

BML Newsletter

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DO YOU HAVE A BOOK CLUB, AND NEED BOOKS?

BML wants to help get your book club going! If you have a book club and need additional books for your members to read, we will reserve them for you and hold them for your readers until the date of the discussion. Just provide us with the title, number of copies, and date of your meeting, and we will do the rest!



NEW HOLIDAY HOURS

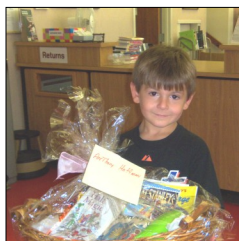
Please note that starting this year, we will be open on New Years Eve from 9:30-1pm. For a list of our complete closings, please see page 8 of this newsletter.



BELLMORE STREET FAIR

Thank you to everyone who stopped by our table at the Bellmore Street Fair! We enjoyed meeting all of you, and to those of you who registered for cards that day,

WELCOME! Raffle tickets were collected, free canvas totes were given away, and happy children (teens too!) walked away with their faces painted. Congratulations to our raffle prize winners!



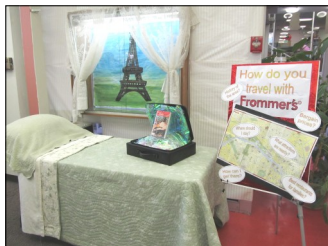
LIBRARY DISPLAY CONTEST

In the month of August, we took part in the Frommer's 2011 Library Display Contest. This national competition asked libraries to create a display that answered the question, "How do you travel with Frommer's?" Each display had to be up for two weeks over the summer .

Initially, we were chosen by Wiley Library as Finalist #2 out of the entire country, but the rest was up to Facebook voters to decide who had the best display. We came in third place, winning 50 free travel guides!

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Thank you Bellmore for your support in this exciting competition. We hope you enjoy the new additions to our travel section!



HOLIDAY DONATIONS FOR THE MILITARY



After the overwhelming response we had last holiday season, we are bringing back the large gift box! From now until the end of December, we will be collecting comfort items and non-perishable goods

for the men and women serving overseas. For a list of requested items, please visit our website, or pick one up the next time you visit the library. Thank you in advance.

SMS ALERTS NOW AVAILABLE

You can now receive texts (a.k.a. SMS Alerts) as courtesy notices, overdue notices and pick-up notices. Once you opt in through your online library account, you will receive brief alerts on your phone. If you choose to receive these alerts, you will still be notified by phone or e-mail, and you may opt out at any time. If you need assistance, library staff members are always here to help.

PAY FINES ONLINE

Did you know that you can log on to your library account to pay library fines using a Visa or Mastercard credit card, or a bank card with the Mastercard or Visa logo? No Discover or American Express at this time.

Minimum payment amount is \$5.

DOWNLOADABLE BOOKS FOR YOUR KINDLE

eBooks are available through Overdrive for the Kindle. Please see our website for a direct link to Overdrive. Just follow the simple instructions provided and soon you will be carrying digital books with you wherever you go!

NONVIOLENCE MONTH

To celebrate **International Day of Nonviolence** (October 2, 2011), BML teens created their own individual banners to promote nonviolence in our community.

The posters were displayed in October above the shelves in our Teen section.



WELCOME TO TWEENS BOROUGH

Attention Tweens, you now have your own area in the library! Comfortably decorated with your style in mind, we have colorful chairs and ottomans to welcome you to your own private nook. Whether you are in 4th, 5th or 6th grade, "Tweens Borough" is meant for you to enjoy.



Join the club!

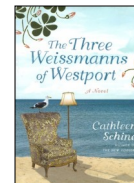
BELLMORE'S BEST SELLERS CLUB

Choose your top 5 favorite authors from the list we provide and you will automatically be placed on the reserve list for their newest books. Bellmore patrons only.

BOOK SANDWICHED IN

Friday, December 2 at 12:30pm

Bring your lunch at noon, we will provide the coffee. Our next discussion will be on **The Three Weissmans of Westport** by Cathleen Schine. Moderator: Patti Paris.



MYSTERY LOVERS BOOK CLUB

Monday, December 19 at 7:30pm

Our newest book club focuses on the hair-raising works of mystery writers. Join us for a discussion about **The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest** by Stieg Larsson. Moderator: Dee Abrams.



