

LIBRARY LINKS

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HENRY WALDINGER MEMORIAL LIBRARY
Enriching Valley Stream Lives

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2025 COLOR OUR WORLD SUMMER READING PROGRAM



THANKS FOR A GREAT SUMMER!

Children's Librarian Ms. Kunz offered "Young Artists" where children learned about Vincent van Gogh, Pablo Picasso, and Yayoi Kusamo, and then created works inspired by the famous artists.



As the summer comes to an end, I am happy to report that over 150 children, teens, and adults completed the 2025 Summer Reading Programs at the library! We are still tallying the number of books that were read or the number of minutes that devoted to reading during the summer, but everyone enjoyed their reading and the different activities that the library offered in conjunction with the "Color Our World" theme.

In June, talented children entered our annual summer reading bookmark contest, and the bookmarks were distributed throughout the summer for children to color.



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A Great Summer (Continued)

During the summer, the children also did finger painting, painted with water blasters, and used shaving cream foam and rubber stamps to make color pictures. It was a little messy, but a lot of fun!



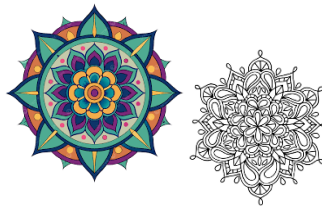
Tweens and teens spent an afternoon tie-dying t-shirts and book bags.



Children, teens, and adults participated in the Community Mini Art Show which was on display throughout the summer in the Children's Room.



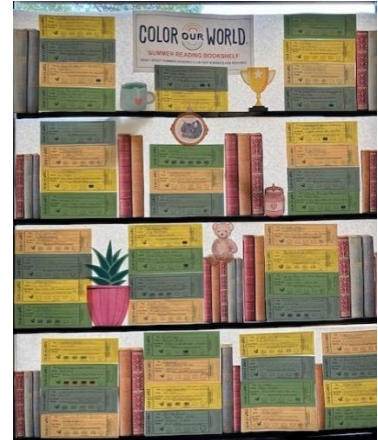
Adult and teen readers had their own coloring night in August where they talked about the books they read during the summer and had a relaxing evening coloring floral pictures, mandelas, and more.



Children also explored "Art around the World," making paper beads from Africa, aboriginal dot art from Australia, and Mexican ojos de dios.



Our adult readers displayed the books that they read on the Summer Reading Challenge Bookshelves in the Adult Room.



Children who finish the Summer Reading Program were treated to an interactive musical program "Bursting with Color" by Time for Kids, or "Carnival of Colors," a fun-filled program by PetraPuppets.



There were story times, craft programs, games, book discussion programs, puzzle nights, one-minute challenges, an escape room, and more throughout the summer! I hope that you enjoyed them much as we did.

Mamie Eng
Library Director

Tween Anime and Manga Club



Join the library's **Tween Anime and Manga Club** - it is the perfect place for tweens who love everything anime and manga!

Are you ready to dive into the fantastic world of anime and manga? Whether you're a seasoned otaku or just getting started, our club is the perfect place for tweens who love everything anime and manga!

Join us for anime and manga themed Kahoots on **Thursday, August 28, 2025, at 6:30 pm.**



Participants should bring a device to play. Please remember to charge your device before the program!

This program is for children in grades 5 to 8. Registration is required – you can register on the library's calendar of events.

For questions, contact Librarian Trainee Ms. Mendez at hwmlrefdesk@nassaulibrary.org.

Valley Stream Centennial Merchandise

Available at the Library
Cash Sales ONLY



- 100th Anniversary Commemorative Coin - \$10.00 each



- Congo the Lion Centennial Plush Key Chain - \$5.00 each



Fiber Crafters Get-Together

Saturday, September 20, 2025
2:00-3:30 pm

Children's Room



All fiber crafters (knitters, crocheters, needleworkers, 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 link [here](#) or on the library events calendar.

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!
- *Creations Magazine*
- *Long Island Press*
- *Natural Awakenings Magazine*
- *Town of Hempstead Monthly Calendar of Events*
- *Your Local Kids Source*



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!

View the Night Sky



The Henry Waldinger Memorial Library has an Orion 4.5 StarBlast Reflector telescope available for loan for a 7-day loan period to Valley Stream adult library cardholders in good standing. The telescope was donated to the library by the Amateur Observers' Society of New York.

The next training class on how to use the telescope will be on **Monday, September 29, 2025**, at 6:30 pm. Check the calendar to register.

The loan package comes with instructions on how to use the telescope, moon map, constellation and celestial finder, and *Constellations* pocket guide.



To borrow the telescope or further information, contact Library Director Ms. Eng at hwmlcontact@hotmail.com.

LIBRARY CLOSED



Labor Day Weekend

Saturday, August 30, 2025 –
Monday, September 1, 2025

Library reopens on
Tuesday, September 2, 2025
10:00 a.m.



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.



The Henry Waldinger Memorial Library now offers LOTE4Kids, an online database that offers children’s picture books in various World Languages. It is available through PC browsers and mobile apps (IOS and Android).

Visit the library website and click on “eBooks & Digital Magazines” under the Research & Homework Help Tab. Then click on “L” for LOTE4Kids and enter your library board code to start reading children’s picture books in over 50+ world languages with English translations.

Some of the languages represented are American Sign Language, Arabic, Chinese, Dutch, French, Tagalog, German, Greek, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Persian (Farsi), Russian, Urdu, Vietnamese, and Turkish.



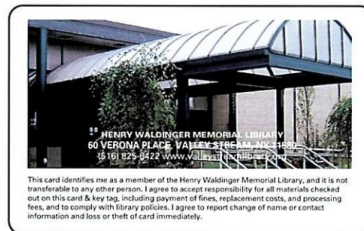
DIGITAL LIBRARY CARDS STILL AVAILABLE

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 can be used to borrow e-books, e-audiobooks, and e-magazines, plus to access online databases. Digital library cards **cannot** be used to borrow physical books and other materials.

