

## *From the Director's Desk*

Dear Community,

As this will be the last “notes from the director” section written by me, I want to thank you all for everything you’ve helped the library achieve over the last two years. When I arrived in November of 2020, we were still in a very trepidatious arena with the pandemic. The library had just reopened a few months before and we were feeling our way through vaccinations, and protocols, being short-staffed and learning how to be a library in a post-normal world. You all welcomed me with open arms and made me feel at home.

I will miss each of you; I will miss my amazing team at the library – they are all gems. I will also miss my trustees, who deeply care for this library and community. Finally, I will miss our Friends of the Library – the very best Friend’s organization I’ve ever encountered – join them, you won’t be sorry you did. Please stay involved with and keep this library one of the best libraries in the country!

I wish you all a new year filled with brightness, wonder, excitement, and peace.

All my affection, until we meet again,



Tom Vitale, Library Director

# Message from The Friends



The Numbers Are In! This past year, the Library has seen an amazing increase in book loans, audio and visual material checkouts, use of our seed catalog, and the many personal services our library can offer. A huge THANKS to our great staff and the whole community for making Floyd Memorial Library the wonderful resource it is!

The Friends of Floyd Memorial Library sponsored a Blood Drive at the Greenport VFW Hall (and Skating Rink!) just after Thanksgiving. It turned out to be the highest turnout for blood donations for the past several years. Ninety-nine pints of blood and serum were collected, providing a life saving supply for hospitals and emergency teams in our area. Thanks to all who participated.

There are still Museum and Activity Passes available for both local, South Fork, and NYC venues. Check out what is available at the circulation desk.

Keep your eyes open for future information about our mid-winter GLOW Carnival, to be held in February. Everyone will be welcome for this evening of painting, drawing, and treats. Details soon!

Finally, the Friends wish you all a Merry and Happy Holiday Season filled with good cheer and happiness.

Tom Byrne, President  
Friends of Floyd Memorial Library

# Adult Programs

## ON GOING ADULT PROGRAMS

Life Drawing on **January 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st** from 10-12pm. Uninstructed figure drawing class provides an opportunity for independent study with professional models. The two-hour sessions consist of short poses ranging from two to twenty minutes. A monitor will be present to set up and time the poses. To register stop by, call or email [janet@floydmemoriallibrary.org](mailto:janet@floydmemoriallibrary.org)

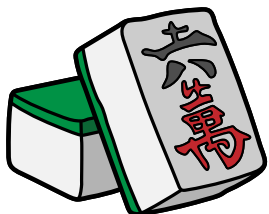


We are still offering HICAP (Health Insurance Information, Counseling, and Assistance Program) to guide you through the twists and turns encountered with Medicare and other health insurance. Need help seeing up Medicare or have questions about your plan? Connect with our Medicare Navigator, Janet B., and set up a 30-minute phone appointment, in which she can help you with all questions and concerns. Telephone appointments can be made at the Front Desk in half-hour increments from 10am–12 pm for Monday, **January 9th-**( phone contacting only)

Yoga on Saturday's  
**January 14th, 21st, &  
28th** from 2-3PM



### GAMES AT FLOYD MEMORIAL LIBRARY



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26th



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## Virtual Programs

East End Libraries Present: **Breathe Together**

Join us once a week in the Winter to sit still and practice the kind of deep breathing that fosters calm, well being and can improve our health and outlook. **Tuesdays January 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st** at 10am

**Brunch Poems** with Vivian Eyre via Zoom Friday **January 27th** at 10:00am. Poet Frank O'Hara If you want to join the group email [janet@floydmemoriallibrary.org](mailto:janet@floydmemoriallibrary.org)

East End Libraries Present: **Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart** "The Man Behind the Music" A Zoom presentation on **Tuesday January 24th** at 7pm email [janet@floydmemoriallibrary.org](mailto:janet@floydmemoriallibrary.org) for the link - or call 631-477-0660 x 6

