

July 2022 SHELTER ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY MONTHLY EVENTS



THE BEST OF SUMMER!

Who doesn't love Shelter Island in July? The beaches and farm stands, hikes in Mashomack, ice cream at the Tuck Shop and, of course, so many wonderful programs at the library. From author appearances to family games to all kinds of crafts, we have something for everyone this month. Don't miss our annual Tent Week activities, described on the newsletter insert, from July 25th to July 30th! I also hope to see many of you to talk about what you would like to see in an expanded and renovated library. I will be at the Farmers Market on July 2nd and 23rd so please drop by and say hello. I have received so many wonderful suggestions and would love to hear yours.

Terry Lucas, Library Director



CLOTHING SWAP UNDER THE TENT

A group of wonderful Shelter Island moms (the "Mom Squad") are determined to keep clothing out of the landfill. They will be hosting a "clothing swap" under the library tent on July 9th, July 30th and August 27th. If you want to donate to the swap, drop off clothes of any size (adult or children's) in the school lobby anytime the school is open. On the day of the swap, please drop by to see if you can use any of the donated items. The library will have a table with books, games and puzzles to take home. No need to bring your wallet - everything is free. Reduce, Reuse, Recycle!



STORY TIME WITH THE GEISTS

Join the Geist family for a fun morning at the library at 10am on July 16th under the tent! New York Times bestselling children's author Christina Geist will be reading *Buddy's New Buddy*, a sweet story about creating new friendships by discovering what we have in common. Christina will be joined by her husband, Willie Geist, host of NBC's Sunday TODAY and MSNBC's Morning Joe. Readers of all ages are welcome as Christina shares this coming-of-age story and the author secrets behind the making of her 3rd picture book. Signed copies will be available on site from Finley's Fiction.



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THE MONTHLY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

will be held on **Monday, July 11th at 7:00pm**. The meeting will take place in the library's Community Room.

We will be **CLOSED** on **Monday, July 4th** to celebrate Independence Day!

SUMMER READING PROGRAMS: LET'S READ A LATTE AND OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES

Saturday, June 25th through Saturday, August 13th

Adults may sign up and get your reading packet at the Library for our Adult Summer Reading program, **Let's Read a Latte and Oceans of Possibilities**. Read four books to win a handy travel drinking cup. Read more books or solve our weekly Trivia Challenge to earn chances to win one of our three prize packages. Children and teens who love to read and win prizes can join the program. See Sara Garcia at the youth services desk to learn more.

NEWSLETTER KEY

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= Zoom



= Take and Make



= Inside

BOOK SALE ROOM

We are accepting gently used book donations for the Book Sale Room and our Free Book Cart. Please leave all donations in the book bin by the Book Sale Room entrance. We are asking that you leave no more than one box of book donations per month. Please, no magazines, textbooks or books in poor condition.

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

To register for Adult Programs please go to www.silibrary.org and scroll down to our Calendar of Events. This month we will be offering programs for both adults and children in a variety of formats. So, when you read your newsletter, please pay attention to the icons next to the program descriptions. If you follow this key, you will be sure to show up in the right place, either in person or remotely, to enjoy our programs to the fullest.

FRIDAY NIGHT DIALOGUES

JIM DOUGHERTY: *THE HANGMAN AND HIS WIFE*: Friday, July 1st, 7:00pm 🏠

The late Nancy Dougherty of Shelter Island is the author of *The Hangman and His Wife: The Life and Death of Reinhard Heydrich*, a gripping biography of a Nazi who was one of the architects of the Holocaust. Her husband, Jim Dougherty, who completed the book and brought it to publication, will talk about his late wife's work which has garnered rave reviews.



CENSORSHIP WITH TERRY LUCAS AND MARA ZONDERMAN: Friday, July 8th, 7:00pm 🗣️

Terry Lucas' many careers have included lawyer, bookseller and librarian. Mara Zonderman was a lawyer and lobbyist for non-profit organizations before she became a librarian. Join Terry and Mara as they discuss the issue of censorship in this timely webinar. A joint presentation of the Shelter Island Free Library and the Westhampton Free Library.

ROBERT LIPSYTE AND JULES FEIFFER: *FRIENDS IN CONVERSATION*: Friday, July 15th, 7:00pm 🏠

Author Robert Lipsyte and Pulitzer Prize winning author and cartoonist Jules Feiffer will have a conversation about Mr. Feiffer's life and work. The conversation will probably veer off into things going on in the world. No matter the topic, the conversation is sure to be engaging. And don't miss Mr. Feiffer's art work in our Community Room through July.

