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COMMUNITY LIBRARY



HAUNTED LIBRARIES

Tuesday, October 15, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration begins Monday, September 30.

You didn't know libraries could be haunted?

Ghostly librarians have been known to "shhhh!" noisy patrons and help people find books by pushing desired volumes off shelves. And on the ghost-cam at Willard Library in Evansville, IL, the "Grey Lady" floats up and down stairs, monitoring departments. Come join East Hampton Librarian Jill Sollazzo, creator of the video "Haunted Libraries in the U.S. and Beyond," for more fascinating tales!



Pumpkin Picking @ Glover Farms

Thursday, October 17, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. OR Saturday, October 19, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. OR 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Registration begins Thursday, October 10 for all sessions.

Register each family member with their own card. Sign up for only one session.

Join us for Fall Fun at Glover Farms! Each registered family member will receive a ticket for ten pounds worth of pumpkins and a visit to the corn maze. Glover Farms has a beautiful field of pumpkins to choose from, along with farm animals to visit and a playground for the kids. Glover Farms is located at 641 Victory Avenue, Brookhaven, along the Sunrise Highway Service Road. Weather permitting. *Register each person separately with their own library card. Limited availability. Registration for this program is by phone or in-person only.*

Families with at least one child grade 5 and younger.



TO BE FILLED

THE HOME STRETCH: Preparing to Welcome You Back

October Update on Main Library Renovation

Excitement is building as we near the completion of our Main Library's transformation! For those passing by, the signs of progress are unmistakable. The finishing touches are underway, and we're thrilled to share the latest updates as we prepare to welcome you back into a vibrant, revitalized space very soon.

Exterior Finishing Touches

- **Sidewalks Completed:** Our new sidewalks are now fully installed, providing safe and accessible pathways for all visitors. These improvements are part of our ongoing commitment to making our library welcoming and accessible to everyone.
- **Street Repairs and Fencing:** The final phase of asphalt repair along the surrounding streets will begin in the coming weeks, enhancing the approach to our library. Simultaneously, the remaining fencing will be completed, adding the final touches to our exterior upgrades.
- **Landscaping Begins Soon:** Grading at the rear of the building is set to commence shortly, with landscaping efforts kicking off the week of September 16. Expect to see greenery and vibrant plantings taking shape as we complete our outdoor spaces.

Interior Preparations

- **Final Inspections and Adjustments:** The final walkthrough with the state inspector is scheduled for September 4, marking a significant milestone in our journey. Meanwhile, the final punch list items, including glass door adjustments, will be completed in the weeks ahead.
- **Furniture Installation:** Delivery of new furniture is set to begin the week of September 9 and will continue through October, bringing comfort and style to our refreshed interiors. With these additions, our new spaces are shaping up to be both functional and inviting.
- **Architectural Reviews:** The architect has completed a thorough walkthrough, and any remaining adjustments identified during the review will be addressed throughout September to ensure every detail meets our high standards.

Anticipation Builds

With each day, we draw closer to unveiling a library that reflects the spirit and aspirations of our community. The finishing touches are falling into place, and soon, we will open our doors to a space that inspires learning, fosters creativity, and builds connections.

We thank you for your continued support and patience as we move through these final stages. Keep an eye out for further updates. Visit our building website at <http://newcommunitylibrary.org> for the latest information.

We can't wait to welcome you back!

Our Sincere Thanks

We remain deeply grateful to our community for your understanding and excitement as we've worked towards this moment. Your enthusiasm fuels our efforts, and we look forward to sharing our new, dynamic space with you very soon.

Children & Parents

Register for programs three easy ways: in person, online at www.communitylibrary.org or contact the Children's Reference Desk at 631-399-1511 Ext. 2016 for the Moriches Branch or Ext. 1030 for the Mastic Beach Branch.

Crafts-To-Go

Crafts-To-Go can be picked up at open library locations. One craft per child, per visit please.

ALL IN-PERSON PROGRAMS ARE OFFERED IN-PERSON ONLY. SUPPLIES WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP.

MAKE SURE TO CHECK OUR ONLINE PROGRAM CALENDAR FOR PROGRAM DETAILS.