Digital library cards are temporary with a **3-month expiration period**, so we recommend that you come in for a regular library card as soon as possible. A regular library card is good for three years.



- 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.

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.

September 6, 2025

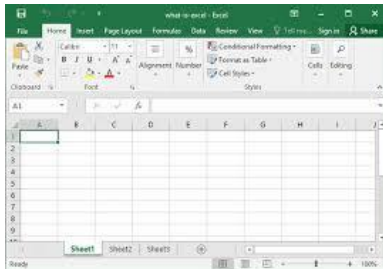
Microsoft Excel Basics –

- Setting up a Mailing List

September 13, 2025

Microsoft Excel Basics –

- Creating a Mail Merge



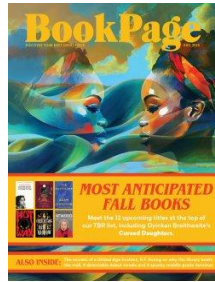
Check the library's events calendar for which topics will be covered each week and register for each class by clicking on the registration button at each listing. The Zoom information will be sent to you prior to the class.

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.

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO READ?

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

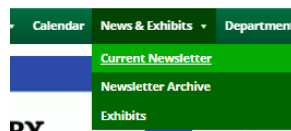


BookPage highlights the best new books across all genres chosen by its editors. Every book that is covered is one that they recommend to readers.

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.

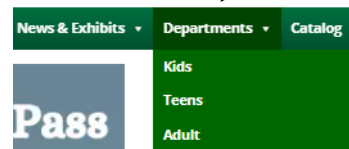
CHECK OUT OUR LIBRARY WEBSITE

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):



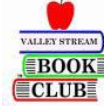
There are separate webpages for Kids, Teens, and Adults. Click on "Departments" on the green navigation bar.



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

Mamie Eng
Library Director

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Valley Stream Book Club Virtual Author Visit & Zoom Book Discussion

The Mystery of the Crooked Man by Tom Spencer

Tuesday, September 30, 2025
7:30 pm



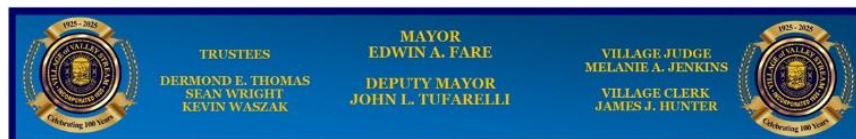
Meet Agatha Dorn, cantankerous archivist, grammar pedant, gin aficionado and murder mystery addict. When she discovers a lost manuscript by Gladden Green, the Empress of Golden Age detective fiction, Agatha's life takes an unexpected twist. She becomes an overnight sensation, basking in the limelight of literary stardom. But Agatha's newfound fame takes a nosedive when the 'rediscovered' novel is exposed as a hoax. And when her ex-lover turns up dead, with a scrap of the manuscript by her side, Agatha suspects foul play. Cancelled, ostracised and severely ticked off, Agatha turns detective to uncover the sinister truth that connects the murder and the fraudulent manuscript. But can she stay sober long enough to catch the murderer, or will Agatha become a whodunit herself?

Author Tom Spencer will be joining the meeting via Zoom.

For questions or to register for Zoom information, contact Library Director Ms. Eng at hwmlcontact@hotmail.com
or click on the register link on the library's events calendar.

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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www.vsvny.org



LAUNCHPADS: FUN & EDUCATIONAL

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

Launchpads are 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.

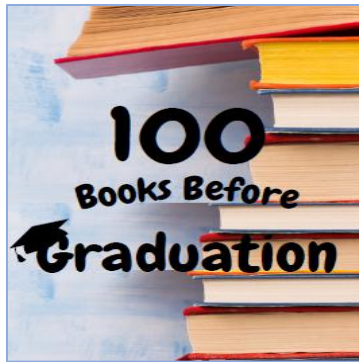


There is a protective bumper around the Launchpad tablets so they can safely be used by children. There are learning games such as “A World of Letters” and “World of Adventure,” plus videos from kid favorites such as Clifford the Big Red Dog and Richard Scarry. The contents are vetted by educators.

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!



100 BOOKS BEFORE GRADUATION

is a challenge for Teens
to read 100 books before
they graduate
High School.

There will be a prize for every
25 books read!

Log your
books
here



tinyurl.com/Vs100Books

Participants, in grades 7-12, may only
record each book once.
They may also only record books
they've started after Sept 2024.

Questions? Email Ms Kenney at
VSTeens@NassauLibrary.org



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.

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.

STEM WORKSHOP SNAP CIRCUITS JR.



Saturday, September 13, 2025
1:00 pm

Join Ms. Eng and other library staff in this fun STEM Workshop to experiment and create with Snap Circuits Jr.

For Children, Grades 1-6

Register for the class on the library's events calendar or click on this link:

<https://valleystreamlibrary.assabetinterractive.com/calendar/stem-workshop-with-ms-eng-snap-circuits-jr-5/>

ANNOUNCING

NEW LIBRARY EVENT CALENDAR

A new event calendar is now available for patrons to view our programs and events! This calendar is produced by Assabet Interactive and has features that will make registering for programs quicker and simpler. Registration confirmations and reminder emails will be sent to you automatically. Click on “Calendar” on the navigation bar on the library homepage to view the calendar.



