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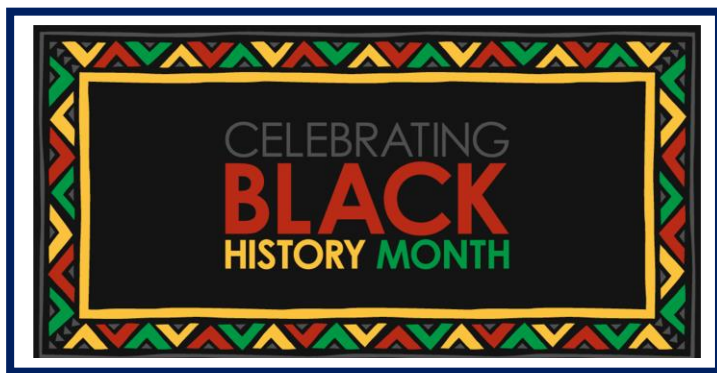
HENRY WALDINGER MEMORIAL LIBRARY
Enriching Valley Stream lives

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Every February, the United States celebrates Black History Month to honor the contributions and sacrifices of African Americans who have helped shape the nation. During this month, in particular, we celebrate the rich cultural heritage, triumphs, and adversities of African Americans that are part of America's history.

The library will once again be hosting a Black History Month essay contest for children and teens. Choose a person from the past or present, deceased or living, who you think is the greatest of all time. Tell us why you think they're the G.O.A.T. in their field (e.g., athletics, science, politics, activism, the arts).

You can write about their accomplishments, what you admire about them and what makes them stand out among other important figures in Black history. Entries are due back to the library by February 29th! We can't wait to read your essays!



On Wednesday, February 21, 2024, join us for a special program by the Long Island Children's Museum. Discover the stories that quilts told in the days of the Underground Railroad to assist runaway slaves on their journey to freedom.

Learn to "read" various quilt codes; then use mathematical patterns and fabric shapes to design a quilt that tells your very own personal story. Space is limited to children, Grades 2-6. Registration is required – see listing on the library's Eventkeeper calendar.

This program is funded by a 2024 Legislative Grant awarded to the Long Island Children's Museum by Assemblyperson Michaelle Solages to provide this program to the Valley Stream community.

In addition, the library will be screening *Till* and *King Richard* for Black History Month. *Till* will be shown on Friday, February 16, 2024, at 1:00 pm., in the Children's Room, and *King Richard* will be shown on March 1, 2024, at 1:00 pm. Registration is recommended so the library can plan seating.

I hope that you will join us in celebrating Black History Month!

Mamie Eng
Director

COMPUTER CLASSES VIA ZOOM



The library will be holding various basic computer classes **via Zoom** on Saturday mornings at 10 am. Each class will focus on different Microsoft Word/Excel/PowerPoint skills and techniques:

February 17, 2024

Microsoft Word Basics:
Using Microsoft Templates:

- To Create a Business Card
- To Create a Greeting Card



February 24, 2024

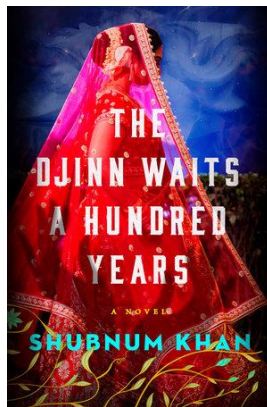
Microsoft Word Basics:
Using Microsoft Templates:

- To Create Stationery
- To Create a Brochure

You can attend all or any of the classes, depending on your schedule. Check the Eventkeeper calendar for which topics will be covered each week and register for each class by clicking on the register button at each the Eventkeeper listing. The Zoom information will be sent to you prior to the class.

Participants (or those who request it) will receive a link to the recording of class after the class to review. Contact Ms. Eng at hwmlcontact@hotmail.com for questions regarding these classes.

VALLEY STREAM BOOK CLUB MEETS



On Saturday, February 24, 2024, at 12:00 pm, the Henry Waldinger Memorial Library will be hosting a virtual meeting of the Valley Stream Book Club to discuss *The Djinn Waits a Hundred Years*, by Shubnum Khan.

The Valley Stream Book Club usually meets on the last Tuesday evening of the month, but because the author will be joining the meeting via Zoom from South Africa, the meeting date and time has been adjusted to accommodate the author. 12:00 pm (noon) in New York is 7:00 pm in South Africa.

Akbar Manzil was once a grand estate off the coast of South Africa. Nearly a century later, it stands in ruins: an isolated boardinghouse for eclectic misfits, seeking solely to disappear into the mansion's dark corridors. Except for Sana. Unlike the others, she is curious and questioning and finds herself irresistibly drawn to the history of the mansion: To the eerie and forgotten East Wing, home to a clutter of broken and abandoned objects—and to the door at its end, locked for decades.

Sublime, heart-wrenching, and lyrically stunning, *The Djinn Waits a Hundred Years* is a haunting, a love story, and a mystery, all twined beautifully into one young girl's search for belonging.

To register for the program and to borrow a copy of the book, with a discussion guide, contact Library Director Ms. Eng at hwmlcontact@hotmail.com or click on the REGISTER button on the Eventkeeper listing for the event.



Did you know that you can access Consumer Reports online for FREE using your Valley Stream library card?

Consumer Reports is a Quick Link on the Adult Page under "Departments", or you can find it under "Research and Homework Help – Research Databases." Enter your library barcode, you will get access to product reviews for laptops & Chromebooks, air fryers, refrigerators, and over 8,500 different products.