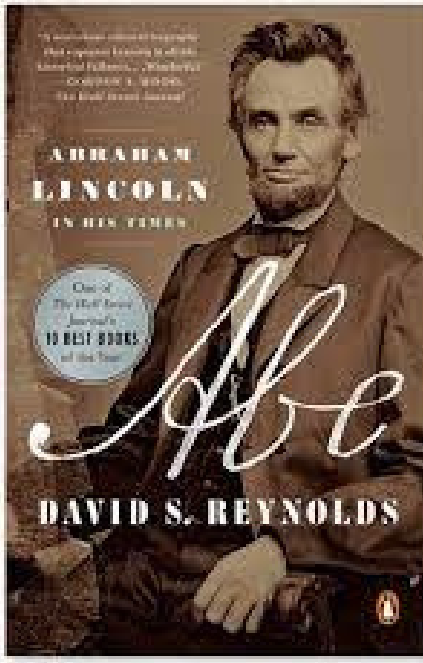


### Guido Arbonelli & Namaste Quintet

A Concert of New Music for Clarinet Ensemble featuring Guido Arbonelli & The Quintetto Namaste from Perugia, Italy

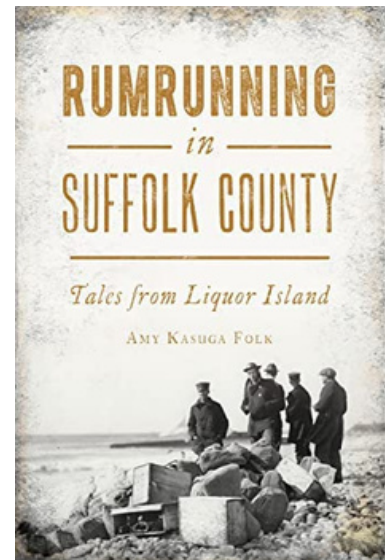
**Saturday January 7th** at 3PM Floyd Memorial Library and Long Island Composers Alliance present Guido Arbonelli & Namaste Quintet, A concert of new music for Clarinet ensemble. Refreshments will be available.

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## Author Talk

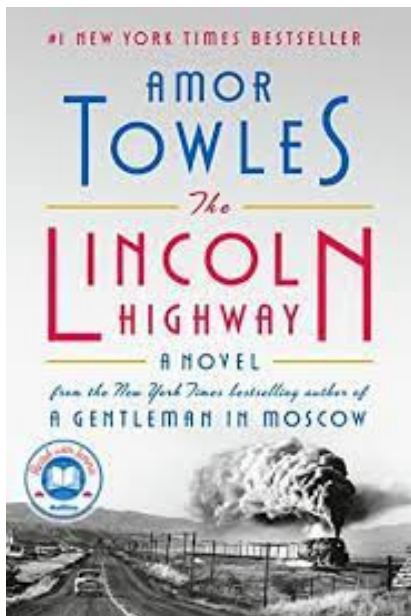
with David S. Reynolds. Noted historian and professor on his award-winning book "Abe: Abraham Lincoln and His Times" **Friday, January 13th** at 6PM VIA ZOOM. Contact [janet@floydmemoriallibrary.org](mailto:janet@floydmemoriallibrary.org) for the link.



**Sunday January 15th** at 3PM

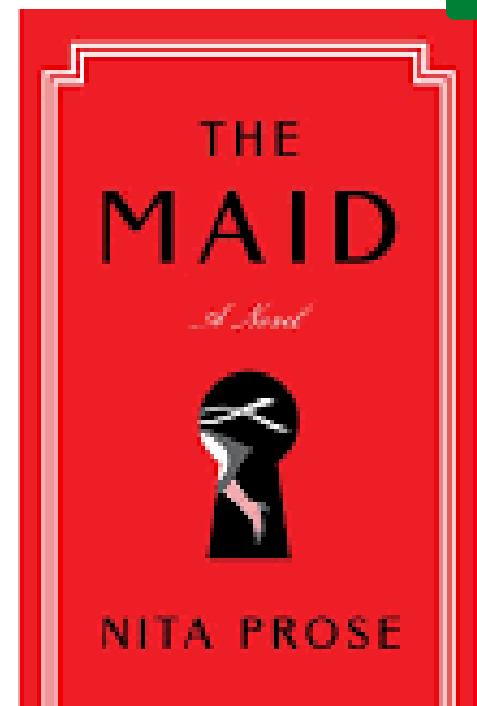
Author Talk Amy K. Folk "Rumrunning in Suffolk County" In person and free refreshments will be available

