SUNDAY AUTHOR VISITS

hosted by TEMPLE BETH-EL

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APRIL 19 AT 2 PM

Dan Schlossberg

Award-winning baseball and travel journalist, Dan Schlossberg, will discuss and sign copies of his book, The 300 Club: Have We Seen the Last of Baseball’s 300 Game Winners?

Former Associated Press newsman and a lifelong resident of Northern New Jersey, Dan Schlossberg boasts a 45-year journalism career that spans the gamut from broadcast analyst and commentator, to writer, author, and entrepreneur. In addition to over 25,000 articles about baseball, he has authored and co-authored 35 books, and is one of the country’s premier baseball experts. Dan has had the honor of personally interviewing many Baseball Hall of Famers including Hank Aaron, Stan Musial and Phil Rizzuto. Books will be available for purchase at the event.

MAY 17 AT 2 PM

Ronald Marzlock

More people attended each of the two New York World’s Fairs than Woodstock, and the Fairs created lasting memories for generations of New Yorkers. Noted historian Ronald Marzlock, author of The New York World’s Fairs: 1939 and 1964, along with commentary and personal anecdotes, presents an exciting presentation of two hundred images of the Fairs, many taken behind the scenes and many never before seen. Take a trip down memory lane and learn things about the Fairs that you never knew.

Ron Marzlock has run the weekly local history column “I Have Often Walked” in the Queens Chronicle for over seventeen years. He launched Icon Archives in 1996, his library of local New York historical images which have appeared in television documentaries, magazines, and books. Books will be available for purchase at the event.

JUNE 14 AT 7 PM

Marion Blumenthal Lazan, Her Holocaust Story: A message of Perseverance, Determination, Faith, and Hope

Temple Beth-El hosts Marion Blumenthal Lazan, Holocaust Survivor. She will discuss her award-winning memoir, Four Perfect Pebbles: A Holocaust Story, co-authored by Lila Perl.

Marion’s is a moving first-hand account of the Blumenthal family’s life in Germany from the events preceding Kristallnacht to imprisonment in concentration camps to liberation in April of 1945. Mrs. Lazan was 11 years old when the family finally gained its freedom.

Marion Blumenthal Lazan’s presentation goes beyond the facts. It stresses the importance of positive thinking to overcome adversity. It asks the audience to be tolerant of others and not stereotype individuals based on religious belief, color, race or national origin. She warns her listeners to be true to themselves and not blindly follow-the-leader. Today’s generation is the last generation to hear a first-hand account.

Marion Blumenthal Lazan is an inspirational speaker whose unforgettable memoir recalls the devastating years that shaped her childhood. She has been speaking out publicly about the Holocaust since 1979 at schools, organizations and other venues in the United States and all over the world. Many schools are using Marion’s memoir in the study of the Holocaust. A presentation for all ages! Marion will sign copies of her book, which will be available for purchase.
As I write this column, the arrival of spring is just days away, along with this welcome change of season is another long-awaited date – the Library’s March 18 hearing at the Town of North Hempstead’s Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA). Shortly following this review of the Main Library’s unchanged parking area and site plans, it is hoped that the Town’s Building Department will issue the construction permits needed to continue the renovation of the library. The first steps in the project – asbestos abatement and preliminary demolition work have already begun. You can follow our progress on Flickr using the link from the Renovation page of our website at http://www.greatnecklibrary.org/libinfo/libreno.php.

The library’s staff and operations are now fully settled and functioning at their temporary branch locations. We have planned a full set of programming for library patrons of all ages for the coming months. See the listings in this newsletter.

As work has begun at the Main Library, we can no longer allow access to the building’s book drop. We are pleased to announce that the Great Neck Park District has graciously offered the library the use of a location on the grounds of the library’s first home, Great Neck House.

Located at 14 Arrandale Avenue, Great Neck House was the home of the Great Neck Library from 1907 until 1971, when the Main Library opened on Bayview Avenue.

Library staff will be meeting with Parks Superintendent Peter Renick to finalize these plans in the very near future. More details will be provided as soon as they become available.

A Message from Board President Marietta DiCamillo

All classes will be held at the Station Branch Library. Register online, in person, or by phone, 466-8055, ext. 218.

MONDAY, APRIL 27 - 7:30 to 8:30 pm
Unlock the Secrets of the ACT and SAT Exams...
What Every Student Needs to Know

Nick LaPoma, founder and lead tutor of Curvebreakers Test Prep, will give a presentation on the differences in the exams and how to prepare for them. There will be time for questions and answers at the end of Nick’s presentation.

There is a separate registration for teens and parents. Parental attendance is encouraged, but not required.

MONDAY, MAY 18 - 7:00 to 8:30 pm
Spaghetti and Meatballs Cake...April Fool’s Day in May!

Looks like pasta, tastes like cake! Learn the art of cake decorating from a Baking Coach expert. For teens in grades 7 - 12.