PROGRAM REGISTRANTS MUST ARRIVE WITHIN 10 MINUTES OF THE START OF EACH PROGRAM OR THEIR RESERVATION WILL BE FORFEITED. PROGRAMS WILL START AT THEIR SCHEDULED TIME, LATE ARRIVALS MAY NOT BE ADMITTED.

BABIES / PRESCHOOL & PARENTS

Registration begins one week prior to each session unless otherwise noted.

Baby Playdate

Fridays, October 4 & 18, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Fridays, October 11 & 25, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Please note this is an unstructured meet up.

Ages birth-23 months with an adult.

Baby Games

Monday, October 7, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Monday, October 21, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Ages birth-18 months with an adult.

Messy Meetups

Wednesdays, October 9 & 23

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Ages 18 months-5 years with an adult.

Little Creators Art Studio

Monday, October 7, 10:00 – 10:45 a.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Ages 18 months-5 years with an adult.

Pumpkin Painting

Thursday, October 10, 11:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Paint fake pumpkins with your adult for a fun Fall decoration!

Dress for a mess. Ages 2-5 years with an adult.



Babies Boogie

Tuesday, October 15, 10:00 – 10:45 a.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Ages birth-23 months with an adult.

Toddlers Tango

Tuesday, October 15, 11:00 – 11:45 a.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Ages 2-5 years with an adult.

Apple Day Play

Saturday, October 21, 2:00 – 2:45 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Ages 2-5 years with an adult.

Explore Everything - Fall!

Monday, October 28, 11:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Ages birth-23 months with an adult.

Fall Storytime and Scarecrow Cookies

Tuesday, October 29, 10:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Ages 2-5 years with an adult.

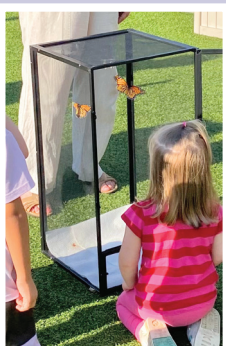
Footprint Monsters

Thursday, October 31, 11:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Make a monster out of your baby's footprint! Dress for a mess.

Ages birth-18 months with an adult.



SCHOOLAGE / TWEEN

These programs are for the registered children only. Adults and siblings must remain outside of the program space. Registration begins one week prior to each session unless otherwise noted.

Learn How to Write Cursive

Tuesdays, October 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches branch**.

Grades 3-4.

Tail-Waggin' and Readin' Fun!

Mondays, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches branch**.

Tuesdays, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach branch**.

Drop-in. No registration required.

Grades K-5.

Chess Club

Monday, October 2, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches branch**.

Grades 3-5.

Q-Tip Painting: Candy Corn

Tuesday, October 8, 7:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach branch**.

Grades K-5.

STEAM Club: 3D Print Pens

Wednesday, October 9, 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach branch**.

Grades K-5.

Stained Glass

Jack O'Lantern Program

Thursday, October 10, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches branch**.

Drop-in. No registration required.

Grades K-5.

Homework Whiz Kids

Thursday, October 10, 5:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach branch**.

Grades 1-5.

The Great Pumpkin Volcano

Thursday, October 10, 6:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach branch**.

Grades K-3.

Beginner D&D

Tuesday, October 15, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach branch**.

Grades 4-5.

Art with Pumpkin Seeds

Wednesday, October 16

4:00 – 4:45 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches branch**.

Grades K-5.

Books and Bingo: Halloween

Friday, October 18, 4:30 – 5:15 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach branch**.

Grades K-5.

Candy Corn Plushie

Wednesday, October 21

4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches branch**.

No sewing skills required.

Grades 3-5.

Sketch & Stretch

Tuesday, October 22, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach branch**.

Grades K-3.

Guided Meditation for Kids

Wednesday, October 23

7:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches branch**.

Bring a blanket or something soft

to sit on. Grades K-5.

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Hot Mess

Release Party

Wednesday, October 23, 6:00 – 6:45 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach branch**.

Grades 2-5.

'Nightmare Before Christmas' Party

Thursday, October 24, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches branch**. Grades K-5.

