun of our summer on the move!

TOP TEN WEBSITES for the SUMMER

Two sites for all things Jane Austen are the Republic of Pemberley at www.pemberley.com, which describes itself as "Your haven in a world programmed to misunderstand obsession with things Austen" and the Jane Austen Society of North American: www.jasna.org

For more modern concerns, if you're keeping an eye on gas prices, drive the mouse over to www.fueleconomy.gov/FEG/gasprices/states/NY.shtml for current local gas price listings.

When is your favorite author's next book going to be out? When is that movie you missed going to be available on DVD? And is it going to be worth the wait? For dates, reviews and more try www.metacritic.com

Inspired by the Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad Mozzarella Making Party? For more cheese information try www.biology.clc.uc.edu/fankhauser/Cheese/CHEESE.HTML, a site run by a cheese-whiz biology and chemistry professor who also happens to be a do-it-yourself guy. Or sample www.cheese.com to learn about 670 (and counting) kinds of cheese.



Want to grow tomatoes to with the fresh mozzarella you're learning to make? Try the USDA Power Tomatoes site: www.ars.usda.gov/is/tom

Finally, for the last big three, we're recommending your Westhampton Free Library Home Page: www.westhamptonfreelibrary.org

From there, you can navigate to all kinds of information. For example, click on **Databases** and **Websites** and then on **Suffolk Web Ready Reference** at the bottom of the page. When you open that, you'll find 51 listings! Included is everything from **Hoax Kill**, a web service dedicated to keeping people up-to-date on the useless petitions, urban legends and false virus warnings that can swamp your e-mail (A good addition to our **Computer Clean-up Class!**) to **Style Guides** that will help you cite sources correctly in that next term paper or article you're writing. And that's just one small part of the **Virtual Reference Collection!** Even better, you can access the information anywhere, anytime using your library card.



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JANE IN JULY

Jane Austen Read Around: *Wednesday July 16 @ 7:00 pm*. Bring your favorite Jane Austen book and join us in reading aloud from the scenes you like best. Limited seating.

Travels with Jane Austen: *Wednesday July 23 @ 7:00 pm*. Take an armchair tour of Jane Austen's England with slides, discussion and English treats! Limited seating.

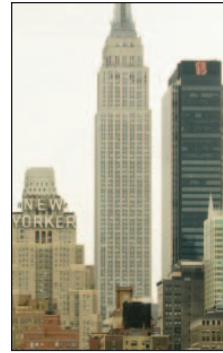
Jane Austen High Tea: *Saturday July 26 @ Noon*. An English high tea Jane Austen-style – delicious and delightful. \$5.00 registration fee. Limited seating.

Jane Austen Reader's Map: We've developed a reader's map for our patrons. It's a guide to everything about Jane Austen. Go to the library home page and click open "Book Connection" in the lower right hand corner. Then click on the "Jane Austen Reading Map" in the right column of the "Westhampton Reads" blog. When the map appears, you can click on anything to find more about Jane Austen's work and world.

Also see the *Brown Bag Movies for July*.



BUS TRIP



Do Your Own Thing Bus Trip to New York City:

Wednesday July 16. The bus leaves Westhampton at 9:45 am, leaves New York City at 6:30 pm. Very limited seating available. Special good old days ticket price of \$20.00 payable by check or money order to the Westhampton Free Library to register.

HEALTH & EXERCISE

Family Spin: Mondays July 21 – August 25 @ 4:00 pm. Take a spin class for fun! \$35.00 non-refundable registration fee for the course for adults. \$20.00 for participants ages 12 –17 (must be accompanied by a parent or guardian).



Pilates: Mondays July 21 – August 25 @ 6:30 pm. \$35.00 non-refundable registration fee for the course.

Yoga on the Beach: Tuesdays July 22 – August 26 @ 6:00 pm. \$35.00 nonrefundable fee for the course.

Meditation on the Beach: Tuesdays July 22 – August 26 @ 7:15 pm. \$25.00 non-refundable registration fee for the course.

CLUBS & GAMES

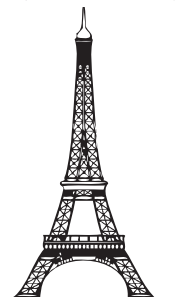
Tuesdays are Game Club Day:

Duplicate Bridge Club: *Tuesdays at 12:00 pm*.

Beginners' Bridge Club: (Beginners Only) *Tuesdays at 12:00 pm*.

Mah Jong Club: *Tuesdays at 12:00 pm*

French Club: *Mondays*
Advanced Beginners:
2:30 – 3:30
Intermediate: 3:30 –5:00
No meetings in July



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CLASSES

Bridge Classes:

Thursdays July 17 – August 7 from Noon – 2:00 pm. For beginners and intermediate players. \$25.00 for the series



Spanish/English Conversation Classes:

Fridays August 8 – 29 @ 3:00 pm. For English and Spanish speakers to polish language skills or acquire new ones. All are welcome. Registration requested.

Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad Mozzarella

Making Party: Wednesday August 6 at 2:00 pm. Learn to make delicious mozzarella cheese, pair it with perfect tomatoes and enjoy the quintessential taste of summer. A hands-on class with lots of luscious tastings and treats. Registration required. Limited seating.

