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# COMMUNITY LIBRARY

## Library Building Project Update

Work is finishing up at the **Mastic Beach and Moriches neighborhood branches**. For up to date information about the three-building bond project, please visit <https://buildinginfo.communitylibrary.org/>

The Mastic Beach Satellite Branch on Neighborhood Road is almost complete and will be open to the public by mid-January 2023. Staff is moving in and setting up furniture, collections and computers during December to get library services ready. It is 7,000 square feet on one level with ample parking, an outdoor program space, and a one-acre library park across the street. Keep an eye out on social media for a grand opening announcement in January!



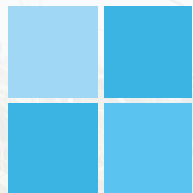
The **Moriches Satellite Branch** is almost complete and features 7,000 square feet on one level with convenient parking and a huge outdoor yard for program space. We are awaiting delivery of the front door and a few other interior features. It is built in the same architectural style as the adjacent 95-year-old Little Red Schoolhouse. This branch is scheduled to be open sometime in February 2023.

**Main Library Status** -When the main library's exterior demolition was completed, engineers identified unanticipated issues — related to previous renovation projects — that require immediate remediation. The primary issues focus on ensuring

the structural integrity of the elevator shafts and making them ADA compliant, steel beams with insufficient support, as well as exterior wall fortification. These unforeseen issues will add time to the main building construction process.

While the cost of this remediation work has not been fully determined, the library cannot borrow more than the \$22.7-million-dollar amount authorized by voters. Moreover, the library trustees are committed to not going back to the community to ask for additional borrowing. Instead, we will be aggressively seeking private foundation and government grants, as well as working with the construction team to identify all available cost-saving options. Our goal is to deliver modern, state-of-the-art library buildings that the community deserves and needs.





# Children & Parents

For more descriptions of children and family events, go to [www.communitylibrary.org](http://www.communitylibrary.org) and click on the Programs button or call 631-399-1511.

Make sure to check our online program calendar for program locations. Some program locations may change as our new branches begin to open.

**ALL IN-PERSON PROGRAMS ARE OFFERED  
IN-PERSON ONLY, SUPPLIES  
WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP.**

## Crafts-To-Go

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

**PROGRAM REGISTRANTS MUST ARRIVE WITHIN 10 MINUTES OF THE START OF EACH PROGRAM OR THEIR RESERVATION WILL BE FORFEITED.**

## BABIES / PRESCHOOL & PARENTS

### Messy Meetups Inside and Out

Wednesdays, January 4, 11, 18  
and 25, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Registration begins

Wednesday, December 28.

We're getting messy indoors and out this winter! Join us for child-led, creative playtime at the library. Each week we will explore a different creative activity and some sensory play together. We will spend time outside as well, so please be prepared for the weather! Have fun getting messy with your child and meeting other families. Dress for mess. These activities require close adult supervision by parent or guardian. **Children ages 2-5 years with an adult.** (Siblings 7 years and under are welcome to attend.)



### National Bubble Bath Day Celebration

Sunday, January 8  
1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Registration begins

Friday, December 30.

Come dressed for mess and play with foam, bubbles and all things bubble bath, without getting in a tub! **Children ages 2-4 years with an adult.**



### Little Creators Art Studio

Tuesday, January 10

10:00 – 10:45 a.m.

Registration begins

Tuesday January 3.

Join us as we explore the world of unstructured 'process art', where the goal is not to create something specific, but just to create! We'll paint, glue, sculpt, stamp, and more. Be prepared for very messy play! **Children 18 months-5 years with an adult.**



### My First Winnie the Pooh

Wednesday, January 18, 11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Registration begins January 11.

Join Eeyore (Ms. Hillary) for story time and a craft to celebrate Winnie the Pooh Day. **Children 2-5 years with an adult.**

### Babies Book Club

Monday, January 30, 10:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Registration begins Monday, January 23.

Share stories, sing songs and enjoy a free play and social time. Each child will go home with a free book to add to their own bookshelf. **Babies birth-23 months with an adult.**

## PARENTING

### Positive Parenting VIRTUAL

Tuesdays, January 17, 24, 31, February 7, 14 and 21  
6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Registration begins Tuesday, January 3.

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.