MARCH 2025							PREVIOUS MONTH	TODAY	NEXT MONTH
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SEARCH		
						1 10:00-11:00 AM Computer Class - Microsoft Excel (VIRTUAL) REGISTER			
2 CLOSED Henry Waldinger Memorial Library	3 4:00-5:00 PM Lego Club REGISTER	4 11:00-11:45 AM Toddlers, Tots & Tykes REGISTER	5 4:00-5:00 PM Elders' Class Meet-Up REGISTER	6 10:00-11:00 AM Basic ESL Class for Spanish-Speaking Adults / Clases Basicas de ESL para Adultos que Hablan Espanol REGISTER	7 4:30-5:30 PM STEM Workshop: Ombot Fun REGISTER 6:00-7:30 PM Teen Movie Night REGISTER	8 11:00-11:45 AM Jokers & Shakers REGISTER 1:00-3:00 PM STEM Workshop: Learn to Code with SCRATCH REGISTER			
9 CLOSED Henry Waldinger Memorial Library	10 4:00-5:00 PM Craik-Along St. Patrick's Day REGISTER 7:00-7:15 PM Successfully Navigating College Admissions in 2025 (VIRTUAL) REGISTER	11 4:00-5:00 PM Craik-Along St. Patrick's Day REGISTER	12 11:00-11:45 AM Alphabet Soup: L is for Lion REGISTER	13 10:00-11:00 AM Basic ESL Class for Spanish-Speaking Adults / Clases Basicas de ESL para Adultos que Hablan Espanol REGISTER 4:00-4:45 PM Alphabet Soup: L is for Lion REGISTER 6:30-7:15 PM Starguy's Stories REGISTER	14 4:00-5:00 PM Open Building Time REGISTER 6:30-7:30 PM Teen MOVIE Night REGISTER	15 11:00 AM-12:00 PM Teen Volunteerism / Couponing REGISTER 2:00-3:30 PM Fiber Crafters Get Together REGISTER			
16 CLOSED Henry Waldinger Memorial Library	17 4:00-5:00 PM One Minute Challenges REGISTER	18 11:00-11:45 AM Toddlers, Tots & Tykes REGISTER 4:00-5:00 PM Pom-pom-Pocket Day REGISTER	19 1:30-2:30 PM Ezrah Kover REGISTER 4:00-5:00 PM Craik-Along Spring REGISTER	20 10:00-11:00 AM Basic ESL Class for Spanish-Speaking Adults / Clases Basicas de ESL para Adultos que Hablan Espanol REGISTER 6:30-7:30 PM Family Flings Night REGISTER	21 6:30-7:30 PM Teen SPOOKIES Night REGISTER	22 11:00 AM-12:00 PM STEM Workshop: Learn to Code with SCRATCH REGISTER 1:00-3:00 PM Teens & Teens Saturday Craftroom REGISTER			
23 CLOSED Henry Waldinger Memorial Library	24	25 4:00-5:00 PM Book Buddies REGISTER	26 11:00-11:45 AM Alphabet Soup: M is for Mouse REGISTER 4:00-5:00 PM Chapter Book Chat REGISTER	27 4:00-4:45 PM Alphabet Soup: M is for Mouse REGISTER 6:30-7:30 PM Family Family Race REGISTER	28 4:00-5:00 PM Kids Robot Tmra REGISTER 6:30-7:30 PM Teen Heads-up: Guess Who? REGISTER	29			
30 CLOSED Henry Waldinger Memorial Library	31 11:00 AM-12:00 PM Big & Little Playtime REGISTER 4:00-5:00 PM Craik-Along: Dad REGISTER								

Click on “REGISTER” for details and to register for the event. You must provide a valid e-mail address to receive automatic confirmations of your registration and to receive reminder e-mails (approximately 24 hours before the event).

You can filter the events by category – Adult, Teen, Children, Family, or Toddlers – or view the event listings in date order. For most children’s programs, parents or adult caregivers will be able to register up multiple children at the same time.

Let us know if you have any questions when registering for an event:

- Children’s Programs – kidsroomvs@nassaulibrary.org
- Teen Programs – Vsteens@nassaulibrary.org
- Adult Programs/General Questions – hwmlcontact@hotmail.com

Family Puzzle Race #2

Thursday, August 21, 2025



CONNECTING WITH



If you are enrolled in Medicaid and you or your family are looking for support with food, transportation, or housing, a representative from the Friedberg JCC will be available on to help you!

Case Manager Paige Worley will be available at library on Tuesdays, September 9 and September 16, 2025, from 10am-12pm, to help you get connected to the services that are right for you. Navigation includes: housing, nutrition, employment, education, and transportation.

Friedberg JCC is a contracted partner of HEALI, Long Island's Social Care Network. To learn more about services available, visit <https://healiny.org> or call 516-505-4434.



For more information about Friedberg JCC, visit <https://friedbergjcc.org/program-guide/>.

LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP CAMPAIGN
100 New Library Cards during September 2025

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month to correspond with the start of a new school year. This year, the library is combining its Library Card Sign-Up Campaign with the Valley Stream's Centennial Celebration!

We hope to have at least **100** new library card registrants or library card renewals during September. Each new registrant will receive a Valley Stream Centennial Swag Bag, filled with information about Valley Stream, library programs, and a small give-away (while supplies last).



If you are a current library cardholder, you can also receive a Valley Stream Centennial Swag Bag (while supplies last).

In addition, everyone can enter a raffle to win gift cards and other prizes.

CENTENNIAL PARADE & COMMUNITY BLOCK PARTY



September 27, 2025
4 – 9 pm

Parade starts at Wheeler Avenue School and Block Party held on the Village Green

SPECIAL LIBRARY HOURS
10am – 2pm ONLY

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**.



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.



FREQUENT LIBRARY VISITOR PROGRAM

The library continuing its **Frequent Library Visitor** program in 2025. 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. Twelve cards were submitted in 2024, representing **360 visits** to the library.

The winner of the 2024 Frequent Visitor Raffle was Phyllis S., and she received an Amazon gift card and other prize items. All other 2024 frequent visitors received a small prize for visiting the library throughout the year.