PETER LIGHTE: *THE OLD HORSE KNOWS THE WAY*: Friday July 22nd, 7:00pm 🏠

It is impossible to understand China's present—let alone its future—without grasping themes that have ricocheted through time from the distant past. Gifted with the good fortune of having studied Chinese history and philosophy and putting it to the test when first living in Beijing during the early 1980s, Sinologist Peter Lighte, 'The Old Horse', helps us to see the way forward.

NEW! CHESS CLASSES FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS: Children's classes on Saturdays July 30th, August 6th, August 20th and August 27th, 2:00 to 3:00pm. Adult classes will be held on the same dates from 3:00 to 4:00pm. 🏠

Avid chess players Johnny Dawson and his grandfather Jonas Gayer have organized a four session chess program for July. Johnny has won many tournaments and traveled widely to play in state and national championships. His grandfather started playing as a 6 year old in Poland. Johnny will teach children from 2:00 to 3:00pm and Jonas will teach adults from 3:00 to 4:00pm. They are looking forward to sharing their passion for chess with others at any skill level.

NEW! ITALIAN CONVERSATION: Saturdays July 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th, 9:45 to 10:45am 🏠 🗣️

Come explore the language and culture of Italy! Shelter Islander Frank Milano will lead this weekly group in a basic and elementary introduction to Italian. Emphasis will be on communication with some grammar, pronunciation, and listening skills. Please register early as the program is limited to 12 participants.

NEW! TECH TUESDAY: Tuesdays, July 5th and 19th, 1:00 to 4:00pm 🏠

Having trouble setting up Libby? Would you like to learn how to access email when you're away from home? The library staff will meet with you on a one-on-one basis to help you with your devices and answer questions that you may have. Please remember to bring user names and passwords for your devices, email and any sites you would like to access.

THE BASICS OF PHILOSOPHY WITH WENDY TURGEON: Thursdays, July 7th, 14th, and 21st, 10:00am 🏠

Please join us for a philosophy discussion roundtable. Our focus text will be *Philosophy* by Nigel Warburton. Our topics will range from God, art, politics, mind, appearance/reality to truth. The text should be fun reading but anyone is welcome who would like to engage in Socratic dialogue. All are welcome, whether you are sixteen or ninety. We can choose our topics as we go but maybe we will start with defining "decency," an important ethical concept that begs careful thinking.

WHAT ARE WE DRINKING TONIGHT?: A SHELTER ISLAND WATER PRIMER: Thursday, July 14th, 6:00pm 🏠

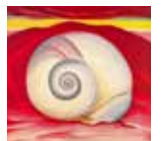
The Shelter Island Water Advisory Committee will present facts and myths about water on the island. Topics covered will include: a description of the aquifer, how water is directed and direction of flow, what is in our water, steps to prevent contamination/hazardous waste, how to prevent water waste in the home and well testing and more. Town Engineer Joseph Finora will answer your questions.

GREAT DECISIONS: RUSSIA AND THE U.S.: Thursday, July 21st, 5:30pm 🏠 🗣️

There are many areas of conflict between the United States and Russia. Among the issues are the war in Ukraine, Russian interference in American elections, Russia's support of cyber attacks and the fate of opposition leaders in Russia. Peter Pettibone, Independent Arbitrator & Mediator, Pettibone International ADR, will lend his expertise to this discussion. *This program will be at the library and on Zoom.*

ADULT CRAFT: SEASHELLS INTO PAINT - GEORGIA O'KEEFE: Thursday, July 14th, 2:00pm 🏠

Inspired by shells found on New York beaches, we will paint larger than life shell paintings in the style of American artist, Georgia O'Keeffe. Following a virtual art show of O'Keeffe's popular shell paintings, artist Joyce Raimondo, will demonstrate how to turn your favorite seashells into giant painted masterpieces. Register early as attendance is limited.



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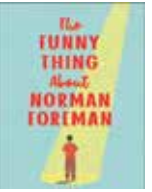
PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

BOOK CLUBS

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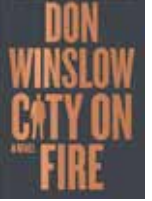
The Funny Thing about Norman Foreman by Julietta Henderson: Tuesday, July 12th, 5:00pm 🏠

The Shelter Island Book Club, led by Suzanne Louer, reads works of fiction and nonfiction with an emphasis on well-regarded contemporary fiction. Norman Foreman and his best friend Jax, although only 12 years old, had big plans for making it as a comedy duo. Jax's sudden death leaves Norman mourning. His mother, Sadie, tries to bring joy back into Norman's life with a road trip. Joined by Sadie's coworker Leonard, the trio find adventure and meet offbeat characters.



MYSTERY BOOK CLUB: City on Fire by Don Winslow: Tuesday, July 19th, 5:30pm 🏠

The Mystery Book Club, led by Jocelyn Ozolins, reads a broad range of mysteries from the 'cozy' to page-turning thrillers, spy novels and much more. *City on Fire* tells the story of two criminal empires that together control all of New England. A beautiful woman is the catalyst for a break in the alliance and for an all-out war from Providence to Hollywood and Las Vegas.