ORION 4.5" STARBLAST REFLECTOR TELESCOPE



The Amateur Observers' Society of New York has donated an Orion 4.5 StarBlast Reflector telescope to the Henry Waldinger Memorial Library so it can establish a Library Telescope Program. The telescope donation came through the Astronomical League and the Horkheimer Foundation, and local astronomer Tom Lynch has prepared it for use and circulation to library patrons..

Lending rules are being established, and adult library card users in good standing will be able to borrow it for a seven-day loan period. The library anticipates circulation of the telescope to begin in March 2024.

For more information, contact Library Director Ms. Eng at hwmlcontact@hotmail.com.



FRIDAY AFTERNOON MOVIES AT THE LIBRARY

TILL



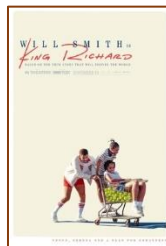
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Friday, February 16, 2024
1:00 pm

Based on the true story of Mamie Till-Bradley, an educator and activist who pursued justice after the murder of her 14-year-old son Emmett in August 1955. Starring Danielle Deadwyler as Mamie and Jalyn Hall as Emmett.



KING RICHARD



http://www.impawards.com/2021/king_richard.html

Friday, March 1, 2024
1:00 pm

An American biographical sports drama film starring Will Smith as Richard Williams, the father and coach of famed tennis players Venus and Serena Williams.

Register for each movie by clicking on the register button at the Eventkeeper listing for the movie.



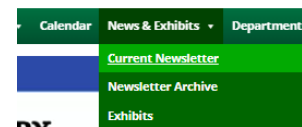
Monday,
February 19, 2024

The library reopens on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, 10:00 am.

LIBRARY LINKS IS BI-WEEKLY



Library Links, the library's online newsletter, is being published on a bi-weekly basis. Back issues are archived on the Valley Stream library's website at: <https://valleystreamlibrary.org>



Click on "News & Exhibits" on the green navigation bar for the "Current Newsletter," the "Newsletter Archive," and "Exhibits" information.

Fiber Crafters Get-Together

Saturday, February 17, 2024
2:00-3:30 pm

Children's Room



All fiber crafters (knitters, crocheters, needle-workers, rug hookers, etc.) are invited to work their craft at the library in good company. So, grab a WIP (work-in-progress) and join us!



To register, contact Library Director Ms. Eng at hwmlcontact@hotmail.com or click on the REGISTER button on the Eventkeeper listing for the event.

VITA TAX HELP

Provided by the Hofstra Tax
Society



Saturday, February 3, 2024 –
Saturday, April 13, 2024

The Hofstra Tax Society is offering limited IN-PERSON tax help assistance at the library this year on Saturdays from 10am-1pm except March 23 (School Spring Break).

APPOINTMENTS ARE MANDATORY NO DROP-IN TAX PREPARATION

Due to popular demand, **all appointments have been filled**. Limited waiting list spots may be still available. Call the Adult Reference Desk at 516-825-6422 to be placed on a waiting list.

The library has a limited supply of 2024 IRS and New York State tax forms available for distribution at the Adult Reference Desk. Stop by to pick up 1-2 copies of available forms. Other forms can be printed for 10c per page.



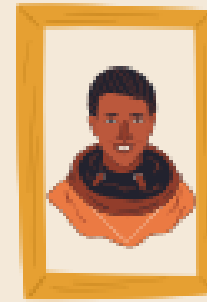
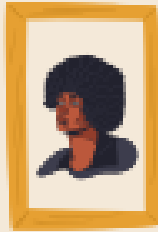
FREE CAREER ASSISTANCE

- Search for a job
- Take career assessments
- Download resume templates
- Send your resume to the Resume Lab
- Get personalized feedback from a Live Job Coach
- Online career certification prep
- Prepare for your interview



Do you want to find a job that really fits your skills and interests? Go to www.valleystreamlibrary.org, and under “Research and Homework Help,” select **JobNow** in the list of “Online Services,” to discover your dream job. Then explore career ideas by learning about job details, salaries, and more.

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THE G.O.A.T. OF BLACK HISTORY

AN ESSAY CONTEST

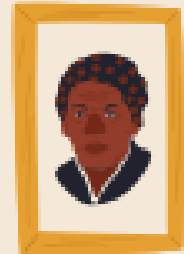
Tell us who you think is the G.O.A.T. of Black History! Choose a person from the past or present, deceased or living, who you think is the greatest of all time. Tell us why you think they're the G.O.A.T. in their field (e.g., athletics, science, politics, activism, the arts). You can write about their accomplishments, what you admire about them and what makes them stand out among other important figures in Black history.

Winners will be selected from each of the following groups:

Early Elementary - Kindergarten to 3rd Grade

Elementary - 4th to 6th Grade

Junior High - 7th to 9th Grade High School - 10th to 12th Grade



Return essays to the Children's Room
or email to kidsroomvs@nassaulibrary.org
by February 29, 2024

*Be sure to include your full name, grade,
phone number and email address*

Name

Age

Phone

Grade



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Navigating College Admissions Successfully in 2024

ZOOM Workshop

Tuesday, February 13, 2024

7:00 pm

This Zoom presentation will help families understand how the lingering effects from the pandemic have changed the college admissions landscape and how it affects Juniors, Sophomores and Freshmen.

The presentation will be led by Ron Feuchs and Jackie Tepper,
partners at Stand Out For College, LLC. (www.standoutforcollege.com)

They will discuss how the Supreme Court decision will impact the college admissions process and how a student's ability to express their insights, experiences and personal growth will become even more important.

The recent college admissions cycle was the most competitive to date. With most colleges continuing their test-optional policies as well as increasing their virtual outreach to high school students, many schools had record numbers of applicants. Record high numbers of applications result in record low acceptance rates which is what most popular colleges and universities experienced this past admissions cycle.