Bookworm Book Club:

The Witches: The Graphic Novel

Friday, October 25, 4:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches branch**.

Grades 3-5.

Ooey, Booeey, Gross and Gooney!!!

Saturday, October 26, 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches branch**.

Drop-in. No registration required.

This is a tactile program. Grades K-5.

Monster Origami Bookmarks

Tuesday, October 29, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach branch**.

Drop-in. No registration required. Grades 3-5.

Handprint Craft: Haunted House

Tuesday, October 29, 7:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach branch**.

Grades K-5.

Art Teacher Amy:

Cats and Castles

Wednesday, October 30

4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Held at our

Moriches branch.

Grades 1-5.



FAMILIES

Registration begins one week prior to each session unless otherwise noted.

Smokey Bear

Reading Challenge

Monday, September 23 –

Thursday, October 31

Take the Smokey Bear Reading Challenge to celebrate his 80th birthday and fire prevention month! Stop in any branch location to sign up, everyone who completes the challenge will receive a finishing prize and a raffle ticket towards our Smokey Bear Basket. While supplies last. Families with children grade 5 and younger.

Family Connect: Creative Creations

Wednesday, October 2, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches branch**.

Drop-in. No registration required.

Families with children grade 5 and younger.

Happy Birthday Smokey Bear!

Friday, October 4, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches branch**.

Drop-in. No registration required.

Celebrate Smokey Bears 80th birthday by doing crafts and activities to earn badges toward the Smokey Bear Reading Challenge.

Families with children grade 5 and younger.



Playdough Play All Day

Saturday, October 5, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Held at our **Moriches branch**.

Drop-in. No registration required.

Families with children grade 5 and younger.

Lollipop Ghosts

Thursday, October 31

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our **Mastic Beach branch**.

Drop-in. No registration required. Families with children grade 5 and younger.

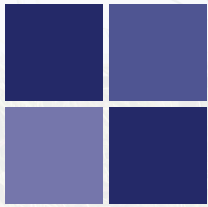


PARENTING

Positive Parenting – VIRTUAL

Tuesdays, October 29, November 5, 12, 19, 26 & December 3, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Registration begins Tuesday, October 15.

Learn how to set healthy boundaries, discipline without punishment and treat your children with respect so that they will respect you. Sessions designed for both mandated (certificate included) and non-mandated parents. You must provide an email so the Zoom link can be emailed to you. **Parents.**



Teens

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are for teens in grades 6 through 12.

Register for programs three easy ways: In person, online at www.communitylibrary.org or contact the Teen Reference Desk at 631-399-1511 Ext. 2015 for the Moriches Branch or Ext. 1029 for the Mastic Beach Branch.

Your Library Loves to Help

Adulting 101: Cleaning on a Budget

Tuesday, October 1, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Registration is open.

Learn how to make cleaners from common household supplies.

OMU

Wednesdays, October 2, 9, 16, 23

7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

This is a drop-in program.

A place where any teen can come down to discuss any topic they want in a judge-free atmosphere. Where they will feel accepted and appreciated for the differences that make them unique. It is a place where teens can speak about what is on their minds and any troubles that they come across in their lives as teens.

Let's Talk

Wednesdays, October 2, 9, 16, 23

8:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

This is a drop-in program.

A unique program where teens get to pick topics that are of concern to them that will be discussed among their peers in a judgement free and open atmosphere. They will have the opportunity to learn about topics that interest them and are important to teens in our current world. Snacks will be served for all attendees.

Visit with a Therapy Dog

Thursdays, October 3, 10, 24, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

This is a drop-in program.

Drop-in to pet a therapy dog, tell a story or read a few pages of your favorite book.

Math Tutoring

Mondays, October 7, 21, 28, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

This is a drop-in program.

For students in grades 6 through 10.

Drop-in for help in math from a recently retired Paca Middle School math teacher.

You must bring materials (books, handouts, homework) with you.

Successfully Navigating College Admissions

Tuesday, October 22, 7:00 p.m.

This program is on Zoom.

College Bound will help families of high school students understand the college admissions process. The zoom link will be emailed to you one day before the program. Make sure you are able to access your email.

