NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear March Hares & Mad Hatters,

March has arrived! Will it come in like a lamb or lion? How will it go out? March is National Women’s History Month — a time to learn about, reflect on, and discover all the things our amazing women — current and ancestors — have done to make society what it is today.

What women do you look up to daily in your lives?

For our basketball fans it’s March Madness and for our party people Mardi Gras is on its way! It’s also National Social Work Month, so come visit our Social Work Intern, Daniella, and see how she can help you. Our next art exhibit “The Drawing School” will be opening on Friday, March 18, 2022, at 6 PM in the Community Room. Refreshments will be served. We are so excited to work with the students at Greenport High School on this art installation! The board of trustees meets on Monday, March 7th at 6 PM in person in the community room. This is our annual budget hearing for the May 2022 Super Tuesday Vote. All are welcome. Ms. Daaimah A. Buffins, our Interim Teen Services Coordinator has recently been certified as a Notary Public, so there are two notaries at Floyd now — we are both here to serve you free of charge. Please look at all our wonderful offerings this month and come and visit with us! We always look forward to seeing each one of you!

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

Until next time, I am yours,

Tom Vitale, Library Director

THE DRAWING SCHOOL

A note from the Curator

In January of this year, Robert Smith, the co-chief art critic of the New York Times, wrote an extended article about drawing, which she described as “really the best of all art mediums.” This month we’re delighted to present our own tribute to that medium.

On view from Friday, March 18 until Sunday, May 8, THE DRAWING SCHOOL will include works on paper (and beyond) by Scott Bluemeth, Laura Fontana and Sarah Prescott. These artists, who each have a connection to the East End, demonstrate three unique drawing approaches and styles.

We’re also excited to have collaborated with Greenport High School and wish artists attending the Library’s own very popular life drawing program. The exhibition includes representations of foliage by the talented students in Elizabeth Gurriedre’s 9th grade art class, while sketches from the drawing sessions reveal a myriad of ways of depicting the human figure.

Please join us on Friday, March 18 from 6 to 8 pm for the opening reception of THE DRAWING SCHOOL.

Many of the participating artists will also be present, and attendees will have the chance to discuss what “the best of all art mediums” means to them.
MARCH ADULT PROGRAMS

VIRTUAL

East End Libraries Present: BREATHE TOGETHER – Tuesdays at 10 am (virtual via Zoom)
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.

SENIORS CONNECT – Wednesdays at 11 am (virtual via Zoom) Contact Sherri (631-469-0183) or Erin (631-379-3631)

MEDICARE NAVIGATOR – Phone Appointments available March 4th from 10 am -12 pm
Need help setting up Medicare or have questions about your plan? Connect with our Medicare Navigator, Janet, and set up a 30-minute phone appointment, in which she can help you with all questions and concerns.
Email: joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org

HYBRID CLASSES (available online and in-person)

MYSTERY BOOK DISCUSSION -
"Agatha Raisin and the Quiche of Death" by M.C. Beaton
Thursday, March 17th at 3 pm
Come join our Adult Services Coordinator, Janet, and discuss this month’s captivating mystery book.
We are now hybrid, so you can either come to the library or join the group in person or Zoom into our Community Room.
Email: joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org for the Zoom link.

BRUNCH POEMS with Vivian Eyre

Friday, March 25th at 10:30 am
Enjoy another installment of our monthly Brunch Poems with renowned local author, Vivian Eyre.
This month's featured author will be poet Lynda Hull.

IN PERSON

GAME DAYS AT FLOYD MEMORIAL LIBRARY~
- CHESS – Tuesdays from 5:30—7:30 pm
- SCRABBLE – Wednesdays from 1—3 pm
- MAH-JONGG – Thursdays from 1—3 pm
- No registration required!

YOGA WITH LYNNE
Saturdays in March (5th, 12th, 19th & 26th) from 2-3 pm
Lynne is back! Join her on a path to opening your mind and body every Saturday in February!

To register: stop by the main desk, or give us a call or email: joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org
TECH TIME

Hour-long appointments available every Tuesday evening with Matt from 5:30-6:30 pm and Saturday mornings with Ian from 10-11 am

Book an hour appointment with our Head of Reference & Adult Services, Matthew, or Ian, our new Tech Specialist to get the basic tech help you need. They can help with:
- Setting up your new laptop / tablet / smartphone;
- Basic Research Help (Using our Catalog, accessing our databases, etc...);
- eBook and eAudioBook download assistance (using Libby);
- Help utilizing Google Suite or Microsoft OneDrive;
- Basic Computer/tablet/smartphone assistance;
- Help setting up a social media account and/or using a social media platform.
Give us a call or stop by the front desk to book your appointment today!

