

LOCUST VALLEY LIBRARY

NEWSLETTER

July and August 2022

Proud member of the Nassau Library System

Welcome to our new Director!

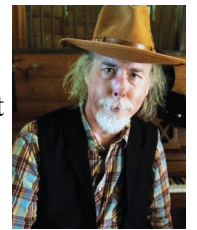
Jenny Bloom joins the Locust Valley Library after starting library work in Utah, and then as a Children's and Young Adult Librarian and Library Manager in the Seattle, Washington area. Jenny moved home to family on the East Coast in 2020 where she lives on the North Fork. An avid hiker, animal lover, and cook, Jenny is most proud of her 24-year-old daughter, Georgia.



You'll often find Jenny in the Biography section, but Isabel Allende, Kate DiCamillo, Truman Capote, Eudora Welty, and John Irving are some of her favorite authors to read and recommend. She is a fan of story-telling festivals and history, and loves a great picture book, as they are the ultimate test of good editing. Jenny is enjoying getting to know the staff and board, and looks forward to meeting library patrons and the community. She hopes you'll stop in to introduce yourself!

Tennessee Walt's An Afternoon in the Country: Indoor Concert **Saturday, July 9 at 2 PM**

A concert/lecture by the talented Gayden Wren. Gayden will highlight some of country music's most recognizable legendary artists from the 1930s through the 90s, such as Patsy Cline, Kris Kristofferson, Hank Williams, Charley Pride, and many more. Take the afternoon for some country fun. No registration is required. No reserved seating.



Ukraine: a Historical Perspective with Seth Watkins **Tuesday, July 19 at 6:30 PM**

This lecture offers a historical perspective of Ukraine and the geostrategic ramifications that affect us globally. We start with the first half of the 20th century, through WW II, Soviet Cold War, and lastly the critical role of NATO's eastward expansion. Registration is required.



Genealogy: These programs are brought to you courtesy of the Genealogy Collective

21st Century Italian Genealogy: Online

Tuesday, July 19 at 7 PM

Curious about Italian family history and heritage? With more and more records available online there has never been a better time to pursue Italian genealogical research. This talk provides a strong overview for the beginning researcher, while including some lesser-known resources that will be of interest to even the most advanced researchers.

Presented by Michael Cassara, a professional genealogist and lecturer based in New York City, specializing in Italian/Sicilian genealogy, New York and New Jersey research, and genealogical technology. Registration is required for this Zoom event. Zoom Meeting ID: 975 7908 5531 Passcode: 070557
This program is sponsored by the Bayville Free Library.



What the Heck Does That Say? Overcoming the Challenge of Difficult Handwriting: Online **Tuesday, August 16 at 7 PM**

One of the biggest hurdles to overcome in genealogy is the seemingly illegible handwriting in our ancestors' records. Whether you struggle to navigate colonial penmanship that doesn't even look like English or wrestle with contemporary documents that are poorly written, a few good strategies can make all the difference. We will look at more than 20 techniques to help you figure out what the chicken scratches on the page say, as well as what the style of writing might reveal about our ancestors. Presented by Pam Vestal, a professional genealogist and speaker who turned her focus to her longtime love of genealogy after a 20-year writing career. Registration is required for this Zoom event. This program is sponsored by the Gold Coast Library.



Adult Programs

Exercise Classes

For all exercise classes, make checks payable to
Locust Valley Library, Attn: Michael Vinas.

Gentle Yoga with Morgan Rose

Mondays at 9:30 AM and Tuesdays at 5:30 PM

10 sessions for \$40.

Class begins June 20 on Mondays and May 31 on Tuesdays.

Classes will take place in our MNA Community Room.

Dancercise with Carol Rodriguez

Saturdays at 9:30 AM

10 sessions for \$50. Class begins June 25.

Classes will take place in our MNA Community Room.

Tai Chi Fitness with Marvin German

Mondays at 5:30 PM

10 sessions for \$50. Class begins June 6.

Classes will take place in our MNA Community Room.