Fun and Games

Pin Pals

Earn a pin each time you attend a teen program at the Moriches or Mastic Beach branches. You can also trade pins at either branch. Use them to decorate your backpack or anything you want!



Tabletop Wednesdays

Wednesdays, October 2 & 16, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Registration begins 9/25.

Sign up for tabletop gaming adventures designed just for teens! Whether you're a seasoned player or new to dice and strategy, this program offers a fun and inclusive space to explore various tabletop games. Meet new friends, strategize your next move, and embark on epic quests together!



Avatar the Last Airbender Trivia

Thursday, October 3, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Registration is open.

Test your knowledge of ALTA and win prizes!

Kahoot! Trivia - Virtual

Mondays, October 7 & 21

3:00 p.m.

Head on over to our Discord or Instagram and test your knowledge of various trivia topics! You have until Friday to participate.



Retro Gaming

Wednesday, October 16, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration begins 10/2.

Friday, October 25, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Registration begins 10/11.

Pretend it is the arcade days with some retro NES games on the Nintendo Switch! Eat snacks and try to get the highest score!



Mystery Video Game Tournament

Saturday, October 19, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch. Registration begins 10/9.

Think you're a video game master? Put your skills to the test, as you won't know which game you're playing until you arrive for the tournament! The overall winner earns themselves a \$20 Nintendo eShop Card!

Teen Murder Mystery Party

Tuesday, October 22, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Registration begins 10/8.

You're invited to solve a mystery at Monster Mansion. Pizza and snacks will be provided.

Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Wednesday, October 23, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Registration begins 10/9.

Are you a seasoned player or a curious newbie? Grab your controllers and bring your're a-game! Prize for the winner!



Arts and Crafts

Art Club

Fridays, October 4 & 25

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Wednesdays, October 9

& 30, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

This is a drop-in program.

Draw, paint, sketch and explore art with Mr. Casper.

Crafting Palooza

Tuesday, October 8

6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Wednesday, October 23

3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Registration begins 9/24.

Use our supplies to get crafty and create your own masterpiece!

Air Dry Clay Projects

Wednesdays, October 9

& 16, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Fridays, October 11 & 18

3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

These are drop-in programs. Practice your sculpting skills with air dry clay.

Soap-Maker Workshop

Monday, October 28

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Wednesday, October 30

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration begins 10/14.

Sign up to make colorful, scented soap to give as gifts or to pamper yourself!

Fall Diamond

Art Painting

Wednesday, November 6

3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Registration begins 10/23.

Join us and learn how to make a vivid, shimmering work of art using Diamond Art!



Community service is for students in grades 6 through 12 that need the hours for religious studies, honor society or graduation. Teens must have an MMSCL library card in good standing.

Color-A-Smile
Throughout October
Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration is open.
Pick up a packet of "Color-A-Smile" coloring sheets from the Moriches branch anytime in October. Color all 8 pages at home to earn 2 hours of community service. Return the pages any Thursday between 1 and 9 pm to the Moriches branch. The program date is October 31, but you can register and pick up your packet throughout the month.



Pumpkin Painting
Wednesday, October 2, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Held at our Moriches branch.

Monday, October 7, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Held at our Mastic Beach branch.
Registration begins 9/30.
Paint a pumpkin to decorate the library for Halloween. Earn one hour of community service.



Library Celebration Posters
Wednesday, October 9, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.
Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration begins 10/2.
Create posters to celebrate the grand re-opening of the main library. Earn 1.5 hours of community service.

Coffee Filter Ghost Lollipops
Wednesday, October 9, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.
Registration begins 10/2.
Monday, October 21, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Held at our Mastic Beach branch.
Registration begins 10/14.
Decorate lollipops for the Library to give out on Halloween! Earn one hour of community service.

Spooky Eyeball Garland
Friday, October 11, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.
Registration begins 10/4.
Wednesday, October 16, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Held at our Moriches branch.
Registration begins 10/9.
Build spooky garland to be given out at the Library's costume swap. Earn one hour of community service.

Autumn Decorating
Friday, October 11, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.
Registration begins 10/4.
Earn one hour of community service by making fall decorations for the Teen Department.

