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Congratulations to John Birmingham who won a Creative MuVo T2000 MP3 player in a countywide drawing. He was one of 10 winners who were selected by using the free SuffolkWave service. Even though the raffle is over, head to suffolkwave.org to take advantage of thousands of downloadable audiobooks, eBooks, music and videos.

Coming Soon: 3rd Annual Poetry Contest "Friends of Our Library"

Students in kindergarten to 12th grade can begin to work on poetry for the Friends of the Library contest. Details will be in the next newsletter. The United Nations has designated 2010 as the International Year of Communications. What better way to honor the theme than by celebrating the much-awaited opening of *our* new center of communications, the Library! To the right, is a placing entry from last year's contest.

Night by Robert W. Hinck III

I look up and become curious.
More than a million miles away,
they're extraordinary
gleaming and beautiful.
Like flashlights above,
stars guide my way
through darkness,
black skies,
night.

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

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The Friends are looking for members who want to be active in the group.

Come and help plan activities, set goals and bring new ideas to help the Friends help the Library.

Contact the Director at 288-3335 x16 for details.



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.**

P.O. Box 318, Westhampton, NY 11977

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November/December Adult Programs

Registration begins November 1 @ 9:30 am. Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted. Please confirm program locations with library when you register.

Join the Hibernation Celebration @ the Library!

The weather outside may be frightful, but your library can help you make winter delightful. Not only do we have the latest DVDs, newest books and most popular magazines (which you can reserve online or by phone from home) but we also have a blizzard of programs just for you. We're getting crafty with our family **Make a Wreath Party**, **Holiday Silk Scarf Workshop**, our **Cozy Crazy Quilting Class**, an **Evening with Ebenezer Scrooge**, and we are adding sparkle to the winter scene in December's **Jewelry Club: Holiday Ornament Jewelry** program.

Of course, there's the **December Dash** (also known as our most popular **Do Your Own Thing Bus Trip** of the year), our equally popular **Gingerbread House Workshop**, the usual screening of the latest movies on Fridays, such as **Julie & Julia** and **Star Trek**, and exercise classes such as, **Tai Chi for Seniors** and **Pilates**.



Top 10 Web Sites for the Fall

With the arrival of cool Fall mornings it's easy to think about the first snowfall. So if you want to know when the next winter storm is coming then be sure to check out the following weather websites. Each one has plenty of information to help you be prepared! www.nws.noaa.gov • www.weather.com • www.wunderground.com

And if the thought of snow is enough to make you want to go away on a vacation then visit fodor.com and travelchannel.com. Both sites offer great ideas for the perfect getaway! www.travelchannel.com • www.fodors.com

If you can't make it to our Quilting programs, then check out quilting101.com on the web. Find everything you need to know about quilts and quilt making here; patterns, styles, history, how-to guides and more! www.quilting101.com

If our Holiday Silk Scarves Painting program has you wanting to do more, then go to wikihow.com and ehow.com for their articles on silk scarf painting.

www.wikihow.com/Paint-a-Silk-Scarf
www.ehow.com/how_2066865_paint-silk-scarf.html

For all the Stephenie Meyer fans that can't wait for the second film in her Twilight series to come out in November, *The Twilight Saga: New Moon*, then be sure to go to the following sites. Both have all the information you need along with trailers to her eagerly anticipated sequel.

www.stepheniemeyer.com/twilight.html • www.twilightthemovie.com/

And don't forget www.westhamptonlibrary.org where you can register for programs, reserve the latest books, movies and even magazines, access databases for all your homework and research needs and so much more!

Meet the Databases!

A database is a collection of information organized for easy use on the computer. **Encyclopaedia Britannica Online** is one example of a database. The online edition includes the complete **Encyclopaedia Britannica**, plus **Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary** and **Thesaurus** and the **Britannic Book of the Year**. EB Online also offers video clips, a world atlas, featured articles and a Spanish-English dictionary, as well as an internet directory to thousands of web sites chosen, reviewed and rated by the editors of Encyclopaedia Britannica.

It's all yours and it's all free with your library card. Just go to www.westhamptonlibrary.org and click on Databases and Web sites to get started.

We have many, many more useful databases, from academic ones for homework and research to technical ones for car or computer research. Take a minute to explore them on your computer or come into the library and ask us.

Don't forget to watch for more databases in our upcoming newsletters.

HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

Christmas Carol:

Saturday, December 5 @ 6:30 pm refreshments and 7:00 pm performance

At the Westhampton Presbyterian Church.