BOOK DISCUSSION – “Charming Billy” by Alice McDermott

Monday, March 28th, 2022 at 4 pm in the Community Room

Billy Lynch’s family and friends have gathered to comfort his widow, and to pay their respects to one of the last great romantics. As they trade tales of his famous humor, immense charm, and consuming sorrow, a complex portrait emerges of an enigmatic man, a loyal friend, a beloved husband, an incurable alcoholic.
Alice McDermott’s striking novel is a study of the ties that bind and the weight of familial love. Of the way good intentions can be as destructive as the truth they were meant to hide. No Registration required!

MAGIC: THE GATHERING

Saturdays, March 12th & 26th at 11 am

Always wanted to learn how to play Magic: The Gathering? Frustrated that there’s nowhere to play and looking for other players to start tournaments?

Come join us and Magic expert, Larry, as we host our first Magic Game at Floyd Memorial Library.
For more information on the program, call Larry at 631-871-5452.
To sign up for the program, stop by the front desk or call us at (631) 477-0660.
Skill Level: Intermediate-Advanced, Beginners with some experience welcome.

LIFE FIGURE DRAWING SESSIONS

Tuesdays, March 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd from 10 am – 12 pm

This four-week un instructed figure drawing class provides an opportunity for independent study with professional models. The two-hour sessions will consist of short poses ranging from two to twenty minutes.
A monitor will be present to set up and time the poses.
Personal easels are permitted.
Participants are responsible for their own supplies; dry media only.
Session size limited to 12 participants.
To register: stop by, call or email: joingprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org
AUTHOR TALK

Melissa Mayer, DPT
Sunday, March 13th, 2022
at 3 pm in the Community Room

Please join us in our Community Room as we host acclaimed author, Melissa Mayer.
Melissa Mayer is a Holistic Physical Therapist and author of the book, "Recovering My True Self."
In her book she tells the story of the transformational journey she experienced donating her kidney to her husband.
Melissa received a Doctorate in Physical Therapy in 2006 from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey and practiced in New York City for many years in traditional health care settings. She now practices Holistic Physical Therapy out of her home office in Hampton Bays, where she lives with her husband and two young daughters.
Learn more at www.melissamayer.org.

No registration required. Books will be available for purchase at the event and refreshments will be served.
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SUNDAY CONCERT SERIES

Gil McLean
Sunday, March 20th, 2022 at 3pm

Guitarist/vocalist Gil McLean performs Irish songs ranging from the 1800s or so to more modern times, telling you the stories behind them.

NOTES FROM THE FRIENDS

Even with the cold weather and dark days, the Friends have been busy planning and working on projects for our library community. We have been working hard to reorganize, restructure, and renew our Book Nook on the lower level of the Library. Stop in to choose from a wide array of books — Mysteries, Novels, Biographies, History, and many other types, all for $1.00 and under! Thanks to Patty Burns for the long hours spent helping get this done (and it is not done yet!). The Friends have donated bilingual children's books to the library based on recommendations from Miss Vicky.

The Friends are sponsoring a Scavenger Hunt for adults and young adults. Kids can help their adults or young adults with it! Pick up your scavenger hunt form at the Library circulation desk from March 1, 2022 – March 31, 2022, complete it with your name and phone number, and put it in the scavenger hunt submission jar. On March 31st, someone from the Friends of the Library will pull three winning forms, and you'll be notified to pick up your prize at the library!

Finally, we are making our final preparations for the Friends-sponsored Art Show and Sale, opening in mid-May. There will be a private, Members-Invitation-Only, Opening Party on Friday, May 20th, with the general public opening on Saturday, May 21st. Don't worry! You have plenty of time to join the Friends and secure your invitation if you have not already done so. Just go to the Library Website and Click on the "Friends" Link to join. Looking forward to a healthy, light-filled, Spring Season.

-Dr. Tom Byrne, President-
Don’t trash it, repair it! Join the Repair Café!

**Repair Café Greenport** is a neighborhood initiative that promotes repair as an alternative to throwing things away. After all, where is “away”? There is no “away”.

**Floyd Memorial Library and North Fork Environmental Council** invite neighbors to bring one or two broken items to fix on the spot, with the help of volunteer repair coaches.

Skills are shared and learned in a friendly, fun environment. There will also be a “take-it-apart” table for children.

**Repair Café Greenport** is looking for local residents with different skills and tools who can act as repair coaches. We are especially looking for people who are handy with:

- clothing / textiles
- bicycles
- electrical appliances
- furniture / wooden objects

...and who enjoy sharing their knowledge with their neighbors.

**Repair Café Greenport** also needs volunteers to help set up and break down the site, and to act as hospitality hosts, bringing snacks and homemade goodies.

[https://www.repaircafe.org/en](https://www.repaircafe.org/en)

Want to sign up as a volunteer?