Reading Buddies
Beginning October 21
Mondays & Tuesdays,
7:00 – 8:45 p.m.

Held at William Floyd High School.
Teens in grades 8 through 12 read with younger children during the Library's ENL classes. Potential volunteers must fill out an application before attending. Applications can be picked up in the Teen Department at the Moriches or Mastic Beach branches. Two hour of community service will be given for each session. This is an on-going program.

Hersheys for Heroes
Wednesday, October 23
6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.
Registration begins 10/16.
Sign-up with a friend to make thank you cards and pack treat bags for community volunteers. Earn one hour of community service.



Inclusive Program

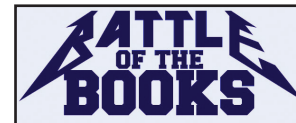
Enrichment: Karaoke & Cookies
Thursday, October 17, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.
Held at our Moriches branch. Registration is open.
Come eat cookies and sing your heart out with Ms. Currao (William Floyd High School Special Education teacher), Nick Nappi and other friends from the library. This program is for those with special needs in grades 6 through 12.



Teens Read

Advanced Battle of the Books Info Meeting

Tuesday, October 15
6:30 – 7:00 p.m.
Held at our Moriches branch.
Registration begins 10/1.
Monday, October 21
6:00 – 6:30 p.m.
Held at our Mastic Beach branch.
Registration begins 10/1.



Do you have an interest in reading and trivia? Advanced Battle of the Books is a county-wide competition for teens in grades 9 through 12. We will compete against other Suffolk County libraries in February. Attend a meeting to join our team!

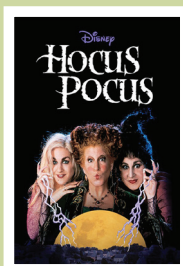
Entertainment

Anime & Superheroes
Mondays, October 7, 14, 21, 28
4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Held at our Moriches branch.
Registration is open.
Japanese cartoons, a few Marvel moments, snacks and plenty of awesomeness. Register for each session.

Pop Culture Club
Thursday, October 17, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Held at our Mastic Beach branch.
Registration begins 10/3.
Join Mr. Casper for a watch party! Watch a variety of current movies/series and stay for a discussion over pizza.

After Hours: Spooky Movie Night!
Friday, October 11
5:45 – 8:00 p.m.
Held at our Mastic Beach branch.
Registration begins 9/27.
Join us for an after-hours program at the Mastic Beach branch! We will be watching a surprise spooky movie and eating pizza!

Hocus Pocus on Loop
Tuesday, October 29
2:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Held at our Moriches branch.
This is a drop-in program.
Drop-in and watch the classic Hocus Pocus... all evening long!
Popcorn and candy will be given out while you watch the movie on loop in the Teen Department.



Eats

Pumpkin Spice Chex Mix
Friday, October 18, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Held at our Mastic Beach branch.
Registration begins 10/4.
Wednesday, October 23, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Held at our Moriches branch.
Registration begins 10/9.



Make some pumpkin-spice-y, sweet-and-salty snack mix for the spooky season! Choose your ingredients and make a bag to take home (if it lasts that long)!

M&M Taste Test
Thursday, October 24, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Held at our Moriches branch.
Registration begins 10/10.



Think you know all there is to know about everyone's favorite candy? Think again! Taste test and rate all types of flavors of M&Ms.

Adults

Register for programs three easy ways: in person, online at www.communitylibrary.org or contact the Adult Information Desk at 631-399-1511 Ext. 2014 for the Moriches branch or Ext. 1028 for the Mastic Beach branch.

Writing

Creative Writer's Workshop

Thursday, October 10
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration begins Thursday, September 26.

Express yourself in a safe and friendly environment with Anne Kelly-Edmunds during this monthly creative writing workshop. Create all types of original works in a supportive space.



Inclusive Services

Enrichment: Cookies & Karaoke

Thursday, October 17, 4:45 – 5:45 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Register now.

Come sing your heart out with Ms. Currao (Special Education teacher at WFHS), Nick Nappi (Program manager) and your library friends. This is an inclusive program for those that are 18 years and older.



