NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Beachcombers,

Are you as ready for Summer as we are? We are so excited that May is here – it’s a booming month! Let’s start with me imploring you to take time out of your busy schedules to get to the polls on Tuesday, May 17th at both Greenport and Oysterponds schools – it’s the school and library budget vote, and the school trustee vote – exercise your right to vote, and thank you for doing so! On May 8th, our Drawing School art exhibit will come down to make way for the first annual Friends of the Library Art Exhibit fundraiser with a sneak peek opening on Friday, May 20th for current Friends (this can be you, if you join up to and including the day of the sneak peek opening) and then on Saturday, May 21st, the exhibit will open to the public. We are so eager to be working with our wonderfully talented artists of the North Fork. Each work sold will benefit the Friends of the Library, who help the library fund materials and programs outside of our budget. Thank you to our fantastic Friends for all that they do! We are also extraordinarily honored to announce that the Long Island Community Foundation has awarded us a $15,000 grant to add a mobile makerspace and library of things – The Tinker Lab – to our tutorial rooms on the first floor. You will begin to see the transformation of the space over the next few months and will be able to start using the 3D Printers, Cricut, and other new technology, along with checking out numerous things such as a home brewing kit, sewing machines, or ukuleles – we will let you know when we are ready to launch! Also, remember we have a Seed Library, and it’s ready for you to come use it! The board of trustees meets on Monday, May 2nd at 6 pm in person in the community room. 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

Happy Spring, Friends!

The Friends of Floyd Memorial Library are preparing our Sponsored Spring Art Show featuring the Artists of the North Fork. This group of talented women have been together over 18 years, and the show looks to be both exciting and impressive. Check your inbox for an invitation to the opening reception on May 20, 2022, with the artists and special guests.

Also, we expect to have openings on our Board of Directors for the next year.

If you are interested in a position on the Board, please contact Tom Byrne (drtombyrne@me.com) with any questions or nominations

Looking forward to seeing you this Spring and Summer.

Tom Byrne, President
Friends of Floyd Memorial Library
MAY ADULT PROGRAMS

VIRTUAL

East End Libraries Present: BREATHE TOGETHER – Tuesdays at 10 am (virtual via Zoom)
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 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 May 6th 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

"Death in Brittany" by Jean-Luc Bannalec

Thursday, May 19th at 3 p.m.
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 in our Community Room.
Email: joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org for the Zoom link.

BRUNCH POEMS with Vivian Eyre

Friday, May 20th at 10:30 am
Enjoy another installment of our monthly Brunch Poems with renowned author, Vivian Eyre.
This month’s featured author will be poet Camille Dunghy.
Email: joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org for the Zoom link!

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 May (7th, 14th, 21st & 28th) from 2—3 pm
Lynne is back! Join her on a path to opening your mind and body every Saturday in April!
To register: stop by the main desk, or give us a call or email: joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org
TECH TIME

Available by Appointment — call the front desk or email our New IT Specialist
Ian (ian@floydmemorailibrary.org) to set up a sit-down

Book an hour-long appointment with one of our IT Specialists
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 – “The Magic Strings of Frankie Presto”

by Mitch Albom

Monday, May 23rd, 2022 at 4 pm in the Library Garden

Narrated by the voice of Music itself, the story follows Frankie Presto,
a war orphan born in a burning church, through his extraordinary journey
around the world. Raised by a blind guitar teacher in Spain and gifted with
a talent to change people’s lives—using six mysterious blue strings—
Frankie navigates the musical landscape of the twentieth century,
from the 1950s jazz scene to the Grand Ole Opry to Elvis mania and Woodstock,
all the while searching for his childhood love. No Registration required!

MAGIC: THE GATHERING

Mondays, May 9th & 23rd at 2 pm

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, May 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st from 10 am – 12 pm

This four-week uninstructed 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.

* NB — Class is currently full; please call to be added to the wait list.
**AUTHOR TALK**

**Marilyn LoPresti**

**Sunday, May 1st 2022 at 3 p.m.**

in the Community Room

Please join us in our Community Room as we host newly-published, local author, Dr. Marilyn LoPresti. Dr. Marilyn LoPresti is a 35-year breast cancer survivor, with setbacks along the way: surgery, chemotherapy, radiation and more. Today she teaches Tai Chi, Martial Arts, Guided Meditation, and Low Impact Aerobics, as well as Strength Training. “What Doesn’t Kill You Makes You Stronger” is a chapter in Marilyn LoPresti’s life; a snapshot of what brought her to where she is today. No registration required. Books will be available for purchase at the event and refreshments will be served.

