

Brentwood Public Library

MARCH APRIL MAY 2025 NEWSLETTER

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Celebrate Women's History Month with the Brentwood Public Library! Keep an eye out for the WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH tag scattered throughout our newsletter, guiding you to relevant programs.



Join in the AAPIHM programs at the Brentwood Public Library! Navigate through the newsletter by spotting the APPHM tag, leading you to a variety of themed programs.

BUDGET INFORMATION 2025-1026 - STARIA PRESUPUESTARIA



























BUDGET VOTE INFORMATION

Budget Presentation Presentación del Presupuesto

Monday, March 31, 5:30 pm Lunes, 31 de marzo, 5:30 p.m.

Budget & Trustee Vote Votación del Presupuesto y Elección de Fideicomisarios

Tuesday, April 8, 9:00 am-9:00 pm Martes, 8 de abril, 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK AT THE BRENTWOOD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

BOLETAS PARA AUSENTES ESTAN DISPONIBLES EN LA OFICINA DEL SECRETARIO DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR LIBRE DE UNIÓN DE BRENTWOOD.

| Category | 2024-2025 Approved Budget | 2025-2026 Proposed Budget | Categoría _ |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Expenditures | | | Gastos |
| Salaries & Wages | \$4,697,938 | \$4,816,000 | Salarios y sueldos |
| Employee Benefits | 2,067,919 | 2,606,000 | Beneficios para empleados |
| Professional Fees | 160,000 | 176,000 | Honorarios profesionales |
| Library Materials & Programs | 550,000 | 688,000 | Materiales y programas para usuarios |
| Library Operations | 475,000 | 570,000 | Gastos operacionales |
| Building Operations | 425,000 | 638,000 | Mantenimiento de las instalaciones |
| Total Operating Expenditure | \$8,375,857 | \$9,494,000 | Gastos Operativos Totales |
| Revenue | | | Ingresos |
| Grants & Fundraising | \$ 47,250 | \$ 65,000 | Subvenciones y recaudación de fondos |
| Federal & State Aid | 38,000 | 30,000 | Ayuda federal y estatal |
| PILOT Town & County | 460,000 | 435,000 | PÍLOTO Ciudad y condado |
| Total Revenue | \$545,250 | \$530,000 | Ingresos Totales |
| Amount to be raised by taxation | \$7,830,607 | \$8,964,000 | Cantidad a Recaudar por Impuestos |

For absentee ballots, call (631) 434-2327

The library's annual vote will be held on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm in the library.

Voting is for two purposes...

- 1. Approve the library's Annual Operating Budget.
- 2. Elect one library trustee to serve a five year term commencing July 1, 2025, currently held by Francis Picart.

You can vote if...

- You are a citizen of the United States.
- You are at least eighteen years of age.
- You have been a resident of the Brentwood Union Free School District for at least 30 days preceding the vote.
- You are registered to vote (you have voted within the last four years in a general, school or library election.)

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La votación anual de la biblioteca se realizará el martes 8 de abril, 2025 de 9:00 a.m. a 9:00 p.m. en la biblioteca.

La votación es para dos propósitos...

- 1. Aprobar el Presupuesto Operativo Anual para la Biblioteca.
- 2. Elegir un miembro del consejo de la Biblioteca quien servirá un plazo de cinco años comenzando el 1ro de Julio 2025, actualmente ocupado por Francis Picart.

Usted puede votar si...

- Usted es un ciudadano de los Estados Unidos.
- Usted tiene por lo menos dieciocho años de edad.
- Usted ha residido en el Distrito Escolar Libre de Unión de Brentwood por lo menos 30 días antes de la votación.
- Usted está registrado para votar (ha votado en los últimos cuatro años en una elección general, escolar o de la biblioteca.)

2024-2025

\$4,697,938 2,067,919

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Presupuesto

Aprobado

2025-2026

\$4,816,000

2,606,000

176,000

688,000

570,000

638,000

65,000

30,000

435,000

\$530,000

\$9,494,000

Presupuesto

Propuesto

For Everyone

Must be accompanied by an adult if under the age of 16.



NATURE WALKS WITH DAVID

Saturday, March 29, April 26, 2:00-4:00 pm

In-person + Open to Non-Residents (one week after registration date)

Join us for a walk led by environmental educator David Jakim. Registration is required. Transportation is not provided. Location will be provided to registrants after registration.



ON YOUR OWN TRAIN TRIP TO NYC

Saturday, April 5, May 24, 9:15 am

In-person registration only + Open to Non-Residents (one week after registration date)

\$10.75 per ticket (non-refundable, credit card payment only)

Take a discounted train trip into the city and do as you please once you arrive! Sign up in advance at the library. On the day of the trip, we will meet at the Brentwood Train Station by 9:15 am (by ticket booth) to distribute tickets and board the train as a group. All patrons must be in the first train car. The train leaves Brentwood at 9:43 am and you will arrive at Penn Station at 10:54 am and you can return home on any train prior to midnight. Roundtrip fare is \$10.75 per person payable by credit card only; fees are due at the time of registration and are non-refundable. Limit to four (4) tickets max per person.



CONNETQUOT STATE PARK CLUBHOUSE TOUR

Thursday, April 17, 10:00 am-12:00 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Meet us at Connetquot State Park for a guided tour of the South Side Sportsmen's Club main house and Nicoll Grist Mill. Learn about the history of the property while enjoying the park's beautiful scenery.



VISIT BAILEY ARBORETUM

Saturday, May 3, 10:45 am-12:30 pm

Join Sam & Rosa on this relaxing walk through one of Nassau County's hidden gems. The park is located at 194 Bayville Rd, Locust Valley, NY 11560. We will begin the walk from the parking lot promptly at 11:00 am.

Afternoon at the Movies

Must be accompanied by an adult if under the age of 13.



LITTLE WOMEN

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Thursday, March 20, 2:30 pm

In Person ·

Open to Non-Residents (PG) 135m Drama/Historical

2:30 pm



AUSTENLAND

Thursday, April 3,

In Person +

Open to Non-Residents

(PG-13) 97m Romantic Comedy



TWISTERS

Thursday, April 24, 2:30 pm

In Person +

Open to Non-Residents (PG-13) 123m Thriller/Action



WHITE BIRD

Thursday, May 15, 2:30 pm

In Person +

Open to Non-Residents

(PG-13) 121m Drama/Historical

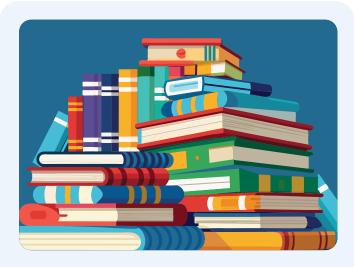


BOB MARLEY: ONE LOVE

Thursday, May 29, 2:30 pm

In Person -

Open to Non-Residents (PG-13) 107m Drama/Biographical



March Madness Raffle

Monday, March 17-Saturday, April 12

Vote for your favorite book series to be entered into a raffle for a chance to win a prize!



Spring Scavenger Hunt

Monday, April 21-Tuesday, June 6

Complete our scavenger hunt to earn a raffle ticket for a chance to win a prize.

Family Programs

Must include an adult.

HAPPY NUTRITION MONTH/ FELIZ MES DE LA NUTRICIÓN

Ages 3 & up with adult Thursday, March 6, 6:00-7:00 pm One registration per family.

In-Persor

Join Cornell Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County as we discuss the importance of avoiding fast food and substituting it for healthy alternatives. Únase a Cornell Cooperative Extension de Suffolk County para hablar de la importancia de evitar la comida rápida y sustituirla por alternativas saludables.

MONEY GAMES NIGHT WITH MY BROTHER'S KEEPER

Ages 5 & up with adult Friday, March 7, 6:30-8:00 pm

One registration per family.

In-Person

Bring the whole family and have fun playing board games such as Monopoly, Exact Change, Life, and more with students from Brentwood's own My Brother's Keeper.

FAMILY NIGHT OUT

All ages with adult

Fridays, March 14, April 4 & May 9, 6:30 pm

No registration is required.

In-Person

Bring the whole family to spend an evening out at the movies! We'll provide the snacks and drinks! This event is sponsored by the Suffolk County Police Department. Movie titles will be announced at a later date.

BLUEBERRY MUFFIN BREAD

Ages 3 & up with adult

Saturday, April 5, 2:00-3:00 pm

One registration per family.

In-Person

Everyone loves blueberry muffins and Chef Rob will show you how to make them into a bread! Perfect for breakfast or snacking. Learn tricks on baking and measuring at the class.

RETHINK YOUR DRINK/RECONSIDERA TU BEBIDA

Ages 3 & up with adult

Thursday, April 10, 6:00-7:00 pm

One registration per family.