Everyone Loves a Story

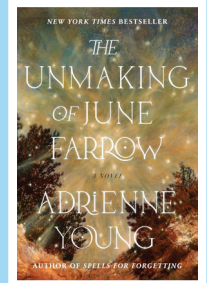
Book Discussion of *The Unmaking of June Farrow* by Adrienne Young

Thursday, October 24, 2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration begins Thursday, September 19.

The Farrow women are known for their thriving flower farm--and the mysterious curse that has plagued their family line. The whole town remembers the madness that led to Susanna Farrow's disappearance, leaving June to be raised by her grandmother and haunted by rumors. It's been a year since June started seeing and hearing things that weren't there. Faint wind chimes, a voice calling her name, and a mysterious door appearing out of nowhere—the signs of what June always knew was coming. But June is determined to end the curse once and for all, even if she must sacrifice finding love and having a family of her own. Copies of the book will be available for pick up at our Moriches branch starting September 19.



What's on your Nightstand?

Thursday, October 10, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at La Buena Vida Spanish Restaurant
(714 Montauk Hwy, Moriches, NY)

Registration begins Monday, September 30.

Deciding what to read next? Join us for a discussion about books at La Buena Vida! There is no assigned reading; chat about what you are currently reading, what you want to read, or your most favorite book of all time. Snacks will be provided. Wine and beer will be available for purchase.



The MMSCL is now participating in **Author Talks**.

These free, live virtual presentations are from some of the best-known authors.

Visit <https://library.org/communitylibrary> to see a list of upcoming authors and to register.

The featured September authors are:



A Journey into the Hidden World of Tropical Bats

with Scientists from the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute

Presented by Smithsonian Scientists Dr. Rachel Page, Dr. Dina Dechmann, and Dr. Teague O'Mara

Wednesday, October 2, 2:00 p.m.

Liberating Latin American Genre Fiction with Bestselling Author Silvia Moreno-Garcia

New York Times Bestselling Author of *Mexican Gothic* and *Gods of Jade and Shadow*

Wednesday, October 9, 7:00 p.m.

Maybe You Should Talk to Someone: Examining the Truths and Fictions we Tell Ourselves with Lori Gottlieb.

Instant New York Times Bestseller of *Maybe You Should Talk to Someone*

Tuesday, October 22, 2:00 p.m.



Your Library Loves to Help

Small Business Mentoring

Do you want to open your own business and are not sure where to start? Are you a business owner who needs advice?

Meet with a SCORE business mentor for one-to-one help. To register, please call the Adult Reference Desk at 631-399-1511 ext. 1028 or 2014. **Open to all.**



Social Work Assistance

The library will be providing social work assistance by our licensed Social Worker Alex, as well as, Anne our student Social Work intern. They can help connect individuals to services and appropriate resources for housing, financial assistance, referrals for all types of programs, completing various forms and applications, and much more. Appointments are required. **Open to all.**

Make a one-hour appointment with Alex:

Wednesdays, October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Thursdays, October 10 and 24, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Make a one-hour appointment with Anne:

Tuesdays, October 1, 8, 22, 29, 12:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Fridays, October 4, 11, 18, 25, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group

**Thursdays, October 3 and 17
6:30 – 7:30 p.m.**

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Register now.

The Family and Children's Association is hosting a support group for caregivers who care for someone with dementia or memory loss. This group is for spouses, children, or any other family members or friends who are caring for someone with memory loss. **Open to all.**



Job and Career Counseling

Saturday, October 5, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Register for a one-on-one session with our seasoned Career Counselor for students and professionals to help with resumes, cover letters, interview etiquette, job searching techniques, and career transition advice! *For MMSCL cardholders only. Appointments required.*

GED Prep Class

**Tuesdays and Thursdays, October 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29,
November 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, December 3, and 5
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.**

Held at William Floyd High School.

Registration begins

Friday, September 27.