KNITTING AND CROCHET CLUB

Thursdays: December 15, January 19, February 16 at 7pm

Local resident and volunteer, Alice Dictor, offers basic knitting and crochet instruction and will answer questions on your own needlework projects. Bring your yarn and needles.



CURRENT EVENTS CLUB

Wednesdays: December 28, January 25, February 29 at 2:30pm

Want to talk more in depth about what is happening in the news today? Join in on a meeting of the Current Events Club with historian Jack Bilello.



PLAY BRIDGE, Tuesdays from 1-4pm



PLAY MAHJONGG, Thursdays from 1-4pm

Get Fit at BML

Tai Chi with Fabiana Rezak, Mondays 11am-12 noon

December 5, 12, 19; January 9 (4 sessions, \$20)

January 23 and 30; February 6 and 13 (4 sessions, \$20)

YOGA with Jean McElwain, Mondays at 5:30-6:30pm

January 9, 23, 30 (3 sessions, \$15)

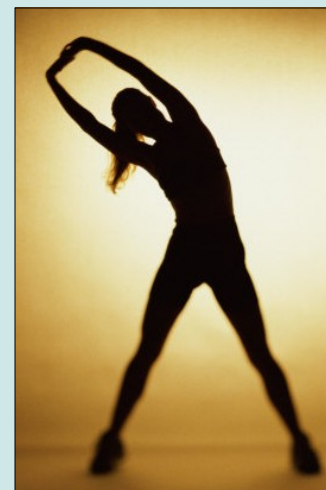
ZUMBA with Joanne Pergola, Mondays 7-8pm

December 5, 12; January 9, 23, 30 (5 sessions, \$25)

Gentle Stretch and Tone with Fabiana Rezak, Thursdays, 11am-12 noon

December 8 and 15; January 5, 12, 19, 26 (6 sessions, \$30)

February 2, 9, 16, 23 (4 sessions, \$20)



Calendar of ADULT PROGRAMS

DECEMBER

Fr/2	Book Sandwiched In	12:30pm
Mo/5	Tai Chi*	11:00am
Mo/5	Zumba*	7:00pm
Th/8	Gentle Stretch and Tone*	11:00am
Sat/10	Meet the Artist	2:00pm
Su/11	Island Songwriters Showcase	2:00pm
Mo/12	Tai Chi*	11:00am
Mo/12	Slips, Trips and Falls	1:00pm
Mo/12	Zumba*	7:00pm
Tu/13	Memoir Writing Workshop	10:30am
Th/15	Gentle Stretch and Tone*	11:00am
Th/15	Knitting and Crochet Club	7:00pm
Mo/19	Tai Chi*	11:00am
Mo/19	Mystery Lovers Book Club	7:30pm
Th/22	Gentle Stretch and Tone*	11:00am
Th/22	Make Origami Ornaments	6:30pm
Tu/27	Nassau Poets	7:00pm
We/28	Current Events Club	2:30pm
Th/29	Gentle Stretch and Tone*	11:00am

JANUARY

We/4	Put Your Videos on YouTube*	7:00pm
Th/5	Gentle Stretch and Tone*	11:00am
Th/5	Ballroom Dancing*	7:30pm
Mo/9	Tai Chi*	11:00am
Mo/9	Yoga*	5:30pm
Mo/9	Zumba*	7:00pm
Tu/10	Memoir Writing Workshop	10:30am
Th/12	Gentle Stretch and Tone*	11:00am
Th/12	Ballroom Dancing*	7:30pm
We/18	Feel Good at ANY Age	7:30pm
Th/19	Gentle Stretch and Tone*	11:00am
Th/19	Knitting and Crochet Club	7:00pm

Sa/21	Tax-Free Retirement Income	10:00am
Mo/23	Tai Chi*	11:00am
Mo/23	Yoga*	5:30pm
Mo/23	Zumba*	7:00pm
We/25	Current Events Club	2:30pm
We/25	Meditation	7:00pm
Th/26	Gentle Stretch and Tone*	11:00am
Th/26	Save Energy, Save Money	7:00pm
Mo/30	Tai Chi*	11:00am
Mo/30	Yoga*	5:30pm
Mo/30	Living with Diabetes	1:00pm
Mo/30	Zumba*	7:00pm
Tu/31	Nassau Poets	7:00pm