MONDAY, JUNE 1, 8, 15 - 6:30 to 8:00 pm
Yoga for Teens

Yoga is for everybody. Learn yoga in a fun, safe, friendly, and encouraging environment. The good news about yoga: you will develop focusing and relaxation skills that you can take with you into the classroom, on the playing field, and beyond. Bring a yoga mat. For teens in grades 7 - 12.

Starting with the next edition, you have the option to receive your quarterly Great Neck Library newsletter in an interactive email version in place of the paper version. Help save a tree and reduce our mailing costs at the same time by “opting in” for electronic delivery of your newsletter. Look for the “Email My Newsletter!” icon on the library website at www.greatnecklibrary.org!
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1
Brown Bag Program: Spring Clean Your Life: Three Steps to the Life You Want
Attend this life-altering program that addresses how we begin living the life we want. This program is divided into three segments: lecture, meditation, and Q&A. Topics include habit formation, cognitive theory of change, mindfulness, acceptance, responsibility, and implementation.
Constance Hallinan Lagan was a book publishing coordinator servicing the needs of children and teens at risk. She has developed games and counseling tools, and authored two books. She also was a director of career development, marketing, and a business consultant. Library will be serving coffee/tea. Bring your lunch if you like! 11 am

Parkville Branch
AARP Tax Assistance
AARP Tax Preparation will assist in preparing and filing Federal tax returns online only each Wednesday until April 8. Registration for appointments is ongoing. You must have an appointment and bring all relevant tax papers. Call the Parkville Branch at 466-8055, ext. 273 for details or to make an appointment. 10 am to 2 pm

THURSDAY, APRIL 2
Thursday Film Matinee series: Magic in the Moonlight
(2014, 97 minutes, PG-13)
Cast: Colin Firth, Emma Stone, Eileen Atkins, Marcia Gay Harden, Jacob Addison, Hamish Linklater
Set in the 1920s, Stanley is an Englishman posing as an Asian magician. He travels to the South of France to unmask a medium named Sophie as a fake, but ends up falling for her real-world charms instead. (doors open at 1:45 pm) 2 pm

THURSDAY, APRIL 7
West Egg Book Group: Dear Life: Stories by Alice Munro
Tales of ordinary Canadian lives made compelling by the Nobel Prize-winning author. Please register in person, online, or by phone at 466-8055, ext. 233. Registration is ongoing. Books become available about one month before the program. 7 pm

THURSDAY, APRIL 9
Thursday Film Matinee series: The Judge
(2014, 141 minutes, R)
Cast: Robert Duvall, Robert Devall, Vera Farmiga, Billy Bob Thornton, Vincent D’Onofrio, Melissa Leo
Hank Palmer returns to his childhood home where his father, the town’s judge, is suspected of murder. He sets out to discover the truth and along the way reconnects with the family he walked away from years before. (doors open at 1:45 pm) 2 pm

SUNDAY, APRIL 12
New Beginnings Singles
Age 50+ Discussion, Social and Support Group with TV Talk Show Host Maria Matthews
Join social worker, group facilitator, and television talk show host of The Relationship Journey, Maria Matthews, in a discussion, social and support group for divorced, widowed, single adults, empty nesters, age 50 and over who would like a new beginning. Make new friends, network and learn new skills towards reinforcing yourself, with inspiration and hope for the future. 2 pm

MONDAY, APRIL 13
Celebrating Long Island Reads 2015: The Museum of Extraordinary Things
Diana Heinlein and David Houston perform a Reading in the style of Radio Drama; Adapted by David Houston from the book by Alice Hoffman
Excerpts from Alice Hoffman’s spellbinding novel, The Museum of Extraordinary Things, presented as radio drama, with effects and the music of early 20th Century New York. David Houston narrates and acts the male voices; female voices and points of view are performed by Diana Heinlein. David Houston has appeared in leading roles in scores of plays and musicals. He is a published writer of fiction and non-fiction. His other performance readings in the style of radio drama include Steinbeck’s Travels With Charlie and the trial from To Kill A Mockingbird. Diana Heinlein has acted in a vast number of leading and featured roles in plays including Brighton Beach Memoirs, Barefoot in the Park and The Odd Couple, and has played Annie Sullivan in The Miracle Worker. 2 pm

TUESDAY, APRIL 14
Book Discussion: The Museum of Extraordinary Things by Alice Hoffman
Join us at for a book discussion of this 2015 Long Island Reads book pick. Registration is recommended. Copies of the book will be available to registered patrons for pick-up at the branch of their choice. 2 pm

TUESDAY, APRIL 16
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THURSDAY, APRIL 20
Thursday Film Matinee series: Postcards from the Edge
(1990, 102 minutes, R)
Cast: Gene Hackman, Shirley MacLaine, Meryl Streep, Dennis Quaid, Richard Dreyfuss
Mike Nichols’ comedy of Carrie Fisher’s best-selling novel concerning a woman's struggle with her career, drug addiction, and her mother. (doors open at 1:45 pm) 2 pm