## Book Discussions



**Mystery Book Discussion**  
**Thursday January 19th** at **3PM** presents, "the Maid" by Nita Prose

**Monday January 30th** at **4PM** Monday Book Discussion presents, "The Lincoln Highway" by Amor Towles



# Notes from the Curator



## Happy New Year!

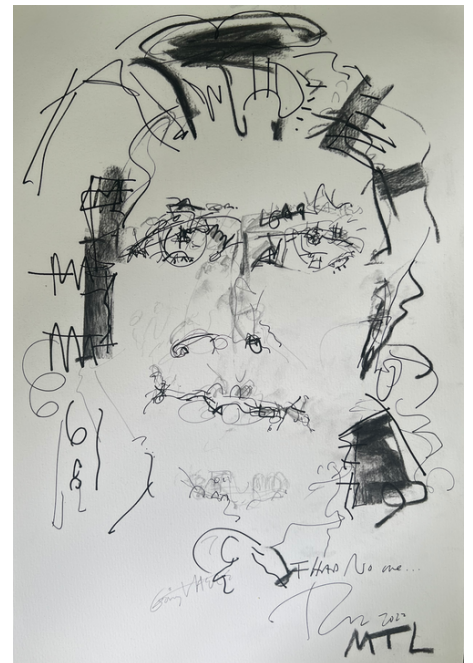
First of all, a huge thank you to everyone who shared their stories of kindness through Mary Latham's **More Good Today Postcard Project**. The postcards and gift tags will remain on display for at least the first half of January, though of course we hope More Good tales will continue indefinitely!

We're also incredibly grateful to the artists who generously donated artwork-postcards. Fifty-one art-postcards were displayed at a special More Good Celebration at First & South Restaurant on December 22 and auctioned online. This raised \$2,635, the entirety of which goes to charitable funds in memory of Cindy Goldsmith-Agosta and Dylan Newman.

For your viewing pleasure in these winter months, the exhibition **Abraham Lincoln by Robert Berks** (1922-2011) continues through until the former president's birthday on February 12. Berks's estate trustees kindly lent us a resin Lincoln bust, which is the powerful centerpiece in a display that highlights several of the notable figures sculpted by the acclaimed Orient artist. Our hope is that this modest exhibition is an introduction to those not familiar with Berks and his work, and a welcome commemoration for those who are.

We're also pleased to announce that our other current exhibition, **"My Affair with Abraham Lincoln" by Roz Dimon**, which was due to close on January 8, has been extended. Running parallel, and complimentary, with the Berks display, it will also be on view until February 12.

For those who haven't seen this show yet, it may surprise you that the portrait to the right is not of Abraham Lincoln, but of his wife Mary Todd. You'll need to stop by and check out the exhibition to see how this drawing fits in with Dimon's "Affair".



--- Sally Grant, Art Exhibits Curator



# *Children's Programs*



**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

**Tuesdays, January 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st** at 4:00pm. Grades 2-6. Read a Recipe for Literacy. Please register. In this program led by Andrea Malinowski, children discover the many ways they can express themselves and communicate in many formats, from traditional writing, to making videos.

**Winter Reading Program**---sign up and receive a package of hot chocolate!

It is going to be a great winter! The library will keep you entertained first with a good book, then with a board game! For the months of January and February, read a book and play BINGO. For each book you read, you get a chance to make a BINGO match. For longer chapter books earn a BINGO chance for every 50 pages you read. When you win BINGO, you can pick out a board game of your choice.

