

The Port Washington Public Library

A monthly guide to your community library, its programs and services

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Jean Ritchie Folk Concert May 18

The Music Advisory Council welcomes acclaimed husband-wife duo Aubrey Atwater and Elwood Donnelly on Sunday, May 18 at 3 p.m. for traditional American and Celtic folk songs, a capella pieces, old-time gospel, dance tunes and originals. Their appearance is courtesy of the Music Council's Jean Ritchie Folk Concert.

The duo blends unusual harmonies, and plays guitar, Appalachian mountain dulcimer, mandolin, tin whistle, harmonica, banjo, bones, spoons and limberjacks. They'll also liven things up with Appalachian clog dancing, French Canadian footwork and tap.

Atwater and Donnelly have performed and researched tradi-

tional folk music and dance in Appalachia, the Ozarks, New England, and other key places in the United States, as well as Ireland, England and Prince Edward Island. They have performed with or shared festival billing with folk legends Jean Ritchie, Pete Seeger and Doc Watson.

May holidays

The library will be closed Sunday, May 11 in observance of Mother's Day and will also be closed Memorial Day Weekend Saturday, May 24 through Monday, May 26.

Budget news

The library budget passed by a vote of 557 to 141. Incumbents Joseph Burden and Thomas Donoghue were reelected to the Library Board of Trustees.

May is amnesty month

Take advantage of this opportunity to return all library materials that were due prior to May 1 and are now overdue. No fines will be charged.

Community Blood Drive

The library's Staff Association and the Health Advisory Council sponsor a blood drive on Monday, May 12 from 3 to 8 p.m. Sign up at the Information Desk. See the Calendar for details.

PW interviews

Fifth grade students at Sousa Elementary School would like to interview those who have lived in Port for more than 25 years. The interviews will take place at the library on Wednesday, May 21. Sessions are at 8:45, 10:15 & 11 a.m. Sign up at the Information Desk.

Children's Advisory Council

Are you a candidate for our Children's Advisory Council? If you are interested in contributing to our ever-expanding children's program, send your resume to Library Director Nancy Curtin. Late afternoon meetings are held every two months.

Homework Help

Students in grades 4 to 12 can use their library cards to connect with a live tutor for help with homework questions. Log on to our website between 3 and 9 p.m. daily and click on the homework help section. This service is made possible by the Friends of the Library.

Career coaching

Career coach Diane Reynolds meets privately with those seeking assistance in job placement, career options, skills assessment, resume and cover letter preparation, and interviewing techniques. Call the Reference Room at 883-4400, Ext. 111 for further information and an appointment.

May 4 Fiesta at the Library & Landmark

Join the Friends of the Library on Sunday, May 4, for a day long Latino Festival. Ethnic foods from several local restaurants will be featured, along with a strolling guitarist and displays of culture and customs from Latin American countries. The festivities begin at the library at 1:30 p.m.

At 4 p.m., Jose Obando performs a free concert at the Landmark on Main Street. The music will feature the Maraca and Guiro — important parts of Cuban Guarach, Puerto Rican Bomba and Salsa. Be ready to dance the evening away — there's more music and comida deliciosa following the concert (outdoors, weather permitting; in the gym, if not).



The celebration is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library, the Landmark on Main Street, The Port Washington Children's Center, Port Washington Parent Resource Center and Teen Center.

A one-day summit

Library services for older adults

Nassau Library System Senior Connections invites older adults to participate in an interactive summit about the future of public library services as they relate to Long Island's growing 50+ population. *Libraries for Today and Tomorrow: The Greatest Generation to the Boomer Generation* takes place on Saturday, June 7, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Westbury Public Library. The summit is free and open to the public; lunch will be served.

Presenters Paul Arfin, president of Intergenerational Strategies, and Ronald Roel, former editor for *Newsday's* Act II section, will lead the discussion of how Nassau's public libraries can best serve your needs. Share your ideas and meet others in your community who are committed to the needs of older Long Islanders.

Advanced registration is required. For information or to register, call 292-8920, Ext. 236 or e-mail workshops@nassaulibrary.org with "Summit" in the subject line.



New date and location

FOL Book & Author Luncheon

This year's Friends of the Library Richard D. Whittemore Book & Author Luncheon takes place Thursday, May 8 at 11:45 a.m. at the Clubhouse at Harbor Links. Featured authors are Laurence Bergreen (*Marco Polo: From Venice to Xanadu*) and Brian Hall (*Fall of Frost: A Novel*).

