

# January 2022 SHELTER ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY MONTHLY EVENTS

## HAPPY NEW YEAR

Another year is before us, filled with possibilities. I am looking forward to more in-person programming and a time when masks will no longer be necessary. I know that we will continue to provide the best books, movies and unusual items from our Library of Things for you to check out and enjoy. We have plans for some stimulating and entertaining Friday Night Dialogues, book clubs, and other programs as well. Happy 2022 from the library crew to you!

Terry Lucas, Library Director

## LEARN SOMETHING NEW!

Is one of your New Year's resolutions to learn something new? We can help with that! We have a variety of databases you can access for free with your library card. **Heritage Quest Online** has the tools you need to research your family history. You can learn a new language, or brush up on one with **Pronunciator**, an interactive language learning database that provides step-by-step lesson plans for 80 different languages. The **Auto Repair Resource** contains do-it-yourself repair and maintenance information on thousands of domestic and imported vehicles. That's just a small sampling of our many databases which also cover government information, law, current events, jobs, and so much more! For help with databases, ask Jocelyn at the Reference Desk.

## ANITA THACHER STUDENT FILM FESTIVAL

Calling all the creatives from 8th to 12th grade! Have you ever wanted to make your own movie? Now is your chance to work with artist and filmmaker Peter Waldner to make a film for the Anita Thacher Student Film Festival. Our next meeting is on **Wednesday, January 26th at 4:30pm**. We will discuss where you are with your screenplay for those who have already started, go over the requirements, and the anticipated timeline, and provide helpful tips and tricks to get you started if you are just joining. You can work on your own project or create with friends. It's not too late to join and participate in the film festival in May.

## GOING GREEN AT THE LIBRARY



Did you know that Shelter Island Public Library is a member of the Sustainable Libraries Initiative (SLI)? The SLI is an award-winning project to create leadership and provide tools to mobilize libraries to think and act sustainably. Our goal: to become more environmentally sound, socially equitable and economically feasible. This is a long-term project that includes 'greening' the library (recycling, cutting down on energy use, etc), promoting diversity (in our collection and in our programming), collaborating with other organizations on the Island and using our resources wisely. As we continue on our sustainability journey, we'll keep you posted on our progress.

## NEWSLETTER KEY

This winter we are offering programs for adults and children in a variety of formats. So when you read your newsletter, please pay attention to the icons next to the program description. If you follow this key, you will be sure to show up to the right place, either in person or remotely, to enjoy our programs to the fullest.



= in-person outdoors



= Zoom



= Take and Make



= Inside

## BOOK SALE ROOM

We are accepting gently used book donations for the Book Sale Room and our Free Book Cart. Please leave all donations in the book bin by the Book Sale Room entrance. We are asking that you leave no more than one box of book donations per month. Please, no magazines, textbooks or books in poor condition.



SHELTER ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

## THE MONTHLY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

will be held on **Monday, January 10th at 7:00pm**. The meeting will take place in the library's Community Room.

## THE ANNUAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

will take place in the library's Community Room on **Saturday, January 15th at 10:00am**. Masks are required in the library building.

We will be **CLOSED** on **Saturday, January 1** for **New Year's Day**.

We will be **CLOSED** on **Monday, January 17** for **Martin Luther King Jr. Day**.


# PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

To register for Adult Programs please go to [www.silibrary.org](http://www.silibrary.org) and scroll down to our Calendar of Events.

This month we will be offering programs for both adults and children in a variety of formats. So, when you read your newsletter, please pay attention to the icons next to the program descriptions. Please Note: Masks are required for all programs.