In-Persor

Is your favorite drink healthy for you? Would you like to know how much sugar it has?

Join Cornell Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County as we discuss how much sugar your favorite drink has. (Bring your favorite drink if you can, not mandatory)

¿Tu bebida favorita es saludable para ti? ¿Te gustaría saber cuánta azúcar tiene? Únase a Cornell Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County a discutir cuánta azúcar tiene tu bebida favorita. (Trae tu bebida favorita si puedes, no es obligatorio)

SPRING DISNEY KARAOKE

All ages with adult

Saturday, April 12, 2:00-3:00 pm

In-Persor

Pick your favorite Disney songs to rock out to and show off your vocal skills!

LET'S GET COOKING/VAMOS A COCINAR

Ages 3 & up with adult

Thursday, May 22, 6:00-7:00 pm

One registration per family.

In-Person

Are you looking for something fun to do as a group? Join Cornell Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County as we make a healthy recipe that you will enjoy cooking.

¿Estás buscando algo divertido para hacer en grupo? Únase a Cornell Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County a hacer una receta saludable y diviértete cocinando.

For the Very Young

Must include an adult.

SATURPLAY!

Ages 12-35 months Saturdays, March 1, May 31, 10:00 am-1:00 pm Saturday, March 22, May 10,

10:00 am-3:00 pm No registration required.

Drop in and enjoy open playtime in a relaxed environment.

BABY & ME

Ages birth-23 months

Tuesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 10:30-11:30 am Tuesdays, April 8, 15, 22, 10:30-11:30 am Tuesdays, May 6, 13, 20, 10:30-11:30 am

In-Person

Share stories, songs, and playtime together.

TOTS & TALES

Ages 2-5

Wednesdays, March 5, 12, 19, 10:30-11:30 am Wednesdays, April 9, 16, 23, 10:30-11:30 am Wednesdays, May 7, 14, 21, 10:30-11:30 am

In-Person

Enjoy stories, songs and a simple art activity with your child.

PLAYGROUP

Ages 12-35 months

Fridays, March 7, 14, 21, 10:30-11:30 am Fridays, April 11, 18, 25, 10:30-11:30 am Fridays, May 9, 16, 23, 10:30-11:30 am

Your child will enjoy a large variety of toys and play activities designed to help coordination, motor skills, language development, and social skills.



PLAY LAB: COLORS

Ages 1-4

Saturday, March 8, 10:30-11:30 am In-Person

Explore, discover, imagine, learn, and create with colors while engaging your senses. Dress for a mess!

BRUSHES & BLISS

Ages 3-6

Tuesday, March 25, 6:00-7:00 pm

Join us for a night of painting in a calming and relaxing environment, presented by YES Community Mental Health Promotion & Support.

LIL' ATHLETES

Ages 3-5

Wednesday, March 26, 6:00-6:50 pm

Coaches from Lil' Athletes will teach children the basic fundamentals of soccer and basketball in this multisport combo class.



CHERRY BLOSSOM

Ages 2-5

Friday, March 28, 10:30-11:30 am In-Person

Use colorful tissue paper to create a beautiful, blossoming tree.

LIL' ATHLETES TOTS

Ages 20-35 months Friday, April 4, 10:30-11:20 am

Get moving with instructors from Lil' Athletes! Build gross motor skills in a fun obstacle course, then learn some soccer and baseball basics.



FEATHERED FRIENDS

Ages 1-5

Tuesday, April 8, 6:30-7:30 pm

Join A Time for Kids in this family fun preschool program all about our feathered friends! Activities include music, movement, fine and gross motor development, storytelling, and a bird nest craft!



BLUEY BASH

Ages 3-7

Thursday, April 17, 3:00-4:00 pm In-Person

Join us for a party celebrating all things Bluey!

FINE MOTOR FUN

Ages 19 months-4 years Saturday, April 26, 10:30-11:30 am

Explore different activity stations that will help develop your fine motor skills.

BABY EXPLORERS

Ages 6-18 months

Tuesday, April 29, 10:30-11:15 am In-Person

You and your little one will explore different sensory stations that encourage learning and development.

BLOCK PARTY

Ages 2-5

Wednesday, April 30, 10:30-11:30 am

Join us for some constructive play! This interactive program gives children the opportunity to experience different kinds of blocks and learn new skills.



SENSATION STATIONS

Ages 2-5 Friday, May 2, 10:30-11:30 am

Explore nature through fun activities like touching, listening, and looking with hands-on play in a relaxed outdoor setting.



PLAY LAB: IN MY GARDEN

Ages 1-4

Saturday, May 3, 10:30-11:30 am In-Person

Explore, discover, imagine, learn, and create with things you'd find in a garden while engaging your senses. Dress for a mess!



HOORAY FOR MOTHER'S DAY

Ages 1-5

Tuesday, May 6, 6:30-7:30 pm In-Person

Join A Time for Kids as we celebrate mom in this family fun program! Activities include music, movement, fine and gross motor development, storytelling, and a flower craft to give to someone special.

SENSORY PLAYGROUND

Ages 19 months-5 years Thursday, May 29, 6:30-7:30 pm In-Person

Join us for an evening of sensory-based play! We'll explore different activity stations that will stimulate your senses and encourage learning.



TODDLER PROM

Ages 2-5

Friday, May 30, 10:30-11:30 am

Come dressed in your best for a dance party, crafts and a fun photo opportunity!

Programs for School Age Children

LIBRARY BOOK SUBSCRIPTION BOX

Ages 5-12

March: Women's History Month Box
- Pick up starts March 10 and ends
March 16 (WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH)

April: Earth Day Box – Pick up starts April 7 and ends April 13

May: Celebrate Graphic Novels Box – Pick up starts May 12 and ends May 17

Looking for something new to read? Do you like free books and snacks? Sign up for our children's subscription box! You will receive a box with a library book selected just for you and a bunch of goodies like stickers, snacks, and more. Return the library book by the due date and everything else is yours to keep!

PREPARE WITH PEDRO!/¡PREPÁRATE CON PEDRO!

Ages 5-8

Monday, March 3, 5:00-6:00 pm In-Person

Learn how to BE PREPARED and TAKE ACTION for either home fires or a local hazard with the American Red Cross. Students learn coping skills and receive a storybook to share what they have learned at home.

Un programa educativo de preparación por la Cruz Roja Americana que enseña a los estudiantes cómo ESTAR PREPARADOS y ACTUAR ante incendios en el hogar o un peligro local. Los estudiantes aprenderán estrategias de afrontamiento y recibirán un libro de cuentos para compartir en casa lo que han aprendido.

WOMEN'S HISTORY COLLAGE BOX WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Ages 8-12

Wednesday, March 5, 7:00-8:00 pm

Join Miss Ximena and learn about historical influential women and make a special collage box.

LEARN TO DRAW WITH ART TEACHER AMY

Ages 6-12

Wednesday, March 12, 5:00-6:00 pm – Raccoon with shamrocks

Wednesday, April 9, 5:00-6:00 pm – Bunnies in flowerpots

Wednesday, May 7, 5:00-6:00 pm -Parrots in a jungle

In-Person

Learn how to draw with Art Teacher Amy as she provides step-by-step instruction. No experience necessary!

ST. PATRICK'S SLIME

Ages 7-12

Thursday, March 13, 7:00-8:00 pm In-Person

Make your own festive green slime filled with glitter and fun!

SUPER SMASH BROS. TOURNAMENT

Ages 8-12

Saturday, March 15, 2:00-3:30 pm In-Person

Do you think you're the Super Smash Bros. champion? Bring your "A" game and compete in a Super Smash Bros. tournament.

PAINT YOUR OWN DINOSAUR

Ages 8-12

Wednesday, March 19, 6:30-7:30 pm

Paint a dinosaur friend to take home!

MINUTE TO WIN IT: ONE HAND BRACELET

Ages 8-12

Friday, March 21, 2:00-3:00 pm

Can you make a bracelet with one hand in one minute? Come challenge your friends to earn bragging rights and a fun prize.

PAPER BAG RABBIT

Ages 5-9

Thursday, March 27, 6:30-7:30 pm In-Person

Make a paper bag rabbit to welcome the spring!

PERLER POWER HOUR

Ages 7-12

Monday, March 31, 2:00-3:00 pm Tuesday, April 15, 2:00-3:00 pm

In-Person

Spend an hour crafting, experimenting, and creating with Perler beads.

SPRING BASKET CRAFT

Ages 6-10

Wednesday, April 2, 6:30-7:30 pm In-Person

Join Miss Ximena and make a colorful spring basket to celebrate all things spring.

SPEED BOARD GAME TOURNAMENT

Ages 7-12

Friday, April 11, 6:30-8:00 pm

In-Person

Compete in a variety of board games to see who can score the most points and claim victory as the fastest player!