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TUESDAY, APRIL 21
92nd Street Y Live Web simulcast: David Books: On Character
View and listen to a 92nd Street Y live web simulcast when New York Times columnist David Brooks engages in an in-depth discussion about what constitutes character, as explored in his new book, The Road to Character (Random House - on sale April 7, 2015). Some people seem to possess inner lives that are more substantive than the rest of ours. How do they do it? Depth, argues Brooks, is the core of our being and something we cultivate over time; it’s engrafted by thought and action; it’s built through the commitments we make—to a nation, a faith, a calling or loved ones—and the sacrifices we endure because of those commitments. We will e-mail your questions to Mr. Brooks during the program. 7:30 pm

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22
Brown Bag Program: Managing Stress Instantly presented by Robert Lawrence Friedman
Using techniques and strategies from his book How to Relax in 60 Seconds or Less, Robert Lawrence Friedman will provide participants with numerous strategies, tools and techniques for creating instant relaxation and learning how to develop an effective buffer zone between their stressors and their health. This practical class will teach participants numerous “immediate-needs” techniques for creating a calmer, more relaxed work and home life.

For the past 22 years, Robert Lawrence Friedman, M.A., author, professional speaker/trainer, corporate coach, and psychotherapist has provided his training programs, workshops and coaching programs to Fortune 100 and 500 corporations, universities, and health care organizations throughout the United States, Europe and Asia. Library will be serving coffee/tea. Bring your lunch if you like! 11 am

THURSDAY, APRIL 23
Thursday Film Matinee series: Gone Girl
(2014, 149 minutes, R)
Cast: Ben Affleck, Rosamund Pike, Neil Patrick Harris, Tyler Perry, Kim Dickens, Sela Ward
On the occasion of his fifth wedding anniversary, Nick Dunne reports that his wife, Amy, has gone missing. Under pressure from the police and a growing media frenzy, Nick’s portrait of a blissful union begins to crumble. Soon his lies, deceipts, and strange behavior have everyone asking the same dark question: Did Nick Dunne kill his wife? (doors open at 1:45 pm) 2 pm

Parkville Branch:
Sharper Training Solutions: Computer Kindergarten® for Grumpworns®
This is a slow-paced, hands-on, and user-friendly class for first-time computer users. Using Windows computers, this unique class covers the basics in a way that even the most inexperienced user will understand. We will cover turning the computer on, using the desktop and menues, opening and closing programs, understanding windows elements, getting out of trouble, and turning the computer off. No prerequisites required. Registration is ongoing. 6:30 to 8:30 pm

To register for Library programs online, click the Program Registration button on our homepage www.greatnecklibrary.org or call 466-8055.

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CHRISTIAN SEPARATE SCHOOL EVENTS CALENDAR

TO REGISTER ONLINE, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT...
FRIDAY, APRIL 24
Free Hearing Screening
Courtesy of Adelphi University’s
Hy Weinberg Center for
Communication Disorders
This Adelphi University Hy Weinberg Center for Communication Disorders community outreach program consists of a free basic hearing screening for adults of all ages. Students and faculty from Adelphi University will perform the hearing screenings. Screening results are given immediately and appropriate recommendations are made by a licensed audiologist. No appointments necessary. First come, first served. 11:30 am to 2:30 pm

SATURDAY, APRIL 25
Parkville Branch
AARP Defensive Driving Class
Register for a six-hour refresher driving course for drivers 50+. Get a reduction on points or a discount on insurance. Please bring your lunch, as this will be a full day class. Fee: $20 for AARP members, $25 for non-members. Call 466-8035, ext. 273. 10 am to 4:30 pm

Great Neck Poets Circle Annual Readings
Celebrate National Poetry Month and enjoy an afternoon of poetry and light refreshments when Great Neck Poets Circle members come together to read their poetry and invite members of the audience for open readings.
George Pafitis, Coordinator. 3 pm

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29
Brown Bag Program:
All the World’s a Stage: Neil Simon presented by Shirley Romaine
From her series All the World’s a Stage, actress Shirley Romaine will present a program about Neil Simon, America's most prolific and “user friendly” playwright. The most biographical of writers for the theater, he brings us himself, his pain, and his joy. He is a master craftsman whose awards include a Broadway theater named for him. Ms. Romaine will tell his story and perform scenes from two of his plays, Chapter Two and The Sunshine Boys. Library will be serving coffee/tea. Bring your lunch if you like! 11 am

Lakeville Branch
Lakeville Literary Club: The Art of Racing in the Rain by Garth Stein
An old dog with a philosopher's soul tells the story of the wonders and absurdities of human life. Register online, in person, or by phone at 466-8035, ext. 231. 7 pm