## FRIDAY NIGHT DIALOGUES


### STEVE KUHN: *HARD WORK: MY LIFE AS A CLAMMER ON THE GREAT SOUTH BAY*

Friday, January 14th, 7:00pm 

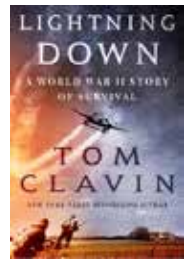
Steve Kuhn has been clamming for over 40 years on Long Island's Great South Bay. In his book, *Hard Work: My Life as a Clammer on the Great South Bay*, he recounts what it takes to make a living by clamming. Not only does it require physical and emotional strength, but also requires a kind of hard-earned wisdom about the wind and tides. Join us as Steve talks about his passion for clamming and how it may soon become a lost occupation.





### TOM CLAVIN: *LIGHTNING DOWN: A WORLD WAR II STORY OF SURVIVAL*

Friday, January 21st, 7:00pm 

In 1944, fighter pilot Joe Moser, a farm boy from Washington State, was shot down over France. Soon he joined other Allied airmen as prisoners at the notorious Buchenwald concentration camp. *Lightning Down* tells the true and thrilling story of Moser and his fellow prisoners who survived horrific conditions during their imprisonment. Author Tom Clavin will discuss this unforgettable story of courage and survival against great odds.




## SMART SENIORS: PREVENTING FINANCIAL FRAUD

Tuesday, January 18th, 2:00pm. *This program is offered in-person as well as on Zoom.*  

Older people are frequently victims of investment fraud and financial deception. In one year alone, older adults lost 29 billion dollars to fraud. TJ Hatter from the State Attorney General's office will discuss how to recognize a scam, what groups are most vulnerable, how to protect yourself from being cheated and who can help if you are victimized. Rides to the library are available from the Senior Center by calling 631-749-1059.

## A NEW LIGHT ON TIFFANY WITH THE NEW YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Thursday, January 20th, 5:30pm 

Explore the New York Historical Society's collection of Tiffany lamps - one of the world's largest - and the intricate techniques that created them with this interactive virtual presentation. View masterpieces of this elegant American art form and hear the personal stories of head designer Clara Driscoll and her team of "Tiffany Girls," whose contributions were nearly forgotten by history.



Photo courtesy of the New York Historical Society

## NEW PROGRAM! KNITTING AND CROCHET WITH ASHLEY

Monday, January 10th, 5:30pm 

Ashley Edmund is a fiber artist with years of experience in an array of techniques. She is excited to share her passion for knitting with her fellow Shelter Islanders. Whether you want to learn to knit or crochet for the first time or want support with a more challenging technique, she will be here to help! Ashley will be here on the second Monday of every month through May.

## TAI CHI WITH DENISE GILLIES

Wednesdays, January 5th and 19th, 5:00pm 

Tai Chi is an ancient Chinese health practice that provides a wide range of mind/body benefits. The easy-to-follow fluid movements will increase vitality and strengthen immune function. Teacher Denise Gillies has been practicing and teaching on the East End for ten years. Her teaching style is relaxed, enthusiastic and intended for students to leave feeling energized and joyful.

## ENGLISH AS A NEXT LANGUAGE (ENL)

Starting Saturday, January 29th, 5:00pm 

English as a Next Language is for anyone who wishes to learn to speak or improve their English. We will practice by having informal conversations. This is a free class and childcare will be provided.

## INGLÉS COMO PROXIMO IDIOMA (ENL)

Empiezan el sábado, 29 de enero, a las 5:00 de la tarde 

Para cualquiera que quiere aprender o mejorar vuestro inglés. Vamos a practicar con conversaciones informales. Este curso es gratis y el cuidado infantil está incluido.

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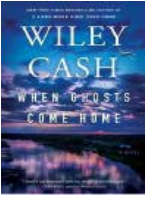
# PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

## BOOK CLUBS

### SHELTER ISLAND BOOK CLUB

**When Ghosts Come Home** by Wiley Cash: Tuesday, January 11th, 4:30pm 🏠

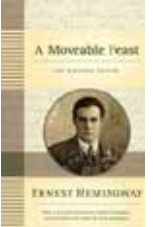
A large plane has crash landed on a runway in a coastal North Carolina town. No pilot or cargo is in evidence, but a local man is found shot dead close to the crash. Sheriff Winston Barnes has a daunting challenge in investigating the mystery. His life is made even more difficult by rumors, a re-election campaign and the return of his daughter - who has troubles of her own.