They will discuss current college admissions trends, the importance of researching and visiting colleges to find schools that can be a good fit for your child, a timeline and other action steps that can be taken to make this second half of the school year productive and help reduce the stress around the college admissions process.

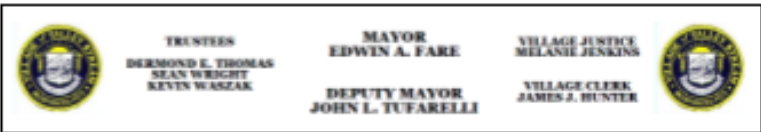
They will examine the holistic admissions review process, what admissions officers consider important when they review applicants, and how students can position themselves to develop a compelling narrative to increase their chances for admission.

They will also discuss the importance of community service, how it can provide an opportunity for personal growth and a way to showcase a student's character. Admissions officers place great emphasis on a student's character and how the student has been able to give back and help others. This program is recommended for parents and their high school teens.

For questions or to register, contact Library Director Ms. Eng at hwmcontact@hotmail.com or click on the REGISTER button on the Eventkeeper listing for the event.

The library reserves the right to use photographs, taken at programs, for the purposes of advertising and promoting the library in printed literature, electronic publications, or any similar way. Parents of children who do not wish to comply with this policy must notify the library in writing when they register for a program.

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DONATIONS TO THE LIBRARY

The library would appreciate it if all book donations were placed in the two **Better World Books** bins at the rear of the parking lot to the right of the building. If the bins are full, do not leave the donations outside the bins. **If they get wet, they cannot be used and they end up in the dumpsters!**



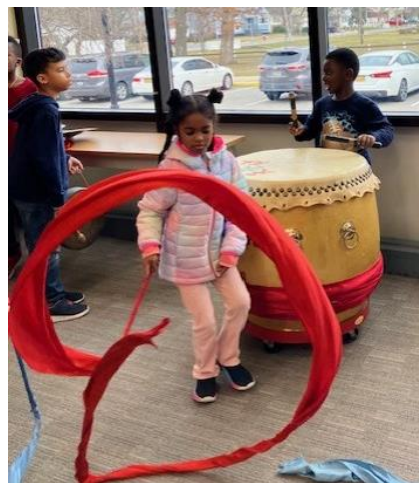
Please do not leave donations on the Children's Room Entrance landing. Books left there will be picked up by the Valley Stream Sanitation Department for each event.

From January to September 2023, the library received commissions from Better World Books totaling **over \$600**, so the books placed in the green bins do benefit the library. So, please continue to make your donations to the Better World Books bins!



2024 LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

February 10, 2024



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2024 Dates *

- February 3
- March 9
- March 23
- April 13
- May 4
- May 18
- June 8
- June 22

*Subject to change

Attend all or as many programs as you would like!



1:30-3:30 pm

Come join us at the library for fun and socialization.



Social Program for Individuals with Special Needs

Ages 14+

Open to All Long Island Teens

To register (OR for further information), contact Library Director Ms. Eng at hwmlcontact@hotmail.com or click on the REGISTER button on the Eventkeeper calendar listing for each program at <https://www.valleystreamlibrary.org>.

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The New York Times Online



The Henry Waldinger Memorial Library is now offering access to NYTimes.com, including international, national, and regional news, podcasts, and newsletters (excludes Games and Cooking) – **free onsite library and home access!** Articles are available in English, Mandarin, and Spanish.

Onsite library access requires users to register for an account. Remote home access requires users to enter a Valley Stream library card barcode, to request a 24-hour remote access pass, and to register for an account.

Click on the “Research and Homework Help” on the library’s website navigation bar, and then scroll down to “New York Times.”

The New York Times

Please Enter Your Library Barcode:
Library Barcode

Contact Director Ms. Eng at hwmlcontact@hotmail.com for any questions or additional information.

LAUNCHPADS: FUN & EDUCATIONAL

Did you know that the library has Launchpads available for loan? What is a Launchpad?

Launchpads tablets that are pre-loaded with games, books, and other content for children, teens, and adults. There is no need to download programs, and there is no need for WiFi.



There is a protective bumper around the Launchpad tablets, they can safely be used by children. There are learning games such as “A World of Letters” and “World of Adventure,” plus videos from kid favorites such as Clifford the Big Red Dog and Richard Scarry. The contents are vetted by educators.

Parents can borrow up to two launchpads at one time for a 14-day loan period. Launchpads are a great way to entertain and educate your children.

The library also has some learning launchpads for teens and adults – SAT programs, language programs, and brain games.

Stop by the library to check out our launchpads!

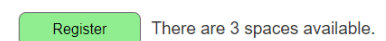


The Henry Waldinger Memorial Library has instituted Eventkeeper registration for most of its programs. This will help the staff keep track of how many people and who are registering for programs.

All library programs are listed on the Eventkeeper calendar on the library’s website by clicking on the “Calendar” link on the green navigation bar at the top of the homepage or by clicking on:

<http://www.eventkeeper.com/mars/xpages/W/WALDINGER/ekp.cfm?curOrg=WALDINGER>

Scroll down for the various programs and then if registration is required for a program, click on the green registration button at the bottom left of the event listing.



The number of spaces available for the program will be indicated, and you will receive notification that your registration has been received.