For families with children ages 8 and up

Join us for this performance of Dickens' classic holiday tale! This one-man play is based on the condensed version Dickens himself used on his historic reading tours of the United States and is adapted here to offer a unique theatrical experience. One actor. One hour. This return performance by the North Shore Theatre Group is not to be missed! *Tickets are available at the Library.*



Build A Gingerbread House:

Wednesday, December 2 at Simon's Beach Bakery @ 4:30 pm and 6:00 pm for children and a parent or caregiver (You select one of two sessions.)

We're "invading" Simon's Beach Bakery on Main Street in Westhampton Beach again for this popular holiday program. Because of the limited size of the class, we must ask you to register for one gingerbread house per family. There is a \$20 materials fee due at the time of registration.

Family Wreath:

Saturday, December 5 @ 2:00 pm. Make a wreath to feed the birds or celebrate a holiday tradition! We'll supply fresh greenery and decorative materials. Each family will make a wreath. For ages 5 and up.

Meets at Westhampton Beach Elementary School



Food Drive

We will be collecting for the Immaculate Conception non-denominational Food Pantry. It is in dire need of non-perishable foods, paper goods, cleaning supplies and toiletries. Please carefully check for expiration dates on food donations (even canned goods) because the Food Pantry will not accept expired items. *Donations will be welcome at the Church at 580 Main St., Westhampton Beach. Our collection bin will also be available.*

BUS TRIP

Do Your Own Thing Bus Trip To New York City:

Wednesday December 9 @ 9:00 am . Bus leaves from the Westhampton Municipal Parking Lot on Parlato Drive and leaves New York City at 6:00 pm. Drop off and pick up in the city are in front of the New York Public Library lions Patience and Fortitude on 5th Ave at 42nd Street. \$25.00 non-refundable fee payable by check or money order to register.

COOKING & CRAFTS

Quilter's Circle:

Thursdays, November 12 and December 17 @ 7:00 pm. For quilters of all ages.

Join our new quilting circle to share your love of color, fabric and patterns – and good company. Our library quilting mavens Sonja Roesse and Leslie Millrod will be on hand to help beginners get started and exchange new ideas and techniques with experienced quilters. Bring your UFOs (unfinished objects) or completed projects for a show and tell our first meeting. Light refreshments will be served. *Meets at Studio Art*

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Jewelry Club:

Join the jewelry club to create your own signature jewelry. Each month we explore new materials and techniques along with providing help with your current projects. Basic supplies are included. Additional materials available at cost.

Friday November 13: Fun with Metal Components

Friday December 4: Holiday Ornament Jewelry Meets at Studio Art @ 7:00 pm

Holiday Silk Scarf:

Thursday December 10 @ 7:00 pm.

Paint or stencil your own design onto a silk scarf to create a unique and beautiful accessory, piece of art or gift. \$5.00 materials fee per scarf. Meets at Studio Art



HEALTH & EXERCISE

Pilates:

Mondays November 9 - December 28 @ 6:45 pm.

8 classes for \$64.00; 7 classes for \$56.00. Meets at Westhampton Presbyterian Church.

New York Health Insurance for the Uninsured

Tuesday December 8 at 1:00 pm.

If you don't have health insurance, New York State Health representative Nellida Zoellner will be on hand to answer questions and provide information on health insurance options that could be available for you. Meets at Immaculate Conception Church Parish Hall

CLUBS & GAME CLASSES

French Club: Mondays, from 2:30-4:30 pm. Meets at Westhampton Community Center

Duplicate Bridge Club:

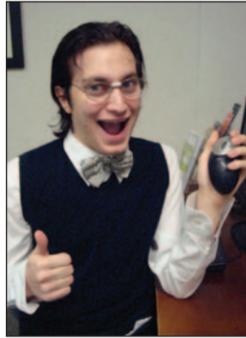
Tuesdays, @ 12:00 pm. \$2.00 per person per session. Meets at St. Mark's Episcopal Church



LIBRARY GEEKS AND COMPUTER CLASSES

LibraryGeeks:

Computer clean up. Spyware. E-mail accounts. Facebook. Twitter. Digital cameras. Kindles and Sony e-readers. Selling on eBay. Choosing a computer. DVD players. MP3 players. All things Apple. These are just a few of the skills, devices and applications that you can begin to master at the library. How? By making an appointment with a **LibraryGeek**. So call and reserve your **LibraryGeek** now!



Personal Computer Classes with a LibraryGeek!

Your Westhampton Free Library card now entitles you to personal one-on-one computer classes, from beginning to advanced, with a **LibraryGeek**.