GAME ON!

Ages 5-12

Monday, April 14, 2:00-3:00 pm In-Person

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No registration is required.

Have fun playing video games and board games with your friends!

MINECRAFT BEE LANTERN

Ages 8-12

Wednesday, April 16, 2:00-3:00 pm

In-Persor

Make a bee-utiful Minecraft lantern for the spring.

MINUTE TO WIN IT: STACK IT UP

Ages 8-12

Friday, April 18, 2:00-3:00 pm

In-Person

How many can you stack in one minute? Come challenge your friends to earn bragging rights and a fun prize.

LACED BLOSSOM TREE

Ages 5-9

Saturday, April 19, 11:00 am-12:00 pm

In-Person

Create a beautiful laced blossom tree using paper plates, yarn, and pom poms!

A PEANUTS CELEBRATION

Ages 8-12

Wednesday, April 23, 7:00-8:00 pm

In-Person

Join Miss Ximena and celebrate all things Peanuts! We'll learn about Charles Schulz, the creator of Peanuts, and make a fun craft.

JELLY BEAN ENGINEERS

Ages 5-8

Wednesday, April 30, 6:30-7:30 pm

In-Person

Put your building skills to the test by creating structures out of jelly beans and toothpicks. These programs are for children unaccompanied by an adult.

BADMINTON TOURNAMENT

Ages 8-12

Thursday, May 1, 6:30-8:00 pm

In-Person

Test your badminton skills in some friendly competition against your friends.

3D PRINT BLUEY

Ages 5-9

Thursday, May 8, 6:30-7:30 pm

In-Person

Paint your very own 3D-printed Bluey figurine. Dress for a mess!

THAI KOHN MASKS (AAPIHM)

Ages 8-12

Monday, May 12, 7:00-8:00 pm

Celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month by designing your own Thai Kohn Mask.

SELF-CARE JARS

Ages 8-12

Tuesday, May 13, 6:00-7:00 pm

In-Person

Self-care jars are a thoughtful way to cultivate moments of tranquility and self-reflection. Make your own personalized jars to hold small items that can uplift your mood and help you practice mindfulness. Presented by YES Community Mental Health Promotion & Support.

MINUTE TO WIN IT: CHOPSTICK PICK UP

Ages 8-12

Friday, May 16, 4:00-5:00 pm

How many items can you pick up with chopsticks in one minute? Come challenge your friends to earn bragging rights and a fun prize.

FLOWER LEI CRAFT

Ages 7-12

Wednesday, May 21, 6:30-7:30 pm

In-Person

Join Miss Ximena and celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month by making your own colorful flower lei.

MARIO KART TOURNAMENT

Ages 8-12

Friday, May 23, 6:30-8:00 pm

n-Person

Race your friends to see who will be crowned the ultimate Mario Kart champion!

Programs for Tweens

These programs are for children unaccompanied by an adult.



TWEEN TOY PARAMEDIC

Ages 10-12

Saturday, March 1, 1:30-2:30 pm Saturday, May 31, 1:30-2:30 pm

In-Person +

Community Service Opportunity

Help clean and organize the toys in the Children's Department.

PODCAST CLUB

Ages 10-12

Mondays, March 10, 24, 6:00-7:00 pm Mondays, April 7, 21, 6:00-7:00 pm Mondays, May 5, 19, 6:00-7:00 pm

In-Person +

Community Service Opportunity

Have you ever wanted to make your own podcast? Come share your thoughts and ideas while we learn about audio recording and what it takes to make your own podcast.

DIAMOND ART CLUB

Ages 9-12

Thursday, March 20, 7:00-8:00 pm Thursday, April 24, 7:00-8:00 pm In-Person +

Community Service Opportunity

Join us and make colorful pictures by sticking little "diamonds" onto sticky canvases for a fun and relaxing craft. Earn community service or take home a diamond art craft! We will give these crafts to patrons at our outreach events.



TWEEN K-POP CLUB

Ages 9-12

Friday, March 28, 7:00-8:00 pm Friday, April 18, 7:00-8:00 pm Friday, May 30, 7:00-8:00 pm

Join us for fun K-pop themed crafts and activities!

DANDELION CANVAS PAINTING

Ages 9-12

Thursday, April 3, 7:00-8:00 pm In-Person

Create a 3D dandelion painting on canvas.

DIY STRAWBERRY FLOWER VASE

Ages 9-12

Friday, May 2, 7:00-8:00 pm

Celebrate Mother's Day by making a strawberry vase!

AIR DRY CLAY MOSAIC TILES

Ages 9-12

Thursday, May 15, 7:00-8:00 pm

In-Person +

Community Service Opportunity

Create mosaic tiles for the library's outdoor gardens. You will earn one hour of community service for your participation.



ENGRAVED ACRYLIC BOOKMARKS

Ages 9-12

Saturday, May 17, 2:00-3:30 pm

Join Ms. Jenn and learn how to create your own personalized bookmark using our Cricut.

WORRY PETS

Ages 10-12

Wednesday, May 28, 4:00-5:00 pm In-Person

Learn to sew your own soft friend you can keep in your pocket for days you're feeling down!

SPOTLIGHT



RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT: PARENTTV

ParentTV offers thousands of on-demand parenting videos and courses with content designed to support those who care for children, from pregnancy through the teenage years. Search and find videos on general parenting, play, behavior, child development, mental health, sleep, nutrition, technology, and more all from experts in the field. Access this resource and more through our website with your library card.

KID LIBRARIAN

Want to be featured as our monthly Kid Librarian? Each month, a child will be chosen to curate a display in the Children's room featuring their favorite books, artwork, and facts about themselves. Visit the Children's Department for an application!

BIRTHDAY BAGS

If you're turning 12 or under, you're in for a treat! During the week of your birthday, swing by the Children's Department with your library card and claim your very own birthday bag filled with surprises to make your day extra special.



CHILDREN'S DISPLAY CASE

Children are invited to display their personal collections in our Children's Room display case! Have a collection you want to show off to your friends and other library visitors? Stop by the Children's Reference Desk or contact childrens@brentwoodnylibrary.org for more information.

1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

The best way to ensure that a child has the skills necessary to learn to read is having someone read aloud to them. For every 100 books read together, your child will earn a book to keep. Register to participate at the Children's Reference Desk. It is never too early to build a love for reading!

BRAINFUSE HELP NOW!

All Brentwood library card holders have access to live, one-on-one homework help with Brainfuse! Live tutors are available online from 2:00-11:00 pm every day. This great resource includes one-one-one tutoring in English and Spanish, practice tests, and a writing lab. Access Brainfuse through our website.

Weekly Craft Kit Drops

Craft kits will be released in the Teen Room starting at **2:00 pm**.

You must have a teen library card to receive a kit. Kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis.



March

SNOOPY AND JAKE THE DOG CLAY PHONE HIPPERS

March 3

ANIME PLAYING CARDS KEYCHAINS

March 10

SOOT SPRITE JARS *March 17*

MIFFY EARRINGS
March 24

MINI-CANVAS PAINTING
March 31

April

STUDIO GHIBLI ROCK PAINT KIT April 7

ANIME PIGGY BANKSApril 21

MINI CHOCOLATES KIT April 28



May

SOLAR SYSTEM CHARMS May 5

DIY CHOPSTICK AND RAMEN KIT

May 12

SQUISHED PLANKTON KEYCHAINS

May 19

RHINESTONE DUCKS

May 27



SPOTLIGHT



CHESS AND COOKIES CLUB

Saturdays, March 8, April 12, May 10, 12:00-2:00 pm

In-Person

Come hang out with us for a weekend of friendly competition and snacks! All experience levels welcome!

COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY

Saturday, March 29, 11:00 am-4:00 pm

In-Person + Community Service Opportunity

Teen volunteer sign-up starts at 10:30 am in the Teen Room

Earn up to six hours of community service during our Annual Teen Community Service Day! Various activities and projects will be available to accumulate hours. Sign-in begins at 10:30 am in the Teen Room on the day of the event. To ensure a spot, you can also RSVP on our online calendar for specific classes, as space is limited.

11:00 am - Safety Trivia

12:00 pm - Tote Bags for Families in Need

1:00 pm - Citizens Preparedness Course

2:00 pm - Hair Tie Cat Toys for the Shelter

BREAST CANCER VOLUNTEERS

Saturday, April 5, 10:00 am-2:00 pm

Community Service Opportunity

This event takes place at the Brentwood High School

The teen librarians will be attending the BUFSD Breast Cancer Walk held at the Brentwood High School. Stop by our table at the event for a unique volunteer opportunity that will earn you up to 3 hours of community service! For more information on the event, you can go to the following link: bufsd.org/about/news/breast-cancer-walk

Community Service



ART OF HARRIET POWERS (WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH)

Monday, March 3, 6:00-8:00 pm In-Person +

Community Service Opportunity

Harriet Powers was an African American folk artist renowned for her intricate quilts which depicted African American folklore, showcasing her exceptional storytelling ability and cultural heritage through textile art. Join us as we make art inspired by her work to display in the Teen Room for Women's History Month.