FEBRUARY

Th/2	Gentle Stretch and Tone*	11:00am
Th/2	Ballroom Dancing*	7:30pm
Mo/6	Tai Chi*	11:00am
Mo/6	Asthma Triggers	7:00pm
Th/9	Gentle Stretch and Tone*	11:00am
Th/9	Ballroom Dancing*	7:30pm
Mo/13	Tai Chi*	11:00am
Tu/14	Memoir Writing Workshop	10:30am
We/15	A Life Coach Experience	7:00pm
Th/16	Gentle Stretch and Tone*	11:00am
Th/16	Knitting and Crochet Club	7:00pm
Th/23	Gentle Stretch and Tone*	11:00am
Su/26	Meet the Photographer	2:00pm
Tu/28	Nassau Poets	7:00pm
We/29	Current Events Club	2:30pm
We/29	Meditation	7:00pm

* \$5 fee. Please pay at the Reference Desk when you sign up.

Defensive Driving Courses

Completion of any of these programs entitles you to a 10% reduction on your automobile liability and collision for 3 years and a reduction of up to 4 points on your license. Bring your license and a pen to class. You may bring your lunch to the full-day classes as there will be a 1/2 hour break.

PAYABLE BY CHECK ONLY.

Defensive Driving with Melissa Chios on Saturday, January 14 or March 3. 10am - 4pm. Fee: \$35

AARP 55 Alive/Safe Driving, Fee: \$17 when you register with an AARP membership card, or \$19 without an AARP card. Wednesdays, January 11 or February 8. 10am-4pm.

Defensive Driving with Steve Schwartz on Thursdays, December 1 and 8; or Tuesday and Thursday, February 21 and 23. Fee: \$35. 7-10pm



TEEN PROGRAMS



For all young people in grades 6-12. Advance registration is always necessary. Sign up and pay your fees (if any) or get tickets at the adult reference desk. Email or call Mrs. G with any questions: pgleiberman@bellmorelibrary.org; 785-2990.

DECEMBER

We, 12/7 Duct Tape Wallet (+ more) Craft. Limit: 10. FREE. 7-8pm. Presented by our Teen Advisory Group. Registrants should bring 1 roll of duct tape (color or pattern of choice).

Sat, 12/17 December Chocolate House Factory, with Mrs. G. Limit: 12. Fee: \$7. 2:30-4pm (Registration begins 11/21). Everyone will assemble a small chocolate house (approx. 1 lb), then decorate with candies, wrap with cellophane and ribbons. A great centerpiece for your holiday table, or gift for a special person!

Th, 12/22 Making Origami Decorations. Limit: 15 teens and adults. FREE. 6:30-7:30pm. Origami teacher Victoria Sacks returns to teach you how to make 3-4 ornaments to decorate your home.

Tu, 12/27 Game Afternoon for Teens. Limit: 20. FREE. 2-3:30pm. Video games, board games and more!

JANUARY

We, 1/4 Video Editing and Posting to YouTube. Limit: 24 teens and adults. Fee: \$5. 7-9pm.

Tu, 1/17 Teen Babysitting/First Aid Workshop, with RNs JoAnne Tanck and Georgette Basso. Limit: 30. Fee: \$3. 6-8pm. All guys and girls in grades 5-12 interested in babysitting, child care, and mother's helper work are invited to come learn first aid and babysitting safety as well as successful babysitting techniques and age-appropriate activities. Bring a large (cabbage-patch size) doll or stuffed animal. You will receive a certificate and invitation to our babysitters job fair on Wednesday, 1/18.

We, 1/18 Babysitters Job Fair. FREE. 7-7:30pm. Reception for parents of young children and our babysitters who have completed the BML course. Bring your business cards, a pencil and paper, and meet some great families looking for a sitter.

Tu, 1/24 Movie Night for Teens. Limit: 15. FREE. 6:30-8:45pm. Movie title, TBA.

FEBRUARY

Tu, 2/7 Make a Graffiti Cake! Limit: 24. Nonrefundable fee: \$3. 7-8pm. Get creative and cover a 7" cake with butter cream frosting, then decorate using edible "spray paint." Take your customized cake home to enjoy with the family, or by yourself!