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.

MIFI X PRO 5G HOTSPOTS AVAILABLE FOR LOAN



The library is pleased to announce that Valley Stream library patrons can now borrow a MiFi X PRO 5G, an Inseego’s 5G mobile hotspot, for a 14-day loan period! The MiFi X PRO 5G replaces the T-Mobile Franklin T-9 mobile hotspot that has served our patrons since 2020, so it was time for an upgrade!

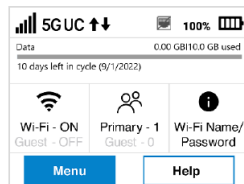
The MiFi hotspot is a device that you can use to connect a mobile-enabled device, such as a laptop smartphone or tablet, to the internet. It is portable, so you can connect your device almost wherever you are – at home, on bus or train, or in the park. **And when you are on vacation!**

Any device with Wi-Fi capability can connect to the MiFi. You can also connect via USB or Ethernet. The MiFi has two Wi-Fi networks, primary and guest, and lets you connect up to 32 Wi-Fi capable devices.

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 MiFi hotspot can accommodate up to multiple 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 MiFi hotspot is not returned on the due date.

The MiFi hotspot may be renewed for another 14-day period if there is no waiting list for it.

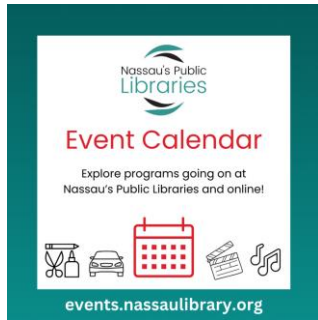


The original T-Mobile Franklin T-9 mobile hotspots were purchased with a Special Legislative Grant awarded to the Henry Waldinger Memorial Library by New York State Senator Todd Kaminsky (S.D. 9). Without this grant, the library would not have been able to purchase multiple devices to loan to our patrons,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

Patrons can take advantage of the MiFi hotspots when they have disruptions in their Internet service, when they are on vacation, or when they travel to an area where Internet service is spotty. Remember, there is no charge to borrow a MiFi hotspot (if you return it on time)!

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 MiFi 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.)

PLEASE NOTE: The library’s MiFi hotspots are very popular around the holidays, so please call to reserve a MiFi hotspot in advance.



Check out the [Nassau's Public Libraries Event Calendar!](https://www.nassaulibrary.org/events)

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.



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.

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!



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.



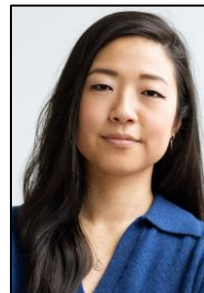
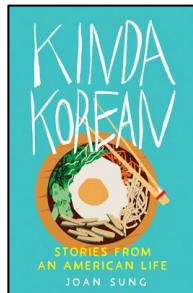
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Valley Stream Book Club
Virtual Author Visit &
Zoom Book Discussion

Kinda Korean
by Joan Sung

Tuesday, August 26, 2025
7:30 pm



In this courageous memoir of parental love, intergenerational trauma, and perseverance, Joan Sung breaks the generational silence that curses her family. By intentionally overcoming the stereotype that all Asians are quiet, Sung tells her stories of coming-of-age with a Tiger Mom who did not understand American society.

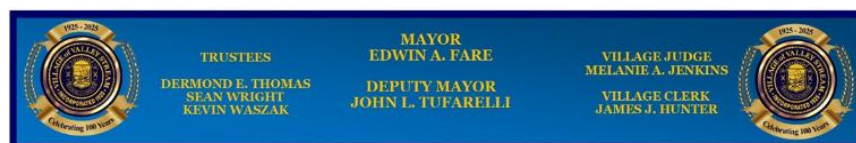
Torn between her two identities as a Korean woman and a first generation American, Sung bares her struggles in an honest and bare confessional. Sifting through her experiences with microaggressions to the over fetishization of Asian women, Sung connects the COVID pandemic with the decades of violence and racism experienced by Asian American communities.

Author Joan Sung will attend the meeting via Zoom.

For questions or to register for Zoom information, contact Library Director Ms. Eng at hwmlcontact@hotmail.com or click on the register link on the library's events calendar.

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.

Serving the Residents of the Incorporated Village of Valley Stream and the Mill Brook Library District
www.vsvny.org



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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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.

The library has added Wonderbooks from the Wimpy Kid series by Jeff Kinney, the Dog Man graphic novels by Dav Pilkey, and many more popular titles.



To find out what Wonderbook titles are available, go to the library website at www.valleystreamlibrary.org and type in “wonderbooks” in the search box for the Valley Stream Catalog.



There are hundreds of titles to choose!

NEW MUSEUM PASSES

The library is pleased to announce that it has added the American Airpower Museum and the Long Island Music & Entertainment Hall of Fame and Museum passes to its roster of family museum passes.

The American Airport Museum, located at 1230 New Highway, Farmingdale, is dedicated to preserving, displaying, and flying, operational and static examples of America’s legendary Airpower and ground vehicles. Its collection includes related displays, exhibits, interactive exhibits, and event programs.



Check the website at <https://www.americanairpowermuseum.com/> for hours, closings, special exhibitions & events. It is open Wednesday through Sunday, 10:30 am-4:00 pm (Memorial Day thru Labor Day until 5:00 pm).

The Membership Pass covers free admission for 2 Adults and 2 Children (Ages 5-18). Children (Ages 0-4) are always FREE.

The Long Island Music and Entertainment Hall of Fame & Museum is located at 97 Main Street, Stony Brook. It is dedicated to the recognition,

honor, and preservation of Long Island’s music and entertainment heritage. Since 2004, the organization has inducted over 120 music artists and related professionals who are now recognized at LIMEHOF.