### PASTA (Parenting the Second Time Around)

Monday, January 23, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, January 16.

\*If you need childcare, you must register the child or children also. (Ages 3+)

Grandparent/Caregiver support group.

Get the information, support and resources you need to navigate the challenges of raising your grandchild or relatives. **Grandparents/ Caregivers raising grandchildren or other family members.**





# SCHOOLAGE / TWEEN

## Tail-Waggin' and Readin' Fun!

**Tuesdays,  
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.**

*Drop in.*

*No registration necessary.*

Children are invited to drop in and read their favorite book to a certified therapy dog. This activity helps strengthen reading skills while children gain confidence in reading out loud. **Grades K-6.**



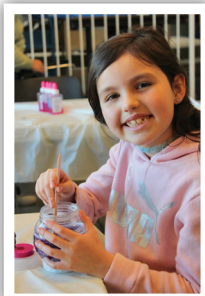
## Melted Snowman Shape Craft

**Friday, January 6, 4:30 – 5:00 p.m.**

*Registration begins*

*Friday, December 30.*

Join Ms. Emily in making a winter-time collage! **Grades K-2.**



## Vision Board Day - Hooray!

**Saturday, January 14**

**1:00 – 2:00 p.m.**

*Registration begins*

*Saturday, January 7.*

This day seeks to help us to reimagine and achieve goals in every area of life by effectively visualizing them to life. Bring images that represent things you would like to envision within your life or goals when attending. **Grades 3-6.**



## Lego Club: Winter Wonders

**Tuesday, January 17, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.**

*Registration begins Tuesday, January 10.*

Let's build! This month we will be making Winter themed Lego creations to display in the Children's Department! Build snowmen, sleighs, and more to celebrate the snowy season. **Grades 3-6.**

## Winnie the Pooh Day

**Wednesday, January 18, 4:30 – 5:00 p.m.**

*Registration begins*

*Wednesday, January 11.*

Join Eeyore (Ms. Hillary) for a story time and craft to celebrate Winnie the Pooh Day. **Grades K-2.**



## Books & Bingo

**Thursday, January 16**

**6:00 – 6:45 p.m.**

*Registration begins Thursday, January 19.*

Come join us for a few rounds of fun themed bingo games! We will play Harry Potter, Star Wars, Marvel Superhero, Disney BINGO and more. All winners will receive a free book! **Grades K-3.**

# FAMILIES

## World Braille Day

**Wednesday, January 4, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.**

*Drop-in. No registration necessary.*

Every year January 4th is celebrated as World Braille Day to raise awareness of the importance of Braille as a means of communication for blind and partially sighted people. Stop in to explore this alternative communication medium. **Families.**

## Sticker Day Fun

**Friday, January 13, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.**

*Drop in. No registration necessary.*

Drop-in to craft, color and design custom stickers for national sticker day. Decorate for yourself or give a gift to a friend. **Families.**

## Winter Playdough Drop-In

**Tuesday, January 17**

**10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**Thursday, January 19**

**3:00 – 6:00 p.m.**

*No registration needed.*

*Drop in anytime to play!*

Join us for some winter-themed scented playdoh fun! Make snowmen, arctic animal habitats, or use your imagination to create just about anything. **Families.**



## Chinese New Year: Year of the Rabbit Celebration

**Sunday, January 22, 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.**

*Registration begins January 15.*

*Register one child in grades K-6 to represent the family.*

Celebrate the Chinese New Year by decorating a lantern and learning about the animals that represent each year. **Families with at least one child in grades K-6.**

# ON THE ROAD

## Family Roller Skating Night @ GR8SKATES

**Thursday, January 19, 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.**

*Must arrive by 6:00 p.m. or reservation will be forfeited.*

*Registration begins Thursday, January 12. Register each person separately with their own library card. Limited availability.*

Join your friends and neighbors at the GR8SKATES Roller Rink! Register each family member for free admission and skate rental (**only those registered will be able to enter the building**). Concessions and arcade games are available for purchase. PVC skate trainers are \$5 each and while supplies last. All skaters must sign a waiver at arrival or prior on their website. Helmets for young children are optional and are not provided. The smallest skate size available is a youth 10 boys. No roller blades are allowed at GR8SKATES. **Families with at least one child entering grade 6 and younger.**