FIRST RESPONDERS' KITS

Monday, March 10, 6:00-8:00 pm In-Person +

Community Service Opportunity

Help assemble kits for local first responders. These kits will be donated to New York Chapter Red Cross Volunteers



PRESSED FLOWER BOOKMARKS

Friday, March 14, 6:00-8:00 pm In-Person +

Community Service Opportunity

Using beautiful pressed flowers, make bookmarks that will be used for our outreach events!



ART OF SUSAN WEIL

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Friday, March 21, 11:00 am-1:00 pm In-Person +

Community Service Opportunity

Susan Weil is an American artist known for her innovative work in painting, drawing, and printmaking, often exploring themes of perception, memory, and the interplay between art and nature. Join us as we make art inspired by her work to display in the Teen Room for Women's History Month.

TRUE CRIME CLUB & CELIA'S SAFETY CHECK

Wednesdays, March 26, April 9, May 14, 3:00-4:30 pm

Community Service Opportunity

Calling all crime enthusiasts! Dive into thrilling mysteries and explore real-life cases, unravel secrets, discuss captivating stories, and learn valuable safety lessons with our True Crime expert Miss Rhiannon and Safety Connoisseur Celia.

COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY WITH THE RED CROSS

Saturday, March 29, 11:00 am -4:00 pm

Community Service Opportunity Teen volunteer sign-up starts at 10:30am in the Teen Room

Earn up to six hours of community service during our Annual Teen Community Service Day! Various activities and projects will be available to accumulate hours. Signin begins at 10:30am in the Teen Room on the day of the event. To ensure a spot, you can also RSVP on our online calendar for specific classes, as space is limited.

11:00 am

Safety Trivia

12:00 pm

Tote Bags for Families in Need

1:00 pm

Citizens Preparedness Course

2:00 pm

Hair Tie Cat Toys for the Shelter

PERLER BEAD SORTING

Monday, March 31, 2:00-4:00 pm

Community Service Opportunity

Help us sort our Perler Bead collection by color!

SPRING DIAMOND ART COASTERS

Wednesday, April 2, 3:00-5:00 pm In-Person +

Community Service Opportunity

Earn community service by making colorful diamond art coasters! We will give these crafts to patrons at our outreach events.

BREAST CANCER VOLUNTEERS

Saturday, April 5, 10:00 am-2:00 pm Community Service Opportunity This event takes place at the Brentwood High School

The teen librarians will be attending the BUFSD Breast Cancer Walk held at the Brentwood High School. Stop by our table at the event for a unique volunteer opportunity that will earn you up to 3 hours of community service! For more information on the event, you can go to the following link:

bufsd.org/about/news/breast-cancer-walk

3D PRINT SENSORY SLUG

Thursday, April 10, 6:00-8:00 pm

In-Person +

Community Service Opportunity

Earn community service by painting a popular fidget toy that will be used by our Children's Department!

EARTHDAY MURAL VOLUNTEERS

Tuesday, April 15, 2:00-4:00 pm

In-Person +

Community Service Opportunity

Help us create a vibrant mural to celebrate Earth Day and promote environmental awareness!

STOP THE BLEED

Thursday, April 17, 11:00 am-12:30 pm OR 1:00-2:30 pm

In-Person +

Community Service Opportunity You may only register for one session

Uncontrolled bleeding is the number one cause of preventable death from trauma. The greater the number of people who know how to control bleeding in an injured patient, the greater the chances of surviving that injury. You can help save a life by knowing how to stop bleeding if someone, including yourself, is injured. Training certification will be issued.

GARDEN VOLUNTEERS

Wednesday, April 23, 6:00-8:00 pm In-Person +

Community Service Opportunity

Help enhance our teen patio by creating decorations that will be used to beautify our outdoor space!



PAPERCLIP BOOKMARKS

Saturday, May 3, 12:00-2:00 pm

Community Service Opportunity

Create some unique bookmarks using beads and paperclips.

RECYCLED MANGA BOOKMARKS

Friday, May 9, 6:00-8:00 pm

In-Person +

Community Service Opportunity

Use recycled materials to design unique manga bookmarks that will be donated to local schools!



RECYCLED PAPER NOTEPADS

Thursday, May 15, 6:00-8:00 pm

In-Person + Community Service Opportunity

Help us recycle our old scrap paper into notepads!

HANDS ONLY CPR

Tuesday, May 20, 3:00-5:00 pm In-Person +

Community Service Opportunity

Learn what to do in a medical emergency. Hands-only CPR is a life-saving technique that involves simply using chest compressions on a person who has suffered sudden cardiac arrest. CPR training certification will be issued.

Crafts & Activities

COOKIES AND COLORING

Mondays, March 3, April 7, May 5, 3:00-5:00 pm

In-Person

Relax and color with friends while enjoying delicious treats and refreshments, courtesy of a local business!

TEEN TUESDAYS

Tuesdays, March 4, 18, April 1, 29, May 27, 3:00-4:30 pm

In-Person

No Registration is required.

Come chill with your friends, play games, maybe challenge each other to a round of ping pong or foosball, or simply kick back and unwind. It's all about good times and good vibes!

3D PRINTED ANIMAL CROSSING ISLANDS

Wednesday, March 5, 3:00-5:00 pm In-Person

Create your own miniature Animal Crossing islands made by our 3D printer!

BEADED FIDGET PENS

Thursday, March 6, 3:00-5:00 pm

Get crafty and design your own beaded fidget pens!



DRAGON BALL: SPARKING! ZERO TOURNAMENT

Friday, March 7, 3:00-4:30 pm Friday, May 9, 3:00-4:30 pm

In-Person

Test your skills in our exciting Dragon Ball: Sparking! Zero tournament, where you will compete for prizes and bragging rights! Snacks will be provided.

CHESS AND COOKIES CLUB

Saturdays, March 8, April 12, May 10, 12:00-2:00 pm

In-Person

Come hang out with us for a weekend of friendly competition and snacks! All experience levels welcome!

DIY CHALK MASON JARS

Monday, March 10, 3:00-5:00 pm

Paint a mason jar using chalk paint and decorate with vinyl stickers made by our Cricut machine.

PODCAST

Tuesdays, March 11, 25, April 8, 22, May 6, 13, 3:00-4:30 pm

In-Person

Join our Average Brentwood Teens Podcast planning and recording sessions!

AFTERSCHOOL PAINTING

Wednesdays, March 12, April 23, May 28, 3:00-4:30 pm

In-Person

Unleash your inner artist during our painting session with Mr. Po, where you'll create your own masterpiece to take home!

PERLER BEADING

Thursday, March 13, 3:00-5:00 pm In-Person

Use our templates or your own imagination to design and fuse together pixelated art!

PIZZA PANINIS

Friday, March 14, 3:00-5:00 pm

Celebrate Pi Day by enjoying some pizza pie inspired paninis!



LEPRECHAUN LEMONADE & LUCKY CHARM TREATS

Monday, March 17, 3:00-5:00 pm In-Person

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day by enjoying refreshing green lemonade and lucky treats!

BEADED HAIR CLIPS

Wednesday, March 19, 3:00-5:00 pm

Use hair clips, beads, and string to make a one-of-a-kind hanging hair accessory.

CHAIN ACCESSORIES

Thursday, March 20, 3:00-5:00 pm

Craft trendy chain accessories for your crocs, pants, backpacks, and more! We will have various types of chains available to choose from.

KPOP CLUB

Mondays, March 24, April 21, May 19, 3:00-5:00 pm

In-Person

Hang out with other KPOP-stans and enjoy some Korean snacks, crafting, and concert viewings!

3D PRINTING: INTRO TO TINKERCAD

Thursday, March 27, 3:00-4:30 pm In-Person

Learn the basics of 3D modeling and create your own custom designs using TinkerCAD. Please allow 2 weeks to print your designs.

MYSTERY MOVIE & PIZZA

Fridays, March 28, April 25, May 23, 3:00-5:00 pm

In-Person

Vote for the mystery movie you want to watch, with pizza! Voting will open in the Teen Room two weeks before the program date.

THURSDAYS OUT

Thursdays, April 3, 10, 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 3:00-5:00 pm

No Registration is required.

Enjoy our brand-new outdoor teen patio space while playing a variety of outdoor games with friends! Snacks will be provided. This program is weather permitting.