COMPUTERS

All About the Apple: Wednesday August 13 @ 6:30 pm. If you're thinking of getting an Apple computer or just want to know more about how an Apple works, this is the program for you. Registration required.



Computer Clean-up: Wednesday August 20 @ 6:30 pm. Stop the pop-up! Vaccinate against the virus! Make your computer clean and mean! Join us for this hands-on computer workshop in computer maintenance and safety. Bring your own laptop if you'd like. Registration required.

CRAFTS

Jewelry Designers Club: Thursdays July 24 and August 21 @ 7:00 pm. Join us for a monthly jewelry creation workshop. \$5.00 materials fee or bring your own materials. All are welcome. Registration required.

BOOK CLUBS & AUTHOR SIGNINGS:

Books available at Circulation Desk.

Monday Night Book Club meets at 7:00 pm



Book for July 28: *Shantaram* by Gregory David Roberts.

Book for August 25: *The Jane Austen Book Club* by Karen Joy Fowler.

Thursday Book Club with Professor Frank Mosca: Meets @ 2:00 pm.

Book for July 10: *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* by Tennessee Williams.

Book for August 28: *As I Lay Dying* by William Faulkner.

Meet the Author! Saturday July 12 @ 8:00 pm: Meet *Janet Berg*, author of *Glitz of the Hamptons*, a beautifully written, poignantly humorous fact-meets-fiction look at the Hamptons. Co-hosted with The Open Book.

FOR SENIORS

Senior Aerobics: Fridays July 18 – August 29 @ 9:00 am. For ages 50 and up. \$20.00 for 6 classes.



Tai Chi for Seniors:

Thursdays July 17 – August 28 @ Noon. For ages 50 and up. Wear comfortable clothes!

AARP 55 Alive Defensive Driving

Course: Mondays August 4 & 11th from 9:30 am – 1:00 pm. \$10.00 registration fee payable by check or money order only to the AARP.



BROWN BAG MOVIES

Join us at the movies from classic to contemporary on the **first three Fridays of every month at Noon.**



July 11: *Bride and Prejudice* – Bollywood meets Jane Austen!

July 18: *Becoming Jane Austen* starring Jane Hathaway

July 25: *Clueless* starring Alicia Silverstone
A classic hip spin on Jane Austen's Emma!

August 1: *Shine a Light* – a bio-doc of the Rolling Stones starring...the Rolling Stones!

August 8: *21* starring Kate Bosworth and Kevin Spacey.

August 15: *Miss Pettigrew Lives for a Day* starring Frances McDormand.

Please note that the Library will be closed Friday July 4 for Independence Day and Monday September 1 for Labor Day.

For more information about all the programs the library offers, visit our Events Calendar online at: westhamptonfreelibrary.org

Or to sign up, visit the library – and don't forget your library card!

Young Adult Programs for July and August

(Registration begins Tuesday, July 1 @ the Reference & Young Adult Services Desk)

TEEN SUMMER READING CLUB! EXPRESS YOURSELF @ THE LIBRARY!

Remember to stop by the Reference Desk to sign up for this year's Teen Summer Reading Club and Express Yourself @ The Library! We will be exploring different ways to describe who we are through an assortment of activities beginning on Monday, July 7. Each week you participate, you will be eligible to enter a raffle held that Saturday @ 4:45 pm! Monday, August 4 is the last day to register, with our final drawing will taking place on Saturday, August 9.

SUFFOLK COUNTY BATTLE OF THE BOOKS!

It's not too late to join the fun as we compete against other Suffolk County Libraries in the 12th annual Suffolk County **Battle of the Books!** This year we look to improve on last year's outstanding showing. The program, for teens entering grades six through nine, consists of teams of readers, competing in a series of trivia contests concerning eight novels. The Regional Battle takes place on Saturday, August 16 at Stony Brook University. Every book you read can also be used towards the Summer Reading Club to earn prizes! Weekly meetings will include snacks & a victory party after the battle!

ANIME / MANGA CLUB

Thursday Evenings @ 5:00 pm.

Please note the new time as we discuss the latest Japanese Manga / Anime films. Signup @ the Reference & Young Adult Desk.

RUNESCAPE CLUB

Saturdays July 5, 19, August 2 & 16 @ 5:00 pm

Stop in and join the club! Librarian Dave Jones will be there to help all beginners and even seasoned veterans!

MAGIC THE GATHERING

Saturdays July 12, 26, & August 9, 23 @ 5:00 pm

Do you have an interest in Magic The Gathering? Match wits with fellow players, discuss strategies and build killer decks!

PIZZA & PODCASTING

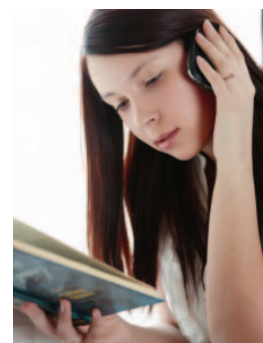
Wednesday July 30 & August 6 @ 6:00 pm

Express Yourself through podcasting & have your voice heard around the world! Learn to create a radio show, play your favorite bands, read poetry, tell a story, or report on a news topic that is important to you! This will be posted on the Internet for the whole world to hear!