FREE PUBLICATIONS AT THE LIBRARY

The following calendars and newsletters are available for FREE at the library while supplies last:

- *BookPage – Courtesy of the library for booklovers!*
- *ABLE Newsletter*
- *Creations Magazine*
- *Long Island Press*
- *Natural Awakenings Magazine*
- *Senior Advocate*
- *Town of Hempstead Monthly Calendar of Events*

DIGITAL LIBRARY CARDS STILL AVAILABLE

Do you need a digital library card? The application for the digital library card is available through the Nassau Library System at:

<https://www.nassaulibrary.org/digital-card-application/>

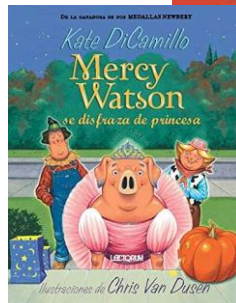
Digital library cards are still being issued for a 3-month expiration period, even though the library is open for library visits and curbside/lobby service. Please note: We recommend that you come in for a regular library card as soon as possible since digital library cards have a short expiration period. A regular library card is good for three years.

LIBROS EN ESPAÑOL PARA NIÑOS

The Henry Waldinger Memorial Library has re-organized and expanded the Children's Room Spanish language collection. The collection includes:

- Spanish Easy Picture Books
- Spanish Fiction
- Spanish Non-Fiction
- Spanish Biographies

We have added many popular books such as *Wimpy Kid* books, *Dr. Seuss* books, and *Captain Underpants* titles in Spanish.



Recent additions include the *Dork Diaries*, the *Harry Potter* series, and more of the *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* titles.

TRY PRONUNCIATOR



Do you want to learn Spanish? Italian? Japanese?

You can learn one of these languages, and many other languages, including ASL and ESL), using the library's online language program, **Pronunciator**, for **FREE**.

pronunciator: 

It is the world's largest language-learning resource, with over 20,000 instructional videos, downloadable audio lessons, integrated drills and quizzes.

On the library's homepage, click on **Research & Homework Help** on the green navigation bar, and scroll down to Pronunciator to try it out.

Research & Homework Help ▾



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Tutor.com is a fully online tutoring service. You can get a tutor 24/7 in **more than 40 subjects** including Math, Science, Social Studies, English, AP® Support, Foreign Languages and Business. This service is available for **FREE** to any Valley Stream library card holder.

Tutoring sessions take place in an easy-to-use online classroom through a web browser. Set up an account today using your library card bar code to start using Tutor.com.

Tutor.com is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 361 days a year — the service is closed on New Year's Day, Independence Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas Day.



Tutor.com is a Quick Link on the Kids and Teen Pages under “Departments” or you can find it under “Research and Homework Help – Research Databases or Online Services.”

HAVE YOU TRIED A WONDERBOOK YET?

Each Wonderbook is a print book with a ready-to-play audiobook inside. Kids can press the “Play” button to read along with their favorite books on their own.

Some of the Wonderbook titles available include *Corduroy*, by Dan Freeman; *Frog and Toad Together*, by Arthur Lobel; *Big Nate* books, by Lincoln Peirce; Amelia Bedelia books, by Herman Parish; and *The Cricket in Times Square*, by George Selden.

In 2023, the library added more new titles, including chapter books such as *Junie B. Jones and the Yucky Blucky Fruitcake*, by Barbara Park; *Big Nate In a Class By Himself*, by Lincoln Peirce, and *Captain Underpants and the Perilous Plot of Professor Poopypants*, by Dav Pilkey. Just added in December 2022 are books from the *Daniel Tiger* series!



If you are interested in receiving a current list of all the titles available, contact Library Director Ms. Eng at hwmlcontact@hotmail.com and the list will be e-mailed to you for you to browse at your convenience. Select your titles and place holds for them or call the Children’s Department with your selections.

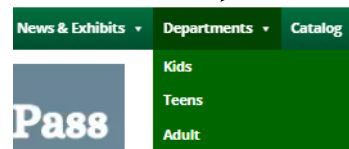
CHECK OUT OUR LIBRARY WEBSITE

Have you checked out the new library website that was launched last month? The web address or URL remains the same: valleystreamlibrary.org so if you have it bookmarked or it is in your favorites list, there is no change necessary.

It is now easier for you to search the online catalog for books and media using the search box at the top of the page (right under the picture of the library):



There are separate webpages for Kids, Teens, and Adults. Click on “Departments” on the green navigation bar.



Check out the new website, and let us know if you have any questions or suggestions.

Mamie Eng
Library Director

WIFI HOTSPOTS AVAILABLE FOR LOAN



The library is pleased to announce that Valley Stream library patrons can now borrow a T-Mobile Franklin T-9 mobile hotspot for a 14-day loan period! The hotspot may be renewed for another 14-day period if there is no waiting list for it.

During the first few days of November, there was a Verizon service disruption in Valley Stream, and the library loaned out several WiFi hotspots to families who would have had no internet access!

This WiFi hotspot is a device that you can use to connect a mobile-enabled device, such as a laptop smartphone or tablet, to the internet. It is portable, so you can connect your device almost wherever you are – at home, on bus or train, or in the park. **And when you are on vacation!**

Borrowers must sign a Borrowing Agreement form and provide a valid adult Valley Stream library card in good standing. In addition, as with our family museum passes, all family members must be in good standing as the portable hotspot can accommodate up to 15 devices in your home at the same time.

The late fee is \$5.00 per day, and a \$100 replacement fee is billed after 10 days overdue, plus internet service will be turned off if a hotspot is not returned on the due date.

T-Mobile Franklin T-9 mobile hotspots were purchased with a Special Legislative Grant awarded to the Henry Waldinger Memorial Library by New York State Senator Todd Kaminsky (S.D. 9). Without this grant, the library would not have been able to purchase multiple devices to loan to our patrons, so we are very grateful for his generosity to the community.

Some patrons have taken advantage of the WiFi hotspots when they have had disruptions in their Internet service, when they have been on vacation, or when they have travelled to an area where Internet service is spotty. Remember, there is no charge to borrow a hotspot (if you return it on time) for free WiFi access!