Fr, 2/10 Cards for Veterans. FREE. 4-5pm. Stop by the library and make a colorful valentine to be sent to the Northport VA Hospital. Everyone is welcome to come! We'll have art supplies. (Community service credit for TAG members awarded if requested).

Mo, 2/13 February Chocolate Factory. Limit: 12. Fee: \$2. 6:30-7:30pm. Make molded, dipped, and shaped candies for February holidays, then box and tie with ribbons to take home.

TAG MEETINGS at 4:30pm

Bring your ideas to the Teen Advisory Group (TAG)! General meetings: Thursday, 12/22; Tuesday, 1/10; and Monday, 2/27. TAG usher opportunity: Sunday, 12/4 at 1:45 pm.

TWILIGHT ZONE MARATHON LIBRARY LOCKDOWN



Some of our bravest TAG members came to the library in costume on October 21 to have an after-hours TZ marathon! We look forward to having more marathons in the future!

COMING THIS SPRING: First meeting of our ART CLUB will be March 22. The Long Island Children's Museum will be visiting BML to provide a fun program about artist Willem de Kooning! More info coming soon!



REGISTRATION FOR ALL PROGRAMS IS DONE IN PERSON ONLY, WITH YOUR LIBRARY CARD.
 IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, PLEASE CALL THE LIBRARY AT 785-2990 TO LISTEN FOR
 CLOSING INFORMATION AND PROGRAM CANCELLATIONS.

Ms. Debbie's Storytimes

AGES: 10 - 17 months

Tuesdays, Dec. 13 & 20, at 10am
 (Register: Tue., 12/6)

OR



Wednesdays, Dec. 14, 21 & 28, at 10am
 (Register: Wed., 12/7)

Tuesdays, Jan. 10, 17 & 24, at 10am
 (Register: Tue., 1/3)

OR

Wednesdays, Jan. 11, 18 & 25, at 10am
 (Register: Wed., 1/4)

Tuesdays, Feb. 7, 14 & 21, at 10am
 (Register: Tue., 1/31)

OR

Wednesdays, Feb. 8, 15 & 22, at 10am
 (Register: Wed., 2/1)



AGES: 18 - 29 months

Wednesdays, Dec. 14, 21 & 28, at 10:45am
 (Register: Wed., 12/7)

OR

Thursdays, Dec. 15, 22 & 29, at 10am
 (Register: Thurs., 12/8)

Wednesdays, Jan. 11, 18 & 25, at 10:45am
 (Register: Wed., 1/4)

OR

Thursdays, Jan. 12, 19 & 26, at 10am
 (Register: Thurs., 1/5)

Wednesdays, Feb. 8, 15 & 22, at 10:45am
 (Register: Wed., 2/1)

OR

Thursdays, Feb. 9, 16 & 23, at 10am
 (Register: Thurs., 2/2)



AGES: 2 ½ - 3 ½ years

Wednesdays, Dec. 14, 21 & 28, at 11:30am
 (Register: Wed., 12/7)

OR

Thursdays, Dec. 15, 22 & 29, at 11am
 (Register: Thurs., 12/8)

Wednesdays, Jan. 11, 18 & 25, at 11:30am
 (Register: Wed., 1/4)

OR

Thursdays, Jan. 12, 19 & 26, at 11am
 (Register: Thurs., 1/5)



Wednesdays, Feb. 8, 15 & 22, at 11:30am
 (Register: Wed., 2/1)

OR

Thursdays, Feb. 9, 16 & 23, at 11am
 (Register: Thurs., 2/2)

AGES: 3 - 4 years

Tuesdays, Dec. 13 & 20, at 11am
 (Register: Tue., 12/6)

AND

Thursday, Dec. 29, at 1pm
 (Register: Thurs., 12/22)

Tuesdays, Jan. 10, 17 &
 24, at 11am
 (Register: Tue., 1/3)



Tuesdays, Feb. 7, 14 & 21, at 11am
 (Register: Tue., 1/31)

AGES: 4 - 6 years

Tuesdays, Dec. 13 & 20, at 4:30pm
 (Register: Tue., 12/6)

AND

Tuesday, Dec. 27 at 1pm
 (Register: Tue., 12/20)

Tuesdays, Jan. 10, 17 & 24, at 4:30pm
 (Register: Tue., 1/3)

Tuesday, Feb. 7 & 14, at 4:30pm
 (Register: Tue., 1/31)