VAMPIRE BOOK BRUNCH

Saturday August 2 @ 11:00 am

Join us for the release party for Stephanie Meyers' latest book in the *Twilight Series*, **Breaking Dawn**, with a morning brunch – VAMPIRE STYLE!!! Co-hosted with The Open Book.



EXTREME BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, August 26 @ 7 pm

Join Librarians Nola & Dave as we debut a brand new discussion group featuring books from the edge. For teens in grades 10 – 12, meetings will be

held on the last Tuesday of every month. For our first meeting please bring a book of your choice, so you can explain why you think it is edgy! Refreshments will be served.

GUITAR HERO TOURNAMENT

Saturday, August 30 @ 6:00 pm



With the two time defending champion off to college, we'll get to name a new Guitar Hero! See how well you do as we pull out the PS2s and test our playing skills!

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Programs for Children - July and August

LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

We hope you'll enjoy our programs as we travel throughout the community. You're going to be visiting lots of new places while our new library is being built but our Library Van will be on hand at many programs to bring a selection of books and movies right to you. This newsletter gives you the highlights of our summer plans, but complete details are available in a special Children's Department Summer Newsletter that you can pick up in the library.



We have online reading clubs planned for babies, preschoolers and readers of all ages. We hope you'll have a fabulous time reading and earning cool prizes! **Our Baby Reads, Read-To-Me and Building Better Readers Clubs** are in full swing! Everyone will be to register and readers will be able to record their first book and claim their first prize all on the same day!

While you're chilling out at home, why not check out the hottest new online service we have at our library... **Tumblebooks**. Tumblebooks is an online library of animated, talking picture books that teaches kids the joy of reading in a format they'll just love! You can choose from over 100 titles and you have the option of reading them yourself or having them read to you. Just follow the link on the library's homepage under databases.

FAMILY OUTINGS

If you are looking for excitement, we have discount tickets to **Splish Splash Water Park**** and two **Long Island Ducks Games!**** The Splish Splash tickets can be used on any day in the 2008 season and are available for just \$28 (an \$8 savings!). The tickets for the Long Island Ducks are \$11 per person and are available for games on Saturday, July 19 and August 16.



If you love to fish, but you don't own a boat, why not by a ticket for our **Fishing Trip**** on Monday, August 25. We've booked the Shinecock Star for an afternoon of fluke fishing on the Great South Bay. The tickets are \$35 per child and \$55 per adult and include bait, tackle and rods.

All ticketed events must be paid for by check made payable to the Westhampton Free Library or cash at the time of registration.

If you prefer calmer seas, sign on for our **Kayak Trip on Old Ice Pond.**** on Thursday, August 28 and learn all about pond animals. Landlubbers can take the **Tree Walk Trail** on Mondays, August 4-18 with us as we explore Westhampton Beach!



Finally, for the adventurous, we have a **Behind the Scenes Tour of the 106th Air Rescue Wing** on Tuesday, August 19. If you enjoy scavenger hunts, join our **Letterboxing Club** that will meet each Wednesday in July.

FAMILY EVENTS

Family Night Out

Wednesday evenings at 7 pm
For ages 5 -12 and parents or caregivers

July 9

Katie's Puppets: the Mystery of the Missing Purple Puzzle Piece *

July 16

Broadway 101

July 23

The Brain Show: An amazing game show

July 30

Jester Jim

August 6

Singing songs with Mr. Ray *

August 13

Transformation Show by Agostino Arts

August 20

Petra Puppets in Treasure Palooza *

*please note: Younger siblings can be accommodated at these performances only and must remain seated with a parent or caregiver at all times!

And don't forget to save the date (Saturday, August 23) for our library's Ultimate Beach Party!

Kids on the Green

Tuesdays @ 5:30 pm

For ages 3 – 8 with a parent or guardian
An annual series of outdoor performances that are sponsored by the Westhampton Youth Alliance & the Greater Westhampton Chamber of Commerce



July 8

Anna Kravis' Summer Puppet Concert

July 15

The Magic of Mark and Kym

July 22

Comedy with Chip Bryant

July 29

Steve Max: Mr. Simon Says



August 5

Dance and Sing with Stomp It Up!

August 12

Rock and Roll with Squeaky Clean

August 19

Visit with the Suffolk County Farm Animals

EVERYBODY NEEDS FRIENDS... ESPECIALLY THE LIBRARY!

Please join and be a part of our continuing program of exciting events. All donations are tax deductible.
Make checks payable to **Friends of the Westhampton Free Library**.

Membership Levels

- \$500+ Benefactor
- \$100 Patron
- \$50 Sponsor
- \$25 Family
- \$10 Individual

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How do you register for all these great programs?

Registration for our July programs for children and families is under way. Registration for our August programs for children and families begins on Sunday, July 27 @ 1pm.

Just bring your library card down to the library and sign up at the Children's Librarians' Desk. Registration is limited to patrons of the Westhampton Free Library. Non-card holders will be accommodated at the library's discretion.

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