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Have questions for library staff members?
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- **Email Us:** go to www.communitylibrary.org and click Ask Us a Question
- **Text Us:** Text MMSCL to 66746 and then ask your question (Message/data rates may apply)
- **Call Us:** 631-399-1511 and follow the menu to get in touch with the department you need

A library staff member is working during these library hours:

Monday – Thursday 9 am-9 pm

Friday 9 am-6 pm

Saturday 9 am-5 pm

Staff members in each department - Children's, Teen, Adult and Digital Services are specialists in their areas and are ready to help you!

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WE ARE NOW ANSWERING CALLS, DIAL (631) 399-1511 TO SPEAK WITH LIBRARY STAFF

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, x413.

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There are creative projects for every occasion with downloadable patterns, templates and recipes. From sewing to drawing, Creativebug offers something for everyone to create. Topics include craft technology, drawing, painting, print making, mixed media, sewing, quilting, crocheting, paper crafts, home décor, cake decorating, jewelry making and more. The inclusive belief that everyone is creative and it is OK to be a beginner at something is evident throughout the Creativebug experience.



Classes never expire, and you can start and stop at your own pace.

Any computer, tablet or smartphone running iOS or Android operating system works with the collection. From your computer:

<https://www.communitylibrary.org> and go to the section **Learn New Skills Online**. You will see Creativebug listed. ■

**Interview with the
Library Director**

As seen in the *South Shore Press News*

**SS Press: How has the virus affected
library services?**

KR: While the building is closed and there is no physical lending, residents can access many programs online. I encourage everyone to visit www.communitylibrary.org and subscribe to our eNewsletter. Here you will get regular updates and keep up with what's available. There's also plenty on YouTube, Instagram, and Facebook. More people are downloading ebooks than ever before, we have increased our download limits on ebooks, movies and music to respond to greater demand.

**SS Press: The library had to close March 15 because of the virus.
What was it like transitioning into this unprecedented situation?**

KR: The challenge was setting it up so the staff could work from home, to continue providing services remotely. We needed laptops, devices, online meeting software; the bills needed to be paid. We had to wait for an executive order from the governor to conduct trustee meetings online. It was also a challenge to coordinate the planning for our new projects remotely.

SS Press: Will there be any change once the library is allowed to reopen?

KR: We are looking forward to it and we miss seeing our residents. Yet, we want everyone to be safe, so we will be very cognizant of social distancing and basic safety—Personal Protective Equipment such as masks, gloves. Hand sanitizing will be important and we are looking into acrylic surrounds to safeguard everyone. There will probably be no large in-person programs for a while and we're waiting for the state to decide if our trustee election will be by mail ballots. The library will be a little different for the foreseeable future as we follow the federal, state and county guidelines for reopening.

SS Press: Can you give us an update on the library renovation?

KR: Sure, the planning process is moving forward despite the challenges of social distancing and we are staying on target with the design development phase. The necessary documents are all being worked on with the architect, designers, project managers. The construction will go out to public bid and there are various requirements in that process to be met; plus, there are approvals needed from the state. ■



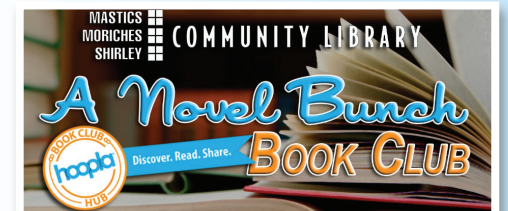
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A Novel Bunch Book Club

A Novel Bunch Book Club is dedicated to reading and discussing a specific book. Each month, we read a book from our Hoopla Digital service and discuss it in the group a couple of weeks after we announce the book selection. In between, we'll share information related to the book, the setting, the author, and more. To join, go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/MMSCLNovelBunch/> ■



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Facebook Book Club: Mastics Moriches Shirley Community Library Relax and Read Book Club (public facebook group)

Facebook Book Club: A Novel Bunch Book Club (Read same ebook & discuss)



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