### BOOK CLUB AT THE RAM'S HEAD INN

**A Moveable Feast** by Ernest Hemingway: Thursday, January 13th, 6:00pm 🏠

Join us at the Ram's Head Inn to explore Ernest Hemingway's much-loved *A Moveable Feast*. In this memoir, Hemingway details his life in 1920's Paris and portrays literary luminaries such as Scott and Zelda Fitzgerald, Gertrude Stein, James Joyce and Ezra Pound among others. This vibrant description, as seen through the eyes of an expatriate, brings the golden age of Paris to life.



### MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

**Bluebird, Bluebird** by Attica Locke: Monday, January 24th, 5:30pm 🗣️

Two bodies wash up in the bayou in the tiny east Texas town of Lark. Texas Ranger Darren Matthews, who is black, has to carefully negotiate two often conflicting identities as he investigates these grisly murders. The town, which had once been the sight of a plantation, simmers with racial tension. This award-winning novel is not only a murder mystery but is also a book about race, loyalty and family entanglements with nuanced portrayals of the characters and a beautifully rendered sense of place.



## ADULT CRAFT

**CREATE A VISION BOARD:** Saturday, January 8th, 11:00am 🏠

January 18th is National Vision Board Day. Let's celebrate by creating our own vision boards for the New Year. A vision board is a visual representation of your goals in words and images on poster board. Having a vision board where you can see it often will help you remember your goals and make them a reality. Start the New Year with positivity and purpose!



## SHAKESPEARE IN COMMUNITY ONLINE: THE MERCHANT OF VENICE

Saturday, January 22nd, 12:30pm 🗣️

"All that glitters is not gold." "The quality of mercy is not strained." These are just two of the many timeless quotes from *The Merchant of Venice*, which is considered one of Shakespeare's greatest comedies. The play explores the themes of love, money, prejudice and social injustice. Join us on Zoom for a discussion lead by writer Becky Cole.



**MAH JONGG:** Mondays, January 3rd, 10th, 24th and 31st, 10:00am (no meeting 1/17) 🏠

Come join a friendly group of Mah Jongg enthusiasts. No need to be an expert, just join the fun and learn as you go.

**ART/RICH POETRY ROUNDTABLE, A LITERARY CLUB:** Tuesdays, January 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th, 4:00 to 5:30pm 🗣️

The Art/Rich Poetry Roundtable meets every Tuesday to discuss poetry in depth. We read poets of all styles and points of view from classical times to the present, and welcome readers of poetry who enjoy meeting with fellow lovers of poetry for lively discussion. No onerous rules: bring a poem and your enthusiasm.

**INTERMEDIATE FRENCH CONVERSATION:** Thursdays, January 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th, 4:00pm 🗣️

Would you like to improve your French conversation skills? In this program we will have a weekly discussion on a wide range of topics. We watch movies, listen to podcasts, read books and even have presentations. Alix Shearer (native French speaker and Shelter Islander) will facilitate. There is no fee for this program but registration is required.

**KNITTING CLUB:** Thursdays, January 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th, 4:30pm 🏠

Our weekly Knitting Club is meeting at the big table upstairs in the library. Whether you are a long-time member or newly interested in knitting, we look forward to seeing you there!

You may register for all programs at [www.silibrary.org](http://www.silibrary.org).

# PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Please register for all programs on our website [www.silibrary.org](http://www.silibrary.org). Take & Make quantities are limited. Spaces are limited for all in-person programs. Masks are required for children 2 and over.

## EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

### STORY TIME AT THE LIBRARY

Saturday, January 8th and Saturday, January 22nd, 10:30am

Come join Sara at the library for story time! Spaces are limited so be sure to register early.