THURSDAY, APRIL 30
Parkville Branch Book Discussion:
The Life We Bury by Allen Eskens
Joe Talbert, a junior at the University of Minnesota, receives a class assignment to write a biography of someone who has lived an interesting life. At a nursing home he meets Carl Iveson, a man dying of cancer who has been medically paroled after spending 30 years in prison for the murder of a fourteen-year-old girl. Carl agrees to tell Joe his story, and sets out to unravel its tapestry. 1:30 pm

THURSDAY, APRIL 30
Thursday Film Matinee series: My Old Lady
(2014, 108 minutes, PG-13) Cast: Kevin Kline, Maggie Smith, Kristin Scott Thomas, Michael Burstin, Elie Wajerman
When Mathias Gold arrives at the sumptuous Parisian apartment he inherited from his father, he's surprised that the property comes with two stubborn live-in tenants who are not required to leave according to an ancient French real estate law. Unable to sell the place, Mathias moves in with the feisty Englishwoman Mathilde and her daughter, Chloe. But as Mathias and Chloe draw increasingly closer, Mathilde unveils a complex labyrinth of secrets that unites the trio in unexpected ways. (doors open at 1:45 pm) 2 pm

SATURDAY, MAY 2
Author Talk/Book Signing:
The NYPD’s First Fifty Years: Politicians, Police Commissioners, and Patrons by Bernard Whalen and Jon Whalen, Foreword by William J. Bratton
Meet Bernard Whalen, a long-serving NYPD lieutenant, when he discusses The NYPD’s First Fifty Years, a history of New York’s finest. In his book, Bernard and his father, Jon, consider the men and women who have contributed to the department’s past, both positively and less so. Starting with the official formation of the NYPD in 1898, they examine the commission-ers, politicians, and the events that marked it on history and on one another. In the process, they also explore the backroom dealings, the hidden history, and the relationships that set the scene for the modern NYPD that so proudly serves the city today.
Bernard Whalen has been a member of the New York Police Department since July 1981. He has received 16 departmental recognitions, including two commendations, and is also a member of the NYPD Honor Legion. Books will be available for purchase at the event. 11 am

May

SATURDAY, MAY 2
Saturday Film Matinee:
The Sunshine Boys.
It’s the summer of 1958 and the New York Yankees are looking for a good time. Things get out of hand, however, when the afternoon becomes a marathon that never ends. 7 pm

TUESDAY, MAY 5
Saddle Rock Village Hall
Book Discussion led by Janet Schneider; Invisible City by Julia Dahl
Join Librarian Janet Schneider at the Saddle Rock Village Hall (18 Masefield Way, Great Neck). Rebekah Roberts is a young journalist (18 Masefield Way, Great Neck). 2 pm

WEST EGG EGG BOOK GROUP:
Headlong by Michael Frayn
Art historian discovers lost Breugel painting in dilapidated country house. Please register in person, online, or by phone at 466-8035 ext 233. Registration begins on Monday, April 6 at 10 am. Books are available about one month before the program. 7 pm

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MUSIC CONCERT
hosted by TEMPLE EMANUEL
150 Hicks Lane • Great Neck, NY 11024
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SUNDAY, MAY 3 at 3 pm
New Asia Chamber Music Society Quartet
Sheng-Ching Hsu/Kevin Shue (viola)
Ting-Ru Lai (viola)
Nan-Cheng Chen (cello)

Propelled by a shared passion for great classical composers and profound respect for the works written by the composers of our time, the New Asia Chamber Music Society was founded in 2010 by an idealistic group of young American virtuosos, graduated from America’s most prestigious music schools, including The Juilliard School and the Curtis Institute. Based in New York City, NACMS is committed to bringing audiences exceptional performances of the finest works of chamber music, drawn from the canon of western music as well as contemporary Asian culture. This unusual young collective also seeks to reach out to its technologically-wired peers around the world, through the creation of innovative new work in future partnership with other arts organizations.

The New Asia Chamber Music Society gave their sold-out inaugural performance at Carnegie Hall’s Weill Recital Hall in 2011, and has since then performed throughout New York City at venues including Queens Museum, Flushing Town Hall, Sheridan Hotel, Taiwan Center, Chelsea Museum, and the Taipei Culture and Economic Center of New York.

…”.. comprised of many young and gifted players, is an impressively organized and professional group.” — New York Concert Reviews

Temple Emanuel is graciously hosting various Children's and Adult programs while the Main Building is closed for renovation. Parking is in the rear of the Temple. There is a rear entrance not far from the parking lot near the gardens. Please call the Programming Department at 466-8035, ext. 277 for more information.

Congratulations to the Library’s Music Advisory Committee upon its 45th Anniversary

From Bach to the Beatles, the Music Advisory Committee has been presenting musical programs with extraordinarily talented musicians since 1970. The Library wishes to thank the Committee members and gratefully acknowledge their overwhelming contribution to the musical enrichment of our community.