Adult Summer Reading Program: Oceans of Possibilities

Summer reading isn't just for kids! Read anything you like, including e-books and audiobooks. Read as much or as little as you like; there's no pressure! But if you'd like to be included in our weekly raffle for a summer reading prize package, you'll need to submit a short review of something you've read. Program runs through August 5.

Valley Quilters and Knitters

Fridays at 1 PM

Valley Quilters and Knitters are making prayer/comfort shawls. Bring a project or come for ideas!

Kanopy Movie Chat Party

Tuesday, July 5 at 6:30 PM

Miss Firecracker: Rated PG; 1 hour, 44 minutes

Directed by Thomas Schlamme, 1989

Participants will be able to watch the movie and chat in realtime! Register to receive the Live Zoom Meeting Invite
Join Kanopy for free at: <https://www.kanopy.com/>
Join Zoom for free at: <https://zoom.us/join>

Buzz of the Beekeeper

Tuesday, July 12 at 6:30 PM

Help save the bees from extinction! Learn about the importance of bees, their daily life, living in a colony, and much more. Great for all ages! Presented by Gerri Raffa. Registration is required.

Defensive Driving Class (Empire Safety Council)

Friday, July 15 from 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Fee \$30 per person, for all ages. Must register in person and pay with check or money order to *Empire Safety Council*.

NO CASH accepted. Class takes place in our MNA Community Room. Locust Valley residents have open registration.

Movie Thursdays at 1 PM

July 14 - *Moonfall*

Rated PG-13; 2 hours, 10 minutes

July 28 - *Uncharted*

Rated PG-13; 1 hour, 56 minutes

August 11 - *The Northman*

Rated R; 2 hours, 17 minutes

August 25 - *The Lost City*

Rated PG-13; 1 hours, 52 minutes

Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Locust Valley Library who also provide refreshments.

Voices from Gilgo:

Hunt for the Long Island Serial Killer: Online

Tuesday, July 26 at 6:30 PM

Voices from Gilgo is dedicated to highlighting the events, theories, and individuals involved in one of Long Island's most famous true-crime cases. This is their story. Presented by Robert Ottone, author of the horror collection "Her Infernal Name & Other Nightmares." Registration is required for this Zoom event.

Intro to Ballet

Thursdays, August 4 - September 1 at 5:30 PM

Intro to Ballet is an exercise that includes fundamental movements in ballet at the barre/modification. This class introduces the body to gentle movements and poses found in ballet. There is no jumping, spinning, or strict dance routine. Great for beginners and health fanatics of all ages. Registration required.

New York Marine Rescue Center Lecture

Wednesday, August 3 at 6:30 PM

Become a Marine Wildlife Rescuer! This lecture, presented by the New York Marine Rescue Center, is designed to show you how to get involved if you ever find a marine mammal or sea turtle in need of assistance. Learn all about the different marine animals that can be found in New York waters and the process of the 4Rs: Rescue, Rehabilitate, Release, and Research. Registration is required.

Downton Abbey on the Gold Coast

Wednesday, August 10 at 7 PM

The British TV series *Downton Abbey* has taken the world by storm with its sprawling manor house and Upstairs Downstairs intrigues. Presented by Monica Randall. Registration required.

Youth Services Events: Birth - 18 years old



Registration for our Children's summer events is off and running.

Many events are already filled to capacity but there are still some wonderful opportunities for children of all ages!

Children ages 3 - grade 5 are invited to join the Summer Reading Club! Earn prizes and be entered into raffles as you spend your summer reading! Report with one of our teen volunteers out on our patio! Register online now, program runs through August 5. Pick up your registration packet!

Teens Read to Tots is back! Wednesdays July 6, 13 & 20 at 10 AM: For ages 3 - 5. Register once for all 3 sessions. Your child will be paired off with a teen volunteer for stories and more!

Family Drum Circle Event - Saturday, July 9 at 2 PM: Join drum circle leader Prana under the trees as they share their large collection of different percussive instruments. All ages welcome! Please include the number of adults and children attending when you register.

Annual Teddy Bear Picnic - Wednesday, July 27 at 10:30 AM: Bring your favorite fluffy bear and join us for our annual Teddy Bear Picnic! Ages 2 - 5.

Registration for our Teen/Tween entering grades 6 - 12 summer events are off and running!