## Messy Meetups @ Southaven Park

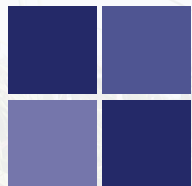
**Saturday, January 21, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.**

*Registration begins Saturday, January 14.*

*Register one child 2-6 years to represent the family.*

Come explore the "Forest School" trend with your family. Messy Meetups is an outdoor all-weather program designed to expose families to the concept of child-directed messy outdoor play, and to meet other families with young children who also love to be outside. See program calendar for location and additional program details. **Families with at least one child 2 - 6 years. Siblings welcome.**





# 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](http://www.communitylibrary.org) or contact the Teen Services Desk at 631-399-1511.

Make sure to check our online program calendar for program locations. Some program locations may change as our new branches begin to open.

## Fun and Games

### Weekly Trivia - Virtual

**Mondays, January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**

*Registration is not required.*

Check out our weekly trivia!

A new quiz link will be posted every Monday at 3 p.m. and you can participate until Friday at 6 p.m. The link will be posted on Discord.



### Puzzle Night! - Virtual

**Thursdays, January 5, 12, 19, 26, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

*Registration is not required.*

Complete a virtual jigsaw puzzle every Thursday with Ms. Erica! The link to each week's puzzle will be posted in our discord.

### Gaming Café

**Tuesday, January 3, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

*This is a drop-in program.*

Play board games and Jackbox games while hanging out with your friends.



### Jackbox Games

**Friday, January 13, 5:45 to 7:30 pm**

*Registration is open.*

Play Jackbox games and eat pizza with your friends.

### D&D

**Tuesday, January 17, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

*Registration is open.*

Play with Ms. Chelsea, Ms. Sam and your friends in an epic table-top adventure full of magic, puzzles and more. Characters and dice will be provided.

### Magic the Gathering Club

**Wednesday, January 18**

**4:00 – 5:00 p.m.**

*Registration begins*

*Monday, December 19.*

Sign-up to learn how to play Magic the Gathering! Bring your own deck or use one of ours.



### Escape from the Vault of Ice

**Friday, January 20**

**5:45 – 7:30 p.m.**

*Registration begins*

*Wednesday, December 21.*

Can you Escape from the Vault of Ice before the time is up? Have fun in this wizarding world escape room!



## Inclusive Programs

### Enrichment Bingo!

**Thursday, January 12**

**3:30 – 4:30 p.m.**

*Registration is open.*

With Ms. Currao (WFHS

Special Education

Teacher) and Nick Nappi,

program manager. This

is an inclusive program for those that are 6th through 12th grade. 15 Herkimer St, Mastic.



### Pizza & a Movie

**Thursday, January 19**

**4:30 – 6:00 p.m.**

*Registration is open.*

Eat pizza and watch Lyle, Lyle

Crocodile with Ms. Currao

(WFHS Special Education

Teacher) and Nick Nappi,

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inclusive program for those

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## Your Library Loves to Help

### Rainbow Soup

**Wednesdays, January 4, 11, 18, 25, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

*This is a drop-in program.*

However you identify, whatever your personal pronouns, you are invited to be a part of this program. Mr. Alex, a social worker, will be here to help answer questions and offer guidance. Participate on discord if you cannot come in person.



## Arts and Crafts



### Get Crafty

Tuesdays, January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

*This is a drop-in program.*

Drop-in to make assorted crafts with Ms. Erica every Tuesday.

### Art Club

Wednesdays,

January 4, 11, 18, 25

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Fridays,

January 6, 13, 20, 27

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

*This is a drop-in program.*

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



### Paint Night

Friday, January 27

5:45 – 7:30 p.m.

*Registration is open.*

Follow along to a painting tutorial and make a masterpiece with your friends!



### Pamper Yourself

Wednesdays, January 11 and 25, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

*This is a drop-in program.*

Create your own spa-related goodies with Ms. Sam.

### Knit and Crochet Club

Tuesday, January 24, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

*This is a drop-in program.*

Work on a different project each month that will be donated to various organizations. This is not an instructional program.



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

### Kindness Rocks

Earn one hour of community service once a month by decorating rocks and placing them around the community to spread joy.