Book Suggestions for January:

"Dear Deer: a book of Homophones" by Gene Barretta

"But Excuse Me That is My Book" by Lauren Child

"Merry-Go-Round" by Ruth Heller

"The Last Task" (a decodable book) by Cigdem Knebel

"Frindle" by Andrew Clements

"Toy Dance Party" by Emily Jenkins

"The Art of Magic" by Hannah Voskul



There is no registration required for MOST programs. For more information about programs or other children services, to receive weekly reminders about upcoming events/closures, or to register for programs that require registration, please email [joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org](mailto:joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org)



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Weekly Programs:

**Wednesdays, January 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th** at 11:00am. For ages birth-3 years. Toddler time. Join us for playtime, songs, and stories. No registration

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time

**Wednesdays January 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th** at 4:00pm For ages 2-4/5. Kids Create: Explore colors, shapes, patterns, seasons, and more with Miss Vicky. Using books, crafts, and movement we will open the world for your preschooler! No registration.

**January 4th-** "Little Cloud by Eric Carle

**January 11th-** "No" by Claudia Rueda

**January 18th-** "Paint it Out" by Ethan Long

**January 25th-** "The Little Snowplow" by Lora Koehler

World Explorers

**Thursdays January 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th** at 4:30pm For grades K-3. World Explorers with Miss Vicky. Use books, music, art, nature, and observations to discover the world around you! No registration.

**January 5th** "First Snow" by Peter McCarty

**January 12th** "The hummingbird Sings and Dances Traditional Latin American Lullabies and Nursery Rhymes"

**January 18th** "Walk This World" by Lotta Nieminen

**January 25th** "Joseph had a Little Overcoat" by Simms Taback







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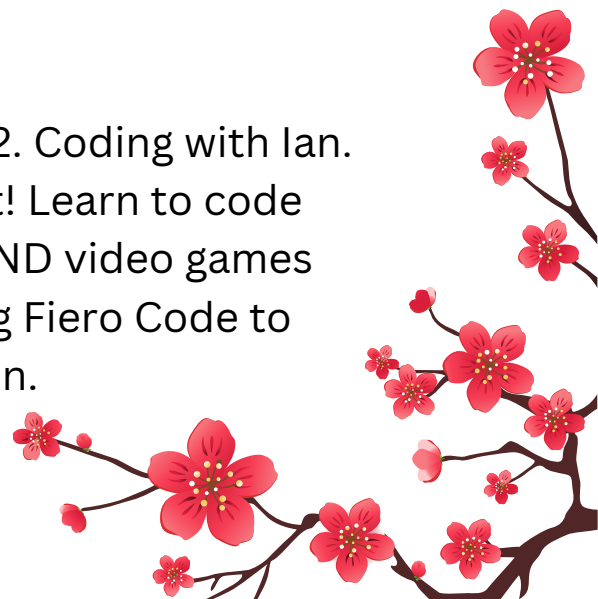
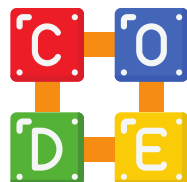
**Thursday January 5th** at 6:30 pm. Yarn Painting---no paint involved! All ages welcome, no registration. Learn how to make a painted picture without any paint!

**Friday January 13th** at 5:00 pm. For grades 4-6. Books and Cookies. Explore some spooky and freaky books while munching on some cookies! No registration

**Thursday January 19th** at 6:30 pm. All ages welcome, Lego time is back for the winter months! Use our Legos to design whatever you want! Lego creations will be on display for two weeks. No registration.

**Saturday January 21st** at 11:30 am. All ages welcome. STEAM—Snowflake tinker tray. Use Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math to put together your own tinker tray, then use your tray to create your very own unique snowflake. No registration

**Friday January 27** at 4:30pm. For ages 8-12. Coding with Ian. Join us for our first ever coding club event! Learn to code things like websites, robots, animations, AND video games WHILE playing a video game! We'll be using Fiero Code to teach ourselves the fun way.No registration.



# Teen Events

**Tuesday, January 3 at 5 pm - Happy New Year!** Come decorate the teen room! Decorative supplies will be available.

**Themed Book Group with Phatima Mitchell- Wednesday, January 4 at 5:30 pm**  
Come join certified librarian Phatima Mitchell on a journey with Malu as she explores friendships, standing up for what she believes in, and her exploration of creative expression. Registration is required. To register stop in, call 631-477-0660, or email [daai@floydmemoriallibrary.org](mailto:daai@floydmemoriallibrary.org)

**Thursday, January 12th at 4 pm - Game Night:** meet your friends here at the library and participate in an assortment of games. Snacks will be provided.