Register in person in our Teen Room to volunteer to assist during the Children's Summer Reading Program.

Program runs through August 5. Volunteering opportunities are offered Monday through Friday from 9:30 AM to 7 PM. Create your own schedule during the six-week program by choosing your two-hour time slots. Earn community service credit this summer!

Visit our Teen Room this summer to participate in our weekly raffles!

Additional volunteering opportunities include the play and Teens Read to Tots.

To see if there is still space available and get the schedule information, please contact the following librarians:

To participate in the play, contact Ms. Leslie at larmstrong@locustvalleylibrary.org

To participate in Teens Read to Tots, contact Ms. Lauren at llwallach@locustvalleylibrary.org



Teen Read 2022: For teens/tweens entering grades 6 -12. Register for our Teen Summer Reading program. Review books and receive raffle tickets toward great gift baskets and more! Program runs through August 5. Pick up a review from the library or go to our website.

Improv Workshop - Wednesday, July 6 at 6 PM: Improv comedy helps participants discover their best selves, building self-confidence, self-awareness, critical thinking, and public speaking. This session will include games that are a ton of fun, while teaching valuable life skills. The activities develop leadership and team building. We include stand-up comedy, taking stories of experiences and observation, and then crafting original comedy routines. Register online.

Tennis Anyone? - Monday July 11 and 25 at 6 PM: Teens are invited to join us on our beautiful tennis courts with our tennis pro, Mr. Steve for some fun and pointers! Register online.

Henna Hang-Out - Monday, July 18 at 6:45 PM: Get a henna tattoo, play board games and Tarot, and have some pizza with your friends! Spend a summer evening learning more about the ancient, multi-cultural history of henna, and get a temporary natural henna tattoo with artist Natalia from Henna by Naty. All Natural Organic Henna!

Whale Tail Necklace or Chain Workshop - Wednesday, July 20 at 7 PM: Be inspired by teens from around the world who are working to protect our oceans from garbage, pollution, and climate change. Create your own recycled paper beads and use them to decorate a unique necklace or chain featuring a whale fluke charm. Ages 10 and up.

Chess Nights at the Library - July 11, 25 and August 8 at 6 PM: Join your friends and community members for an open night of chess games in our Teen Room. Boards will be provided. Register now for all three summer nights of chess. Grades 6 - 12. Come to one, two, or all three!

Sea Glass and Shells Dish - July 28 at 6 PM: Get crafty and create a one-of-a-kind sea glass and shells mixed media craft. Register online.

Locust Valley Tennis Season



Applications, waiver form, information and fee schedules are available at the Library or on our website at www.locustvalleylibrary.org
Spring/Summer/Fall Outdoor Tennis Lessons - Private/Semi-Private/Small Groups
For more information contact Steve Abbondondelo, USPTA/PTR Certified at steveabby@optonline.net 516-822-9587 or 516-457-4974 (cell)

Tennis Classic - Saturday, May 22, 2022

Thank you to Steve Abbondondelo, Michael Ladisa, Amy Driscoll, Ed O'Neill

and all the players and sponsors for supporting the Library's Capital Fund



Congratulations to the Winners!

Men's High Score - Mike Lamb
Women's High Score - Carrie Lamb
Sportsmanship - Julia Burns

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Friends of the Library

Each year the Friends of the Locust Valley Library offers scholarships to local high school seniors in memory of our late president Lois Barry. During her life, Mrs. Barry was a dedicated volunteer, serving our Library with intelligence and grace, believing strongly in the important role the Library plays in the lives of community members of all ages. This year, we are pleased to announce our four recipients: Alexis Cassano, Cathrine French, Noelle Valdinoto, and Giovanna Villella in recognition of their strong character, hard work, and love for the Library. Please join us in wishing them every success in the future.

Carol Harrington, President

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Library Summer Hours:

Mon - Thurs 9:30 AM - 8:30 PM
Fri and Sat 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM and Sun 1:30 - 4:30 PM
Sundays closed for Summer from June 19 - September 4.
Library will re-open on Sundays beginning September 11.

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BOARD MEETINGS @ 7:00 PM

July 21

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