GRILLED CHEESE

Friday, April 4, 3:00-5:00 pm

Discover the art of making the perfect grilled cheese sandwich by experimenting with different cheeses and toppings!

ONE, TWO, SWITCH TOURNAMENT

Friday, April 11, 3:00-4:30 pm

Join the fun in our One, Two, Switch tournament. Challenge friends and show off your gaming skills for a chance to win prizes! Snacks will be provided.

POKEMON CARD PAINTING

Monday, April 28, 3:00-5:00 pm In-Person

Use paint pens and gems to decorate Pokémon cards and transform them into unique pieces of art!

LASER ENGRAVING: ACRYLIC NIGHT LIGHTS

Wednesday, April 30, 3:00-4:30 pm

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Create a personalized acrylic night lamp with intricate designs using our laser engraver.

ROCK SONG TRIVIA

Friday, May 2, 3:00-4:30 pm

You wear the band shirts, but do you have the knowledge? Winner will receive a prize and all participants will have snacks!

CHERRY BLOSSOM LANTERNS

Wednesday, May 7, 3:00-5:00 pm

In-Person
Celebrate spring by crafting

stunning cherry blossom lanterns that will brighten up your space!

AFTERNOON CANVAS PAINTING

Monday, May 12, 3:00-4:30 pm

Spend your afternoon painting a floral scene on canvas. Snacks included!

COOKIE OFF

Friday, May 16, 3:00-4:30 pm

De-stress and have a little fun competing in a cookie designing contest. The teen who designs the funniest cookie will win a prize!

SANRIO TUMBLERS

Wednesday, May 21, 3:00-5:00 pm In-Person

Personalize your own Sanrio-themed tumblers with vinyl stickers and gems!

BOARDGAME TOURNAMENT

Friday, May 30, 3:00-4:30 pm In-Person

Join us for a fast-paced and thrilling board game tournament, featuring both classic and new games. Prizes for the winners and snacks for all!

Career & Business

CREATING A CAPTIVATING RESUME: KEYWORDS ARE KEY

Tuesday, March 4, 6:30-7:15 pm

Virtual + Open to Non-Residents

In this workshop, you'll learn how to strategically use keywords to ensure your resume stands out to both hiring managers and applicant tracking systems (ATS). Discover techniques to align your resume with job descriptions, highlighting your skills, and experiences effectively.

EASTERN SUFFOLK BOCES/BRENTWOOD LITERACY ZONE: JOB FAIR

Friday, March 21, 2:00-4:00 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Join us at our Job Fair, hosted by Eastern Suffolk BOCES/Brentwood Literacy Zone. Representatives from public and private Long Island businesses and organizations will be here to meet with you about potential employment.

EMBRACING AI FOR YOUR JOB SEARCH

Tuesday, March 25, 6:30-7:15 pm

Virtual + Open to Non-Residents

In this workshop, you'll explore how to leverage AI tools and platforms to streamline and enhance your job search process. Learn practical strategies for using AI to discover opportunities, tailor applications, and increase your chances of landing the perfect role.

GETTING JOB INTERVIEW READY, PREPARATION & ETIQUETTE

Tuesday, April 1, 6:30-7:15 pm

Virtual + Open to Non-Residents

Ready to master your next job interview? Join in on this workshop for preparation tips and strategies for professional etiquette, answering industry specific questions, and gaining the confidence and skills you need to make a great impression and land the job.



JOB SEARCH STRATEGIES, RESOURCES & SUPPORT

Tuesday, April 15, 6:30-7:15 pm Virtual + Open to Non-Residents

streamline your search.

The search for the right job can feel overwhelming, but it doesn't have to be! Join in on this workshop to help you get organized, learn effective strategies, and discover helpful tools and resources to

FROM EARTH DAY TO GREEN JOBS: CREATING A SUSTAINABLE WORKFORCE

Saturday, April 26, 10:00 am-12:00 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Join Community Science Facilitators from the New York Department of State in their interactive, virtual, and web-based activities focused on climate change, community preparedness, and resilience. Explore the growing sectors that are fostering sustainable job opportunities and the skills required for green careers. Plus, enjoy surprise giveaways at the conclusion of the program!

TEST PROCTORING SERVICES

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

The Career and Learning Center at the Brentwood Public Library provides test proctoring service to support distance learning students in our communities. Please email your request to careercenter@brentwoodnylibrary.org. This service is by appointment only.

Professional & Personal Development

INTERNET 101: NAVEGANDO EL MUNDO DIGITAL

Lunes, 5, 12, 19 de mayo, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

En persona + Abierto a no residentes

¡Explore el vasto mundo digital con confianza! Aprenderá habilidades fundamentales para navegar de manera segura y eficaz en línea desde el primer día, y también incorporaremos la inteligencia artificial (IA) para mantenerlo a la vanguardia.

TECH NAVIGATION ASSISTANCE

In-Person

Do you want to learn how to use your email efficiently, learn how to download mobile apps, and use the Internet all through your cell phone or tablet? Are you a student or a job seeker and want to improve your Google Docs or Microsoft Office skills? Visit the Career and Learning Center or call 631-273-7883, ext. 132 to make a 30-minute appointment customized to your needs. Our bilingual tech navigators (English-Spanish) will assist you.

ASISTENCIA EN TECNOLOGÍA

En persona

¿Desea aprender a usar su correo electrónico eficientemente, aprender a descargar aplicaciones móviles y usar la Internet todo mediante su teléfono celular o tableta? ¿Es estudiante o está en búsqueda de empleo y desea mejorar sus habilidades de Google Docs o Microsoft Office? Acérquese al departamento de carreras y aprendizaje o llame al 631-273-7883, ext. 132 para hacer una cita personalizada de 30 minutos que satisfaga sus necesidades. Nuestros asistentes de tecnología bilingüe (inglés-español) podrán asistirle.

CAREER AND LEARNING SPARK: MAXIMIZE LIBRARY RESOURCES IN NO TIME

Monday-Friday (Available sessions from 2:00 to 4:00 pm) Walk-ins / 15 minute session

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Stop by our Career and Learning Center to explore our most popular online resources. One of our bilingual librarians will walk you through each step, from signing up to navigating the resource. Whether learning a new language, meeting with a career or college counselor, or taking a vocational course, you will find a tool to expand your skills and empower your journey. Must be a Brentwood library cardholder, have a valid email address, and basic computer skills.

IMPULSO PROFESIONAL Y DE APRENDIZAJE: MAXIMIZA LOS RECURSOS DE LA BIBLIOTECA EN POCO TIEMPO

Lunes a viernes (Sesiones disponibles de 2:00 a 4:00 p.m.)

Atención sin cita previa / Sesiones de 15 minutos

En persona

Visite nuestro Centro de Carrera y Aprendizaje para explorar nuestros recursos en línea más populares. Una de nuestras bibliotecarias bilingües le guiará en cada paso, desde como registrarse hasta navegar el recurso. Ya sea que estés aprendiendo un nuevo idioma, buscando guía de un consejero de carrera o universidad, o tomando un curso vocacional, encontrará una herramienta para expandir sus habilidades y potenciar su camino. Debe tener una tarjeta de la biblioteca de Brentwood, tener correo electrónico válido y conocimientos básicos de computación.

ADULTS (AGES 18 AND UP)

March program registration begins February 15. April program registration begins March 15. May program registration begins April 19.

Learning Center



LEARN ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Intensive weekly ESL classes will be provided over a 13-week semester. Complete your application to be evaluated and placed. For more information, call the Learning Center at 631-273-7883, extension 133.

APRENDE INGLÉS COMO SEGUNDO IDIOMA

Clases intensivas de ESL impartidas durante un semestre de 13 semanas están disponibles. Complete su solicitud para ser evaluado y colocado a su nivel. Para más información llame al Centro de Aprendizaje al 631-273-7883, extensión. 133.



EDUCACIÓN BÁSICA EN ESPAÑOL

¿Sabía que la Biblioteca Pública de Brentwood ofrece clases de Educación Básica en Español para adultos de habla hispana con ganas de aprender a escribir y leer en su propio idioma? El programa incluye escritura, lectura y matemática básica. Para mayor información llame al 631-273-7883, extensión 132.

BASIC EDUCATION IN SPANISH

Did you know that the Brentwood Public Library offers basic education classes in Spanish for Spanish-speaking adults who want to learn how to write and read in their own language? The program includes writing, reading, and basic math. For more information, call 631-273-7883, extension 132.



BETTER ENGLISH AT WORK

Fridays, March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 6:30-8:00 pm In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Improve your English language skills for work. Join this conversation group with a focus on vocabulary and work-related topics to help you achieve your goals.