- Contact margaret@nfec1.org for more information

**Come join us at Floyd Memorial Library on Saturday, April 23rd from 10 am — 1 pm!**

See you soon at the **Repair Café Greenport**!

This is an intergenerational event. Bring your broken items, your tools, and your stories!
MARCH CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

For more information, please email jopinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org or call 631-477-0660 ext. 6

Have email reminders sent you! Email jopinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org to be added to the list!

March is National Reading Month!

Let’s see if 30 books are checked out from the Children’s Area this month! If there are, Miss Vicky will provide pizza at the family board games program on March 31, 2022 at 6:30 pm to celebrate!

The Baby Bunnies are back!
(First come, first served)
Saturday, March 26, 2022
2:00 pm - 2:45 pm — ages 1-10
3:00-3:45 pm — ages 10-17

Hold a bunny in your lap, watch the bunnies play, and bring your bunny questions with you! Space is limited to 20 participants per session.
This includes caregivers for ages 4 and under.

Toddler Times

March 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30th at 10:30 am — For ages 0-3 yrs. Play, read, sing, dance, and create in this fun-filled hour!

Story times

All ages welcome at all story times. There is a craft after each story.

Monday, March 7 at 3:30 pm — Snow Music by Lynne Rae Perkins
Monday, March 14 at 4:30 pm — I Don’t Like Snakes by Nicola Davies
Monday, March 21 at 3:30 pm — When Spring Comes by Kevin Henkes
Monday, March 28 at 3:30 pm — Little Green Peas by Keith Baker

Programs

Unless specified, programs are open to children of all ages. Please call 631-477-0660 ext 6 or email jopinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org for more information and to receive email reminders of programs.

Thursday March 3, 6:30 pm — Pajama Stories! To celebrate National Reading Month, come hear some of Miss Vicky’s favorite stories. Afterwards, share some of yours!
Tuesday, March 8, 4:00pm — *International Women’s Day.* For ages 8 and up. What traits do you share with some of the world’s most powerful and influential women? Read a short paragraph about these incredible women to determine who is most like you!

**Thursday March 10, 6:30 pm — Rainbow magnets and rainbow slime!**

**Sunday March 13, 1:30 pm — Shamrocks!** Paint some green shamrocks using green peppers.

**Thursday March 17, 6:30 pm — Irish Step Dancing Made Easy.** We will watch a how-to video and then try some jigs, reels, polkas, slides and hornpipes.

**Friday, March 18, all day — ** Drop into the Children’s Area anytime today for some loom knitting, watercolor painting, and a fun way to build a structure.

**Saturday, March 19, 11 am — Get ready for spring.** Spring officially starts tomorrow. Make a vase of pussy willows and forsythia to decorate your house.

**Thursday March 24, 6:30 pm — LEGOS!** Add to your creations, make new creations, discover the architect in you!

**Saturday March 26, — 2:00 pm and 3:00 pm — Baby Bunnies! — see above description**

**Tuesday March 29, 3:30 pm — Tomorrow is Vincent VanGogh’s birthday.** Join Miss Vicky to paint in VanGogh’s style. Limited to 10 participants. All materials provided.

**Thursday March 31, 6:30 pm — Family board game night.** This is it! Were 30 books checked out this month? If so, there will be pizza here along with board games.

During the month of March, C.A.S.T. will be collecting personal and household items at Floyd Memorial Library. Please place items in the box at the entrance to the Children’s Room.

**Thank You!**
MARCH TEEN EVENTS

~ 13 and up ~

It's Spring this month!
Come decorate the Teen Room with Daaimah
Monday, March 21st from 4–6 pm

There will be a reading challenge this month — for more information please attend:

Book Group: Read a chapter, then discuss
Wednesdays March 2nd, 9th, 23rd and 30th at 4pm
(there will not be a book group on March 16th)

Study Time with Brainfuse — Fridays in March — In the Teen Room
Drop-in times: 10:30–11:30 am & 3:30–4:30 pm

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Teen Movie
A Ballerina's Tale

Friday, March 18th
5–6 pm
in the Teen Room

Monday, March 14th
at 5:30

Universal Yums
Monday, March 28th from 3:30-4:30 pm in the Teen Room

New-ish Scholarship Occurrence Part 3
Monday, March 28th at 6 pm
Virtual — via conference
Students and families are welcome to attend! Guest speaker will be Lyndsay Johnson,
Stony Brook University Senior Financial Aid Advisor

Greenport Schools Announcements

Friday, March 18th — Superintendent’s Conference Day
SCHOOL CLOSED

Inquiries, comments, ideas and suggestions can be shared with the Interim Teen Services Coordinator
(631) 477-0600, ext. 5 and at dah@floydmemoriallibrary.org