2015 MAC Members:
Gabe Chico, Founding member and present Co-chair
Michele Ganz, Co-chair
Beatrice Audrey, Mary Dehn, and Estelle Pace.
May

THURSDAY, MAY 7
Thursday Film Matinee series: Whiplash (2014, 105 minutes, R)
Cast: Miles Teller, J.K. Simmons (Oscar winner), Melissa Benoist, Paul Reiser, Austin Stowell, Nate Lang

Andrew Neyman is an ambitious jazz drummer, single-minded in his pursuit to rise to the top of his elite music conservatory. Plagued by the failed writing career of his father, Andrew hungered day and night to become one of the greats. Terence Fletcher, an instructor equally known for his teaching talents as for his terrifying methods, discovers Andrew and transfers the aspiring drummer into his band. (doors open at 1:45 pm) 2 pm

Friday, May 8
Socrates Salon with Ron Gross
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Saturday, May 9
Author Talk/Book Signing: From a Nickel to a Token: The Journey from Board of Transportation to MTA by Andrew J. Sparberg
In this fascinating micro-history of New York’s transit system, Andrew Sparberg examines twenty specific events between 1940 and 1968, book-ended by subway unification and the MTA’s creation. From a Nickel to a Token draws from the historical tapestry of New York mass transit, capturing five boroughs of grit, chaos, and emotion grappling with a massive and unwieldy transit system.

Andrew J. Sparberg has spent forty years in the transportation field, starting at Tri-State Regional Planning Commission, and then at the Long Island Railroad. Since retiring, he has worked on transportation’s academic side, most recently at St. John’s University and the City University of New York. He was technical editor of Long Island Rail Road, a 2007 history by author Stan Fischer. Books will be available for purchase at the event. 11 am

Sunday, May 10
Temple Beth-B’r Book Signing: The New York World’s Fairs by Ronald Marzlock
See front page for details. 2 pm

Thursday, May 14
Thursday Film Matinee series: Love in the Afternoon (1957, 130 minutes, NR)
Cast: Gary Cooper, Audrey Hepburn, Maurice Chevalier

Laughs. Parisian settings. Champagne elegance. All that and more when Audrey Hepburn and Gary Cooper meet for a May-December romance. (doors open at 1:45 pm) 2 pm

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Thursday Film Matinee series: St. Vincent (2014, 103 minutes, PG-13)
Cast: Bill Murray, Melissa McCarthy, Naomi Watts, Chris O’Dowd, Terrence Howard, Jaeden Lieberher

Maggie, a single mother, moves into a new home in Brooklyn with her twelve-year-old son, Oliver. Forced to work long hours, she has no choice but to leave Oliver in the care of their neighbor, Vincent, a retired curmudgeon with a desire for alcohol and gambling. An odd friendship soon blossoms between the improbable pair. (doors open at 1:45 pm) 2 pm

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Wednesday, May 27
Lakeville Literary Club: The Dressmaker by Kate Alcott
An exciting and compelling historical novel about a lively young woman who survives the sinking of the Titanic only to find herself in further complications. Register online, in person, or by phone at 466-8055, ext. 231. 7 pm

SUNDAY, MAY 31
Author Talk/Book Signing: The Mystery of the Milton Manuscript by Barry Libin
In this work of historical fiction, Barry Libin uncovers the meaning of John Milton’s Paradise Lost. Some believe that Milton himself wrote a lost manuscript explaining the true meaning of his poem. Was there really such a manuscript, and if so, why has it remained concealed for so many years? Brimming with intrigue, mystery, and suspense, this book is a tale of history, literature, forgery, and religious conspiracy that exposes the enigma of John Milton’s epic poem.

Barry Libin is an author, playwright, composer and lyricist, as well as a medical researcher. This is his first novel. Books will be available for purchase at the event. 2 pm

June

Tuesday, June 2
West Egg Book Group: Someone by Alice McDermott
An ordinary Brooklyn woman’s family and community life reveal deeper mysteries. At this meeting, we will decide our reading list for 2015-2016. Please register in person, online, or by phone at 466-8053, ext. 233. Registration begins on Monday, May 4 at 10 am. Books are available about one month before the program. 7 pm
Events Calendar

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**JUNE**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 4**

**Thursday Film Matinee series: The Theory of Everything**
(2014, 123 minutes, PG-13)
Cas: Eddie Redmayne (Oscar winner), Felicity Jones, Tom Prior, Sophie Perry, Harry Lloyd, Alice Orr-Ewing, David Thewlis, Thomas Morrison

Renowned astrophysicist Stephen Hawking falls deeply in love with fellow Cambridge student Jane Wilde. Once a healthy, active young man, Hawking received an earth-shattering diagnosis at 21 years of age. With Jane fighting tirelessly by his side, Stephen embarks on his most ambitious scientific work, studying the very thing he now has precious little of - time. Together, they defy impossible odds, breaking new ground in medicine and science. (doors open at 1:45 pm) 2 pm