Cost of the luncheon is \$50. Registration brochures are available at the library. Books will be available, and raffles for books

and gift certificates will be sold at the luncheon.

"Our Book & Author Luncheon is the highlight of our program year," says FOL president Amy Bass, who adds that from the library's point of view "Port people love biographies." Mrs. Bass suggests that "with two writers approaching biography from different perspectives, this year's luncheon should be especially thought-provoking."

Do Dead People Watch You Shower?

Concetta Bertoldi has been communicating with the "other side" since childhood. In her book *Do Dead People Watch You Shower?* she exposes the naked truth about the fate and happiness of our late loved ones with honesty and wry humor, answering questions that range from the practical to the outrageous.

Ms. Bertoldi visits the library on Tuesday, May 13 at 7:30 p.m. to share with us her own intimate secrets, revealing how her gift has affected her life, her marriage, her friendships, and her career, as well as the myriad ways she has used it to help others.

Bertoldi is a full-time medium who consults regularly with members of Britain's royal family, American celebrities, politicians and others. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Admission is free but tickets are re-



quired and will be available at the Library's Information Desk beginning May 1. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Jerry Garcia: Beyond the Dead

On Tuesday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m., music historian and archivist Peter Irwin presents his new film about singer, songwriter and guitarist Jerry Garcia's life and music beyond the confines of his iconic group, the Grateful Dead.

The evening will feature a rough cut of the final film, which is currently under submission to the Garcia estate. Highlights will include previously unscreened footage of Garcia performing in concert with such luminaries as Carlos Santana, Elvis Costello and Ruben Blades.

Daly artwork explores homelessness and prejudice

PBS film with a Port connection

Jimmy Mirikitani, the subject of the film *The Cats of Mirikitani*, is a fiercely independent 87-year-old Japanese-American artist who lost his family and friends to the United States' internment camps during World War II and the atomic bombing of Hiroshima. He survived the trauma of those two events and homelessness by creating artwork.

After seeing the film, Daly Elementary School's music teacher Dr. Ruth Addeo discovered that Jimmy Mirikitani is her father's cousin, whom all family members had believed to be dead.

The film will be shown Friday, May 9 at 7:30 p.m. The screening will be hosted by filmmaker Linda Hattendorf, who has worked in the New York documentary community for more than a decade.

Daly School students will display artwork celebrating the film,

as well as the themes of "homelessness" and "prejudice." The work will hang in the Community Gallery on the upper level and in the Children's Room.



Above: Jimmy Mirikitani. At right: Daly students get ready for their exhibit



Legendary New York DJ

Fornatale celebrates Simon & Garfunkel anniversary

On Friday, May 30 at 12:10 p.m., join us for *Sandwiched In: Mixed Bag Live!* The library celebrates the 40th Anniversary of Simon and Garfunkel's album *Bookends* with legendary New York DJ Pete Fornatale. This multimedia program will focus on Mr. Fornatale's most recent book *Simon and Garfunkel's Bookends*.

The conversation will be enhanced by rare historic footage from the archive of the Long Island Music Hall of Fame, including clips that will shed new light on Paul and Art's beginnings as a duo called Tom and Jerry.

Mr. Fornatale will read from his book, and play segments of interviews that he conducted with the duo over the years. He will also discuss his lengthy career in New York radio, with a focus on the 25th anniversary of his radio program *Mixed Bag*, which debuted December 26, 1982.

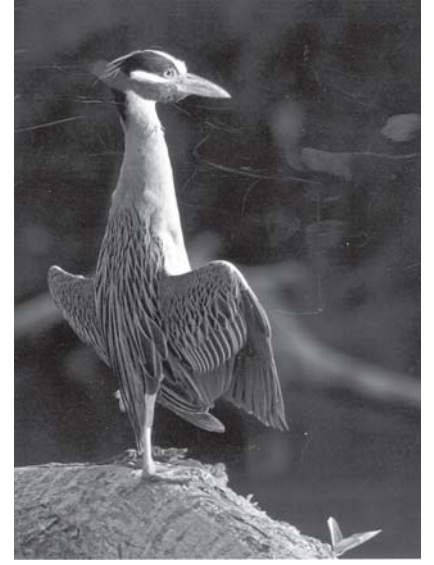
Mr. Fornatale returns the same evening for an encore discussion at 7:30 p.m.



PCLI exhibits

For over a quarter of a century, Photography Club of Long Island members have exhibited their landscapes, seascapes, cityscapes, still lifes, portraits, travel pictures and abstractions. This year's exhibit will hang in the Photography Gallery from May 3 through June 30. Look for *Musical Images*, the annual slide presentation with music — in digital format — on May 9 at 12:10 p.m. and on May 14 at 8 p.m.

