DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Dear Friends,

I want to tell you about some changes occurring at the library as we begin to see more COVID-19 vaccinations, and nicer weather.

First, I would like you to know that as of June 1, 2021 the library will add back an additional hour to our Monday — Friday schedule, so we will be open 9:30 AM – 8PM. We will continue our Saturday hours of 9:30 AM – 5 PM, and I am working with the library system, colleague libraries and our board of trustees to decide on restoring Sunday hours soon. You will also see some in-person programming starting to be primarily hosted in our backyard and gardens.

I would like to let you know that materials are now only being quarantined for 24 hours, as opposed to the 72 hours we had in place over the last six months. This means you will be able to access your holds and inter-library loans much quicker, and you will notice your check-ins being processed faster.

Most importantly, I would like to pay tribute to two long-term employees who have decided to retire this month. Marjory Stevens, our exceptional bookkeeper, after over twenty years of service to the Floyd Memorial Library community; and Poppy Johnson, our irreplaceable and dedicated Assistant Director & Head of Adult & Reference Services for over thirty-five years. It is always difficult to lose long-serving employees, and we wish them the very best in their retirements.

I would also like to welcome our new Finance Specialist, Lori Osborn Kimmelmann, who started with us on April 12th. Lori brings a sharp wit and keen eye to finance as an experienced controller with twenty years of accounting acumen. The library is also currently in the process of interviewing for a new Adult & Reference Services Librarian. In the meantime, the other librarians will be filling in to facilitate adult programming and reference services to all our users.

We are seeking letters of intent from members of the Orient / East Marion community who would like to serve on the Board of Trustees beginning on July 1, 2021, for a term of five years. You must be a full time, year-round resident of Orient / East Marion. Please send letters of intent to me at the library for consideration.

Remember, libraries are for everyone! Come visit, call us, message us on Facebook, or send us an email. We are here to serve you, and we take that mission seriously.

Until next time, I am yours,

[Signature]

Tom Vitale, Library Director
TUESDAYS at 10 am -- Presented by East End Libraries -- BREATHE TOGETHER
(a 20-minute weekly Zoom Session). Join us once a week in the spring to sit still and practice the kind of deep breathing that fosters calm well-being and can improve our health and our outlook. Email joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org for the link.

WEDNESDAYS at 11 am - SENIORS CONNECT — Meetings on ZOOM
Contact Sherri 631 469-0183 or Erin 631 379-3631

TUESDAY, MAY 11th at 7 PM - with Bill Bleyer. The True Story of the Culper Spy Ring: History buffs have long been fascinated by the operation of the Long Island-based Culper Spy Ring during the American Revolution, especially since the airing of the AMC series “Turn.” Over the years, there have been many legends, such as the role played by Anna Strong’s clothesline, and suppositions about how the spies operated to support George Washington’s Continental Army. The PowerPoint lecture “The True Story of the Culper Spy Ring” separates facts from fiction and details the ingenious operation of the intelligence network that helped the Patriots win the war. Join Historian Bill Bleyer for this history and tour guide presentation.

ONLINE: George Washington’s Long Island Spy Ring — Email joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org for the link.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12th at 5:30 PM - BYOBooks with Shelter Island Librarian Jocelyn Ozolins, a two-library zoom chat with all of us and Jocelyn. Let’s talk about what we’re reading, what we want to read, what we hated, what we loved, what we’re thinking about and anything else. Please register at www.shelterislandpubliclibrary.org OR joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org

TUESDAY, MAY 18th at 6 PM — FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY - All Are Welcome!
Email director@floydmemoriallibrary.org for the Zoom link.

THURSDAY, MAY 20th – 7 PM - East End Libraries present Sherlock Holmes’ London: A Virtual Tour — SHERLOCK HOLMES AND LONDON with Alex Lacey. From the classic stories of Arthur Conan Doyle to the pop culture phenomena of the BBC Sherlock series, the city of London has always been as much a character in the Holmes universe as the villainous Moriarty, the indolently brilliant Mycroft, and the faithful John Watson. Join us for this fascinating, specially created virtual tour with Blue Badge Tourist Guide Alex Lacey. 221B Baker Street is only the beginning!

MONDAY, MAY 24th – 4 PM — BOOK DISCUSSION ON ZOOM
“The Bean Trees”
by Barbara Kingsolver

FRIDAY, MAY 28th – 10:30 AM — BRUNCH POEMS
with Vivian Fyre
Kwame Dawes

For all Floyd Memorial adult programs, please email: joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org or call (631) 477-0660
MAY CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

Miss Vicky will be away May 5 -12. No programs on those days.

~ This month we will continue to collect personal care items for CAST. ~

DO-IT-YOURSELF KITS:

MAY 3rd - All Things Harry Potter

MAY 4th - Science Kit (Star Wars—related!)

MAY 14th - Jamestown colony, founded May 14, 1607
First come, first served.

IN-PERSON STORY TIMES!
These will be held outside and are weather dependent.
You MUST register for the program!

Email joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org to register.
Up to 10 people can attend. Walk-ins cannot be accommodated. You will be notified via email if the program is cancelled.

MAY 14th AT 4:00 PM — Felt board stories. Join us for this fun way to tell stories.
Attend this program to vote on the book you want to read for our last story time next week.

MAY 21st AT 4:00 PM — Our last story time until summer. Let’s read our favorite stories!
Then we can make unique creations out of the odds and ends provided.