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

REGISTRATION FOR ALL PROGRAMS IS DONE IN PERSON ONLY, WITH YOUR LIBRARY CARD

Food Decorating Workshops



"New Years Clock Cookie"

Thursday, December 29 at 4:30pm

Grades: K-6, \$5 per person

(Register: 9/22)

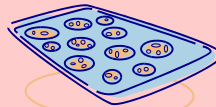


"Melted Snowman Cookie"

Saturday, January 7 at 3pm

\$5 per person

(Register: 1/2 after 6pm)

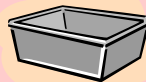
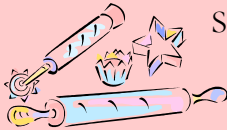


"Valentine Chocolate Dipped Treats"

Saturday, February 11 at 3pm

\$5 per person

(Register: 2/6 after 6pm)



"Comedy MAGIC Show" Starring Jim McClenahan

Family Show

Saturday, January 28 at 3pm

(Register: 1/23 after 6pm)



"Dudley the Dinosaur's First Visit to the Dentist"

Cartoon Show, Ages 2 and up
Tuesday, January 24 at 11:30am

All children in attendance will receive a Dudley the Dinosaur Coloring Book. The Cartoon is followed by a brief dental health demonstration.

(Register: 1/17)

Monster Jam Winter Reading Program

For Ages: 4-12

Begins: Monday, December 12, 2011

Ends: January 13, 2012

There are 6 Levels (at 2 books each) with prizes including bookmarks, hero cards, stickers, ticket vouchers, Hot Wheels die cast toys, and registration to win a Family Four Pack of VIP Premium Gold Circle Seating tickets at the Nassau Coliseum.



For Grades 3-6

Monday, Dec. 5 at 7:45pm

(Register: 12/1)

Monday, Jan. 30 at 7pm

(Register: 1/23 after 6pm)

Monday, Feb. 27 at 7:45pm

(Register: 2/21)



'BINGO' for KIDS!

For Grades K-6

Monday, Dec. 5 at 7pm (Register: 12/1)

Tuesday, Dec. 27 at 2pm (Register: 12/20)

Monday, Jan. 9 at 7pm (Register: 1/2 after 6pm)

Tuesday, Jan. 31 at 4:30pm (Register: 1/24)

Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 1:30pm (Register: 2/14)

Monday, Feb. 27 at 7pm (Register: 2/21)

CHESS CLUB

Mondays at 7pm, For Grades K-6

Dec. 12 (Register: 12/5 after 6pm)

Jan. 23 (Register: 1/17)

Feb. 13 (Register: 2/6 after 6pm)



Mid-Winter Reading Club for Toddlers

January 3 - February 3, 2012

More information
coming soon.



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS Continued

Character Visits



Meet "Scooby-Doo"

Tuesday, December 27 at 10:30am

(Register: 12/20)



Meet "Diego"

Saturday, January 28 at 11am

(Register: 1/23 after 6pm)



Meet Yo Gabba Gabba's "Brobee"

Saturday, February 11 at 11am

(Register: 2/6 after 6pm)

Toddler Nutrition

On Wednesday, December 14 at 10:30am, Robyn Littman, a Certified Registered Nutritionist and Dietician will be in the Children's Dept. to answer questions regarding your child's nutritional needs.



Video Editing and YouTube

Wednesday, January 4 at 7pm

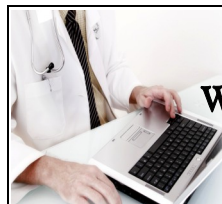
Grades 5 and up

Register at the Reference Desk

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Mon-Thurs 9:30 - 9

Friday 9:30 - 5:30

Saturday 9:30 - 5

Sunday 1 - 5

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The Bellmore Memorial Library Board of Trustees will meet:

Wednesday, December 14 at 7pm

Wednesday, January 18 at 7pm

We will be CLOSED on the following dates:

Saturday, December 24

Sunday, January 1

Sunday, December 25

Monday, January 2

Monday, December 26

Monday, January 16

Monday, February 20



Art Shows

December and January - Luis Velasquez, paintings

Meet the Artist: Saturday, December 10, 2-4pm

February - John Telfer, photographs

Meet the Photographer: Sunday, February 26, 2-4pm