The museum features displays of original musical instruments, famous awards, apparel, and other memorabilia from many of Long Island’s favorite artists, including Billy Joel, Blue Oyster Cult, KISS, LL Cool J, Debbie Gibson, Louis Armstrong, the Stray Cats, and Run-DMC, among many others.



Check its website at <https://www.limusicHalloffame.org/> for more information. The pass covers admission for 2 Adults & up to 3 children (Up to Age 18). Children, 12 and under, are FREE. It includes admission to the Billy Joel exhibit, the Hall of Fame exhibit, unlimited screenings in the movie theater, and events / concerts scheduled during normal business hours.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF FAMILY MUSEUM PASSES

Updated August 2025

The Henry Waldinger Memorial Library is pleased to offer free museum family passes to selected local museums and/or cultural institutions such as:

9/11 MEMORIAL & MUSEUM Manhattan, NY



<https://www.911memorial.org/>
Free, expedited admission for four adults and four children, 17 and under

Located at the World Trade Center in New York City, the 9/11 Memorial Museum tells the story of 9/11 through media, narratives, and a collection of monumental and authentic artifacts, presenting visitors with personal stories of loss, recovery, and hope.

BROOKLYN BOTANIC GARDEN Brooklyn, NY



<https://www.bbg.org/>
Free admission for two adults and accompanying children, 17 & under

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* Albertson, NY



<https://www.clarkbotanic.org/>
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 FIREHOUSE MUSEUM

Cold Spring Harbor, NY

<https://www.cshfirehousemuseum.org/>
Free admission & tour for up to 6 visitors
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, including firebombs, vests, and original fire ladders.



COLD SPRING HARBOR FISH HATCHERY & AQUARIUM



Cold Spring Harbor, NY
<http://cshfishhatchery.org/>

Free admission for one family (two parents & children in same family under age 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 MUSEUM Garden City, NY

<https://www.cradleofaviation.org/>

Free admission for six visitors

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



GARVIES POINT MUSEUM & PRESERVE Glen Cove, NY

<https://www.garviespointmuseum.com/>

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

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



GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM Manhattan, NY

<https://www.guggenheim.org/>

Free admission for up to four adults or students, plus half-price tickets for additional guests. Children under 12 years are free.

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



HECKSCHER MUSEUM OF ART Huntington, NY

<https://www.heckscher.org/>

Free admission for two 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 Hempstead, NY

<https://www.hofstra.edu/museum/>

Free admission for one family – up to two adults & two children per visit

The museum contains more than 5,000 works of art and cultural artifacts, dating from 1500 BCE to the 21st century, representing six continents.



INTREPID MUSEUM Manhattan, NY



<https://intrepidmuseum.org/>

Free admission for up to four 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 Garden City, NY

<https://www.licm.org/>

Free admission for 1 adult & 1 child ONLY

Long Island Children's Museum is a not-for-profit learning space devoted to the busy work of play. Its exhibits, programs, and performances fuel creativity and collaboration to inspire millions of *aha* moments.



NASSAU COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS MUSEUM & EDUCATION CENTER Garden City, NY

<https://ncfiremuseum.org/>

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 Roslyn, NY

<https://nassaumuseum.org/>

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* Bronx, NY

<https://www.nybg.org/>

Free admission for two adults and up to five children (ages 2-16)

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
Corona, NY



<https://www.nysci.org/>

Free admission for two adults & up to six 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
New York, NY

<https://www.nyhistory.org/>

Free admission for two adults and up to four children 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

<https://parks.ny.gov/admission/empire-passport/>

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
Brooklyn, NY

<https://www.nytransitmuseum.org/>

Free admission for two adults and up to two 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
Old Bethpage, NY

<https://www.oldbethpagevillagerestoration.org/>

(April – December ONLY)

Free admission for four visitors (two adults and two seniors/children) during normal museum hours. Not valid for complimentary or discounted admission to special events, private and third party rentals or programs held at Old Bethpage Village Restoration.

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*

Old Westbury, NY

<https://www.oldwestburygardens.org/>

Free admission for two adults and four children

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



OYSTER BAY RAILROAD MUSEUM

Oyster Bay, NY

<https://obrm.org/>

Free admission for two adults and children under the age of 18

The Oyster Bay Railroad Museum features a historic railroad station building and a display yard with full-size vintage rail cars.



PLANTING FIELDS

Oyster Bay, NY

<https://plantingfields.org/>

Free admission for six individuals

Planting Fields is a dynamic and vibrant site that features numerous historic structures, Olmsted Brothers-designed landscapes, and world class art and horticultural collections.



PLANTING FIELDS

VANDERBILT MUSEUM & PLANETARIUM
Centerport, NY

<https://www.vanderbiltmuseum.org/>

Free admission for one family – two adults and four 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.)



*Pass is also valid in other gardens in the American Horticultural Society Reciprocal Admissions Program. Check at the Reference Desk for additional gardens, etc.

Museum family passes may be borrowed, free of charge, by Henry Waldinger Memorial Library cardholders, 18 years or older. All family or household library cardholders must be in good standing.

Ask at the Adult Reference Desk for further information, reservations, and availability of passes.

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Splish Splash

Wildlife Conservation Society

The Bronx Zoo,

Central Park Zoo,

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Prospect Park Zoo,

Queens Zoo



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COMMUNITY NEWS

Valley Stream Historical Society Meeting



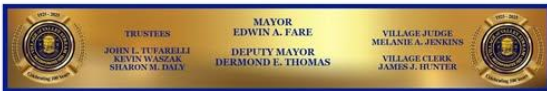
As a part of the Village of Valley Stream's Centennial celebrations, the Valley Stream Historical Society will be presenting various lectures throughout the calendar year.