Need help preparing for the General Educational Development Test known as GED? This program will help get you started. Focus will

be on math and reading/writing. Fee: \$30.00 payable by credit card or money order (payable to MMSCL) only. Non-refundable. Class intended for adults aged 18 and over. **Open to all.**



Heart Saver CPR/AED Certification Course

**Sunday, October 13
12:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration begins Wednesday, October 2.

In this class you will learn the basics and be certified to perform CPR and use an automated external defibrillator (AED) from trained Shirley EMS staff. You will receive a student manual and an ecard from the American Heart Association after completion. Materials fee: \$20.00 (non-refundable)



ABC's of Medicare

**Tuesday, October 15
6:30 – 7:30 p.m.**

Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration begins Tuesday, October 1.

This informative workshop will provide you with information on Medicare basics, important terminology, enrollment periods, plan types, and cost assistance. Join Medicare Specialist Kiersten to learn about lowering your prescription costs, health insurance options and how to maximize your entitlements.



HIICAP Medicare Assistance

Wednesday, October 16, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Register now.

A HIICAP counselor from RSVP can assist you with Medicare and health insurance questions, reviewing Medicare Part D plans and more. Appointments required. **Open to all.**



Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

**Thursday, October 17
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

No registration required.

A SNAP Program Coordinator from the Health and Welfare Council of Long Island can help individuals and families apply for SNAP. **Open to all.**



Maximizing your Social Security Benefits in Retirement

Wednesday, October 23, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration begins Monday, October 7.

Financial planner, Wes Triani, LUTCF, FSS will be educating our residents on the various options available when considering Social Security Benefits in partnership with other retirement benefits. Other topics discussed will be spousal, divorce and disability aspects of Social Security.



Arts and Crafts

Fee based programs are non-refundable. The instructor will provide a materials kit (minus paints) unless otherwise noted. Materials kits will be held for one week after the scheduled class. Intended for adults 18 years and older.

Crochet and Knit

Wednesdays, October 2 and 16, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Register now.

All skill levels are welcome! Crochet/Knit instructor Corrine can assist you with an existing project or help you get started on a new one. Bring your own 4-ply yarn and appropriate crochet hooks or knitting needles. **Open to all.**

Scarecrow Door Hanger

Monday, October 7, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration begins

Monday, September 30.

Join craft instructor Laurie and make this cheerful scarecrow door hanger. Materials fee: \$10.00 (non-refundable)



Beginner Sketching and Drawing with Colored Pencils

Tuesday, October 8, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration begins Friday, September 27.

Join local artist Jennifer Lucas to learn the basics of sketching and drawing using colored pencils. Materials needed for class: A set

of 24 Prismacolor colored pencils (either Premier or Scholar), Prismacolor colorless blender pencil, a plastic eraser, a hand sharpener and a Strathmore colored pencil paper pad.

Open to all.



Learn the Art of Quilting

Wednesday, October 9

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Register now.

All levels of experience are welcome to join the group. Our instructors Gloria and Sandy can assist you with an existing project or get you started on a new one.



Fresh Floral Teacups

Thursday, October 17

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration begins

Tuesday, October 1.

Join Cindy to learn about floral arranging with native fall flowers. Participants will design a fresh fall floral arrangement in teacup. Each one will be unique. Use them as a fall centerpiece or give as a gift. All materials will be provided. Materials fee: \$10.00 (non-refundable). No kit.



Beginner Painting: Pumpkin Sun Catcher

Thursday, October 24, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch.

Registration begins Wednesday, October 9.

Join painting instructor Linda and create this adorable sun catcher to hang in your window. Materials fee: \$9.00 (non-refundable).

Take Care of Yourself

Start Your Day the Right Way Walking Club

Tuesdays, October 8, 15, 22, 29, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Held at the Wertheim National Wildlife Refuge.

Registration begins Tuesday, October 1.

Improve your health with a refreshing walk around this local treasure. Join other patrons and bring a friend. We will meet at the trail entrance picnic table and leave promptly at 9:30 a.m. Dress appropriately for rugged trails. Weather permitting. **Open to all.**

Self-Care Spa Night: Pumpkin Spice Scrub

Choose one session:

Monday, October 14, 6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

Held at our Moriches branch OR

Monday, October 28, 6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch

Registration begins Friday, October 4.

Explore the mind-body connection while you create a DIY spa treatment and spend some time pampering yourself! We'll create a seasonal pumpkin spice face & body scrub for a five-senses self-care experience. Presented by Healing Arts with Stony Brook University.



