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Library Budget

The Library's operating budget will be appearing as a proposition on the school district ballot. The vote is Tuesday, May 18 and will be held in the High School LGI from 7 am to 9 pm. A budget hearing will take place on Monday, May 10 at 7 pm in the High School Auditorium. If you have questions about the proposed library budget, please feel free to contact the Director at 288-3335 x. 16 or mbollerm@suffolk.lib.ny.us. The proposed budget is available on our website by clicking on Library Information and then finding the link to Draft 2010/11 Operating Budget.

The NEW Westhampton Free Library Update

by Matthew Bollerman, Library Director
The Board and Staff are as excited about moving back to 7 Library Avenue as I am sure each of you are. The building is progressing along nicely, and our hope is to open near the end of June 2010. As I write this in mid-April I cannot be more specific about the exact day of the opening. We will close for a few weeks in order to move our collections, computers and other items and get them arranged in time for the summer. Keep a look out for announcements of the closing and the grand opening.

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Sat. 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
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Thank You!

On April 15 the Westhampton Free Library thanked Senator Kenneth LaValle and Assemblyman Fred Thiele for their support of the Library. Each supported legislation to provide \$14 million in construction aid to libraries, of which the Library received \$134,000. This brings our total state construction aid to \$267,365 over three years.

From the left: Trustees Hank Tucker and Karen Andrews, Senator Kenneth LaValle, Assemblyman Fred Thiele, Trustee Esther Glazer and Library Board President Mike Lennon thank our legislator's for the construction grant support.



Friends of Our Library Poetry Contest Results

The Friends of the Westhampton Free Library held their poetry contest for students in kindergarten to 12th grade. Entries were submitted by 67 students. Gift certificates to the Open Book were given out for the first, second and honorable mentions. A poetry reading is scheduled for May 2 at 4 pm at the Open Book. Below are the winning poems. Look for more poetry in upcoming issues of the newsletter.

Take Me to the Library by John Bernard Hunt

Books Quiet
Jack and Annie places back in history.
Civil War freed the slaves.
Babe Ruth hit to the waves.
The Brooklyn Bridge, Oh, what a bridge it is!
I have a dog with Henry and Mudge
I've even learned how to make fudge
BOOKS BOOKS BOOKS
TAKE ME TO THE LIBRARY
"Oh, The Places You'll Go!"

Who Am I? By Brooke Carter

Who am I, you might ask
Friend or foe, what is my task?
I have a secret you may not have guessed it
I have fought in wars my bravery tested
I fought dragons at the age of ten
I climbed Mount Everest yet again
I became a princess at the age of twenty
My pirate booty chest had plenty
On my travels far and wide
The joy, the pain and the tears I cried
My mind it wondered to and fro
Excitement filled me head to toe
All emotions I have felt them
The winning poker hand I delt them
All my stories yes they're true
When you ask me how can that be
I'll answer you with lots of glee
Get up get out turn off t.v.
AND MAKE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE AT
YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY!!

Untitled by Dayna Young

I sit here waiting to be picked
Each day my neighbors get taken off the shelves
And they don't come back until next week
Today I got taken off
I got scanned and put in a plastic bag
Now I am on a bed
My pages opened
They are flipped each day
They are read
Tomorrow is my due day
And I go back to my shelf
I'll sit with the others;
each one of us,
filled with excitement and imagination inside,
wait again to be picked.

Haiku String: Books Are... by Maddison Raffel

Books are travel guides
For the places they unlock
A journey awaits

Books are written maps
For those who take time to see
Shining on the path

Books are time machines
And when you return back home
You start a new trip

Anticipation of the Ending by Haley Schoeck

Creeping up inside of you
Swallowing you whole from the inside
Filling your thoughts with, "could be and maybe"
Anticipation whispers in your ear
"Almost, almost, but not yet"
So close you can almost taste it
Anticipation is flames licking the hearth of your soul
It burns your insides
Then ties them in knots
Ruling your mind until its shining moment
And when it comes, relief washes over you like ocean
waves on sand
Breathe, sigh, done, for today

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May/June Adult Programs

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

Come Out to Play with the Library in May!