Contact Library Director Ms. Eng for further information at hwmlcontact@hotmail.com or 516-825-6422. Depending on availability, you can reserve to borrow a WiFi hotspot if you are planning a vacation or trip out of town where Internet access may not be available. (Unfortunately, they cannot be used outside the United States.)

NEW ONLINE EXAM & TESTING WEBSITE

The Henry Waldinger Memorial Library is pleased to offer its patrons a new online exam and testing website from Mometrix.



The website includes study guides, flashcards, and practice questions for over 1,500 different standardized exams including Praxis, GRE, ATI TEAS, NCLEX, HESI A2, medical technology certifications, computer technology certifications, LSAT, MCAT, and GMAT.

This is available to all Valley Stream library cardholders by going to the library website at www.valleystreamlibrary.org, and under “Research and Homework Help,” selecting **Mometrix** in the list of online resources.

The latest study guides are available here, you do not have to wait to borrow a copy of a study guide and you don’t have to return, and you can print sections of the study guides if you want to review a particular section of an exam.



ONLINE MAGAZINES ON LIBBY



Online magazines, supplied by Zinio, are now available using the Libby app! And, the newest edition to the online collection of magazines is *Time!* Three years of back issues are also available.

Magazines have a checkout period of 21 days. There is no wait time, no reserves, and no limit to the number of times a magazine can be checked out. There should be no delay in getting the latest issue of a magazine. Checkouts of magazines will not count toward NDD limits.



Some of the other titles that are available through Libby include:

Bon Appetit
Car & Driver
Food Network Magazine
Good Housekeeping
HGTV Magazine
In Touch
Kiplinger's Personal Finance
National Enquirer
National Geographic
National Geographic Kids
National Geographic Little Kits
The New Yorker
Newsweek
People
Prevention
Reader's Digest
Smithsonian
Soap Opera Digest
Taste of Home
US Weekly
Vogue
Woman's World



Contact the Adult Reference Desk for further information about online magazines!

A to Z the USA Database Available

With your Valley Stream library card, you have access to the A to Z the USA database. Go to the library website at www.valleystreamlibrary.org and click on "Research & Homework Help" on the green navigation bar at the top of the website. Scroll down to the list of "Research Databases."

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• Government & Politics	• Life Stages
• Map Collection	• National Symbols

Available on library computers and at home from the library website.

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The Global Knowledge Company

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF FAMILY MUSEUM PASSES

Library patrons are reminded to take advantage of the library's family museum passes. Families can visit various museums or gardens for FREE and, in many cases, avoid lines!

Please note that most museums require that visitors be vaccinated. Check their websites for the latest policies and restrictions on visits. In addition, many museums have revised hours during the winter months.

BROOKLYN BOTANIC GARDEN

Free admission for 2 adults and accompanying children under 17

Brooklyn Botanic Garden is an urban botanic garden that connects people to the world of plants, famous for its Cherry Walk and Japanese Hill-and-Pond Garden.

CLARK BOTANIC GARDEN

Free admission for two

This 12-acre walkable living museum features specialty gardens of roses, wildflowers, herbs, rock garden plants, etc., set among 3 brook-fed ponds, sweeping lawns, and majestic trees.

COLD SPRING HARBOR FIRE HOUSE MUSEUM

Free admission for up to 6 visitors at a time CALL PRIOR TO MAKING RESERVATION FOR FULL TOUR

This museum is dedicated to the original Cold Spring Fire House, with three fire trucks, plus various photos and memorabilia.



COLD SPRING HARBOR FISH HATCHERY & AQUARIUM

Free admission for one family (2 parents and up to 4 children under the age of 18)

This non-profit educational center features two aquariums and fishing ponds, with the largest living collection of New York State freshwater reptiles, fishes, and amphibians.

CRADLE OF AVIATION

Free admission for two adults and up to

children (18 years & younger)

Long Island's aviation and spaceflight museum commemorates Long Island's part in the history of aviation.



GARVIES POINT MUSEUM AND PRESERVE

Free admission for four adults or Family group of two adults and up to 4 children (5-12)

Garvies Point features collections of archaeological artifacts and dioramas of Long Island Indian culture.

GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM

Free admission for up to four adults or students

This Frank Lloyd Wright-designed museum features modern and contemporary art.



HECKSCHER MUSEUM OF ART

Free admission for 2 adults and accompanying children under 18

The Museum provides a dynamic schedule of changing exhibitions on American art. Additionally, public programs for adults, families, and children, include *First Friday* concert series, gallery talks, festivals and workshops.

HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY MUSEUM OF ART

Free admission for 2 adults and 2 children per visit

The Museum welcomes visitors to its galleries Tuesday through Sunday during the school year. Galleries are closed on major holidays, during Hofstra University recesses and is closed on weekends in the summer.



INTREPID SEA, AIR, AND SPACE MUSEUM

Free admission for up to 4 people on a day

This non-profit, educational institution features the legendary aircraft carrier *Intrepid*, the space shuttle *Enterprise*, the world's fastest jets and a guided missile submarine.



LONG ISLAND CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

Free admission up to 6 people



LICM is a hands-on museum for kids and their grown-ups with interactive exhibits to encourage a child's natural curiosity and educate them through exploration and play.

NASSAU COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' MUSEUM & EDUCATION CENTER

Free admission for four visitors



Museum features historic and contemporary firematic memorabilia and equipment. Goal of the Center is to educate and inform the public about fire safety and prevention and to display the proud history of volunteer firefighting in Nassau County.

NASSAU COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART

Free general admission for two adults & four children

The museum features rotating collections of 19th, 20th, and 21st century art and an outdoor sculpture garden.



NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN*

Free admission for 2 adults and children under 16

This 250-acre site's supports over one million living plants in extensive collections. The Haupt Conservatory features remarkable diversity of tropical, temperate, and desert flora.



NEW YORK HALL OF SCIENCE

Free admission for 2 adults & up to 6 children per day

Discover over 450 exhibits, events, and workshops designed to engage ages 1 to 100. With over 100,000 square feet of indoor exhibition space, plus 60,000 square feet of outdoors, you've got room to explore! Includes Science Playground & Rocket Mini Golf.

NEW YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY & DIMENNA CHILDREN'S HISTORY MUSEUM

Free admission for two adults and children under the age of 18 residing at the same address

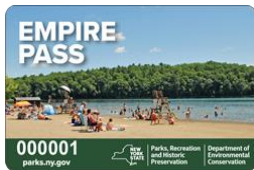
The Society focuses on the political, cultural and social history of New York City and State and the nation. The DiMenna Museum targets children 8-13, with a wide range of family learning programs for toddlers, children and preteens.



NEW YORK STATE EMPIRE PASS

Free vehicle access to most facilities operated by the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation and the New York State Dept. of Environmental Conservation

Empire Pass may be used at Jones Beach, Bayard Cutting Arboretum, Heckscher, Orient Beach, Planting Fields Arboretum State Historic Park, etc. for free vehicle entry (non-commercial), except during special events.



NEW YORK TRANSIT MUSEUM

Free admission for 2 adults and up to 2 children

Housed underground in an authentic 1936 subway station in Downtown Brooklyn, the Transit Museum's working platform level spans a full city block and is home to a rotating selection of twenty vintage subway and elevated cars dating back to 1907. Visitors can board the vintage cars, sit at the wheel of a city bus, step through a time tunnel of turnstiles, and explore changing exhibits that highlight the cultural, social and technological history – and future – of mass transit.



OLD BETHPAGE VILLAGE RESTORATION & THE MUSEUM OF AMERICAN ARMOR (April – December ONLY)

Free admission for four visitors during normal museum hours

This 209-acre recreated mid-19th-century American village, with an assortment of homes, farms and businesses, provides visitors with a unique and wonderful opportunity to step back in time.



OLD WESTBURY GARDENS*

Free admission for two adults and 4 children

This site includes 200 acres of formal gardens, landscaped grounds, woodlands, ponds and lakes, plus Westbury House, a magnificent Charles II-style mansion.



VANDERBILT MUSEUM

Free admission for one family – 2 adults & 4 children under 18

Pass includes access to the Grounds, the first floor of the Hall of Fishes marine museum; the Habitat and Stoll Wing animal dioramas; and the natural-history and cultural-artifact galleries on the first floor of the Memorial Wing. (Does not include Planetarium Show, Mansion Tour, or Mini-Golf.)



Call the Adult Reference Desk to find out which passes are available and to reserve a pass. Museum and garden hours have changed due to COVID, and new rules are in place for the safety of all visitors.



Did you know that you have access to the *New York Times* from 1851-2015 and *Newsday* from 1940-1988 with the library's database, **ProQuest Historical Newspapers**? This database is a definitive newspaper digital archive with full-text and full-image articles dating back to the nineteenth century. It includes the complete paper, cover-to-cover, with full-page and article images in easily downloadable PDF format.

For example, here are the articles from *Newsday* about the Mets winning the World Series in 1986:



Check it out by clicking on "Research & Homework Help" on the green navigation bar of the library's website, and then select "Research Databases" and scroll down to "ProQuest Historical Newsday" or "ProQuest Historical New York Times."



Tuesday, Feb 13, 2024, 12pm. Zoom: Lung Cancer and the Harms of Tobacco, Nicotine, Vaping. Stony Brook Health Education Series: *Having trouble quitting smoking or know a loved one who is struggling to quit?*

<https://www.eventkeeper.com/code/ekform.cfm?curOrg=HILLSIDE&curID=671941>

Tuesday, Feb 27, 2024, 12pm. Zoom: Peace in 2024 with Meditation. Many of us worry about the future or dwell upon the past and our mind is constantly in turmoil. Join Nirav Sheth, long time meditator, and explore the healing power of meditation and share techniques on how to unlock the door to a life of improved emotional and physical wellbeing. There will be a chance to try this out! <https://www.eventkeeper.com/code/ekform.cfm?curOrg=HILLSIDE&curID=676995>



The Henry Waldinger Memorial Library is pleased to partner with other libraries in Nassau County to participate in **WiFi Whenever**. It is a county-wide project initiated by the Nassau Library System to boost Internet access outside library buildings such as ours. The project is supported with federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funds allocated to the New York State Library by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS).

Look for the library's network name in your Wi-Fi settings on your phone, tablet, or computer. There is no password. If you do not see it in your network settings, try moving closer to the library.



Check out the [Nassau's Public Libraries Event Calendar!](#)

On this calendar, Nassau libraries list all programs **that are open to all** (not just one library's patrons). Programs can be in-person, virtual, or hybrid. **The only requirement for all programs is that anyone can register and/or attend it, even if it is not offered by your home library.**

This event calendar will help you find library programs you are able to attend, regardless of where you live. Programs are labelled as: Art & Crafts, Author Visit, Book Discussion, Computer & Tech, Defensive Driving, Exercise & Health, Food & Cooking, Gaming, Language Learning, Lecture/Workshop, Performance & Film, Special Event, or Tax Help.



RECYCLE RIGHT NEW YORK



Are you recycling right? Most New Yorkers (83%) believe that recycling is important. And, while residents are recycling many items “right,” (such as metal cans and milk jugs), there are certain items that are commonly tossed in the recycling bin that don’t belong.

Start off 2024 with good recycling habits that will last throughout the year by learning about the [top 5 items that are most confusing to New York State residents when it comes to recycling](#).