Long Wall in Tokyo, Japan by Morris G. Simoncelli, image of a bird by Ed Lewit, *Tanzania, Africa* by Warren Moss



Floating Bones # 7

AAC welcomes Sylvia Harnick

Great Neck artist Sylvia Harnick exhibits new and recent work in the Main Gallery May 1 through 28. The Art Advisory Council hosts a reception for the artist on Saturday, May 3 from 2 to 4 p.m.

The artist writes, "My work deals with the passage of time and the memories that are left behind. I apply many layers of paint — painting, scraping, abrading and reworking the painting. This process provides a layer of history and the beginning of a richly textured surface."



Medical & Legal Issues

Life & End of Life Decisions

Join us on Tuesday, May 6 at 7:30 p.m. to understand more about advance directives.

Our panel of experts includes William S. Knight, M.D., Emia H. Chan, M.D., John G. Dalton, Jr., Esq., Sarah Hogenauer, R.N., Licensed Mental Health Counselor.

This panel offers an opportunity to learn important facts

about medical aspects and health care decisions, supplemental needs trusts, revocable trusts, Medicaid-nursing home eligibility, home care, health care proxies and living wills. Bring your questions.

This program is sponsored by the Health Advisory Council.

The Unreleased Beatles

On Friday, May 2 at 7:30 p.m., Richie Unterberger discusses his latest book *The Unreleased Beatles: Music and Film*. The book chronicles the incredible wealth of music that the Beatles recorded but did not officially release, beginning with the day that John Lennon met Paul McCartney in July of 1957, through the sessions that led to the break-up of the Beatles in 1970.

Unterberger will share the cream of this unheard material, as well as incredible film footage of the group that remains commercially unavailable. Much can be learned about the Beatles from the unreleased studio out-takes, BBC radio recordings, live concert per-

formances, home demos, private tapes, fan club Christmas flexi-discs, and other informal recordings done outside of EMI studios that remain unreleased, but which have escaped into circulation.

Unterberger is the author of *Turn! Turn! Turn!: The '60s Folk-Rock Revolution* and its sequel, *Eight Miles High: Folk-Rock's Flight from Haight-Ashbury to Woodstock*. His book *Unknown Legends of Rock 'n' Roll* and its sequel, *Urban Spacemen & Wayfaring Strangers*, profile the most interesting cult rock acts of all time. He has also written thousands of album reviews and artist biographies for allmusic.com.

May Library Kids

Welcome to the page for Children's Services. Be sure to look here for upcoming exhibits, programs and articles relating to Children's Services and the Parenting Information Center. *Parents: Please comply with the age guidelines for these programs and be prepared to show proof of local residency.*



Preschool Workshops

Springtime Craft for Preschoolers

Monday, May 5 at 1 or 2 p.m.

Join Jeanne Hall for a seasonal craft, stories and songs. For children ages 2½ to 5 with an adult. Registration began April 14 — for availability call Children's Services at 883-4400, Ext. 150.

A Time for Kids

Tuesdays, May 6, 13, 20 & 27 at 11 a.m or 12:30 p.m.

Enjoy an interactive hour with presenter Donna Green. Educational activities combine preschool concepts and fun. Storytelling, dancing, a take home craft and much more. For children ages 18 months to 5 years with an adult. Registration began April 14 — for availability call Children's Services at 883-4400, Ext. 150.

Hands-on-Music

Monday, May 19 at 1 or 2 p.m.

Join musician Dara Linthwaite for an afternoon filled with music, stories and songs. For children ages 2½ to 5 accompanied by an adult. Registration begins Monday, May 5 at 9:15 a.m. in the Children's Room or by calling 883-4400, Ext. 150.

Musical Moppets

Monday, June 9

A preschool music and movement program. Musical Moppets for Babies for children ages birth to 29 months with an adult from 12:15 to 12:45 p.m. or 1 to 1:30 p.m. Musical Moppets for children ages 2½ to 5 with an adult from 1:45 to 2:30 p.m. Registration begins Tuesday, May 27 at 9:15 a.m. in the Children's Room or by calling 883-4400, Ext.150.

Tweens' Night Out

Friday, May 16 from 8 to 9:30 p.m.

Students in grades 5 and 6 are invited for an evening get-together at the library. Have fun learning something new, visit with new and old friends and enjoy light refreshments. Registration begins Monday, May 5 at 9:15 a.m. in the Children's Room or by calling 883-4400, Ext. 150. Workshop topic to be announced.