We're in the seventh inning stretch (note this phrase – it's going to be very important in one of our July programs!) on our way to an exciting summer of library programs!

We have the annual **Spring Do Your Own Thing Bus Trip**, of course, plus a **Sunset Paddle on Old Ice Pond** for the whole family.



Our **Herb Garden Party** will provide some green inspiration. If you're inspired to do some spring cleaning, our **Home Inventory Workshop** might come in handy. If that spring cleaning yields a favorite old bicycle, pedal it over to our **Bicycle Tune Up!**



For Twilight fans grades 7-12 who've admired our life-size **Edward** and **Jacob** cutouts, every visit to the library in May can earn you chance to win your favorite one. Our **Book and A Movie Club** in June is going to be all about *Twilight:Eclipse*. You'll also want to register to make a **Twilight Dream Catcher**.

Don't forget the **Stuffed Animal Sleepover** for children of all ages - let your favorite stuffed toy spend the night at the Library and find out what really goes on when the library closes.

Finally, kick off your summer at our **June Beach Concert** with percussion wizard **Jeff Haynes**. Driving rhythms and foot stomping fun are guaranteed!

See You at the Library!

Top 10 Web Sites to Get Ready for Summer

If you haven't checked out the Quogue Wildlife Refuge and want to do so before the **Family Sunset Paddle**, go to www.quoguewildliferefuge.org

Meet the Ducks! means going to www.newagrarian.com/category/ducks to meet a man who knows his suburban ducks. Don't forget to visit a different kind of duck - the Big Duck - at http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Big_Duck

To prepare for our **Bicycle Tune Up** session, you might want to check out this DIY article from Popular Mechanics magazine: www.popularmechanics.com/outdoors/recreation/off-road/4311607

For maps and guides to bike trails in Long Island, start here: www.trails.com/activity.aspx?area=14973 and check out Wikipedia, too! http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_trails_on_Long_Island

Planning on getting organized so you can put the **Home Inventory Workshop** to work for you? The Flylady at www.flylady.net will give you "simple FLYing lessons" to help you start.

Get ready for our **May Book and A Movie Club**, which features *Robin Hood* by Howard Pyle by taking aim at this thorough (and thoroughly interesting) site dedicated to the "Bold Outlaw of Barnsdale and Sherwood": www.boldoutlaw.com

If the **June Book and A Movie Club** choice, *Twilight: Eclipse* appeals to you, you may want to take a bite out of author Stephenie Meyer's home page: www.stepheniemeyer.com

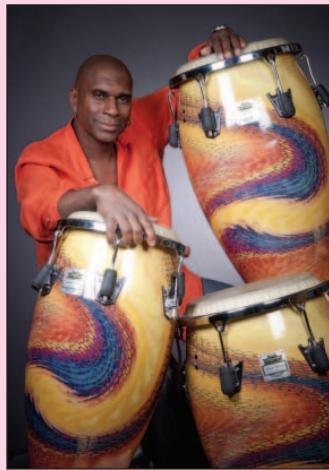
For a preview of our first **Beach Concert** of the summer with the amazing Jeff Haynes, check out: www.jeffhaynesmusic.com

As always, bookmark www.westhamptonlibrary.org to enjoy everything your library has for you.

JUNE BEACH CONCERT

Saturday June 12 at 7:00 pm at Rogers Memorial Beach.

Percussion wizard **Jeff Haynes** has toured with everyone from the Pat Metheny Group, Al Jarreau and Boney James to Harry Belafonte and Peabo Bryson and his chops can be heard on over 100 CDs.



Cassandra Wilson said, "He brings fire and heart to my music" and the *Los Angeles Times* raves about his "nonpareil solo and ensemble work." Don't miss your chance to see (and hear) this incredible musician. **Tickets required and are available at Westhampton Free Library.**

MEET THE DATABASES: An Online Toolbox for Car Repair



If your spring fix-it plans are more ambitious than a bicycle or you just want to learn more about your car, our **Car Repair** database link is a good place to begin. Open the Westhampton Free Library homepage at www.westhamptonlibrary.com.