Fun and Games

Board Game Night

Thursday, October 3

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Attention all tabletop game enthusiasts! Come join Games Master Games for a night filled with board action.



Computers & Technology

Science

Amateur Astronomy

Thursday, October 3

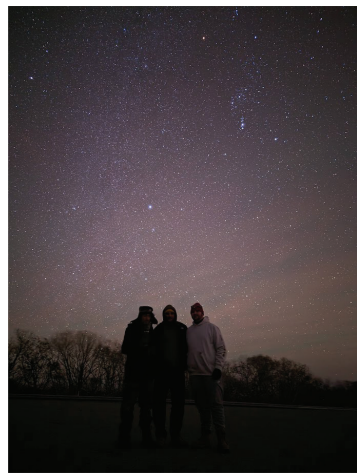
7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Held at our
Moriches branch.

Registration begins

Thursday, September 26.

Join us for a night of stargazing and astronomy! Amateur astronomer JD Verbeck will teach you to observe the night sky using telescopes, binoculars, and the naked eye. Through JD's telescope you will observe galaxies, nebulae, star clusters, and planets while learning how these spectacular objects form and evolve in the universe. Bring your own binoculars and/or telescopes!



Scientific Equipment used in Paranormal Investigations

Tuesday,

October 22

7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Held at our
Moriches branch.

Registration begins

Tuesday, October 8.

Join **Long Island Paranormal Investigators** for an exciting lecture on the scientific equipment used in paranormal investigations. Discover the tools and technology that researchers employ to explore the mysteries of the supernatural.



English as a New Language (ENL) and Citizenship

Registration ongoing.

Classes offered to district residents include English as a New Language, Family Literacy, and U.S. Citizenship Preparation. For more information, call 631-399-1511 ext. 2002 or visit the Literacy Trailer, 369 Neighborhood Road in Mastic Beach. Pre-registration is required.

Inglés como nuevo idioma (ENL) y ciudadanía

La registraci3n est1 abierta.

Las clases que se ofrecen s3lo a los residentes del distrito incluyen Ingl3s como Nuevo Idioma, Family Literacy, y Clases de Tutoría de Ciudadanía Estadounidense. Para m1s informaci3n, llame al 631-399-1511, ext. 2002 o visite la oficina de Literacy en el tr1ailer blanco detr1s del edificio, 369 Neighborhood Road en Mastic Beach. Se requiere registro.

Friendly Italian Conversation

Thursdays,

October 10, 17, 24,

November 7, 14, 21

7:00 – 8:45 p.m.

Held at the Mastic
Recreation Center.

Registration begins Tuesday, October 1.

Welcome! Join Ms. Antonella for Friendly Italian Conversation. *Benvenuti! Siete invitati a partecipare ad un imparare l'Italiano con la Prof.ssa Antonella.* Learn basic conversational Italian in a relaxed setting; all levels and returning students are welcome. Bring a notebook and pen to class.



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Community Costume Swap Donations

Monday, September 23 – Friday, October 18

Held at all open Library Locations.

Help us celebrate the 'Great Give Back' by donating costumes for our annual Community Costume Swap. Donate clean, gently used or new costumes and accessories (all sizes welcome). Costume donations are being accepted from September 23 to October 18 at all open library locations. You are welcome to donate without an obligation to exchange.

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Great Give Back – Community Costume Swap

Saturday, October 19, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Held at our Mastic Beach branch.

Drop by to select a 'new to you' costume for this October. Costumes are available on a first-come, first-served basis. This fun and festive event is open to all ages, so bring the whole family and find the perfect costume for your next celebration. Costumes are available in 'as is' condition, while supplies last.

Download our app! Search MMSCL in the app store on your smartphone or mobile device to begin installation.



The Board of Trustees meets on the fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Meetings are open and the public is always invited to attend. If you have any questions about any library matter, please call the Library Director, Kerri Rosalia, at 631-399-1511, ext. 1001.

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201 Montauk Highway
Moriches 11955

Mastic Beach Branch
369 Neighborhood Road
Mastic Beach 11951

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15 Herkimer Street
Mastic 11950

Library hours at all locations:

Monday – Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.*

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