LibraryGeeks are available by appointment only. Appointments are one hour and are held in the library. You must have a current Westhampton Free Library card to make an appointment.

BOOK CLUB

Monday Night Book Club:

Monday November 30 @ 7:00pm. The book for November will be **Lush Life** by Richard Price. Please note that there will be no book club meeting in December. Meets at Simon's Beach Bakery. Books available at Circulation Desk.



FOR SENIORS

Tai Chi for Seniors:

(ages 50 up) Thursdays November 12 - December 17 (no class on Thursday, November 26) @ Noon. \$12.00 for 5 classes; \$10.00 for 4 classes. Meets at Westhampton Presbyterian Church

See also **New York Health Insurance for the Uninsured** under Health and Exercise.

FRIDAY FILM AT NOON

Join us at Noon three Fridays of every month for the latest film release! No registration required.



- November 6: **Taking of Pelham 1 2 3** starring Denzel Washington
 - November 13: **Up** starring Edward Asner
 - November 20: **Star Trek** starring Chris Pine
 - December 4: **My Sister's Keeper** starring Cameron Diaz
 - December 11: **Julie & Julia** starring Meryl Streep
 - December 18: **Public Enemies** starring Johnny Depp
- The movies are screened at the Westhampton Community Center.*

For more information about all the programs and clubs the library offers, go online to westhamptonfreelibrary.org and click on "Events Calendar." Or to sign up, visit the library – and don't forget your library card!

Swine Flu Shot Clinic

Call the Suffolk County Hotline at 1-631-787-2200 for information about the Swine Flu Shot Clinic to be held here in Westhampton Beach in December. Remember, you must have an appointment for the Clinic and the only way to get one is by calling the Hotline!

Homework Help Here!

School's over for the day, but the homework is just beginning. So are the homework questions. From the most complicated math problems to questions about where to find the best, most reliable information for a project, **Suffolk Homework Help** has tutors on call to guide you in finding answers. The tutors are available seven days a week from 2:00 pm – 11:00 pm and offer **Homework Help** for students from kindergarten through 12th grade. They provide ESL and GED help, too.

November/December Young Adult Programs

Registration begins November 1 @ 9:30 am. Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted. Please confirm program locations with library when you register.

Anime / Manga Club:

Talk manga, watch anime, eat pocky and pizza, order new books and movies for the YA collection. Join us! Thursdays @ 5:00 pm

Thursday November 12:

Bleach: The Diamond Dust Rebellion

Thursday December 10:

Naruto Shippuden

Meets at Westhampton Presbyterian Church. Registration requested.



Game On!

Saturdays, November 14 & December 19 @ 5:30 pm.

Visit the Westhampton Community Center and check out some of our new games for the library's PS2 & Xbox 360. Snacks & refreshments will be served!



New to the Library!

Check out the Teen Section the next time you're at the library to see our new Video Game Collection!

That's right, we are now circulating video games for PS2, Xbox 360, PS3, & Wii!

Teen Action Movie Double Header:

Saturdays, November 21 & December 5 @ 5:30 pm. Programs to be held at the Westhampton Community Center.

November 21: **G. I. Joe - The Rise Of Cobra** (PG-13, 118 minutes) & **Star Trek** (PG-13, 127 Minutes).

December 5: **Night at the Museum - Battle of the Smithsonian** (PG, 105 minutes) & **Terminator Salvation** (PG-13, 135 minutes).

Magic The Gathering:

Saturdays, November 28 December 12 & 26 @ 5:30 pm. Bring your Decks to the Westhampton Community Center, or use some of the library's cards to make one & battle your friends in a friendly contest!

Taste Test Challenge Part II!

Tuesday, December 15 @ 7:00pm

Here is your chance to once again be part of our important research panel, tasting and evaluating a wide variety of food and beverages. Find out if you can tell the difference!

Guitar Hero 5 Tournament:

Saturday, January 9 @ 5:30 pm

Get ready for our next exciting contest as we test our musical skills on the latest edition of Guitar Hero!



Win Tickets to New Moon!

Each day that you check out any item from the Library, you can get a raffle ticket to win two free tickets to the showing of *New Moon*, which opens Friday, November 20. All it takes is your library card. For Ages 13 -18

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November/December Children's Programs

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We Won a Grant!

We have been awarded a set of books from the National Endowment for the Humanities. The collection, titled: "We The People Bookshelf: Picturing America" includes 23 classic works of American fiction and non-fiction for children and adults. Over the coming months, we will be including these wonderful books in our programs. Beginning this month and continuing through the spring, look for programs where we will be reading stories and poetry, showing related films and organizing book discussion groups. We look forward to sharing this unique collection of materials with you. All are on display in the children's area and are available for checkout.