Go to "Databases and Websites" and click on "Suffolk e-Resources." When you click on "Car Repair" in the left hand column, the page will open to give you three choices for car research:

- **The Auto Repair Reference Center** offers car repair information by year for a variety of makes and models back to 1945.
- **The National Highway Safety Administration** topics include everything from frequently asked questions about safety devices to guides on how to file safety complaints about your vehicle.
- **Magazines** allows you to search across a large magazine collection database for articles relating to automobiles.

Your library card gives you access to all these databases and more, anytime, from any computer or wireless enabled device. Drive over to your library website and see!

LIBRARYGEEKS AND COMPUTER CLASSES

LibraryGeeks:

Yes, using your library card you can reserve a LibraryGeek for one-on-one basic computer lessons - and so much more. Choosing a Netbook? Need a guided tour of the Kindle? Computer clean up? Spyware? E-mail accounts? Facebook? Twitter? Digital cameras? Selling on e-Bay? All things Apple? The answer to all these questions is LibraryGeeks. So call and reserve your LibraryGeek now!

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.

May/June Adult Programs

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SPECIAL PROGRAMS

See also Children's and Family Programs

Sunset Paddle on Old Ice Pond:

Friday May 21 @ 6:00 pm at the Quogue Wildlife Refuge. Board a canoe or a kayak with your family or friends to enjoy the sights and sounds of nature as the sun goes down. Limited seats available. Registration required.



Bicycle Tune Up:

Thursday June 10 @ 6:00pm at the Westhampton Presbyterian Church. Join our local bike expert to learn tips on how to get your bicycle road ready this summer and earn the chance to win a Bike 'n Kite prize! Registration required.



CLUBS AND GAME CLASSES

French Club:

Mondays from 2:30 – 4:30 pm
Meets at Westhampton Community Center

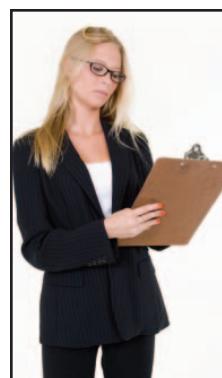
Duplicate Bridge Club:

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

HOME AND GARDEN

Herb Garden Party:

Saturday May 8 @ 2:00pm
Meets at the Westhampton Presbyterian Church. Plan your herb garden and learn how to grow and use fresh herbs. Leave with your own herb pot and a taste of an herb-flavored treat!



Home Inventory

Workshop: Wednesday May 19 @ 2:00 pm
Meets at Westhampton Presbyterian Church.
Updating your insurance policy? Spring cleaning?
Reorganizing your house?
Learn how to conduct a home inventory from an expert and make the job easier. Registration required.



Meet the Ducks!
Saturday May 22 @ 2:00 pm
at the Westhampton Presbyterian Church. You've met the backyard chicken - now meet the suburban duck and learn how to raise your own. Join us - they'll quack you up! Registration required.

CLASSES IN SPANISH/ CLASES DE EN ESPAÑOL

Clases de conversación/ English Conversation Classes for Spanish Speakers: Fridays May 7 – May 28.

Classes will be held at the Immaculate Conception Church Parish Hall. No registration required.

Programs require advance registration. Westhampton Library cardholders will be given priority. Other library cardholders will be placed on a waiting list. A portion of the Library's programs are supported by the Friends of the Westhampton Free Library.

AUTHOR APPEARANCES

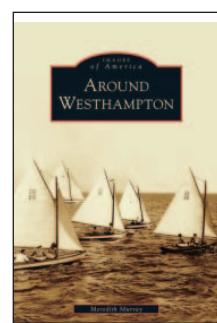
Jim Fargiano:

Saturday May 22 at 4:00 pm at The Open Book. Author and medium Jim Fargiano's most recent release is the CD Escaping Boundaries. Join him as he discusses his work, including his book *The Spoken Words of the Spirit*. For more information go to www.jimfargiano.blogspot.com



Meredith Murray:

Saturday June 26 at 4:00 pm at the Open Book. Meet the author of *Around Westhampton*, which depicts how an area blessed with uncommon physical beauty has managed to remain unspoiled in the face of natural disasters and international fame. Proceeds from the book will go towards the restoration of the Foster-Meeker House as an educational center to help promote and preserve local history.