Please note that the History of the Valley Stream Fire Department lecture which was originally scheduled for Wednesday, April 16th has been postponed to Wednesday, October 15th at 7:30pm.

More details will be made available in the near future.

Sincerely,

 The Centennial Committee



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Kiwanis club members believe in service. They care about children.

They're interested in the community around them because the community matters to them.

They're people like you. Friends. Neighbors. Volunteers who want to make a difference, and they love to see the difference they make when they work together.

Kiwanis Club of Valley Stream meets on the 3rd Monday of the month, at 6:30 pm either on Zoom or in person. Our in-person meetings are held at Itgen's Ice Cream Parlour, 211 Rockaway Ave, Valley Stream. All are welcome to attend! See our Facebook page for meeting details and information on our upcoming events!

Email valleystreamkiwanis@gmail.com if you have any questions.

HILLSIDE LIBRARY
 155 Lakeville Road, New Hyde Park NY 11040
 516-355-7850 Ext.101
contact-us@hillsidelibrary.info

JOB FAIR

Thursday,
 September 4
 1pm-4pm

Are you looking for a job?

Meet potential employers and discuss employment opportunities.

Remember to bring multiple copies of your resume and dress to impress!



- Nassau County Police Department
- Nassau County Army Recruiting
- New York City Police (NYPD)
- NYS Civil Service
- Federal Bureau of Prisons
- CVS
- Signature Care
- Parker Jewish Institute
- Sunrise Credit Services, Inc
- NetTel USA
- Helen Keller Services for the Blind
- Always Compassionate Home Care
- Morrison Mentors
- W/E Transport
- Welllife Cleaning Corp
- All-Metro Healthcare
- Caregivers of America
- Flexstaff

Registration is not required. Walk-ins welcome. Register to receive an email reminder.

Thank you to the NYS Department of Labor for organizing this event!

MOVING FOR LIFE: DANCE EXERCISE FOR CANCER RECOVERY



This is an in-person group class at our Long Island office.



CancerCare is partnering with Moving for Life to provide two free Dance Exercise for Cancer Recovery classes to people diagnosed with cancer, who are in treatment or post-treatment.

This program is open to Long Island clients and is free, but registration is required.

PROGRAM DATES

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2025 FROM 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2025 FROM 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

These classes are a unique approach to relax your body and address common side effects to cancer treatments. They will help with range of motion, balance and strength. We aim to help you move your body while having fun and connecting with others. No experience necessary.

LOCATION

CancerCare Long Island Office
 819 Grand Blvd, Suite 3
 Deer Park, NY

For more information or to register, contact Marissa Fors at mfors@cancercare.org or call CancerCare's Helpline at 800-813-HOPE (4673).

Facebook: [facebook.com/cancercare](https://www.facebook.com/cancercare) | Instagram: @CancerCareUS | Twitter: @CancerCare

LONG ISLAND OFFICE: 819 GRAND BOULEVARD, SUITE 3, DEER PARK, NY 11762 | WWW.CANCERCARE.ORG | T: 800-813-HOPE (4673) | E: INFO@CANCERCARE.ORG

Register Today!



COMMUNITY NEWS



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THE COMMUNITY COMPUTER CONNECTIONS PROGRAM (CCCP) HAS AN **URGENT** NEED FOR USED LAPTOPS

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We will:

- Scrub (delete all information) and install new software & license on your unwanted laptops
- Refurbish hardware (as needed) and make the laptop internet capable
- Deliver and set up these computers for our clients or their Social Service Agency

At the same time we are:

- Helping persons/families in need
- Helping Veterans or Active Military Reservists
- Offering a tax deduction for this charitable donation.

CCCP provides your company/organization with a secure, beneficial way to recycle your used laptops.

WE ARE A NON-PROFIT 501 3C

Contact the Community Computer Connections Program (CCCP)

(631) 979-9490 ext. 13

cccp.coordinator@rsvpsuffolk.org

ENCOURAGE YOUR COMPANY/ORGANIZATION TO DONATE ITS LAPTOPS TO CCCP

ITS A WIN-WIN OPPORTUNITY!

Address Confidentiality Program (ACP)

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A cost-free program that shields the addresses of individuals who fear for their safety.

The New York Department of State hosts an **Address Confidentiality Program (ACP)** that can provide peace of mind with a secure address.

The **ACP** is a free program that lets persons shield their home address to help maintain their safety.

The **ACP** is available to persons and their immediate family who have experienced **domestic violence, stalking, sexual offenses, human trafficking** and **reproductive healthcare services** (including patients, volunteers, providers and their employees).

If a person qualifies they will receive a secure Albany post office box as their official mailing address.

The **ACP** forwards all first class and certified mail from their private P.O. Box to their home address. The service is private, secure and safe.

More information, [here](#).

COMMUNITY NEWS


The Valley Stream Lions Club Presents
 30th Annual Outdoor
Flea Market
 September 6, 2025*
 8am - 5pm
 Arthur J. Hendrickson Pool Parking Lot
 123 W. Merrick Rd. Valley Stream, NY
*Rain Date: Sunday, September 7th
 Enter parking lot on Merrick Rd. between N. Franklin Ave. & Fletcher Avenue.

Free Admission for the Public! - Vendors Welcome!

Antiques
Books & Collectibles
Jewelry & Clothing
Toys

Arts & Crafts
Household Items
Tools
And **MUCH** More!

Donations of canned foods & toiletries will be accepted!



Proceeds will benefit Lions Charities!