### Review a Library Service

Earn one hour of community service, once a month, by reviewing a library service.

### Shelter Pet Bandanas

Tuesday, January 10, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

*Registration begins Tuesday, December 27.*

Help shelter pets find their fur-ever homes by decorating bandanas.



### Pet Drive Volunteers

Saturday, January 14

1:00 – 2:00 p.m. OR 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

*Registration begins Saturday, December 31.*

Sign-up to help us sort donated items and decorate bandanas for the Brookhaven Animal Shelter.

### Valentine's Day Cards

Tuesday, January 31

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

*Registration begins*

*Tuesday, January 17.*

Brighten a homebound person's day by making them a Valentine's Day card!



## Entertainment

### Pizza and a Movie

Friday, January 6

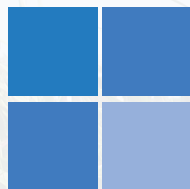
5:45 – 7:30 p.m.

*Registration is open.*

Sign-up to watch *The Princess Bride* and eat pizza!







# Adults

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## ALL-IN-PERSON PROGRAMS

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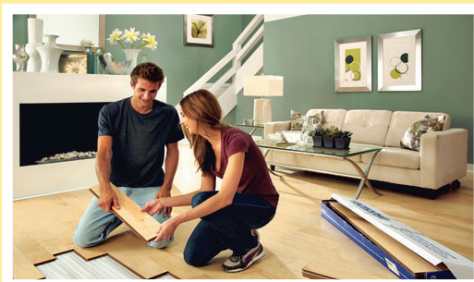
### Home Improvement Series: *Your Home's Interior*

Saturday, January 14  
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Register now.

Discover the types of materials that comprise the interior of your home and the importance of maintaining them. Join Brian to learn about wall construction, ceiling materials, flooring, tiles, and door locks.

Remember to bring questions and photos for suggestions on your projects. Open to all.



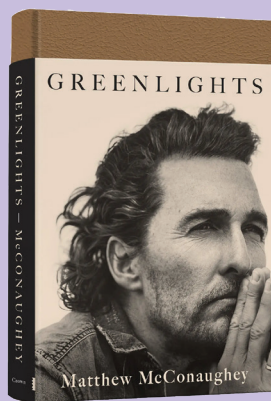
## Everyone Loves a Story

### Book Discussion of *Greenlights*

Thursday, January 19, 2:15 – 4:15 p.m.

Register now.

From Academy Award-winning actor, Matthew McConaughey, comes an unconventional memoir filled with raucous stories, outlaw wisdom, and lessons learned the hard way about living with greater satisfaction. *Greenlights* invites readers to grapple with the lessons of life as he did, and to see that the point is never to win, but to understand. It's a love letter to life, but also a guide to catching more greenlights, and to realizing that the yellows and reds eventually turn green too.



## Take Care of Yourself

### Relax with Yoga

Tuesdays, January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Registration begins Tuesday, December 27.

This yoga practice is guided from a chair and mat to provide options and variations for accessibility. You will be encouraged to move at your own pace and in a way that is kind to your body. It is a practice for beginners or anyone looking to find extra room to breathe and decompress, focusing on connecting breath and movement, and creating length and strength in the body.

## Inclusive Services

### Enrichment

Thursday, January 12

4:45 – 5:45 p.m.

Let's Play BINGO



Thursday, January 19

4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Pizza and a Movie (*Lyle, Lyle Crocodile*)

Register now.

Join your friends, including Ms. Currao (WFHS Special Education Teacher) and Nick Nappi, program manager. This is an inclusive program for those 18 years and older. This is a drop-off program.

### English as a New Language (ENL) and Citizenship

Monday-Friday, morning and evening

Registration ongoing.

Classes offered to district residents include English as a New Language, Family Literacy, and U.S. Citizenship Tutoring. 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

lunes-viernes, mañana y noche

La registración está abierta.