BOOKS AND BOOK CLUBS

Monday Night Book Club

Meets on Monday May 24 @ 7:00 pm at Immaculate Conception Church Parish Hall. The book to be discussed is *Sarah's Key* by Tatiana de Rosnay.



A Book and A Movie

Meets @ 2:00 pm on Sunday May 23 and Sunday June 13 at the Immaculate Conception Church Parish Hall and is limited to Westhampton cardholders only. Participants will receive a movie pass to the Hampton Arts Cinema. Pre-registration is required and seating is limited.

The book for May is *Robin Hood* for the May 14 release of the movie **Robin Hood** starring Russell Crowe. (A 1:00 discussion for Middle Grade participants has been scheduled for this release).



The book for June is *Eclipse* by Stephenie Meyer for the June 30 of the movie **Twilight: Eclipse**.

Books available at Circulation Desk.

FOR SENIORS

AARP 55 Alive Defensive Driving Class:

Monday May 17 and 18 from 9:30 am – 1:30 pm at Westhampton Community Center. (Must attend both sessions to receive certificate) \$12.00 for members, \$14.00 for non-members, payable by check or money order to the AARP due at class. Registration required.

Tai Chi for Seniors:

Thursdays May 13 – June 10 @ Noon
Meets at Westhampton Presbyterian Church. \$10.00 to register for 5 classes, \$8.00 to register for 4.

Senior Aerobics:

Fridays May 14 – June 11 @ 9:00 am
Meets at Westhampton Presbyterian Church. \$10.00 to register for 5 classes, \$8.00 to register for 4.

FRIDAY FILM AT NOON



Join us at Noon the first three Fridays of every month at the Westhampton Community Center for new and classic films. No registration required.

May 7: **Nine**
starring Daniel Day-Lewis

May 14: **Malice in Wonderland**
starring Maggie Grace

May 21: **Robin Hood**
starring Errol Flynn

June 4: **Valentine's Day**
starring Julia Roberts

June 11: **The Road**
starring Viggo Mortensen

OSCAR? OSCAR! CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Nathan Lorman and Pego Paar, the winners of our Oscar?Oscar! contest. Mr. Lorman is our Grand Prize Winner and Ms. Paar was a close second! See you at the movies!

Our Spring Do Your Own Thing Bus Trip is scheduled for **Wednesday May 5**. The bus leaves from Westhampton Beach Municipal Parking Lot at Parlato Drive at 9:00 am and leaves from 42nd Street and 5th Avenue in New York City at 6:00 pm. \$25.00 nonrefundable registration fee payable by check or money order only to the Westhampton Free Library.

COMING IN JULY!

Let us Take You Out to the Ball Game on Saturday July 31st!

We have fabulous Field Box Seats to see the Brooklyn Cyclones take on the Staten Island Yankees. Tickets are \$38.00 for adults, \$25.00 for children and teens under 18 and include game tickets, all bus transportation expenses and a free baseball hat. Registration begins Thursday July 1 at 9:30 am at the library.

The Westhampton Free Library will be closed Sunday May 9 for Mother's Day, Monday May 31 for Memorial Day and Sunday June 20 for Father's Day.

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

The Westhampton Free Library - So Much More Than Books...

It is the gateway to a world of wonders

- A children's workshop
- An adults' skills class
- A child's poetry contest
- A senior citizen's enrichment program
- A recital - a lecture - a reading - a field trip

Learn How You Can Help...

Contact Matt Bollerman at mbollerm@suffolk.lib.ny.us
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Donations - PO Box 318
- Westhampton, NY 11977



May/June Children's Programs

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

PlayHooray Baby

Mondays, May 3-24 from 10:00-10:30 am
For children ages Birth – 18 months and a parent or caregiver
Calling all babies! Join us for a fun introduction to nursery rhymes, books and finger plays. Includes shakers, bells, balls, scarves, instruments and a great opportunity for socialization for both babies and moms.

PlayHooray Toddler

Mondays, May 3-24 from 10:45-11:30 am
For children ages 18-48 months and a parent or caregiver
Get ready to sing, dance and play with your toddler! This interactive themed program incorporates fine and gross motor skill activities, nursery rhymes, books, rhythm sticks, hula-hoops, dancing, hobby-horses, parades and more... Encourages cooperation, good manners and fun!