 Your success is at the center of all we do.
Eric C. Mathias, Commissioner/WEB Director
 Kurt Rockenstein, Deputy Commissioner

Upcoming 2025 Information Sessions

Information Sessions





Tuesday, August 19th,
 At 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
 50 Clinton St., 4th Fl.,
 Hempstead, NY 11550

The Interfaith Nutrition Network is the largest soup kitchen on Long Island, emergency shelter, long-term housing program, a free clothing boutique and resource center. Join us for an information session to learn about services at the Mary Brennan INN (Soup Kitchen) and The Center for Transformative Change (CTC), which serves as a Resource Center to assist guests and help them become self-sufficient.



Wednesday, August 27th
 At 10:30 am - 11:30 am
 Virtual or In Person
 50 Clinton St., 4th Fl.,
 Hempstead, NY 11550

Join us for a virtual information session with New York's leading merit shop training program. Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) offers state-registered, hands-on apprenticeships with expert instruction and accessible training in the following trades: Operating Engineer, Electrician, Carpenter, Plumber, Sheet Metal Worker, Painter & Decorator, Iron Worker, Construction Craft Laborer, and Drywall Taper (Finisher).



To register, please scan the QR code or email Tina McGill at tmcgill@hempsteadworks.com or Liz Vasquez at lvazquez@hempsteadworks.com
 Follow us on Instagram, Facebook and LinkedIn @hempsteadworkscarecenter

A proud partner of the **ActiveCare** JobCenter network. The mission of ActiveCare and JobCenter, for the 15 counties participating in a non-competitive recruitment, training and placement program, is to provide job seekers with the skills and support needed to succeed in the workforce.



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- ★ Dressing
- ★ Ambulation
- ★ Grooming

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Applicant must be at least 18 years of age and must have your own reliable transportation!

NASSAU COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS OPERATION WOUNDED WARRIORS

CAR SHOW

Saturday, September 20, 2025

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Greis Park, Lynbrook

GATES OPEN FOR CARS AT 10:00 AM
ENTER THROUGH HORTON AVE GATE

SPONSORED BY




Admission: \$20 per VEHICLE*

PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED!

VENDORS • FOOD TRUCKS



All Vehicles Welcome!

*ADMISSION INCLUDED FOR ONE PERSON TO THE WOUNDED WARRIORS END OF SUMMER BASH IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CAR SHOW

For more Information:
 Chris Donnelly (516) 945-5912
 Kevin Bien (516) 993-6074

COMMUNITY NEWS

HWCLI Healthcare Action Alert: New Program Alert: Free Air Conditioners for Essential Plan Members with Asthma

HWCLI is excited to share important information about a brand-new initiative from NY State of Health—the Essential Plan Cooling Program (EPCP)—created to help protect vulnerable New Yorkers from the rising threat of extreme heat.

The EPCP provides free air conditioning units and professional installation for Essential Plan (EP) members with persistent asthma. With limited funding available, it's crucial that this life-saving benefit reaches the communities who need it most.

Who Qualifies?

EP members who:
Experience frequent asthma symptoms such as wheezing, shortness of breath, or coughing attacks,
Or require daily asthma medication to manage symptoms.

What's Included?

One (1) unit per household every five (5) years, delivered directly to the enrollee's home and professionally installed
If installation is not feasible, a fan will be provided instead

Applications are first-come, first-served and will be accepted through August 31, 2025 or until funding is exhausted.

Please note:

Cash assistance is not available through this program.
For utility bill assistance, consumers should contact their utility provider or the HEAP program: otda.ny.gov/programs/heap

What Happens After Applying?

Consumers will receive an approval or denial email within 2–3 weeks.
If approved, they'll contact a vendor for:
A pre-installation assessment
An installation appointment
The cooling unit becomes the consumer's property and must be maintained by them.

Get Started:

Visit the EPCP webpage: [Essential Plan Cooling Program | NY State of Health](https://www.health.ny.gov/essential-plan/cooling-program/)

Apply now: [EPCP Online Application](#)

Download and share the Fact Sheet with eligible consumers.

Please encourage applicants to:

Use their own email address when applying (not the Assistor's)
Go paperless for faster eligibility processing



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More information, [here](#).

VILLAGE UPDATES

Centennial Parade & Community Block Party



CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES CONCERT FOOD TRUCKS GIVE AWAYS LIVE DJ AND MUCH MORE!



Saturday, September 27th*

Memorial Day Parade Route, Parade begins at 4pm

Parade Concludes at the Village Green with a Community Block Party! All are Welcome!

For information on how to take part in the parade contact: valleystream100@vsnvny.org

**Rain date: Sunday, September 28th*




SANITATION

During the week of August 25th, we will be collecting **Plastic, Metal, & Glass**. Agriculture pickup takes place on August 27th.

VILLAGE UPDATES

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For Boys & Girls Ages 6 - 14



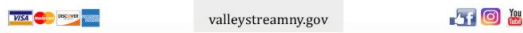
6 Week Course



Village Resident Fee: \$85
Non-Resident Fee: \$100
No Refunds & No Makeup Classes

Wednesdays, September 17th through October 29th, 5:45pm-6:30pm
Valley Stream Community Center.
There will be no class on September 24th.
Please arrive 15 minutes early for class

Children under 18 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian upon signup
Register in person at the Community Center OR online at bit.ly/vsvny
For more information, call: (516) 825-8571

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Pickleball

Paddles & Pickleballs will be provided! Beginners Welcome!

Tuesdays in August, 5:30pm-7:30pm
8/5, 8/12, 8/19, 8/26
Make up classes will be the day after

Saturdays in September, 10:00am-12:00pm
9/6, 9/13, 9/20, 9/27
Make up classes will be the day after

Saturdays in October, 10:00am-12:00pm
10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25
Make up classes will be the day after

For more information, contact Ron:
ronpickleball@gmail.com

4 Week Course, Fee: \$80.00

- Classes are weather permitting and will take place at the Tennis Courts at Hendrickson Park in Valley Stream.
- There are no refunds OR make-up classes for missed sessions. If we cancel class, there will be a scheduled make up session.
- Please wear comfortable clothing and arrive to class 15 minutes early.
- A parking pass will be issued valid during the time that class is in session.
- Register in person at the Valley Stream Community Center or online at bit.ly/vsvny



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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!



