

Westbury Memorial Public Library

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Mission Statement: To provide excellent, proactive service to fulfill the informational, educational and recreational needs of the community. The library will:

- Celebrate the joy of learning, reading, the arts, local culture and history.
- Create a comfortable, welcoming atmosphere that supports intellectual freedom
- Sustain a future-focus in response to technological change.

Library Board Meetings – Virtual - Thursday, November 19 and December 17, 7:00 pm, via Zoom

The Westbury Library Board of Trustees would like to invite the public to attend our upcoming board meetings. Meetings are typically held on the third Thursday of each month starting at 7:00 pm. The meeting can be joined at the following **Link:** <https://zoom.us/j/97661902610> or by calling the following phone number on the evenings of the meetings after 6:45 pm: **1-646-558-8656, meeting ID 976 6190 2610**

NEW DIRECTOR

Tracy Van Dyne

The Board of Trustees and the Library staff would like to invite you, the community, to join us in welcoming the Library's new Director,
Tracy Van Dyne!

CONTACT-LESS CURBSIDE PICKUP

We are happy to offer contact-less pickup on weekdays, Monday through Friday, from 9:30 am - 8:30 pm. To reserve items, please call the Library at 516-333-0176 and tell us what you are looking for, or visit the Library website www.westburylibrary.org. If you are unsure of what you would like to read or view, our librarians will be happy to help you make a selection. Once your items are ready to be picked up, we will call you and check them out to you. Patrons should call the Library upon their arrival to pick-up material so that a staff member can bring the requested library materials to the table that will be set up outside each library. The items will be placed on the tables for contact-less pick-up. A monitor will be present to ensure that this process goes smoothly.

TO ATTEND A ZOOM MEETING

Visit our website: www.westburylibrary.org and view our upcoming events. Click to the link given for the program of interest. If you have any questions contact Edna Harpaul by email: ednaharpaul@westburylibrary.org

Special Interest

Journaling: A Hobby with Purpose with Linda Williams - Virtual

Fridays, November 13, 20 and December 4, 11, 7:00 pm, via Zoom

Are you looking for a simple way to relax, have a positive impact on your mental health, or just spend time doing something productive? Join Linda Williams, local author who started journaling 20 years ago. Once you understand the different approaches and the reasons why it is so rewarding, you will be ready to begin your journey of journaling. To register for this meeting, visit our website.

Feng Shui and Sound Healing - Virtual

Monday, November 23, 7:00 pm, via Zoom

Feng Shui is a 3,000 year old ancient art and science formalized in China. Wind and water are associated with good health, thus good Feng Shui came to mean good fortune. Certified Feng Shui Expert Laura Cerrano will explain how your home and surroundings can affect your mindset, emotions, behavior and overall health. Learn how to combine several forms of Feng Shui and intuitive thinking to create powerful practical solutions. A gentle healing meditation will conclude the evening.

Computers

Staying Safe Online - Virtual

Tuesday, November 10 and Wednesday, November 11, 11:00 am, via Zoom

The Westbury Library Tech Department invites you to join us in this two-part class and learn about the dangers facing people in our increasingly online world and how to protect yourself against them. Questions and comments are both encouraged and appreciated.

Computers and Internet 101 - Virtual

Tuesday, December 1, 11:00 am, via Zoom

Does email confuse you? Have you had issues understanding the web, your new phone, or the computer that's been in the living room for a decade? Has 2020 seen you go from using the internet once a month to once an hour and it still might as well all be a foreign language to you? We can help. Join this informative one-hour class led by Christopher Durrah of the Westbury Library Technology Department and get started on your new digital journey. Questions are very much encouraged.

Cooking

Thanksgiving Side Dishes – Virtual

Monday, November 9, 7:00 pm, via Zoom

Join Pittmaster Brian Collins to add a few side dishes to your Thanksgiving meal which will include: green salad with fried goat cheese and rose vinegar dressing, corn pudding, mulled cider, and a delicious pumpkin pie made from fresh pumpkin. To register for this meeting, visit our website.