CITIZENSHIP PREPARATION CLASS

Wednesdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14, 21, 7:00-8:30 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Adults preparing to take the U.S. Citizenship Test are invited to join our weekly classes. This series will focus on the civics questions and the USCIS writing and reading vocabulary. The last session will be a workshop to practice Citizenship interview questions based on the N-400 form.

GRASP (GED) WORKSHOP & ASSESSMENT

Thursday, April 10, 5:00-8:45 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

A representative from BOCES will explain how this home study program can help you obtain your GED. Must be 21 years old or older to attend.



¡Únase a nuestro Club de Lectura en español! Sumérjase en debates interesantes sobre la literatura en español con otros amantes de los libros. Para más detalles, consulte la página 18.



SPANISH FOR BEGINNERS

Saturdays, April 26, May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 11:00 am-12:30 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Join this fun class to learn basic Spanish and increase your knowledge of conversational phrases and vocabulary.

READING CLUB FOR ENGLISH LEARNERS

Saturdays, March 8, April 12, May 10, 11:00 am-12:30 pm

In-Person + Virtual + Open to Non-Residents

English language learners at the intermediate level and higher are invited to join this group. We will read and discuss modern short stories and articles to help expand your reading comprehension and practice your conversation skills. When registered, you will receive an email with the reading or you can stop in at the Learning Center to pick up your copy.



General Programs



CREEK DEFENDER: PRESENTED BY SAVE THE GREAT SOUTH BAY

Tuesday, March 4, 7:00-8:00 pm In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

The Great South Bay will only be as healthy as the 50 creeks that flow into it. For generations, these creeks have been dammed, trash-filled, polluted, and neglected. The Creek Defender Program urges South Shore communities to take action and restore our creeks to heal our bay.

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS WITH SEPA MUJER

Thursday, March 13, 6:30-7:30 pm

In Person + Open to Non-Residents

Join the organization SEPA Mujer for an information session on immigration rights.



CELEBRATE WOMEN'S HISTORY: TEA PARTY

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Tuesday, March 25, 2:30-3:30 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Celebrate Women's History Month by sharing a cup of tea! Please bring your own teacup to this party. Tea and snacks will be provided. Must register beforehand.

Driving

DEFENSIVE DRIVING

Saturdays, March 1, 15, April 5, 19, May 3, 17, 9:30 am-3:30 pm *Arrive by 9:15 am In Person + Open to Non-Residents (one week after registration date)

Save ten percent on your auto insurance for three years and remove up to four points from your driving record by taking this six-hour course. Fee of \$33 in cash, check, or money order payable to the Empire Safety Council is due on the day of class.

MANEJO DEFENSIVO

Sábados 8 y 22 de marzo, 12 y 26 de abril, 10 y 24 de mayo, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. *Debe llegar a las 9:15 a.m.

En persona + abierto a no-residentes (una semana después de la fecha de registro)

Ahorre el diez por ciento en su seguro de auto por tres años y elimine hasta cuatro puntos en su record de conductor tomando este curso de seis horas. Paga \$35 en efectivo, cheque, o giro postal al Empire Safety Council el día de clase.

5 HOUR PRE-LICENSING COURSE

Fridays, March 7, April 4, May 2, 3:30-8:30 pm *Arrive by 3:15 pm In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

This DMV-certified course provides new drivers with information and tools to help them become safe drivers. All new drivers must complete this course before they can schedule their road test for their driver license. The fee for this course is \$40 and is due on the day of class.

CURSO DE PRELICENCIA DE 5 HORAS

Los viernes, 21 de marzo, 18 de abril, 16 de mayo, 3:30-8:30 p.m.

*Debe estar en persona y llegado al curso a las 3:15 p.m. En persona + abierto a no-residentes

La pre-licencia, también conocido como "el curso de 5 horas," es un curso presencial diseñada por el DMV que proporciona nuevos conductores con información para ayudarles a conducir con seguridad. Los nuevos conductores deben completar este curso antes de que puedan programar su examen práctico para obtener su licencia de conducir. Este curso cuesta \$40 y se paga el día de clase.

Cooking Classes

VAN DOUGH ART

Wednesday, March 5, 6:30-8:30 pm

In-person + Open to Non-Residents (one week after registration date)

With pizza dough as your canvas create a Van Gogh inspired vegetable focaccia. Please bring a cutting board and knife to the program.

COOKING WITH CHEF ROB: ASIAGO CHEESE BREAD

Wednesday, April 9, 1:00-2:30 pm

In-person + Open to Non-Residents (one week after registration date)

Chef Rob's asiago cheese bread will be a family favorite. He will teach you step-by-step how to make this into a loaf, scones, biscuits, or twists. He will also demonstrate a seasonal fruit salad with ricotta cheese and a sweet drizzle. Patrons will need to bring to class a large bowl, box grater, mixing spoon, and a cookie sheet.



CAKE POPS 101

Thursday, May 22, 7:00-8:00 pm

In-person+ Open to Non-Residents (one week after registration date)

Always wanted to learn how to make your own cake pops? Now's your chance! Fanny Cakes will teach you the ins and outs of cake pop making.

ADULTS (AGES 18 AND UP)

March program registration begins February 15. April program registration begins March 15. May program registration begins April 19.

Crafts

HOOK & NEEDLE: CROCHET EASTER DISH CLOTHS

Fridays, March 7, 14, & 21 2:00-4:00 pm

In-person + Open to Non-Residents (one week after registration date)

Start your prep for the spring! Join us to create your own Easter/spring inspired dish cloth. Please bring a skein of yarn and a G or H hook needle.

DAISY PAINTING WITH PAMELA

Tuesday, April 22, 7:00-8:00 pm

In-person + Open to Non-Residents (one week after registration date)

Join Pamela as she teaches you how to paint your very own spring daisy!

NEW TO YOU CRAFT SWAP

Thursday, May 1, 2:30-3:30 pm

In-person + Open to Non-Residents

Donate your leftover craft supplies between April 28-30 to the reference desk. Then, on May 1, come into the library and shop for your own new to you craft supplies!

CHINESE BRUSHWORK

Saturday, May 10, 11:00 am-1:00 pm

In-person + Open to Non-Residents (one week after registration date)

Join us for a celebration of Chinese brushwork painting. Learn basic techniques, how to use rice paper, brushes, and ink. Enjoy demonstrations on bamboo, stems, leaves, and blossoms, and hear about the history of this art form and its connection to Sumi-e. In the second hour, create your own Chinese brushwork to take home. **Please wear old clothes.**

SELF CARE JARS & JOURNALING

Tuesday, May 13, 6:30-7:30 pm

In-person + Open to Non-Residents (one week after registration date)

Unwind and reconnect with yourself. Create personalized self-care jars filled with affirmations, reminders, and little tokens of joy. Pair it with guided journaling to nurture your mind and soul.

Computer Tutorials



INTRO TO CRICUT'S DESIGN SPACE

Thursday, March 20, 6:30-8:30 pm Virtual + Open to Non-Residents

In this demonstration class, learn how to create amazing and unique designs using the free Design Space program from Cricut. You'll learn how to use all the features to create a unique design or import premade designs from varying formats, as well as, what you need to print your final project.

Prerequisites: None.



INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT EXCEL

Tuesday, May 20, 6:30-8:30 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

In this hands-on class, learn the basics of the world's most popular spreadsheet program, including creating, editing, and formatting worksheets, formulas, and much more.

Prerequisites: Computer Kindergarten and 1st Grade or equivalent.

History



MUNNAWHATTEAUG: THE LAST DAYS OF THE MENHADEN INDUSTRY ON EASTERN LONG ISLAND

Friday, March 7, 7:00-8:00 pm

In-person + Open to Non-Residents

As the fishing industry decimated the whale population worldwide, a new resource was discovered to replace whale oil, a fish known as menhaden. Locally called bunker, the mass harvesting of the fish supported a number of industries for decades, until it came to a halt in the 1960s. Join Southold Town Historian Amy Kasuga Folk in a look at the last days of the bunker fishing industry on the East End of Long Island.

Music



GUITAR FOR BEGINNERS

Saturday, May 17, 12:00-1:00 pm

In-person + Open to Non-Residents

Learn the fundamentals of music through the guitar. This class is perfect for beginners who want to explore the basics of guitar and learn to play a full song.