OUR MONTHLY DISPLAY

Visit the Children's Room throughout the month to view a display of artwork created by the children of Daly Elementary School.



Looking forward to summer

Summer Programs

Children ages birth through 12 will have the chance to participate in a number of activities including story times, book discussions and workshops. Check the June newsletter for details and information regarding registration.

Summer Reading Programs

The following two reading programs begin July 7 and end August 15. Pre-registration is not required — sign-up when you are ready to begin and participate.

Catch the Reading Bug!

Readers entering first through sixth grade are invited to join. Participants visit the Children's Room during regular library hours to record the books they have read at home and receive weekly prizes. At the end of the six week program, members who have read at least 6 books will receive a certificate and gift.

Smart Start for Babies, Toddlers & Preschoolers

Learning begins at birth, so it is important to focus on early literacy skills even for the youngest children. To this end, we are offering a reading program for children ages birth to 5 years old with age appropriate activities, gifts and programs. Participation is simple — just read, sing or do fingerplays with your child at home. Record the activities you have shared and we'll have gifts for your child and an invitation to a special program at the end of the summer.

Twilight Tuesdays

Pajama Story Time in English & Spanish

Tuesday, May 13 at 7 p.m.

Takes place the second Tuesday of every month. Come in pajamas and enjoy stories, songs and fun activities from 7 to 7:30 p.m. For children ages 3½ to 6 accompanied by an adult — family members welcome. No registration required.

Pajama Story Time – Tuesday, May 20 at 7 p.m.

Takes place the third Tuesday of every month. Come in pajamas and listen to bedtime stories from 7 to 7:30 p.m. For children ages 2½ to 5 accompanied by an adult — family members welcome. No registration required.

Page Turners – Tuesday, May 27 at 7:15 p.m.

Fifth and sixth grade members in the monthly book group will meet from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. For availability call 883-4400, Ext. 150.



FACES IN THE NEWS: Last month's Asian Festival was a huge success with hundreds of community members enjoying crafts, food, performances, displays and demonstrations all celebrating Asian Culture.

Join us on Friday, May 16 at 7:30 p.m. for a special . . .

Way Off Broadway Event

Bob's Big Birthday Bash

The Ad Hoc Dylans . . .

David Bailey

Stuart Markus

and

James O'Malley

. . . sing early Bob



Spiritual & healing music

SoundSwap presents singer/songwriter Bianca Bragonian on Thursday, May 22 at 7:30 p.m. You'll hear traces of world and tribal music, along with soulful ballads, Celtic sounds and alternative country.

Bianca has worked with some of New York's finest jazz and new age musicians. She explores the boundaries of these musical genres in compositions that have unique spiritual undertones, conveyed with the messages of love and peace expressed in both her lyrical and instrumental works.

This concert is made possible, in part, with funds from the Friends of the Library.

In our collections

Concerts, music videos & rock docs on DVD

This month we present several music programs and concerts. Here are just some of the rock, folk, soul and R&B music DVDs in our circulating collection:

ABBA in Concert • Aerosmith: You Gotta Move • Aimee Mann: Live at St. Ann's Warehouse • Amazing Journey: The Story of the Who • Ani DiFranco: Live in Washington: Trust • Be Glad for the Song Has No Ending: A Film of the Incredible String Band • The Beatles Anthology • The Bee Gees: 1967-1976 • Behind the Music: Blondie • Best of Chris Isaak • Bob Dylan: MTV Unplugged • Bonnaroo Music Festival 2004 • Brian Wilson Presents Pet Sounds Live in London • The Classic Albums series • Club Date: Elvis Costello and the Attractions: Live in Memphis • The Complete Montgomery Pop Collection • The Concert for Bangladesh • Cream: Strange Brew • Creedence Clearwater Revival Featuring John Fogerty • Dar Williams: Live at Bearsville Theater, Woodstock • David Bowie: Serious Moonlight • Delaney and Bonnie and Friends • Destiny's Child: The Platinum's on the Wall • Devo Live 1980 • The Dick Cavett Show: Rock

Icons • Dig! (Brian Jonestown Massacre, Dandy Warhols) • Dusty Springfield in Concert at the Royal Albert Hall