Look for us during the month of June as we visit all area schools to give you a sneak preview of all the amazing programs we have planned for your summer!

SCHOOL-AGE PROGRAMS

Create a Flower Garden with Miss Joanne

Wednesday, May 19 @ 4:30 pm For ages 7-11
Miss Joanne is back and has something planned to make and take home to celebrate Spring!



FAMILY PROGRAMS

Sunset Paddle on Old Ice Pond

Friday, May 21 @ 5:30 pm
For children ages 6 and up and a parent or caregiver
Spend a wonderful evening picnicking and paddling at the Quogue Wildlife Refuge. You can bring your dinner or a snack at 5:30 then hit the water promptly @ 6:00 pm. Each child must be accompanied by an adult paddling partner. Canoes will be available for families with young children and older children and parents will be assigned kayaks.



Stuffed Animal Sleepover @ the Library

Friday, May 14 @ 6:00 pm

All ages
Choose one of your very favorite furry friends (no live ones please!) and drop them off at the library for an unforgettable overnight at the library, then pick them up from 9:30-10:00 am at the Reference Desk and find out all about their late night adventures! Parents: It is strongly suggested that you not bring your child's absolute favorite stuffed animal to the library as there will not be any way you can retrieve them until morning!

Free Comic Book Day!

Saturday May 8 from 9:30 am until we run out!

Free Comic Book Day comes in May, and we're holding our celebration on May 8 for 1st - 12th grades. Come into the library, check out any item (including one of our new comic books in our comic book collections), and pick out a comic book to keep. When you do, you can enter the raffle for an amazing prize!



May/ June Young Adult Programs

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

Anime / Manga Club

Tuesdays, May 4 & June 1 for grades 7 and up, May 18 for grades 10 and up.
Program begins @ 6:30 pm.
Discuss the latest news about Japanese Anime & Manga. Movies and activities are just some of the fun things you will do at this club. Plus, get a first look at what's new to our collection! Program to be held at the Westhampton Community Center.



Game On!

Saturdays May 8, 22, & June 5 @ 5:30 pm.
Join us at the Westhampton Community Center to play your favorite games on the library's PS2 & Xbox 360.



Magic The Gathering

Saturdays, May 15, 29 & June 12 @ 5:30 pm.
You're invited to the Westhampton Community Center to play Magic: the Gathering. If you're a beginner, no problem, we'll help you get started. If you've played before, come and challenge new foes!



About Boating Safety Course

Saturday, May 22 @ 9:30 am.
The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary is returning to help everyone have a safe summer boating. A \$50 materials fee by check or money order made payable to U.S.C.G. Auxiliary, Flotilla 18-06 is required. To sign up call Ed Wanamaker @ 631-960-5295.

Twilight Edward & Jacob Raffle!

Twilight fans in grades 7-12 who've admired our life-size Edward and Jacob cutouts, this is your chance to win your favorite one! Every time you check out a book in the month of May you will receive a raffle ticket, for our June 4th drawing at 5 pm.



Twilight: New Moon Dream Catcher

Friday, June 11 @ 5:30 pm.
It doesn't matter whether you are Team Jacob or Team Edward, come and create your very own dream catcher. Join us for an afternoon of Twilight conversation while learning how to create your very own dream catcher using colored beads, silver charm embellishment and natural feathers. Program to be held at the Westhampton Community Center.



Teen Summer Reading Club – "Get Your Green On @ Your Library!"

In celebration of the opening of our new energy efficient library, the Teen Summer Reading Club is going green! Join us for great programs, such as Teen Yoga on the Beach, Fun with Flip Flops, Sea Glass Jewelry Making, and Tie Dye T-shirts. Our library again will be competing in the Suffolk County Battle of the Books - a county-wide contest for teens entering six through ninth grade. Teams of readers representing their local public libraries answer questions about eight novels. More information to come in our Teen Summer Newsletter. And remember – Green Goes With Everything!

EVERYBODY NEEDS FRIENDS... ESPECIALLY THE LIBRARY!

Please join and be a part of our continuing program of exciting events.

All donations are tax deductible.

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