Fall '25

COURSE DETAILS
Course is for artists ages 18+
Classes will meet at the Community Center.

COURSE SCHEDULE

Wednesday Section
6:30pm - 8:30pm
9/17/25 - 11/19/25

Thursday Section
4:30pm - 6:30pm
9/18/25 - 11/20/25


Course Fees & Registration
Register in person at the Community Center or online at bit.ly/vsvny
Resident Fee: \$110 for 10 classes
Non-Resident Fee: \$135 for 10 classes
Contact Matt Khan for more info: (917) 929-8110

ONLY acrylic paints will be used in this course!

Students must bring their own materials. (Please see supply list on back)



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JEWELRY MAKING WORKSHOP

AGES 7-12

SCAN HERE TO REGISTER!


This workshop is designed for children ages 7-12 who are interested in learning various jewelry making techniques in a positive & supportive environment!



Class Details & Schedule

- This class is for children ages 7-12 & open to Village residents and non-residents alike.
- Classes will meet at the Valley Stream Community Center.
- There will be no refunds or make up classes.
- This is a 6 week program. Class will meet on Thursday afternoons on the dates below.
- September 18th, 2025 - October 23rd, 2025
- Classes will meet between 4:30pm - 5:30pm.
- The fee per student is \$60. A \$20 material fee which covers all materials for the entire course is due to the instructor on the first day.
- Register in person at the Community Center or online at bit.ly/vsvny
- For more details, contact (516) 507-9824

Class Features

- Create trendy friendship bracelets.
- Learn various knotting techniques.
- Learn how to identify popular patterns.
- Charm bar with stainless steel chains.
- Design custom name items.
- Develop fine motor skills using jewelry making tools.
- Bag charms & jewelry to take home!



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VILLAGE UPDATES

MAZDA VALLEY STREAM
Presents
Classic CAR Show

Friday Nights
Rockaway Avenue in Valley Stream
May 30th - August 29th
6pm-9pm, Weather Permitting

No Car Show on July 4th

Veterans Night: June 13th
(Rain Date: June 20th)

Mayor's Trophy Night: August 8th
(Rain Date: August 15th)

No saving of parking spaces.
Cars will be parked as they enter

In Partnership with the Valley Stream Chamber of Commerce

For More Information Call:
Chuck (516) 318-4816 or Dennis (646) 235-2129

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Pool Dance Concerts

Open to Village Residents & CHSD Neighbors
All Concerts Will Take Place at the Mini-Golf Area
There are **NO** rain dates for these events
Concerts Start at **8PM**

Friends & neighbors enjoying themselves at a Pool Dance Concert!

DJ John & Curtis Maxwell

Saturday, June 14th

Control C Band

Saturday, June 28th

DJ John & Mikki May

Saturday, July 12th

DJ John & NINA

Saturday, July 19th

Louis Delprette

Saturday, July 26th

Comedy of Jeff Norris

Saturday, August 16th

The Bangoes

Saturday, August 23rd

DJ John & Lisa Grippo

Saturday, August 30th

Easy Rider Band

Saturday, September 6th

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VILLAGE OF VALLEY STREAM
E-WASTE BULLETIN

To arrange for a special pick-up of electronic waste, please call the Sanitation Office at (516) 825-8108. There is a 5 item limit per household for any scheduled pick-up. Always call the Sanitation Office before placing any items at the curb. Failure to do so can cause injuries and accidents and may result in violations. Items may be placed at the curb no earlier than 6pm the evening prior to your scheduled pick up.

WE COLLECT

- Computers & monitors
- Computer peripherals
- Televisions
- DVD & Blu-ray players
- Video game consoles
- Laptops and cellular phones (batteries must be disposed of separately. See below.)

WE DO NOT COLLECT

- Lithium batteries
- Vehicle batteries

PROPER BATTERY DISPOSAL
The Town of Hempstead's S.T.O.P Program is a safe and environmentally friendly way to dispose of hazardous household materials.

Batteries must be disposed of safely in order to prevent fires and various other environmental hazards. With multiple scheduled events throughout the year, The Town of Hempstead's S.T.O.P Program offers a safe solution. Please visit the Town of Hempstead's website, or scan the QR code for upcoming S.T.O.P Program Events and to see a list of all accepted items.

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Mattress & Box Spring Disposal

Bedbugs have become a serious health issue all across Long Island and New York State. Bed bugs are adept at finding their way into luggage, purses, backpacks, and other personal belongings. Bed bugs and mattresses are closely linked, as mattresses and their surrounding areas are prime hiding spots for these pests. Bed bugs are attracted to humans as a food source, and their flat bodies allow them to easily hide in the seams, crevices, and folds of mattresses and box springs. Neighboring municipalities have instituted new policies for the disposal of mattresses and box springs. Our Sanitation Department is following suit.

Proper Disposal Guidelines

- To schedule a pick up, call the Sanitation Department Office at (516) 825-8108.
- You will be given a date and time of when to put out your mattress and, or, box spring.
- The mattress, and, or, box spring must now be placed in a mattress disposal/storage bag and sealed prior to being placed on the curb for pick up.*
- Heavy duty bags that new mattresses are delivered in can be used as long as they are sealed with tape.
- The Village will not provide mattress bags.
- Mattress disposal/storage bags may be purchased at local hardware stores, home improvement centers and various online retailers.
- Failure to follow this procedure will result in your items not being collected.

Valley Stream Sanitation Department

175 Arlington Avenue
Valley Stream, NY 11580
(516) 825-8108
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Dumping Hours:
7am-2pm, Monday to Friday



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