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**SATURDAY, JUNE 6**

**Individualized Resume Workshop with Stan Broitman, Career Coach**
In this program, you will have the opportunity to share your resume so it can be constructively reviewed for effectiveness, completeness, and coherence with the job you are seeking. Bring your resume and one online description of a position you want. Stan Broitman is a career, business, and retirement coach. 11 am

**SUNDAY, JUNE 7**

**Host of WCBS 880 News Radio’s “Healthy and Happy Pet”**
Dr. Elizabethte Cohen, D.V.M.
Dr. Elizabethte Cohen has been practicing veterinary medicine and surgery in NYC and Long Island since 1988. She received her D.V.M. from Cornell Veterinary School, and is the author of Most of My Patients Wear Fur: Tales of Small Animals and Their Big City Vet. She is also the host of WCBS 880 News Radio’s “Healthy and Happy Pet.” Her book offers practical guidance along with funny anecdotes. She will answer every audience member’s pet question and everyone will be given something to take home. 2 pm

**TUESDAY, JUNE 9**

**Saddle Rock Village Hall Book Discussion**
led by Janet Schneider
The Children Act by Ian McEwan
Join Librarian Janet Schneider at the Saddle Rock Village Hall (18 Massefield Way, Great Neck). Fiona Maye must rule on the opposing medical and religious interests surrounding a 17-year-old boy who will likely die without blood transfusions. The cancer patient, weeks shy of the age when he could speak for himself, has embraced his parents’ deep faith as Jehovah’s Witnesses and their abhorrence of letting what the Bible deems a pollutant enter his body. Registration is recommended. Copies of the book will be available to registered patrons for pick-up at the branch of their choice. 11 am

**THURSDAY, JUNE 11**

**Thursday Film Matinee series: Pride**
(2014, 120 minutes, R)
Cas: Bill Nighy, Imelda Staunton, Dominic West, Paddy Considine, Andrew Scott, George Mackay, Joseph Gilgun, Ben Schnetzer

U.K. gay activists work to assist miners during their extended strike of the National Union of Mineworkers in the summer of 1984. (doors open at 1:45 pm) 2 pm

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**MONDAY, JUNE 15**

**The Honeymooners**
Jackie Gleason and Company presented by Keith J. Crocker
Join Keith for a trip down memory lane as he discusses the career of comedic actor Jackie Gleason and his entourage, with the focus on the classic series. The Honeymooners. Program highlight is a 16mm showing of a rare episode entitled “Hello Mom”, which aired on December 3, 1955. Keith J. Crocker is a film historian, filmmaker, and director. 2 pm

**THURSDAY, JUNE 18**

**Thursday Film Matinee series: Biloxi Blues**
(2014, 120 minutes, R)
Cast: Matthew Broderick, Christopher Walken

The second of playwright Neil Simon’s semi-autobiographical trilogy. Matthew Broderick stars as Simon’s alter ego Eugene, who is drafted and shipped off to boot camp in the waning days of World War II. (doors open at 1:45 pm) 2 pm

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24**

**Lakeville Branch**
Lakeville Literary Club: The Museum of Extraordinary Things by Alice Hoffman
A poignant look at the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire through the eyes of an Orthodox Russian Jewish immigrant, in addition to his passionate love affair with the daughter of a Coney Island boardwalk museum’s front man. Register online, in person, or by phone at 466-8055, ext. 231. 7 pm

**THURSDAY, JUNE 25**

**Parkville Branch Book Discussion: West of Sunset by Stewart O’Nan**
The last three years of F. Scott Fitzgerald’s life from 1937 until his death in 1940 are the focus of this gorgeously and gracefully written novel. 1:30 pm

**Thursday Film Matinee series: Love is Strange**
(2014, 95 minutes, R)
Cas: John Lithgow, Alfred Molina, Marisa Tomei

Ben and George finally tie the knot in lower Manhattan. But when George loses his job, the couple must sell their apartment and temporarily live apart until they can find a new home. While struggling with the pain of separation, they are challenged by the family dynamics of their new living arrangements. (doors open at 1:45 pm) 2 pm

**Parkville Branch**
Shape Training Solutions
Intro to the iPad & iPhone
Learn all about Apple’s hottest gadget in this lecture class. You will get an intro to the hardware, learn how to access the Internet and email, understand the settings, use the apps and learn how to get new ones, discover many tips and tricks and much more. Bring your device if you have one. No registration required. 6:30 to 8:30 pm
Springtime Films for 2015

The Library’s film matinees will be held on Thursdays at the Station Branch at 2:00 pm (doors open at 1:45 pm).

Seating for residents of the Great Neck School District is on a first-come, first-seated basis. Seating for non-residents will begin 15 minutes before the program starts, if seats are available.

PLEASE ARRIVE EARLY AS SEATING IS LIMITED.