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**Floyd Memorial’s**

**Sidewalk Spring Book Giveaway**

**Friday, May 20th from 10 am-6 pm**

Come down to our Sidewalk Book Giveaway and grab some of your favorite titles, from our library to yours. Items will consist of both lightly-worn donations, duplicate copy donations and books recently removed from our collection.

**Books for all ages!**

Look for tables full of Children’s, Young Adult and both Adult Fiction and Non-Fiction.

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**Duo Marchand**

Duo Marchand, in recent seasons, has performed at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, The Cloisters, CityMusic in Columbus, Connecticut Early Music Festival, the Yale Collection of Musical Instruments and many other historic venues in the Northeast. The Duo’s program of Shakespeare songs has been broadcast nationally over Sirius/XM. Check out more about the duo on their website and make sure to stop by and see them in person!

Open to everyone; no registration required.

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**Andy Rutherford**

**Lute**

**Marcia Young**

**Soprano and Renaissance Harp**

**Sounds and Sweet Airs:**

**Songs from Shakespeare**

- **Sunday, May 15th at 3 pm** -

www.angelfire.com/planet/duomarchand
Join Group for the East End for a walk at Downs Farm Preserve in Cutchogue. The preserve, also known as Fort Corchaug, holds significant historical value as well as being a safe haven for local wildlife. This is an easy walk along Downs Creek and abutting McCall’s Vineyard.

Please dress appropriately for a walk in the woods. Long, light-colored clothing and closed-toed shoes are recommended.
Stop in or give us a call to register (631) 477-0660.

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INTRODUCTION TO

TAI CHI AND QIGONG

Mondays, May 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd at 11am

Tai Chi and Qigong study and practice is life-changing. Tai Chi is highly recommended by the medical community and is validated with research studies conducted by Harvard Medical School and others. Tai Chi combines balance training, inner and outer body strength, and mind focus, as well as providing a means to meditation and stress reduction. Tai Chi is a martial art for everyone, that channels inner energy and activates mind, body, and spirit energies.

Qigong (pronounced Chee-kung) is an ancient Shaolin (Chinese) form of simple, easy-to-follow exercises that channel your own inner energy toward well-being and self-healing. This study, coordinated with Tai Chi, provides added benefits to the entire body, especially to the respiratory, circulatory systems and more.

Instructor: Marilyn LoPresti, Ph.D. Second Degree Black Belt, American Tai Chi and Qigong Master Instructor
Please register for this 6-week class at the East End, or call (631) 477-0660.
MAY CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

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

Miss Vicky is on vacation the week of May 8, 2022, returning to the library on May 15, 2022

Watch how a caterpillar grows and turns into a butterfly! Butterflies will be released in our
backyard whenever they are ready. Stay tuned for caterpillar arrival dates!

Special Event: Thursday, May 5 at 6:00 -7:30 pm. Discovering North Fork and Shelter
Island Preschools. Are you wondering if a preschool is right for your child? Do you want to
know what makes each preschool on the North Fork unique? Come to the library tonight and
meet representatives from local preschools. Read their information, ask your questions
and maybe even register your child!

Summer preview: Registration for summer programs will begin on June 27th.
You can register for programs by emailing joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org.
Please remember that summer is a very busy time. Programs REQUIRE registration
during the summer. Many programmers have strict limits on the number of children
attending a program. If you are not registered, I CANNOT guarantee
you will be able to join the program.

Programs

Unless specified, programs are open to all ages. Please email
joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org or call 631-477-0660 ext. 6 for more information.

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

Email joinprogram@floydmemoriallibrary.org for weekly program reminders.

Programs do not require registration.

Toddler Times

May 4, 18 & 25th at 10:30 am — Join us for playtime, singing, stories, and fun! May 30th
will be the last toddler time of the season. We will resume on October 5, 2022 at 10:30 am.
May Children’s Programs, continued

**Story Time**

**Story time with Miss Vicky** — May 16th and May 23rd at 3:30 pm.

Listen to a story and make a craft. May 23rd will be the last story time of the season.

We will resume on November 7, 2022 at 3:30 pm

**Monday, May 2 at 4:00 pm** — Kick off turn off TV week with some stories WITH PUPPETS! Mary Beth Spann Mank and her faithful doggie puppet are back to regale us with some adorable stories and activities for you to take home!

**Tuesday, May 3 at 3:30 pm** — Come to the library and paint some rocks!

**Thursday, May 5, 6:00-7:30 pm** — Discovering North Fork and Shelter Island Preschools. Are you wondering if a preschool is right for your child? Do you want to know what makes each preschool on the North Fork unique? Come to the library tonight and meet representatives from local preschools. Read their information, ask your questions and maybe even register your child!