### SENSORY HOUR

Every Wednesday at 10:30am 


Come to the library to enjoy some of our developmental toys and have fun with friends! To keep things safe & sanitary, we have separate bins for each child so be sure to register ahead of time to reserve your spot. (Children 2+ must wear a mask)

### FIREWORK PAINTING

Saturday, January 15th, 1:00pm 


Have fun creating multicolored firework art using unusual objects. Join us for this fun way to ring in the New Year!

### WINNIE THE POOH CRAFT

Pick up your kit between Tuesday, January 18th  and Saturday, January 22nd

Did you know that January 18th is Winnie the Pooh Day? This year we're celebrating the silly old bear with this cute craft.


### STUFFED ANIMAL TEA PARTY

Saturday, January 29th, 12:30pm 

Bring your favorite stuffed animal, decorate their very own fabulous tea party hat, and then both of you will enjoy some tea and scones!

## CHILDREN PROGRAMS

### SHOOTING STAR POUCH

Pick up your kit between Tuesday, January 4th  and Saturday, January 8th


Create your own shooting star pouch that you can fill with candy or trinkets. Watch it shimmer, gleam, and trail a long rainbow behind it before opening it to get to the treasure inside!

### MARSHMALLOW TOWER CHALLENGE

Thursday, January 6th at 4:30pm 

Challenge your friends to see who can stack the most amount of marshmallows into a tower using toothpicks. It's trickier than it sounds! The tallest tower wins a gift card to Maria's!

### WACKY HAT CRAFT

Pick up your kit between Tuesday, January 11th  and Saturday, January 15th

Get ready to decorate your own wacky, wild, crazy hat! We'll provide the hat and all the bits and bobs, you provide your imagination and talent!

### BAD ART NIGHT

Thursday, January 13th, 4:30pm 

Compete with your friends to see who can create the best, "worst" art piece of the night. There will be snacks, voting, and plenty of glitter.


### TIN CAN DRUM CREATION

Saturday, January 22nd, 1:00pm 

Ever wanted to make your own drum out of a tin can?! What? You've never even thought about it?! Well now's your chance to try out something new and make your own musical drum.

## TWEEN/TEEN PROGRAMS

### NO-BAKE POPSICLE COOKIES

Friday, January 7th, 4:30pm 


Get ready to make adorably delicious cookies that are dipped in wonderfully melted chocolate and put on a Popsicle stick. Oh yeah, we're winterizing summer treats.

### TABLETOP TUESDAY

Tuesday, January 11th, 3:00pm 

Come play some tabletop games with us. Try out a new board game with friends or learn to play Magic the Gathering!

### MARIO KART TOURNAMENT

Friday, January 14th, 4:30pm 


Get ready for another Mario Kart gaming session with plenty of snacks and prizes! Masks are required and spots are limited so register now.

### BREAK THE RECORD

Wednesday, January 19th, 3:00pm 

Can you beat the record of the most amount of Jell-O eaten with chopsticks in 1 minute? The leading record is 716 grams. Do you think you've got what it takes to beat it? Come by and find out!

### VIRTUAL REALITY

Friday, January 21st, 4:00pm 


Step into a whole new world and try out our virtual reality games with your friends!

### DESIGN YOUR OWN BUTTON

Tuesday, January 25th, 3:30pm 

Use our button making machine to create your own hand-drawn button that you can proudly wear!

### TINY FOOD PARTY

Friday, January 28th, 4:30pm 

Ever wanted to eat all different kinds of foods but there was just too much of it? Well, now you can eat everything because we've shrunk it down and made it tiny! Come get ready to party!

Reading is one of the most important things we can do for our little ones. That's why we are actively participating in the **1000 Books Before Kindergarten** program! The goal is simple: read 1000 books with your child before they start kindergarten. For every 100 books you read you will receive a certificate. If you read 1000 books (and log them through the ReadSquared app or with the paper reading logs) you will get a free book.



The ReadSquared app can be downloaded through the App Store or Google Play Store and is free and easy to use. Check out our website or see Sara in the Youth Services area for more information.