APRIL

Magic in The Moonlight 2nd
THE JUDGE 9th
POSTCARDS 16th
GONE GIRL 23rd
MY OLD LADY 30th

MAY

WHIPLASH 7th
Love Afternoon 14th
THANKS EVERYTHING 4th

JUNE

LOVE THY NEIGHBOR 21st
CHARLIE WILSON'S WAR 28th
LOVE IS STRANGE 25th

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Beginning 9:30 am, go online at www.greatnecklibrary.org, in person at 10:01 a.m., or by phone at 466-8055.

ALL CHILDREN FROM INFANT THROUGH AGE 5 MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT OR CAREGIVER.

**TOY TIME**
11 - 11:45 am (10 - 17 months)
Mondays:
April 13, 20, 27
May 4, 11, 18

**BABY TIME**
2 - 2:30 pm (infant - 9 months)
Tuesdays:
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3 - 3:30 pm (ages 3 - 5)
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May 7, 14, 21

**2’S STORYTIME**
10:30 - 11 am (2 years of age)
Fridays: April 17, 24
May 1, 8, 15, 22

**THURSDAY, APRIL 9**
Adventures of Peter Rabbit
11 - 11:45 am
cosponsored by Temple Emanuel

**ADORABLE**
Peter, Flopsy, Mopsy, Cotton-Tail, Benjamin Bunny, the McGregors and all their friends come to life in this delightful theatre adaptation inspired by the characters created by Beatrix Potter. Peter Rabbit learns important lessons of respecting someone else’s property and staying safe!

For ages 3 - 10 with parent or caregiver. Tickets are available Thursday, March 26 at 8 pm at the Station and Parkville Branches, and Friday, March 27 at 9 am at the Lakeville Branch.

Parking is in the rear of the Temple. There is a rear entrance not far from the parking lot near the gardens.

**TEMPLE ISRAEL**
108 Old Mill Road, Great Neck

**TUESDAYS**
APRIL 14 to MAY 19

**Baby Romp**
Class A: 10:15 - 10:45 am
Class B: 11:15 - 11:45 am

**Wiggles & Giggles**
Class A: 2:15 - 2:45 pm
Class B: 3:15 - 3:45 pm

Come for movement and interactive play with your little one.

Ages 12 to 23 months with parent/caregiver. Located at the Pine Room at the Lower Level of the Temple.

Parking and entry is via the School entrance in the rear parking lot.

**THURSDAYS**
APRIL 16 to MAY 21

**Make a Mini Movie with Mike Meehan**
Station Branch 5 - 6 pm

We’ll hop & bop, jump & jive, and wiggle & giggle with a time full of fun activities and silly songs.

Ages 2 to 4 with parent/caregiver. Located at the Pine Room at the Lower Level of the Temple.

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**KIDS’ WORLD**

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All children are required to have a valid Great Neck Library card at the time of registration.
**THE GREAT NECK LIBRARY’S TEEN CENTER**

Levels offers a wide array of programs geared toward the artistic and social development of Great Neck’s seventh grade through college-age youth. Current workshops include Improv, Webshow, Chess, Art Outside the Box, Sight-Singing and more. The following are highlights of Levels events. For a complete listing of all activities, check out the Levels Newsletter or visit our website at www.greatnecklibrary.org/levels/home.html

**ALSO: SEE BELOW FOR INFORMATION ON LEVELS LOCATIONS DURING THE MAIN LIBRARY'S RENOVATION!**

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**LEVELS NOTES**

...Levels is a safe, supervised teen program that teaches leadership and responsibility by giving students the opportunity to conceive, organize and complete projects in the various arts. We offer daily workshops and fun weekend events.

We also do several fully-staged theatre productions a year, all directed, produced, designed and performed by teens seventh grade and up, a film festival featuring original movies created by students, an outdoor summer arts festival and much, much more. And our staff of experienced working artists can teach you how to do almost anything you can think of.

If you’re a local teenager and you have an idea for a project you want to do, or just want a cool place to hang out with friends, come down, say hi and find out what Levels is all about!

**BUT WHERE DO YOU FIND US???????**

**GOOD QUESTION!**

Due to the Main Library’s Renovation, Levels has TWO new homes:

**MONDAYS-THURSDAYS:**
from 4:00-1:00 p.m. at SADDLE ROCK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
10 Hawthorne Lane, Great Neck, NY 11023
(Enter through Main Entrance)
(516) 441-4460
(Levels operating hours may vary due to school holidays and events)

**FRIDAYS-SATURDAYS:**
from 6:00 p.m. to midnight at THE LIBRARY’S STATION BRANCH
26 Great Neck Road, Great Neck, NY 11021
(The Gardens of Great Neck Shopping Center on the upper level, above Waldbaum’s)
(516) 466-8055 ext. 218

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Our Spring Theatre Production is a hilarious comedy/mystery by John Bishop -- it’s not a musical, but it is about the people who make musicals. The creative team responsible for a recent Broadway flop (during which three chorus girls were murdered by the mysterious "Stage Door Slasher") all assemble at the Westchester estate of a wealthy investor, where they become trapped by a blizzard. And, as you might expect, the “Slasher” has joined them to strike again.