Health & Wellness

SPRING INTO HEART HEALTH EDUCATION SERIES, NORTHWELL HEALTH

Saturdays, March 1, April 5, May 3, 11:00 am-1:30 pm

In-person + Open to Non-Residents

Saturday, March 1: Women's Cardiac Health in the Latina Community WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

We'll explore the unique challenges and health factors impacting Latina women's heart health. Free Blood Pressure Screenings 11:00 am-1:30 pm, Doctor Lecture 12:00 pm

Saturday, April 5: Recognizing Heart Attack Symptoms and Using 911 Effectively

Gain essential knowledge on identifying heart attack signs and how to make the best use of the 911 system. Brentwood Legion EMS will be here. Free Blood Pressure Screenings 11:00 am-1:30 pm, Doctor Lecture 11:00 am

Saturday, May 3: The Importance of Preventative Care

Learn about lifestyle changes, the benefits of regular screenings, as well as, having a primary care provider. Free Blood Pressure Screenings 11:00 am-1:30 pm, Doctor Lecture 12:00 pm

SERIE EDUCATIVA DE NORTHWELL HEALTH: CUIDA SU CORAZÓN

Los sábados, 1 de marzo, 5 de abril, y 3 de mayo, 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. En persona + Abierto a no residentes

Sábado, 1 de marzo: La salud cardíaca de las mujeres en la comunidad latina WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Exploraremos los retos únicos y factores de salud que impactan a la salud cardíaca de las mujeres latinas. Evaluaciones de presión arterial gratuitas de 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Presentación de doctor a las 12:00 p.m.

Sábado, 5 de abril: Reconocer los síntomas de un ataque cardíaco y utilizando 911 eficazmente

Obtenga conocimientos esenciales en cómo identificar señales del ataque cardíaco y utilizar el sistema de 911 eficazmente. La Ambulancia de Brentwood SME (conocida como Brentwood Legion EMS) estará presente. Evaluaciones de presión arterial gratuitas de 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Presentación de doctor a las 12:00 p.m.

Sábado, 3 de mayo: La importancia del cuidado preventivo

Aprende sobre los cambios en estilo de vida, los beneficios de chequeos médicos periódicos, además de tener un médico de atención primaria. Evaluaciones de presión arterial gratuitas de 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Presentación de doctor a las 12:00 p.m.

CHAIR YOGA

Wednesdays, March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14, 21, 28, 2:00-3:00 pm

Wednesday, April 9, 3:00-4:00 pm

In Person + Open to Non-Residents

Enjoy the mobility, vitality, and peace of mind that this yoga practice can provide, while feeling fully supported in your chair. Please have light weights, a small ball, and a resistance band for the class.



COFFEE WITH A LIBRARIAN

Thursdays, March 13*, April 10, May 8, 1:00-3:00 pm

In-person + Virtual + Open to Non-Residents

Join Librarian Julia to discuss current events/concerns.

*Special Guest Speaker March 13: Nutrition Educator Anthony Garcia will present "Making a change: Sodium, Fat, and Sugar"

CAREGIVER'S GUIDE TO DEMENTIA BEHAVIORS (BILINGUAL)

Wednesday, March 19, 6:30-7:30 pm In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Speaker Solange from FCA presents thoughtful and effective ways to care for people with dementia when they are confused, frustrated, scared, or angry. This can make life better for the person with dementia.

La oradora Solange de FCA presenta maneras atentas y eficaces para cuidar a las personas con demencia cuando están confundidos, asustados o enojados. Esto puede mejorar la vida de la persona con demencia.

TALK AND WALK

Thursdays, April 10, May 8, 10:00-11:00 am

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Join Rosa and Sam on a walk through the Sisters of St. Joseph campus. Get your step count up and enjoy the campus' beautiful landscape. We will meet in the parking lot off the Second Avenue entrance.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION: COMMUNICATING EFFECTIVELY

Thursday, April 17, 6:30-7:30 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

This workshop will show how dementia affects communication and offers tips for communicating well with family, friends and health care professionals.

SOUL LINE DANCE FOR BEGINNERS

Fridays, April 25, May 2, May 16, 6:30-8:00 pm

In person + Open to Non-Residents

Learn soul line dancing with the Long Island Soul Sliders, featuring choreography set to R&B, hip-hop and soul music.



DENTAL HEALTH WORKSHOP

Tuesday, April 29, 6:00-7:00 pm

In person + Open to Non-Residents

Join Cornell Cooperative Extension as they discuss how teeth are formed, care for teeth, how disease can affect teeth, and different nutrition information for healthier mouths.

TALLER DE SALUD DENTAL EN ESPAÑOL

Martes, 29 de abril, 7:00-8:00 p.m. En persona + Abierto a no residentes

Únase a Cornell Cooperative Extension mientras analizan cómo se forman los dientes, cómo los cuidan, cómo las enfermedades pueden afectar los dientes y diferente información nutricional para una boca más sana.



RETHINK YOUR DRINK (BILINGUAL)

Thursday, May 15, 7:00-8:30 pm In person + Open to Non-Residents

Join Anthony Garcia from Cornell Cooperative as he explains the danger of sugar in your beverages and how to make healthier choices.

Únase a Anthony García de la Extensión Cooperativa mientras que él explica los peligros de la azúcar en sus bebidas y como elegir opciones más saludables.

NAVIGATING DEMENTIA FOR FAMILIES (BILINGUAL)

Wednesday, May 21, 6:30-7:30 pm In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

This FCA workshop provides insight into the causes and symptoms of dementia. You will learn how to effectively communicate with your loved one, provide proper care, and navigate the healthcare system.

Este taller de FCA provee el conocimiento a las causas y síntomas de demencia. Entenderá como comunicar eficazmente con su ser querido, proporcionar el cuidado adecuado y navegar el sistema de salud.

ADULTS (AGES 18 AND UP)

March program registration begins February 15. April program registration begins March 15. May program registration begins April 19.

Community Assistance

FAMILY CENTER SERVICES

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

We have partnered with the Family Service League to offer our patrons one-on-one assistance. Our bilingual social workers/case managers are available by appointment to provide short-term counseling, as well as, assist in applying for benefits and provide referrals concerning health and social services, utility assistance, housing, care coordination, mental health services, and more. Family Center services are free and confidential. For more information, call 631-273-7883, extension 132.

En colaboración con Family Service League ofrecemos a nuestros clientes asistencia personalizada. Nuestras trabajadoras sociales/administradoras de casos (bilingües) están disponibles con cita previa para brindar asesoramiento a corto plazo, así como para ayudar a solicitar beneficios y brindar referencias relacionadas con: servicios sociales y de salud, asistencia con servicios públicos, vivienda, coordinación de atención, servicios de salud mental y más. Los servicios del Centro Familiar son gratuitos y confidenciales. Para más información llame al 631-273-7883, extensión 132.

NY STATE OF HEALTH NAVIGATOR

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30 am-5:00 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

A bilingual (English-Spanish) NY State of Health Navigator will be available to assist in enrolling for health insurance through the New York State of Health Marketplace.

SNAP ASSISTANCE

Tuesdays, 10:00 am-3:00 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

A bilingual (English-Spanish) representative from Health and Welfare Council of Long Island will help you find out if you qualify for SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) and provide personalized assistance in completing your application.

Un representante bilingüe (inglés-español) del Consejo de Salud y Bienestar de Long Island le ayudará a determinar si califica para SNAP (Programa de Asistencia Nutricional Suplementaria) y le brindará asistencia personalizada para completar su solicitud.

COMMUNITY LEGAL HELP

Tuesdays, from 2:00-5:00 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Do you need help with a legal problem? Free limited legal advice and assistance is available on various topics.

Brentwood Public Library is part of the New York State Unified Court System's Virtual Court Access Network (VCAN). VCAN Locations aim to create a friendly, safe, and secure space for court users to appear in court and have access to court-related services within their own community. Using the library's computers, the public can have direct, live access to Suffolk County Family Court Clerks from 10:00 am-4:00 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding UCS holidays.



AARP TAX ASSISTANCE

Saturdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5, 12, 10:00 am-1:00 pm In-Person + Open to Non-residents, Appointment Only

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide provides tax assistance to anyone, free of charge, with a focus on taxpayers who have low to moderate income. Patrons must sign up for an appointment. Patrons are required to bring government-issued photo ID, original social security cards for yourself and all your dependents, your W-2 form, the previous year's tax form, and all relevant tax information. Both spouses must be present if filing as "Married, Filing Jointly."

VITA TAX ASSISTANCE

Sundays, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, April 6, 13, 12:30-3:30 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents, Appointment Only

VITA will be able to provide tax assistance for low income and disabled persons of all ages. Patrons must sign up to drop off their tax documents and a tax preparer will contact them when they are ready. Please note that all drop offs require a 10-minute identity screening. Patrons are required to bring government-issued photo ID, original social security cards for yourself and all your dependents, your W-2 form, the previous year's tax form, and all relevant tax information. Must provide a valid email address and phone number to sign up for this service. All completed tax forms need to be picked up on or before Sunday, April 27.