And remember, if you’re confused by some of these items you’re not alone. With so many different products and materials we encounter each day, it’s no wonder many people are confused about what belongs in the recycling bin. To avoid mistakes it is important to remember that:

- Just because an item contains plastic, metal, glass, or paper does not necessarily mean it belongs in the recycling bin.

- A recycling symbol on an item does not always mean it is recyclable., and
- Local recycling guidelines vary from place to place. That is why it is essential that you know before you throw and [check your local recycling guidelines](#).

From the NY State Dept. of Environmental Conservation’s *Solid Waste & Recycling Newsletter*, 01/11/24.

UPGRADE TO LIBBY

The OverDrive app has been discontinued.



Upgrade to Libby to continue using your library’s digital collection.

In Libby, you’ll find the same great titles from your library, in a beautiful, modern, easy-to-use app. Your loans, holds, and wish list items will be waiting for you in Libby. [Learn more about this change.](#)



Or, go to libbyapp.com in your browser



Scan this QR code to learn how to install Libby on your device (including Kindle Fire tablets), review FAQs, register for free training, & more!

FREQUENT LIBRARY VISITOR PROGRAM

The library continuing its **Frequent Library Visitor** program in 2024. As in previous years, the library recognized its frequent library visitors – whether adult, teen, or child. So, the next time you visit the library, pick up a Frequent Library Visitor Card at the Adult or Children’s Room Circulation Desk.




After 30 visits, redeem your Frequent Library Visitor Card for a prize and then start a new Frequent Library Visitor Card. At the end of the year, all cards will be entered into a raffle for a fabulous prize. Over 10 cards were submitted in 2023, representing **300 visits** to the library.

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING THE READ?

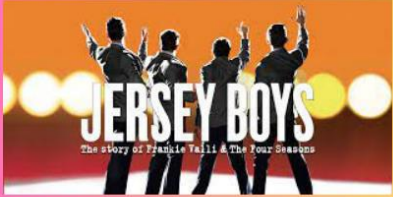
Pick up a free copy of *BookPage* at the library while the supply last.



COMMUNITY NEWS



Bus Trip March 27, 2024



Registration fee is \$87 dollars a person. This price does not include lunch and driver gratuity. Payment can be made at the Library by check. The bus will leave from Plainedge Library at 10am and stop at Island Trees to pick up patrons. We will arrive at John W. Engeman Theater in Northport at 11:15am. This allows for an early lunch on our own, before the play starts. The show will begin at 2pm. The bus will leave Northport at 4:30pm stopping at Island Trees at 5:25pm. The last stop is at 5:40pm at Plainedge Library.



Stay Connected with the Division of Consumer Protection

The New York State Department of State's Division of Consumer Protection mediates and gets results for consumers. For help, call the Consumer Helpline at: [1-800-697-1220](tel:1-800-697-1220)

Remember, the best way to be empowered is to be informed of emerging scams, new recalls, and new identity theft tactics.



- ◆ Chinese American Association of Long Island (CAALI) is a non-profit organization (c.1987)
- ◆ Small classes grouped by ability and socially-appropriate ages
- ◆ Students learn to listen, speak, read, and write in pinyin, traditional/simplified characters, and zhuyin
- ◆ Instruction includes Chinese cultural education, speech contests, and cultural performances
- ◆ Recruiting students 4-17 years



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Classes held on Saturdays, 9:00am-12:00pm at Valley Stream Memorial Junior High School, 320 Fletcher Avenue Valley Stream, NY 11580

Please email/call/text for registration form.
Email: caali@outlook.com
Phone: (646) 326-2034
Judy C. Hwang, PhD, CAALI Principal
黃菁齡博士，長島南灣中文學校校長



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2024 YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

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VILLAGE UPDATES

The Delight of Painting *With Matt*

The "Delight of Painting" is a unique art class designed for artists of ALL skill levels! In our judgement free, positive & relaxed environment, students are guaranteed to see tremendous artistic growth!

Spring '24

COURSE DETAILS
Course is for artists ages 18+
Classes will meet at the Community Center.
Only acrylic paints will be used.

COURSE SCHEDULE

Wednesday Section
6:30pm - 8:30pm
3/6/24 - 5/8/24

Thursday Section
4:30pm - 6:30pm
3/17/24 - 5/9/24

Course Fees & Registration
Register in person at the Community Center or online at <https://www.vsvnc.org>

Resident Fee: \$110 for 10 classes
Non-Resident Fee: \$135 for 10 classes

Contact Matt Khan for more info: (917) 929-8110



Students must bring their own materials.
(Please see supply list to the right)

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Beautiful Valley Stream

Valley Stream is a great place to live!
Look around and see what makes our community outstanding!

Send us your photos from around the Village for a chance for them to be featured on our website and social media outlets with a shout out to the photographer!




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Create With Clay

For Boys & Girls Ages 9-14

This pottery class will help your child tap into their creativity, gain confidence and improve social interaction. Children will learn a hand building technique of pinch, coil and slab while transforming non-toxic clay into ceramic art! As an added bonus, the pieces will be kiln dried by the instructor off premise as there will be no kiln on location. Kiln dried pieces will be returned to children during class time for finishing.

