



# SEAFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

YOUR DOORWAY TO THE PAST, THE PRESENT & THE FUTURE

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

As you can well imagine, like any household, business, or community group, it takes money to operate your Library. Books and other materials need to be purchased, annual and long-term maintenance must be done on the building and parking lot, wages have to be paid to our employees, furniture and computers are required to be in top working condition and postage and utility costs are a vital necessity. The only expenses the Library does not have are property taxes, mortgage payments or rental outlays. Your Library is one of only two in the fifty-four member Nassau Library System that is owned by the taxpayers of Seaford rather than by a municipality or school district.

The current annual Library budget is slightly over \$ 2,200,000. This budget and its details were presented to the Seaford community last March in the monthly newsletter, reviewed during a public hearing and approved by a public vote in April. All budgets for the past eight years and the annual, independently audited, Financial Statements for each of the past five years are available for review or downloading on the Library's website. Furthermore, Minutes from monthly Trustee meetings going back to 2012 are on the website. Your elected Board of Trustees are adamant about full informational disclosure and complete financial transparency.

The budget is broken down into five components. Almost seventy percent of the annual budget is related to personnel, be it wages, federal and state mandated taxes, benefits and training. That percent is lower than some industries, but in line with companies that do not produce hard products like cars, steel or heavy electrical machinery. The next highest category at eleven percent includes insurance, utilities, maintenance, service and capital improvement costs. Library materials such as books, periodicals, electronic media, and reference items account for ten percent. Equipment and supplies at five percent and community outreach items (postage, newsletter, programs, etc.) at four percent round out the expenses.

Ninety-two percent of the budget is raised by property taxes which is lower than most public libraries since we have some rental income from the building's third floor. We also have receipts from fines, reserves, interest, minimal state aid, and sponsorships, plus an annual operating surplus of some amount. Thus, the non-property tax portion of our income is eight percent this year.

Physical space in our newsletter is always tight as we are fortunate to have so many wonderful Adult, Children and Teen Services programs to publicize. So, I will end this month's budget discussion with the public plea to please reach out to any Trustee or one of our outstanding professional staff members if you have any questions or comments about your Library. Next month we will write about our community and business sponsorships and the fantastic programs that exist only because of those financial sponsorships.

**PETER J. RUFFNER, President, Board of Trustees**

## LONG ISLAND LECTURES



### WINTER DREAMS



**Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> 1:00pm-2:30pm FREE**

Monica Randall brings to life the magic of the winter season at the library. Experience the enchantment of the season as it was celebrated during the Victorian era with lavish winter carnivals, ice skating parties, ice boating regattas and rides in horse drawn sleighs. See some of Long Island's most beautiful mansions, decorated in snow. *Registration begins Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at the Reference Desk.*

### LONG ISLAND'S OWN THEODORE ROOSEVELT: LIFE AT SAGAMORE HILL

**Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm-3:30pm FREE**

Join Professor Howard Ehrlich as he presents a power point lecture discussing President Theodore Roosevelt's private life at his beloved Long Island home. Theodore Roosevelt was a life-long civil servant and a real-life adventurer. He dedicated his life to public service which culminated in the presidency. Howard Ehrlich has served as a National Park Service Ranger at Sagamore Hill in Oyster Bay and is the former Executive Director of the Theodore Roosevelt Association. *Registration begins Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at the Reference Desk.*

# ADULT PROGRAMS

SEAFORD LIBRARY/SCHOOL DISTRICT RESIDENTS ONLY ON FIRST DAY OF REGISTRATION

## COOKING CLASSES



### DELICIOUS OATMEAL DOZEN

Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm-9:00pm

Cost: \$5.00

Starting from scratch, Chef Rob Scott will show you how to make his secret cocoa oatmeal cookies, ready to take home and bake. **Please bring two medium bowls and a large spoon to class.** Registration begins Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Reference Desk.