WILLA CATHER BOOK CLUB: Death Comes for the Archbishop: Saturday, July 23rd, 2:00pm 🗣️

Director Terry Lucas continues to focus on a classic author each year. This year, the Willa Cather Book Club explores the work of an iconic American writer. This book tells, in poetic prose, the trials of Bishop Jean Marie Latour and priest Joseph Vaillant as they strive to establish a diocese in New Mexico territory in the late nineteenth century. The novel portrays the clergy's relations with the Hopi and Navajo people and the construction of the Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi.



SHAKESPEARE IN COMMUNITY ONLINE

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM: Saturday, July 23rd, 12:30pm 🗣️

This beloved comedy is one of Shakespeare's most performed plays. Set in Athens, the play revolves around the marriage of Theseus, Duke of Athens and Hippolyta, Queen of the Amazons. Subplots include the trials of four lovers and a troupe of actors who are rehearsing a play for the wedding. All find themselves in a forest of mischief-making fairies who have love troubles of their own.



TAI CHI WITH DENISE GILLIES: Wednesdays, July 6th and July 20th, 5:00pm 🗣️

Discover this ancient art of well being. Easy to follow movements combine breath and intention to create a healthy body and a peaceful mind. Learn poetic sequences that improve balance, strength and flexibility. This class is designed to welcome beginners as well as practiced students. It is a combination of Tai Chi, Qigong and meditation. Instructor Denise Gillies has been teaching for over 12 years on the East End of Long Island.

MAH JONGG: Mondays, July 11th, 18th and 25th, 10:00am 🏠

Come join a friendly group of Mah Jongg enthusiasts. No need to be an expert, just join the fun and learn as you go.

ART/RICH POETRY ROUNDTABLE, A LITERARY CLUB: Tuesdays, July 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th, 4:00 to 5:30pm 🏠 🗣️

The Art/Rich Poetry Roundtable meets every Tuesday to discuss poetry in depth. We read poets of all styles and points of view from classical times to the present, and welcome readers of poetry who enjoy meeting with fellow lovers of poetry for lively discussion. No onerous rules: bring a poem and your enthusiasm. This program will be offered in person and on Zoom.

INTERMEDIATE FRENCH CONVERSATION: Thursdays, July 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th, 4:00pm 🗣️

Would you like to improve your French conversation skills? In this program we will have a weekly discussion on a wide range of topics. We watch movies, listen to podcasts, read books and even have presentations. Alix Shearer (native French speaker and Shelter Islander) will facilitate. There is no fee for this program but registration is required.

KNITTING CLUB: Thursdays, July 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th, 4:30pm 🏠

Our weekly Knitting Club is meeting at the big table upstairs in the library. Whether you are a long-time member or newly interested in knitting, we look forward to seeing you there!

ENGLISH AS A NEXT LANGUAGE (ENL): Tuesdays, July 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th, 10:00 am 🏠

We are happy to announce the return of our English as a Next Language program. This class is for anyone who speaks English as a second language. Join us to practice English through informal conversation. The teacher is Shelter Islander Karen Springer. This is a free class and childcare will be provided.

INGLÉS COMO PRÓXIMO IDIOMA (ENL): Los Martes, 5, 12, 19, y 26 de Julio, a las 10:00 de la mañana 🏠

¡Estamos felices porque nuestro programa de inglés como próximo idioma está regresando! Para cualquiera que quiera aprender o mejorar su inglés. Únete a nosotros para practicar inglés con conversaciones informales. La profesora es Karen Springer de Shelter Island. Este curso es gratis y el cuidado infantil está incluido.

You may register for all programs at www.silibrary.org. Masks are required for all in-person programs.

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Please register for all programs on our website www.silibrary.org. Take & Make quantities are limited. Spaces are limited for all in-person programs. Masks are required for children 2 and over.

EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

FIZZING SIDEWALK CHALK: Ages: 2+ 

Friday, July 1st, 1:00pm

Let's paint with liquid chalk! This is a special kind of chalk that will actually fizz and bubble when exposed to our magical spray bottles. Come check it out!

FARMSTAND STORY THYME: Ages: 2+ 

Saturdays at 10:30am (except July 16th) at the Sylvester Manor Farmstand

Come join Sara at the Sylvester Manor Farmstand for our outdoor Story Thyme! We'll read all kinds of books and have a great time.

BUBBLE HOUR: Ages: 2+ 

Every Saturday at 11:30am (except Saturday, July 9th)

Bubble hour is back! Come join your friends for some fabulous bubble fun. The program is held outdoors under the tent and yes, the bubble machine will be there.