Library Social Media

Library Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/westburylibrary>

Library Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/westburylibrary>

Library YouTube page:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCY8q_OFVq7DVMG-yxnONb4w/videos

Book Discussion – Virtual

***This Tender Land* by William Kent Krueger** – Wednesday, November 4, 7:00 pm, via Zoom

In this captivating, historical novel, set in the summer of 1932, four orphans steal away from the abusive Lincoln Indian Training School, journeying in a canoe along Minnesota's Gilead River, into the unknown, determined to find a place to call home.

***What's So Funny? My Hilarious Life* by Tim Conway with Jane Scovell**

Wednesday, December 2, 7:00 pm, via Zoom

Tickle your funny bone with Tim Conway's memoir of his life on and off stage as an actor and comedian.

For the December discussion, you are invited to read either book, or both, however you prefer.

***What You Wish For* by Katherine Center** – Wednesday, December 2, 7:00 pm, via Zoom

A bona fide explosion of happiness packaged in book form, this timely, uplifting read filled with quirky characters, is about finding joy in the midst of tragedy. Discussion leader is Kathleen Gaskin, Head of Patron Services.

Film Discussion - Virtual

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society – Wednesday, December 9, 7:00 pm, via Zoom

In the hopes of keeping our community together and always connected, we are offering this experimental program. We want to start a film discussion and we are suggesting the film listed above, which is showing on Netflix. We will start with this selection, but future selections will come from the participants and many films might be available in our Library collection in DVD or Blu-ray format.

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society is a 2018 historical romantic-drama film. The screenplay is based on the 2008 novel of the same name, written by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows. Set in 1946, the plot follows a London-based writer who exchanges letters with a resident on the island of Guernsey, which had been under German occupation during World War II. To register for this meeting, visit our website.

Health and Fitness

Finding Peace through Meditation – Virtual

Tuesdays, November 10, 17, 24, December 1, 8, 15, 10:00 am - 11:00 am, via Zoom

When you meditate, you calm and focus your mind through your breathing. Learn how to beat feelings of stress by meditating and start to experience a deep and authentic inner peace. Enjoy this six-week series with Stephany Taylor from Kadampa Meditation Center of Long Island. To register for this meeting, visit our website.

ONGOING

The Cottage - The Historical Society of the Westburys

For more information contact Susan Kovarik, curator at 516-333-0176 x 1107 or email: susankovarik@westburylibrary.org

Susan can be reached Wednesdays from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm and Thursdays from 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

ESL - Learn English

Registration starts on December 2020 for the ESL Winter session. Classes begin in mid-January and continue to the end of March 2021. Visit the Literacy Nassau website to make an appointment. <https://www.literacynassau.org/appointment>

Service to the Homebound

Ron Schachter provides home delivery of Library materials to patrons in the Westbury or Carle Place school districts who are unable to visit the Library because of physical limitations. For further information contact Ron at 516-333-0176 x 1403 or email:

ronalschachter@westburylibrary.org

Health Insurance Enrollment with Fidelis Care

Fidelis Care offers quality, affordable health insurance for qualifying children and adults of all ages through Qualified Health Plans and the New York State sponsored Child Health Plus, Essential Plan and Medicaid programs. Contact Luz Mery Guecha-Lutz at 347-597-2324 for more information.

Defensive Driving Classes with the Empire Safety Council

Empire Safety Council is holding small social distance classes in Nassau and Suffolk County. To register for a class contact Diana Palumbo-Wilbur at dpalumbo22@yahoo.com or call 631-664-0652.

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Board Meeting

Thursday, November 19.....7:00
Thursday, December 17.....7:00

Cottage Hours

Wednesday.....10:00 - 1:00
Thursday.....12:00 - 4:00

Adult Library Hours

Monday.....10:00 - 9:00
Tu, W, Th, Fri.....9:00 - 9:00

Adult Library Closed

November 26.....Thanksgiving
December 24 - 25.....Christmas
December 31.....New Year's Eve

Children's Library Hours

Monday.....10:00 - 8:00
Tu, W, Th.....9:00 - 8:00
Fri.....9:00 - 5:00

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