- Classes will meet in The Lake Room at the Valley Stream Community Center.
- The course fee per child is \$60. There are no refunds or make up classes.
- Register in person at the Community Center or online at <https://www.vsvnc.org>
- A material fee of \$20 is due to the instructor on the first day of class.
- Please arrive 15 minutes early for class. Children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian during drop-off and pick-up.
- Program is open to Village & Non-Village Residents
- For more information please call the Community Center at (516) 825-8571

Mondays April 8th - April 29th

April 8th	4:30pm - 5:30pm
April 15th	4:30pm - 5:30pm
April 22nd	4:30pm - 5:30pm
April 29th	4:30pm - 6:30pm*

*Extra time will be required to complete the glazing process.
Class will be divided into 2 age groups: Ages 9-11 & Ages 12-14

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Spring 2024 Fitness

Class	Days, Dates & Times
Candlelight Yoga*	Tuesdays, 4/2 - 5/21, 7:45pm to 8:45pm *Must Bring Your Own Mat
Cardio Kickboxing	Tuesdays, 4/2 - 5/28, 6:30pm to 7:30pm No Class on 5/7
Chair Body Strengthening*	Thursdays, 4/4 - 5/23, 9:15am to 10:15am *Please remember to bring resistance tubes with handles*
Chair Yoga	Tuesdays, 4/2 - 5/21, 11am to Noon Thursdays, 4/4 - 5/23, 11am to Noon
Chair Zumba	Wednesdays, 4/3 - 5/22, 10am to 11am
Gentele Aerobics/Flow Yoga*	Fridays, 4/5 - 5/31, 10am to 11am *Must Bring Your Own Mat No Class on 5/24
Pilates Mat for Beginners*	Mondays, 4/1 - 5/20, 11am to Noon *Must Bring Your Own Mat
Step Aerobics	Tuesdays, 4/2 - 5/28, 9:15am to 10:15am No Class on 5/7
Yoga*	Mondays, 4/8 - 6/10, 6:30pm to 7:30pm No Classes on 4/29 & 5/27
	Thursdays, 4/4 - 5/23, 7:30pm to 8:30pm *Must Bring Your Own Mat
Zumba	Thursdays, 4/6 - 5/23, 6pm to 7pm
	Saturdays, 4/6 - 6/1, 10am to 11am No Class on 5/25

Classes are held at the Valley Stream Community Center. There will be no refunds or make up classes. All programs are 8 weeks long, each class is 1 hour. Please arrive 15 minutes early for class. For all classes requiring a chair, chairs will be provided. To apply your senior & veteran's discount, register in person at the Community Center. Discount is listed below in the pink box! Upon registration, a parking card will be issued for parking in the Community Center lot during class.

For all classes, please wear comfortable clothing & sneakers!

For more details call (516) 825-8571


Register online at <https://www.vsvnc.org>

Village Resident	\$50	\$38
Non-Village Resident	\$65	\$45

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2024 Holiday Sanitation & Recycling Schedule

Please Save This Handy Reference Guide!

Observed Holidays	If Your Regular Garbage Collection is: Monday & Thursday	If Your Regular Garbage Collection is: Tuesday & Friday	Recycling Changes (If your recycling day is not listed, your recycling pick up is not changed)
New Year's Day Monday, January 1st	Tuesday & Thursday Pick Up No Yard Waste Pick Up This Week	Wednesday & Friday Pick Up No Yard Waste Pick Up This Week	Monday Recycling Pick Up on Tuesday
Martin Luther King Jr. Day Monday, January 15th	Tuesday & Thursday Pick Up No Yard Waste Pick Up This Week	Wednesday & Friday Pick Up No Yard Waste Pick Up This Week	Monday Recycling Pick Up on Tuesday
Presidents Day Monday, February 19th	Tuesday & Thursday Pick Up No Yard Waste Pick Up This Week	Wednesday & Friday Pick Up No Yard Waste Pick Up This Week	Monday Recycling Pick Up on Tuesday
Memorial Day Monday, May 27th	Tuesday & Thursday Pick Up No Yard Waste Pick Up This Week	Wednesday & Friday Pick Up No Yard Waste Pick Up This Week	Monday Recycling Pick Up on Tuesday
Juneteenth Wednesday, June 19th	Regular Pick Up Schedule	Regular Pick Up Schedule	Regular Pick Up Schedule
Independence Day Thursday, July 4th	Monday & Friday Pick Up	Tuesday & Saturday Pick Up	Thursday Recycling Pick Up on Saturday
Labor Day Monday, September 2nd	Tuesday & Thursday Pick Up No Yard Waste Pick Up This Week	Wednesday & Friday Pick Up No Yard Waste Pick Up This Week	Monday Recycling Pick Up on Tuesday
Columbus Day Monday, October 14th	Tuesday & Thursday Pick Up No Yard Waste Pick Up This Week	Wednesday & Friday Pick Up No Yard Waste Pick Up This Week	Monday Recycling Pick Up on Tuesday
Election Day Tuesday, November 5th	Regular Pick Up Schedule	Regular Pick Up Schedule	Regular Pick Up Schedule
Veterans Day Monday, November 11th	Regular Pick Up Schedule	Regular Pick Up Schedule	Regular Pick Up Schedule
Thanksgiving Day Thursday, November 28th	Monday & Friday Pick Up	Tuesday & Saturday Pick Up	Thursday Recycling Pick Up on Saturday
Christmas Day Wednesday, December 25th	Regular Pick Up Schedule No Yard Waste Pick Up This Week	Regular Pick Up Schedule No Yard Waste Pick Up This Week	Wednesday Recycling Pick Up on Thursday

2024 Weekly Recycling Calendar

LEGEND

- Plastic, Metal and Glass Pick Up
- Paper & Cardboard Pick Up
- Holiday Schedule

REMEMBER!

DO NOT place anything scheduled for pick up at the curb prior to 6pm the night before your collection **OR** after 6am on the day of your collection.

- Garbage may be placed in trash pails with lids or sealed bags NOT to exceed 32 gallons or 50 pounds.
- For regular updates, be sure to check the sanitation section of our official Village website: www.vsvny.org/sanitation

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