PLAY-DOH PLAY: Ages: 2+ 

Tuesdays, July 5th and 19th, 1:00pm

Join us for our play-doh play program! We'll have plenty of tools and suggestions for you to create whatever wild, weird, or wonderful play-doh creation you'd like!

SENSORY HOUR: Ages: 0-5 

Every Tuesday & Wednesday at 10:30am except the last week of July

Come to the library and enjoy some of our developmental toys and have fun with friends! Be sure to register ahead of time to reserve your spot. If the weather permits, Sensory Hour will be held outside.

CHOMPIN' SHARK PUPPET: Ages: 2-5 

Pick up your kit between Tuesday, July 12th & Saturday, July 16th

It's not shark week but we've got a live one here! This adorable shark puppet is made with popsicle sticks and foam sheets (all provided). Catch one before they're gone!

CHRISTINA & WILLIE GEIST:

STORY TIME & BOOK SIGNING: Ages: 2+ 

Saturday, July 16th, 10:00am

Join the Geist family for a fun morning at the library! New York Times bestselling children's author, Christina Geist, will be reading *Buddy's New Buddy*, a sweet story about creating new friendships by discovering what we have in common. Christina will be joined by her husband, Willie Geist, host of NBC's Sunday TODAY and MSNBC's Morning Joe. Readers of all ages are welcome!

SHARK PORTHOLE SUN CATCHER: Ages: 2-5 

Saturday, July 23rd, 1:00pm

Did you know that a group of sharks is called a shiver? It's true! To go with our Oceans of Possibilities theme for summer reading we're bringing the sharks to us with this cute and easy craft.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

LEGO CLUB: Ages: 6+ 

Fridays, July 1st and 15th, 2:30-3:30pm

Join us for Lego Club! Create your wildest creations, challenge yourself to build something new, chat with friends and have fun.

STRAW SWING SET: Ages: 6+ 

Pick up your kit between Tuesday, July 5th & Saturday, July 9th

Get ready to design the cutest tiny swing (perfect for small toys or a cute summer decoration). This craft can be tricky so make sure to take your time.

SPLATTER PAINTING: Ages: 6+ 

Wednesday, July 6th, 1:00pm

Let's get ready to splatter! We're going to be using canvases and paint! This program will be outside under the tent due to extreme messiness. Dress for a mess.

MARIO KART TOURNAMENT: Ages: 6+ 

Friday, July 8th, 1:00pm

Get ready to race at our Mario Kart Tournament! There are no prizes, only fun. While Mario Kart is very easy to learn, we do recommend this program for those who already know how to play.

CHILDREN'S MOVIE DAY: Ages: 6+ 

Tuesday, July 12th, 1:30pm

We're watching *The Mitchells vs. The Machines* so grab your friends, grab some snacks, and get ready for fun! This movie is rated PG and is almost 2 hours long.

UNDER THE SEA GRAHAM CRACKERS: Ages: 6+ 

Saturday, July 16th, 1:00pm

Step into the delicious deep sea with these amazing graham crackers. Our Summer Reading Program reminds us that there is an Ocean of Possibilities and we'll prove it with these delectable snacks!

GOOFY ROBOTS: Ages: 6+ 

Pick up your kit between Tuesday, July 19th & Saturday, July 23rd

Have you ever wanted to build your own robot using a cardboard box and other awesome supplies? Well now you can! Request your kit now!

SUMMER CHESS CLUB: Ages: 6+ 

Saturday, July 30th from 2:00 to 3:00pm

Come join us for our first Summer Chess Club meeting led by Johnny Dawson. Johnny is an accomplished chess player who is ready to pass on his knowledge.



TWEEN/TEEN PROGRAMS

SUMMERTIME DUNGEONS & DRAGONS: Ages: 10+ 

Wednesdays in July & August from 10:00 to 12:00pm

Have you been wanting to play D&D but don't have someone to run a campaign? Get ready for an adventurous game of imagination and excitement with DM Cristian. Beginners welcome!

TWEEN KICKBALL GAME: Ages: 10+ 

Friday, July 15th, 1:00pm

Looking for something to do in the gorgeous weather? Come play kickball! This game is low-stress and high-fun so get your sneakers on and play ball!

SKATING PARTY AT THE GREENPORT AMERICAN LEGION GEORGE D. COSTELLO SR. MEMORIAL 





Saturday, July 9th from 1:00 to 3:00pm

Meet us at the Greenport American Legion for an afternoon of skating at our private party. We will provide skate rental and snacks. Permission slips are required. Please see Sara for more details.

BAD ART AFTERNOON: Ages: 10+ 

Friday, July 22nd, 2:00pm

Compete with your friends to see who can create the best, worst art piece of the night. There will be snacks, voting, and plenty of glitter.

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