### IRISH SODA BREAD



Monday, March 5<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm-3:00pm Cost: \$5.00

Join Chef Rob Scott as you make your own loaf of Irish Soda Bread, ready to take home and bake. Then enjoy a cooking demonstration of some delicious Irish bananas for dessert. **Patrons will need to bring a large bowl, mixing spoon, and a cookie tray.** Registration begins Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at the Reference Desk.

## FILM



### VICTORIA & ABDUL

Wednesday, February 21<sup>st</sup> 2:00pm FREE

The extraordinary true story of an unexpected friendship in the later years of Queen Victoria's (Academy Award winner Judi Dench) remarkable rule. Rated: PG-13; 112 minutes. **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. IN ORDER TO RESERVE A SEAT, CALL THE LIBRARY AT 221-1334.** Registration begins Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>. Each person may register for one additional person. 55 seats maximum. No admittance after movie begins. Refreshments and snacks will be served.

## DRIVING COURSES



### A.A.R.P. MATURE DRIVING

Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup> 10:00am-4:00pm

Cost: \$20 (A.A.R.P. Members); \$25 (Non-Members)

Take this course to reduce your insurance rates and enjoy your driving privilege longer. Each person on line may register for one additional person. Pay by check only payable to A.A.R.P. **PROOF OF A.A.R.P. MEMBERSHIP IS REQUIRED. NO REFUNDS.** Register now at the Reference Desk.

### DEFENSIVE DRIVING

Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup>  
7:00pm-10:00pm

Cost: \$20 (ages 60 & older); 30 (ages 59 & younger)

Save 10% on your auto insurance and reduce up to 4 points on your driver's license. Make checks payable to Safe Trips, Inc. Registration begins Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at the Reference Desk.

## BINGO FOR ADULTS



Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup> 1:00-2:30pm FREE

Join Librarian Kristen Jording for a good old-fashioned game of Bingo! Win Prizes and make new friends. Registration begins Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at the Reference Desk.

## ARTS & CRAFTS



### KITCHEN WOOD SIGN

Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm-9:00pm

Cost: \$12.00

Create your own kitchen rustic wood sign using the stencils that are provided. **Due to limited space, there will be no signing up for an additional person. Every person must be present to secure a spot.** Registration begins Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at the Reference Desk.

## BOOK DISCUSSION



### "COMMONWEALTH" BY ANN PATCHETT

Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> 3:00pm FREE

Join librarian Eric Wasserman for a lively discussion from the acclaimed bestselling author and 2002 award winner for her groundbreaking novel *Bel Canto*. Registration begins Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at the Reference Desk. Copies of the book will be available when you register.



## IRISH MUSIC- POT O' GOLD TRIO

Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>

2:00pm-3:30pm FREE

All the joy, humor, and passion of traditional Irish music comes alive with the fiddle, tin whistle, guitar, and voices of the Pot O' Gold Trio. From the rollicking fun of "Whiskey You're the Devil" to the sweet sadness of "Danny Boy," all the different moods of this fine music are performed. Registration begins Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Reference Desk.

## PREDICT THE OSCAR WINNERS!

This year we are taking the plunge and we will try to guess who will win an OSCAR. But we need your help! Grab a ballot anytime at the Reference Desk starting Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup> and submit your predictions by Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. **One ballot/entry per person please.** All submissions will count towards an Academy Award Raffle. One winner will be awarded a gift card to the movies! Don't forget to watch the 90<sup>th</sup> Annual Academy Awards on Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup> to see if your predictions came true!

# CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



**Registration: The first day of registration is for Seaford Library/School District Residents ONLY. Non-residents may sign up the following day. Registration must be IN-PERSON.**

## STORYTIMES

\*ALL STORYTIMES REQUIRE PRIOR REGISTRATION/CHECK IF SPACE IS AVAILABLE\*

### BABY & ME

**Mondays from 10:15-10:45am or 11:00-11:30am**

**Ages:** Birth-18 Months w/caregiver

**Classes:** 2/5; 2/12; 2/26

### MOTHER GOOSE

**Tuesdays from 10:15-10:45am or Fridays from 11:00-11:30am**

**Ages:** 18 Months-2 Years w/caregiver

**Classes:** Tuesdays 2/6; 2/13; 2/27 or Fridays 2/9; 2/16

### TINYTOT

**Thursdays from 11:00-11:30am or Fridays from 10:15-10:45am**

**Ages:** 2-3 w/caregiver

**Classes:** Thursdays 2/8; 2/15 or Fridays 2/9; 2/16

### STORYHOUR

**Tuesdays from 10:45-11:45am or Fridays from 1:30-2:30pm**

**Ages:** 3-5 (separation class)

**Classes:** Tuesdays 2/6; 2/13; 2/27 or Fridays 2/9; 2/16



### PLAYHOORAY BABIES

**Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup> 10:15-11:00am**

Music and fun for your little one! Come sing, dance and Playhooray with your baby. This 45 minute program is a lively introduction to nursery rhymes, books, music and movement.

Birth-18 months w/adult. *Registration begins immediately.*

### MEET THE AUTHOR

**Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup> 4:00-5:00pm**



Hado Bear's Secret book reading and signing plus a whole lot more! Learn his secret, take a picture with the bear, color pages from the book, and build your own Hado Bear stuffed animal.

Ages 4-10 years old. *Registration begins immediately.*



### VALENTINE'S DAY SPECIAL

**Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> 10:15-11:15am**

Come join A Time for Kids as we prepare to celebrate Valentine's Day! Make and take home a special Valentine's Day craft for someone you love! Ages 18-36 months w/adult. *Registration begins immediately.*

### WILL YOU BE MY VALENTINE?



**Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> 11:30am-12:30pm**

Join A Time for Kids for an hour of Valentine Fun. Make and bring home an adorable Valentine's Day craft. Ages 3-5 years old w/adult. *Registration begins immediately.*



### LET'S DANCE

**Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> 4:00-5:00pm**

Join Great South Bay Dance for a fun dance class and learn basic movements and vocabulary. Props and creative games make this class exciting! Ages 5-7 years old. *Registration begins immediately.*

### VALENTINE PRE-SCHOOL CRAFT



**Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup> or Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> 1:30-2:30pm**

Roses are red, violets are blue, kids love to craft and you will too.

Join us and make some Valentine crafts. Ages 2-6 w/adult.

*Registration begins immediately.*



### ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE

**Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> 4:00-4:45pm**

Did you know that whalers brought home a special souvenir for their loved ones back home called a Sailor's Valentine? Identify different shells and create a shell necklace for yourself or a loved one. Presented by the Whaling Museum. Grades K-5.

*Registration begins immediately.*

### NIGHTTIME STORYTIME

**Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup> 7:00-8:00pm**



Grab your teddy bear and wear your pajamas for a fun evening of stories, movies & a craft! All ages. *No registration required.*



### ART WITH AMY

**Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup> 4:00-5:00pm**

Learn to draw with Art Teacher Amy! Step-by-step children will draw a cardinal and snowman and paint with watercolors.

Grades 1-5. *Registration begins immediately.*

### BABY JAM



**Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> 1:00-1:45pm**

Sing, shake, and move along to the beat with your baby or toddler in Baby Jam music and movement classes, led by Miss Andrea on guitar. Ages 6-24 months w/adult. *Registration begins Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.*



### CHESS CLUB

**Mondays, February 12<sup>th</sup> and February 26<sup>th</sup> 4:30-5:30pm**

Play the game of Kings and Queens with Joel Salman.

Grades 1-5. *Registration begins Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.*

### HOME SWEET HOME

**Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> 1:15-2:15pm**



Come join A Time for Kids as we play, learn and grow in this fun and fast-paced preschool readiness program! Activities include music, movement, fine and gross motor activities, listening activities and a house craft! This fun filled hour will show you why there is no place like home! Ages 2 1/2-5 years old w/adult.