IN-PERSON PROGRAMS!
These will be outside and are weather dependent. You MUST register for the program, via
joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org.
Up to 10 CHILDREN can attend. Walk-ins cannot be accommodated.
Children MUST be able to attend on their own, while you enjoy the library.
You will be notified via email if the program is cancelled.

MAY 15th — drop-in anytime between 10:30 am and 2:30 pm to plant some flower seeds in a compostable cup you can take home. A variety of seeds, potting soil, and trays will be provided.

MAY 15th AT 3:00 PM — Organización Latino Americana of Eastern Long Island’s, NY Project Hope Team welcomes you to our public education meeting! We will discuss the program, what services we provide, and answer any questions you may have. We are all in this together!
This program is for parents while Miss Vicky plays with your children.

MAY 20th AT 4:00 PM Miss Vicky’s Flowers—Daisies! These 3D flowers will brighten up any room, and they are so easy to make!

MAY 25th AT 4:00 PM — Miss Vicky’s Butterfly Sun Catchers — Pictures of real butterflies will be available to look at for inspiration! Of course, your imagination is always welcome!

MAY 27th AT 4:00 PM — Miss Vicky’s Memorial Day Rockets — These craft roll rockets will blast off our thanks to those who have died protecting our freedoms.
MAY TEEN PROGRAMS

Ages 13 & Up
Email tmoloney45@gmail.com to sign up (unless otherwise noted), arrange curbside pick-up, to request more information or call 631-477-0660 ext 5 to speak with the Teen Librarian.

ZOOM

A ONE-DAY STAR WARS TRIVIA CHALLENGE - MAY THE FOURTH BE WITH YOU!
On Tuesday, May 4, play a fun game of Star Wars-themed Trivia via email. All questions will be emailed to you and you will have until 11:59 pm to play! Everyone who plays will be eligible to win a $25 Amazon gift card, regardless of score. Winner will be announced on May 5.
How to Register: On Monday, May 3, register by sending an email to Theresa at theresaoewens8@gmail.com with the subject “Floyd Memorial Star Wars”.

Tuesday, May 4th all day

PET SHARE
Grab your pets and join us on Zoom for a pet share!
You do not have to have a pet to join us, just a love of pets.
Friday, May 7th at 6pm

RAILROAD SAFETY
This program teaches general train information, crossing safety and relevant rules and regulations of New York State traffic laws. Each year children as well as adults are injured or lose their lives as a result of train accidents. Our goal is to promote safe choices at grade crossings and awareness of the dangers of being on or near the tracks.
Monday, May 10th at 4pm

BRACKET WARS
Are you passionate about your favorite foods and drinks? Can you debate away and convince others as to why your favorite item should be a winner? Then join us!!! From Arizona Iced Tea to cereal favorites we will debate the hour away. It will be fun!!!
Friday, May 14th at 6pm

U.S COAST GUARD AUXILIARY BOATING SAFELY COURSE VIA ZOOM
This is an 8-hour course with live instructors. This course improves boating safety skills, permits individuals 14 & up to operate a personal water craft and satisfies NY State Boating Safety requirements. There is a written and skills evaluation with certification upon completion. For ages 10 and Up. Registrants must take ALL FOUR classes and pay a $30 registration fee. Checks payable to “USCG Aux Flotilla 014-18-08”
May 18, 20, 25 & 27th from 6-8pm

SCHOLARSHIPS
It’s never too late, or too early to search for FREE money for college. Join us to share tips and tricks, and to see what resources your Teen Librarian has to help you find scholarships.
Friday, May 28th at 6pm
MAY TEEN PROGRAMS

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Email tmoloney45@gmail.com to arrange pick-up and/or to sign up for the Zoom link.


Kanopy Movie Review — Watch a movie on Kanopy and write a review to receive 4 hours of community service. Kanopy is a resource available on the library website, which you can access with your library card barcode. Movie review sheets are located on the Teen Reference Desk, along with Kanopy access directions.

Teen Advisory Board — We meet once a month on Zoom (with snacks) to discuss what teens need and want from their library. Being on this board looks great on college applications AND you earn 1 hour of community service for each meeting. Saturday, May 22nd at 11am.

TAKE & MAKE

Kits are limited and set out on the Teen Take & Make shelf on the first of each month. Email tmoloney45@gmail.com to reserve your kit and/or request curbside pick-up OR stop by and help yourself!

Ribbon Pencils — Create a super-cool pencil with this crafty DIY kit.

Purple Monkey Fist Paracord Bookmark — Make a bookmark that you will love using! The monkey fist knot is a challenge but looks so cool, tackle this project on your own, or meet me on Zoom and we can figure it out as a group. Friday, May 21st at 6pm.

ONGOING THROUGHOUT MAY

Application Help — Filling out applications can be overwhelming — you don’t have to tackle any alone — let your Teen Librarian help you prepare job, college or scholarship applications. Email or call to schedule your appointment for free application assistance.

Library Scavenger Hunt — Complete a scavenger hunt sheet and turn it in for a chance to win a $25 Amazon Gift Card. Participants can find copies of the scavenger hunt sheet on the Take & Make shelf and put completed sheets into the Teen Reference desk inbox.

COMING IN JUNE

Getting Ready to Babysit — This Cornell Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County 3-part Zoom program will help participants develop the skills necessary for the responsibilities of being a sitter. Participants will receive a certificate and leave with a better understanding of developmental stages of children and child safety. Email tmoloney45@gmail.com to register.

Tuesday June 8th, 15th and 22nd at 4pm.