To Help Us Better Serve You...

Please help us stay in touch with you by making sure that you have an up to date email address on file at the library. This helps us send you reminders and allows us to keep you informed of last minute changes or cancellations in case of inclement weather.

Space Explorers:

Saturday, November 14 @ 2:00 pm at the Westhampton Beach Elementary School. For grades 2-5. What lies beyond the clouds in outer space? Nature Detectives will turn their minds towards the sky as we investigate our solar system. Young astronomers will study the wonders of star patterns and folklore, the moon and planets. Celestial events and objects such as meteorites will be examined. Highlights of space exploration will be brought down to Earth and all will enjoy out-of-this-world treats.

Tall Tales:

Wednesday, November 18 @ 4:00 pm at the Westhampton Beach Elementary School. For grades K-2. Miss Malinda will be reading selections from American Tall Tales by Mary Pope Osborne and highlights from The Legend of Sleepy Hollow by Washington Irving. Come relax, enjoy some snacks and listen to some spooky and amazing stories!

Disney's American Legends: Tall Tales in Film

Saturday, November 21 @ 3:00 pm at the Westhampton Beach Elementary School. For grades 3-5. Join us for screening of this compilation of four animated short films profiling legendary figures in American history: John Henry, Casey Jones, Johnny Appleseed and Paul Bunyan. The films are 58 minutes long.



Fall Fimo Bracelet:

Wednesday, November 25 @ 4:00 pm at the Westhampton Beach Elementary School. For grades 3-5. Pick your own selection of beads to make this stretchy seasonal bracelet that everyone's sure to admire! There's a sample on display in the children's area.

Make a Holiday Ornament:

Wednesday, December 16 @ 4:00 pm at the Westhampton Beach Elementary School. For children in 1st - 3rd grades. Join us to make a snow person or snowflake magnet, key ring or hanging. All it takes is an idea and the patience to create your bead design. This craft will make a great gift too! There's a sample on display in the children's area.

Kids in the Kitchen: Create your own Pizza

Monday, December 28 @ 4:00 pm at the Westhampton Beach Elementary School. For children in grades 2-4. Assemble all the ingredients to make a pizza that you can take home and bake just in time for dinner! FYI: This program will include dairy and wheat ingredients. (No meat!)



FAMILY PROGRAMS

Family Wreath:

Saturday, December 5 @ 2:00 pm at the Westhampton Beach Elementary School. For families with children ages 5 and up. We'll supply all the fresh greenery and decorative materials. Your family will create a custom holiday wreath. One wreath per family.



Christmas Carol:

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At the Westhampton Presbyterian Church. For families with children ages 8 and up

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Toddler's Tango:

Tuesdays, November 3-24 @ 11:00 am at the Westhampton Presbyterian Church. For children ages 2-4 years and a parent or caregiver. Clap your hands, stomp your feet and wiggle with the beat at this popular morning of musical fun with Miss Nicole.



Apple Stories & Apple Sauce:

Thursday, November 19 @ 4:00 pm at the Westhampton Beach Elementary School. For children age 2-6 and a parent or caregiver.

We're sharing some of our favorite apple stories while we simmer up a crock-pot full of delicious homemade applesauce. Yummmmm



Toddlers Tales and Tunes:

Fridays, December 4-18 @ 10:00 am at the Westhampton Presbyterian Church. For children ages 1½- 3 and a parent or caregiver. While our Toddlers Tales & Tunes program follows a traditional story time format, we take special care to include opportunities for movement activities, short stories and lots of singing. Children sit near their caregivers during the story time so that they may interact, which we encourage. The goal of Toddler Time is to develop an early appreciation of books and stories, foster self-esteem in young children, and have fun! Each session is approximately 30 minutes long and participants are encouraged to be on time as we make every effort to begin and end programs on time.



FOR PRESCHOOLERS



Babies Boogie:

Tuesdays, November 3-24 @ 10 am at the Westhampton Presbyterian Church. For children ages 3-23 months and a parent or caregiver. Let Miss Nicole show you how to get moving and grooving to the music with your infant.

FOR SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN

American Girl Club:

Saturday, November 14 @ 11 am at the Westhampton Beach Elementary School. For children in grades 3-5. Now that you've met Rebecca, the newest American Girl, share the second book in the Rebecca series. Miss Sonja will plan a surprise craft and treat.



Library Closed

Wednesday, November 11
Thursday, November 26
Thursday, December 24
Friday, December 25
Thursday, December 31