*Registration begins Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.*

### PLAYHOORAY FAMILIES



**Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> 4:00-4:45pm**

Join us for a delightful program of music, movement, and rhymes.

Birth-6 years old w/adult. *Registration begins Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.*



### MAD HATTER'S TEA PARTY

**Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup> 4:00-5:00pm**

Join us for our 21<sup>st</sup> annual Mad Hatter's Tea Party! All attending are required to wear a "WACKY HAT". Create some "mad" crafts, hear stories, watch a film, and of course have tea and snacks.

Ages 4-Grade 3. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

*Registration begins Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.*

### CREATIVE PLAYTIME



**Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> 10:00am-2:00pm**

Join us for a wonderful playtime for kids. Lots of toys, lots of fun! All ages. *No registration required.*



### LET'S PLAY BINGO!

**Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> 10:15-11:00am**

If you know your numbers, you can play! Come for a fun game of B-I-N-G-O! Great prizes and lots of fun. Grades 1-5. *Registration begins Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.*

### LET'S MOVE WITH PLAYHOORAY!



**Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup> 6:00-6:45pm**

Dance, march and move to the beat of contemporary and pop music with Playhooray! Ages 19 months-6 years old w/adult.

*Registration begins Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.*

# TEEN SERVICES

Grades 5 & up. Register for all programs at the Reference Desk.



## TEEN GAME NIGHT

Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:00-8:00pm

Come in out of the cold and play some challenging but fun board games with people your age! An informal laid back good time. Snacks will be served. *Registration begins Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.*

## INTRODUCTION TO CODING

Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> 4:00pm-6:00pm



In this multi-session class, we learn the basics of computer language, code structure, and implementation. Prerequisites: comfort with computers and keyboarding. For intermediate and advanced computer users. *Registration begins Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.*

## S.A.T. PREP COURSE

Thursdays, March 1<sup>st</sup>, March 8<sup>th</sup>, March 22<sup>nd</sup>,  
March 29<sup>th</sup> and April 5<sup>th</sup>

6:45pm-8:45pm Cost: \$85.00 per person

This course is a short-format SAT Course but packs all the punch of a longer course given by a large test prep company. 5 two hour sessions will be given. 99th percentile instructor. All of the test prep strategies you need to know. Pre-test tips and tricks for a higher score. Detailed content discussion for each section of the exam. All materials will be provided. Make check payable to Curvebreakers. *Registration begins Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.*



## SEAFORD T.A.G. MEETING

Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> 4:00-5:00pm

Participate in the Seaford Teen Advisory Group. Bring your fresh ideas and perspective. The more a teen comes to the monthly meetings the better chance he or she will have at earning community service hours. Snacks will be served. *Registration begins Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.*

## BOOT CAMP FITNESS

Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup> 5:00-5:45pm



If you want to sweat this is the class for you! Challenge yourself with some hardcore physical moves that you will also have fun with. Wear sneakers and bring water. *Registration begins Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>.*



## A.A.R.P. SENIOR CITIZEN TAX HELP

Tuesdays



February 6<sup>th</sup> through April 10<sup>th</sup>

10am-2pm

Please bring last year's tax returns. **\*BY APPOINTMENT ONLY\***  
Social Security cards and photo ID of all persons listed on the tax return are required. Space is limited. Register now at the Reference Desk.

WHAT'S NEW?

## MUSEUM PASS

NASSAU COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART

Check out a pass at the Reference Desk or go to our website at [www.seafordlibrary.org](http://www.seafordlibrary.org). For more information, please call the library at 516 221-1334.

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### LIBRARY HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday	10-9pm
Wednesday	1-9pm
Friday	10-6pm
Saturday	9-5pm

The Library Will Be closed Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup> for President's Day.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees:  
Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. The public is welcome.

DISPLAY CASE: Gerry Twomey-1939/1940 World's Fair Memorabilia  
ART EXHIBIT: Michele Librett- Paintings

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