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





# Your Library Loves to Help

## Help with Everyday Problems

**Tuesdays, January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 12:00 – 3:00 p.m.**

A Case Manager from Colonial Youth and Family Services can assist patrons with issues relating to housing, insurance, food stamps, emergency services and other advocacy resources and referrals. *Appointments required.*

## Social Worker Assistance

**Wednesdays, December 7, 14, 21, 28, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

Social Worker Alex can help with locating resources for housing, financial assistance, familial/custodial issues, substance abuse programs and much more. *Appointments required.*



## Savings Goals for the New Year

**Saturday, January 7, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.**

*Registration begins Monday, December 26.*

Make your financial goals a reality this New Year. Learn methods to help you save money for expenses, goals, and emergencies. *Presented by Flushing Bank.*

## Job and Career Counseling

**Saturday, January 14  
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

Get help with resumes, job searches, interviewing techniques and explore career options with our Career Counselor. *For MMSCL cardholders only. Appointments required.*



## 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 SCORE Business mentors for one-on-one help. To register, you must call the Library at 631-399-1511. *Open to All.*

## HIICAP Medicare/Medicaid Assistance

**Wednesday, January 18, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.**

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

# Craft Corner

*Fee based programs are non-refundable. The instructor will provide a materials kit; unless otherwise noted (minus paints). Intended for adults 18 years and older.*

## Crochet & Knit Group

**Wednesday,**

**January 4 and 18**

**1:30 – 2:30 p.m.**

*Registration begins*

*Friday, December 23.*

All skill levels are welcome!

Crochet/Knit instructor

Corinne can assist you with

an existing project or help

you get started on a new one. No formal instruction will be given but

general knowledge will be shared. Bring your own 4 ply yarn and

appropriate crochet hooks or knitting needles. Open to all.



## Intermediate Painting:

### Valentine Hearts Plaque

**Thursday, January 5, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.**

*Registration begins*

*Thursday, December 29.*

Join painting instructor Linda and learn

how to paint an adorable two-piece

Valentine plaque. Materials needed for

class: 3/4 wash brush, Shaders #10 and

#12, Drybrush, extra fine marker – Sharpie

or Identipen. Materials fee: \$15.00.



## Beginner Sketching and Drawing

**Tuesday, January 17, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.**

*Registration begins Tuesday, January 3.*

Join art instructor Jennifer Lucas to

learn the basics of sketching and

drawing. Materials needed for class:

HB, 2B and 4B pencils, a kneaded

eraser, a small clear ruler and a sketchbook or sketchpad.



## Learn the Art of Quilting

**Wednesday, January 11, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.**

*Registration begins Monday, January 2.*

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

## Valentine Heart Door Hanger

**Wednesday, February 1**

**7:00 – 9:00 p.m.**

*Registration begins*

*Friday, January 20.*

Join craft instructor Laurie and make

this adorable Valentine door hanger.

The heart measures 14". Please

bring a pair of scissors to class.

Materials fee: \$10.00.



## Friendly Spanish Conversation

**Thursdays, January 12, 19, 26, February 2, 9, 16, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.**

*Registration begins Thursday, December 29.*

Learn basic conversational Spanish in a relaxed setting. All levels are welcome! ¡Todos los niveles son bienvenidos!

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## Creative Writer's Workshop

Thursday, January 12, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Registration begins Friday, December 30.

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.



## Technology

Etsy

### Let's Sell on Etsy!

Wednesday, January 11,  
7:00 – 8:30 p.m. via Zoom

Registration begins Wednesday, December 28.

This beginner's guide to the online marketplace Etsy will help prospective entrepreneurs learn how to launch their own online store to monetize their crafting or collecting passion. The presentation will offer tips and tricks for each stage of the selling process, from basic set-up to boosting sales through quality photo techniques, well-crafted descriptions, and effective marketing strategies. Note: this virtual program requires internet access and a valid email address.

## Connect with Nature

### Introduction to Surf Fishing

Wednesday, January 10, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Registration begins Wednesday December 28.

Join N.Y.S Certified Fishing Guide, Bernie Hoyt and learn basic surf fishing techniques to start your new fishing hobby. Fishing on the beach keeps you connected with nature, increases your vitamin D and builds muscle and dexterity.



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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.

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All programs are available to Mastics-Moriches-Shirley Community Library cardholders and require advanced registration, unless otherwise indicated. Please have your library card available when you register. The Library is glad to provide reasonable accommodations for patrons with special needs. Please call us at least two weeks prior to the program to make arrangements. Photographs, footage and names of patrons attending library programs may be used for publicity. Please inform us if you do not want information about you and your family used for such publicity.



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