**Friday, May 6 at 4:30 pm** — Celebrate your biggest supporter! Paint a “heart”-felt masterpiece to give to the person who gives everything to you.

**Sunday May 15, Drop in anytime between 1:30 — 4:30** and make a tissue paper lady bug. This craft is fantastic eye hand coordination practice for younger children and full of great facts about ladybugs for older children.

**Tuesday, May 17, at 3:30 pm**. Spring ribbon weaving. Weave a pretty spring colored wall hanging for your room! Please note this craft requires a hot glue gun.

**Thursday, May 19 at 6:30 pm**. We are back outside! This week we will learn how to play bocce. If you like to bowl, you will enjoy bocce.

**Friday, May 20th — 10 am — 6 pm — Sidewalk Spring Book Giveaway Books for all ages!** Look for tables full of Children’s, Young Adult and both Fiction and Non-Fiction books.

**Saturday, May 21 — Drop into the children’s area anytime between 10:00am and 4:00 pm** for some flower science. Use flowers and hammers (!) to find out about pigment, absorption, extraction, and parts of a flower. Leave with two pieces of beautiful spring art.

**May 23-May 29 Memorial Day crafts will be out on the tables.**

**Tuesday, May 24, at 3:30 Butterflies.**

Use coffee filters, your imagination and science to make these easy and dainty butterflies.

**Thursday, May 26, at 6:30 pm.** We are back outside for some more bocce!
The Colors of Emotion is a student-driven series of abstract and figurative artworks depicting emotion through the use of color. Students in Grades 4-6 were inspired by various media, including the books *The Color Monster: A Story About Emotions* by Anna Llenas and *The Noisy Paint Box: The Colors and Sounds of Kandinsky's Abstract Art* by Barb Rosenstock, as well as by the popular Disney Pixar motion picture *Inside Out*. The main objective of this project was to provide students with an opportunity to understand their feelings and then express them through the use of creative materials. Students were offered oil pastels, construction paper, India ink, watercolor paint, and pencil. This series was inspired by the need to support our young people with creative solutions of expression during exceedingly challenging times related to COVID-19.

— Mr. Brady Wilkins, Teacher, Pre K- Grade 6 Art and STEAM
MAY TEEN EVENTS

13 and up

Beginning in June, Teen Events will require registration prior to unless noted otherwise. More details to come. Register by emailing: daai@floydmoriallibrary.org and/or call 631-477-0660 x 5

Teen Movie
RAYA AND THE LAST DRAGON
Rated PG
Friday, May 6th @ 4 pm

Teen Movie
HOWL’S MOVING CASTLE
Rated PG
Saturday, May 28th @ 11 am

Book Group
Read a chapter, then discuss.
Wednesdays in May @ 4pm in the Teen Room
We will not meet on Wednesday, 5/18

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

Universal Yums
Monday, May 23rd @ 4pm in the Teen Room

TEEN COUNSEL WITH D&D
Friday, May 27th @ 3:30—4:30pm
in the Community Room

Game Night
Friday, May 13 @ 4—6pm in the Teen Room
Board games will be laid out to play with your peers. Snacks will be provided.
Mother’s Day
Sunday, May 8
Drop-in @ 2-4pm
Make something special for the Mother Figure in your life on Mother’s Day.
Drop-in craft using various art supplies

Henna Art with Eakta Gandhi
Sunday, May 8, 2–3 pm
Registration required, beginning Sunday May 1.
Email daai@floydmemoriallibrary.org
Maximum number of registrants is 8.

New-ish Scholarship Occurrence
Monday, May 23 @ 6pm via Zoom
Students and families are welcome to attend! Bring your questions.
Special Guest Speakers:
Mary Dernbach (College Scholarship Coordinator)
Julie VanNostrand (Financial Aid Counselor) of Suffolk County Community College

Community Service Opportunities

Book Review
Write / type a book review of any YA Fiction, YA Español, Non-fiction, YA Graphic Novel in Floyd Memorial Library’s collection. Answer the five Ws (details at Teen Desk) in paragraph form and receive Community Service credit for the average audio-version length of time it takes to read the book, and one additional hour for writing / typing the book review.

Students Connect in our Community
Connect with your neighbor by being a neighbor. How? By using pen, paper, colored pencils, etcetera, you will get creative and design your own card. One hour for community service will be given for the completeness of four cards.

Teens Teach Tech
Are you interested in teaching tech one on one to someone who needs assistance figuring out computers, smart phones, tablets, 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.

Greenport UFSD / Oysterponds USFD Announcements:
Friday, May 27 @ 11:30 a.m. - Early Dismissal @ Oysterponds U.F.S.D.