**Roller Skating Party: Saturday, January 21st, 1-3 pm:** Join us for a fun afternoon of skating to music and sipping on hot chocolate! We'll meet at the Greenport American Legion to enjoy skating with friends from 1-3 pm. Roller skate rental is included or you can bring your own. Registration is required as **space is limited**. To register stop in, call 631-477-0660, or email [daai@floydmemoriallibrary.org](mailto:daai@floydmemoriallibrary.org)

**Friday, January 27 at 5 pm - Universal Yums:** Come discover a country in the world through their food! Each month a new country is revealed. What'll it be this month? Bring your appetite, opinion, and taste buds!

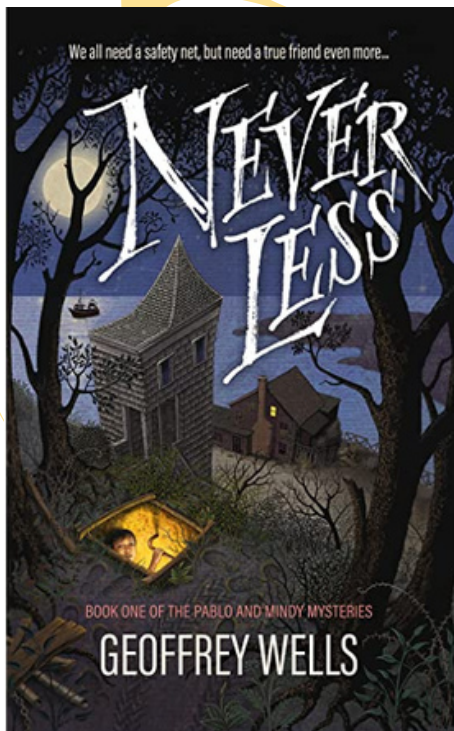


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**Friday, January 20th at 5 pm- Pizza & a Movie:** choose between Spiderman Far From Home (PG-13) or Jurassic World Dominion (PG-13). Majority vote wins.



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Author Talk & Drug Abuse Prevention/Awareness Resources  
**Monday, January 30th 6-7 pm** at  
Cutchogue New Suffolk Library  
Local author Geoffrey Wells will discuss his new book, *Never Less*. You'll also meet Justine Briscoe, BS, CASAC, from the Seafeld Comprehensive Inpatient/Outpatient Addiction Treatment and Dr. Carol Carter, CEO/Prevention Professional, from Sunshine Prevention Center for Youth and Families. 1 hour of community service will be earned for this event.

Teens, do you need community service hours? If you love to read, get community service hours for it. Fill out the book review form, located at the teen desk.

Teens Teach Tech: Are you interested in teaching tech one on one to someone who needs assistance figuring out computers, smartphones, tablets, and software? Let Daaimah know and she'll work with our tech department to set some hours up for you to work with someone in the library. This can be a community service opportunity or a paid opportunity.



*Inquiries, comments, ideas and suggestions can be shared with the  
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HOURS

Monday-Friday  
9:30am-8:00pm  
Saturday  
9:30am-5:00pm  
Sunday  
1:00pm-5:00pm

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December 31st closing at 2PM  
January 1st,  
2023

January 16th for Martin Luther King  
Jr Day

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*Coming Soon to Your Library*



Adult Program  
presents,  
Second Hands  
concert, Sunday  
**February 5th, 3  
pm**

Children's presents

GloParty Date to be announced

Goat on the Boat Puppet show. Minkie the  
Monkey and Friends:

Combining three well-loved stories, The  
Princess, the Frog & the Pea delights  
audiences. A princess, a witch, an un-  
enchanted frog, a hoot owl and a neurotic  
pea are the stars of this mixed-up tale.  
Presented by Goat on a Boat Puppet  
Theater. **February 22nd, 2023** at 10:30 am