SBU MEDICINE'S HEALTHY LIBRARIES

Tuesdays, March 4, 25, 2:00-4:30 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

The Healthy Libraries Program consists of students who are currently training in the fields of social work, public health, library science, and nursing, who are available at the library to provide blood pressure screenings, medication management, answer questions and provide reliable health information on a wide variety of health topics such as heart disease, diabetes etc. Students are also available to direct patrons to community resources, help fill out paperwork for social services, find housing, and assist with finding a healthcare provider, and scheduling appointments.

HWCLI MEDICARE AND MEDICAID HELP

Fridays, March 7, 21, April 4, 18, May 2, 16, 10:00 am-4:00 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

The Health & Welfare Council of Long Island's certified Healthcare Facilitated Enrollers can help you apply for Community Medicaid, Medicaid Supplement A application, and Medicare Savings program through Department of Social Services.

1-ON-1 MEDICARE COUNSELING AND ASSISTANCE (MUST BE MEDICARE ELIGIBLE)

Wednesdays, March 12, April 9, May 14, 10:00 am-12:00 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Register for a 30-minute appointment to meet individually with a HIICAP (Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program) counselor to answer questions and provide information specific to your own needs regarding Medicare health insurance and benefits, Medicare Savings Programs, Extra Help for prescription drugs, and EPIC.

MEDICARE SAVINGS PROGRAM & MEDICAID WORKSHOP

Tuesday, April 1, 6:30-7:30 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Join the Health & Welfare Council of LI to learn about saving money with the Medicare Savings Program and Medicaid.

TALLER PARA EL PROGRAMA DE AHORRO DE MEDICAID Y MEDICARE

Martes, 15 de abril, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

En persona + Abierto a no residentes

Únase al Consejo de Salud y Bienestar de Long Island (conocido en inglés como Health & Welfare Council of LI) para aprender como economizar con el programa de ahorro de Medicare y Medicaid.

FIRST TIME HOME BUYERS, LIHP

Thursday, May 8, 6:00-7:30 pm

In-Person and Open to Non-Residents

Looking to buy your first home? Whether you're just starting to explore your options or are ready to make a move, this seminar will empower you with the knowledge and confidence you need to make informed decisions.

Fandoms



TRUE CRIME CLUB

Wednesday, March 12, April 16*, May 14, 7:00-8:00 pm

Virtual + Open to Non-Residents

Join horror author Robert Ottone to learn about a brow-raising local case and share your true-crime theories with fellow aficionados!

*Special Guest Speaker April 16: Marie Lestrange, to discuss her book Happy Face.

BOARD GAME OPEN

Must be 18 or older to attend.

PLAY

Saturdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 11:00 am-4:00 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Bring your board games, MTG Deck, War Gaming Army, chessboard, or even a deck of cards to spend the day playing and relaxing with friends.

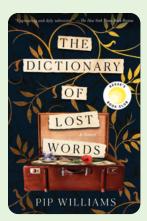
ANIME NIGHT FOR ADULTS

Mondays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, April 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5, 12, 19, 6:00-8:30 pm

In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Watch and discuss your favorite anime, discover new shows, or just come for the camaraderie.

Book Clubs



THE DICTIONARY OF LOST WORDS, BY PIP WILLIAMS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Thursday, March 6, 7:00-8:30 pm

In-Person + Virtual + Open to Non-Residents

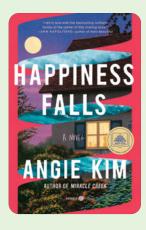
Not just about the creation of the Oxford English Dictionary, but also about women's struggles, friendship, and love.



ON FIRE ISLAND, BY JANE ROSEN

Thursday, April 3, 7:00-8:30 pm In-Person + Virtual + Open to Non-Residents

The Long Island Reads Selection



HAPPINESS FALLS, BY ANGIE KIM (AAPIHM)

Thursday, May 1, 7:00-8:30 pm

In-Person + Virtual + Open to Non-Residents

Inventive story of a family with a missing Dad and a brother who cannot explain what happened.

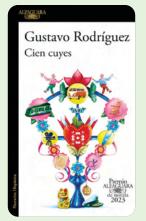
Spanish Book Club / Charla de libros



EL VIENTO CONOCE MI NOMBRE POR ISABEL ALLENDE

Sábado, 29 de marzo, 1:30-3:00 p.m. En persona

En El viento conoce mi nombre, la aclamada autora Isabel Allende nos relata la historia de dos niños inmigrantes: un niño que escapa de la Viena ocupada por los nazis en 1938 y una niña que escapa de las bandas militares en El Salvador en 2019. A través de sus historias el pasado y presente se entrelazan para relatar el drama del desarraigo y la redención de la solidaridad, la compasión y el amor.



CIEN CUYES POR GUSTAVO RODRÍGUEZ

Sábado, 31 de mayo, 1:30-3:00 p.m.

En persona

Cuando Eufrasia Vela empieza a trabajar como cuidadora de ancianos, no sospecha que su oficio la llevará a una encrucijada existencial. Cien cuyes por Gustavo Rodríguez es una novela tragicómica que refleja uno de los grandes conflictos de nuestro tiempo: somos sociedades cada vez más longevas y cada vez más hostiles con la gente mayor. Paradoja que Rodríguez aborda con destreza y humor. Un libro conmovedor cuyos protagonistas cuidan, son cuidados y defienden la dignidad hasta sus últimas consecuencias.

Nature & Gardening

SEED LIBRARY 2025 KICKOFF

Monday, March 3, 2:00-4:00 pm In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Stop by the seed library table in the atrium to browse our new selection of seeds.

PROPAGATION STATION OPENING

Friday, March 7, 2:00-4:00 pm In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

The propagation station is back! Stop by the atrium to pick up some plant cuttings.



NATURE READS

Mondays, March 24, May 12, 7:00-8:00 pm

Virtual + Open to Non-Residents

Join Librarian Rosa to discuss books related to nature.

THE HISTORY OF NATIVE PLANTS

Thursday, March 27, 7:00-8:00 pm In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Kimberly Simmen of KMS Native Plants will discuss the 'history' of native plants and how they were used by Native Americans, as well as, the early settlers of Long Island. Learn how native plants are still being used today.

FROM PLANKTON TO WHALES: WHY OUR LOCAL WATERS ARE WORTH PROTECTING

Tuesday, April 8, 7:00-8:30 pm In-Person + Open to Non-Residents

Fish Guy is back! We consistently hear negative news stories about the degradation of our planet. Regain your enthusiasm for protecting our marine environment by learning about the fascinating marine life that inhabits the waters of Long Island.

Gallery & Display





MARCH GALLERY

This month's gallery will feature meticulously made calligraphy art pieces made by one of our own staff members! These art pieces focus on the technique of "typography", which is when a word is repeated multiple times to form a visual representation of itself.

MARCH DISPLAY

Come see our display of origami figures created by our Circulation team. Inspired by last year's Summer Reading theme "The Adventure Begins," they learned to created various animals, real and mythical, using recycled paper, to celebrate the adventures found in books. We hope you enjoy these wonderful creations as much as we enjoyed making them!





APRIL GALLERY

Diana Aguilar will display "Heavenly Flowers", a photo collection of tulips that grow here in the Long Island area and bloom during spring time. This piece of art shows the diversity of their colors and shapes. In addition, you can see the morphology of the flower and details of the androecium and the gynoecium.

APRIL DISPLAY

Enjoy James's impressive collection of replica medieval equipment, swords, and armor. These pieces have been collected from various medieval fairs and tournaments from around the state.





MAY GALLERY

This collection of acrylic paintings on canvas by Gary Fagerland captures the timeless beauty of Long Island, from sunlit beaches and tranquil bays to iconic lighthouses and vibrant harbors. His masterful use of color and texture invites viewers to appreciate the region's natural splendor and the harmony between land, sea, and sky.

MAY DISPLAY

The Brentwood Makerspace empowers patrons to bring their creativity to life, crafting everything from everyday items to children's toys. Our librarians are available to guide you through the process, teaching you how to use our tools to create your ideal project. Book an appointment today, and let us help you design unique items to enjoy or share as gifts.



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Sunday, April 20 Closed

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How to Register for Programs

Web Chat Available on our Website



Visit our website, **brentwoodnylibrary.org**, and hover over the "Programs & Events" drop-down menu.

Select "Programs at the Library" for a complete list of our in-person programs.

Select "Take and Make" for a complete list of our craft and activity kits/boxes.

Select "Virtual Programs" for a complete list of our online virtual programs.

If you need assistance registering, please call the Library or click on the "web chat" link or icon. Unless specifically mentioned, all programs are open to non-residents and are free of charge.

Children's programs are available to Brentwood Public Library card holders, ages 12 and under. Your place in a program is held for ten minutes.

Teen programs are available to Brentwood Public Library card holders, ages 13-17. Your place in a program is held for ten minutes.

Adult programs are available to Brentwood Public Library card holders, ages 18 and older.

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