Bodies start to drop in plain sight, knives spring out of nowhere, and masked figures drag their victims behind swiveling bookcases.

The show is directed by South High student Noah Harouche, with Kim Shokrian as assistant director/stage manager and Tiffany McDowell as set designer. The cast includes Valerie Currie, Jack Doremus, Simona Fine, Rebecca Hirschhorn, Daisy Korman, Molly Racsko, Freddy Sion, Adi Sragovich, Sam Trollo and Ben Weber.

Performances will be Thursday and Friday, May 21 & 22 at 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 23 at 2:00 p.m. in the auditorium of Saddle Rock Elementary School. Admission is free. For further information, visit our website or e-mail levels@greatnecklibrary.org.

**PROJECTS IN PROGRESS:**
Contact us if you want to get involved!

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**LEVELS FILM FESTIVAL**

Help us write, stage, choreograph and perform our new musical, based on the truly terrible horror film of the same name! Young Joshua must stop the evil vegetarian goblins (NOT trolls) with the help of his dead Grandpa Seth and a double-dacker baloney sandwich!

...AND...

Every summer, we show an evening of original films by teens like you, in the middle of town on an enormous 40-foot inflatable movie screen! But we have to make those films, first! We need actors, writers, directors, camerapeople and most importantly, IDEAS! Trust us, nothing you can dream up is too weird for us!

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**VISIT LEVELS ON THE WEB!**

**e-mail**
levels@greatnecklibrary.org

**website**
www.greatnecklibrary.org/levels/home.html

**Levels Teen Center**

**Levels WeDoThat**
levels-wedothat.tumblr.com
PHOTO ALBUM:
LEVELS presents
Disney’s THE LITTLE MERMAID

Last year, the Disney Theatrical Group selected 7 community theatre groups across the U.S. to stage "test" productions of THE LITTLE MERMAID to help Disney prepare the show for amateur licensing in 2016. Levels is proud to have been one of those groups. We presented our production in the auditorium of Saddle Rock Elementary School this past January. Have a look!

Photos by William Miecuna
Library patrons connected to the Internet are asked to check the website www.cancellations.com for Library weather-related closings/program cancellations. In order to access this service, Library District residents can log on to the website and type in their zip code or “Great Neck Library”. In addition, at no charge, residents can request automatic e-mails when the Library has posted any new information.

Great Neck Library is Closed for Renovation.

Please See Revised Branch Hours Below.

Station Branch (ext. 234, 235)
The Gardens at Great Neck
26 Great Neck Road (2nd level), Great Neck, NY 11021
Monday 9 am - 9 pm
Tuesday 9 am - 9 pm
Wednesday 10 am - 9 pm
Thursday 9 am - 9 pm
Friday 9 am - 6 pm
Saturday 10 am - 6 pm
Sunday 1 - 5 pm (through June 14, 2015)

Lakeville Branch (ext. 222)
475 Great Neck Road, Great Neck, NY 11021
Monday 10 am - 6 pm
Tuesday 10 am - 6 pm
Wednesday 10 am - 9 pm
Thursday 10 am - 6 pm
Friday 10 am - 9 pm
Saturday 10 am - 6 pm
Sunday closed

Parkville Branch (ext. 273)
10 Campbell Street, New Hyde Park, NY 11040
Monday 9 am - 9 pm
Tuesday 9 am - 9 pm
Wednesday 10 am - 9 pm
Thursday 9 am - 9 pm
Friday 9 am - 6 pm
Saturday 10 am - 6 pm
Sunday 1 - 5 pm (through June 14, 2015)

Library Holiday Closings
Easter Sunday, April 5, 2015
Mother’s Day Sunday, May 10, 2015
Memorial Day Weekend Sunday, May 24 and Monday, May 25, 2015

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April 14 at the Parkville Branch
April 21 at the Lakeville Branch
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When you have completed your transaction, a receipt will be emailed to you. To print the receipt, right-click on the receipt and click Print. In order to see the change in the amount you owe, please exit from your library account and log back in.

You can use ECommerce from the Library's public computers or any computer with an Internet connection. Ecommerce is designed for use by you, the patron, without staff intervention; however, staff will be available to assist you by telephone or in person during Library hours.

Visa, MasterCard and Discover credit cards are accepted, and debit cards must display the logo for either MasterCard or Visa. Please call the Circulation Department at 466-8055, ext. 203 with any questions.

Naming Opportunities are available to honor or memorialize friends and relatives. Why not leave a legacy in your own community!

For more information, please contact the Library Business Manager, Neil Zitofsky, at 516-466-8055, ext. 229, or send an e-mail to fundraising@greatnecklibrary.org.

Donations in any amount are appreciated.

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