Electric Light Orchestra: Out of the Blue Tour Live • Elton 60: Live at Madison Square Garden • Emerson, Lake and Palmer at the Isle of Wight • Fade to Red: The Tori Amos Collection • Fans Only (Belle & Sebastian) • Fly: Jefferson Airplane • Genesis: The Way We Walk Live in Concert • Gimme Shelter (Rolling Stones) • Gin Blossoms: Just South of Nowhere • Glam Rock: The DVD • Go-Go's from Central Park • Grateful Dead: Ticket to New Year's • The Guess Who: The Concert • Have You Heard: Jim Croce Live • Hot Tuna: Acoustic Blue Live in Sweetwater • I Am Trying to Break Your Heart (Wilco) • In View: 1988-2003: The Best of R.E.M. • Jerry Garcia Band: Live at Shoreline • The Jerry Lee Lewis Show • Jimi Hendrix: Live at Woodstock • Joe Jackson: Live in Tokyo • John Cale: Fragments of a Rainy Season • John Fogerty: The Long Road Home in Concert • Kate Rusby: Live from Leeds • The Kids Are Alright (The Who) • The Kinks: You Can't Stop the Music • Kylie: Greatest Hits (Kylie Minogue) • The Last Waltz (The Band) • Live

Aid • Live from Austin, TX: John Hiatt • The London Rock and Roll Show • Lou Reed: Magic and Loss • Lucinda Williams: Live from Austin, TX

Mad Dogs & Englishmen (Joe Cocker) • Mirrorball (Sarah McLachlan) • Neil Young: Heart of Gold • Never Say Die: A Decade of Black Sabbath • Nothing Is Easy: Jethro Tull at the Isle of Wight Festival • NRBQ: One in a Million • Pete Townshend's Deep End • Picture Music (1980s music videos) • Pure 80's DVD: Headbangers Rule! • Return to Sin City: A Tribute to Gram Parsons • Robert Gordon & Chris Spedding: Rockin' the Paradiso • Rockthology: Volume 4 • The Rolling Stones Rock and Roll Circus • Rust Never Sleeps (Neil Young)

Santana: Sacred Fire: Live in Mexico • Shadows & Light (Joni Mitchell) • The Song Remains the Same (Led Zeppelin) • Soundstage Featuring Lindsey Buckingham • Stephen Stills & Manassas • Tina Turner: 2 DVD Collector's Set • Tori Amos: A Sorta Fairytale • Unplugged in New York: Nirvana • The Who: Live at the Isle of Wight Festival 1970 • Woodstock: 3 Days of Peace & Music

What's new in TeenSpace?

Teen Video Game Tournament
Congratulations to Nicolas Deriu, who won our Teen Video Game Tournament on March 15. Second place winner Paul Hyman did a great job as well. Thanks to all the teens who participated. Gift certificates from Game Stop were provided to our winners thanks to the Bernard L. Fendrich Memorial Youth Fund.

Panic Free Finals
Thursday, May 22 at 7 p.m.
Final exams are just around the corner and students are feeling the pressure. Relieve some of the stress with a one-session workshop in active study strategies, time management skills and tips for test-taking and essay writing led by Corlyn Nedwick of Long Island Study Skills Clinic. Registration begins May 1 in TeenSpace for students in grades 7 through 12. Materials fee \$3. Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Want to learn more about your favorite author, musician or celebrity? Check out the Biography Resource Center + Marquis Who's Who database. This resource integrates Gale biographies with full-text magazine articles, images and

website links. Search for current or historic people by name, occupation, nationality, ethnicity, birth/death dates and places, or gender, or by keyword and full text. The optional Marquis Who's Who® module provides quick reference information on over 1 million additional people whose entries have appeared in more than 20 Marquis sources published from 1985 to the present.

Social studies homework got you stumped? Take a look at the History Resource Center: U.S. Part of the Gale collection of databases, this resource provides integrated access to over 4,000 historical (primary) documents, articles from more than 30 reference titles, and over 110 full-text journals covering themes, events, individuals and periods in U.S. history from pre-Colonial times to the present. The material also includes citations from over 180 additional history journals from the Institute for Scientific Information's Arts and Humanities Citation Index, as well as the entire "American Journey Online" series.

Biographies for Young Adults
Looking for a good non-fiction book? Try a biography from our Young Adult collection:

Steve Nash: Leader On and Off the Court by Ryan Basen (YA B Nash B)

Mahmoud Ahmadinejad: President of Iran by Matthew Broyles (YA B Ahmadinejad B)

Oprah Winfrey: A Twentieth-Century Life by Ilene Cooper (YA B Winfrey C)

Madonna: Express Yourself by Carol Gnojewski (YA B Madonna G)

Skinny Boy: A Young Man's Battle and Triumph Over Anorexia by Gary A. Grahl (YA B Grahl)

Zora Neale Hurston: I Have Been in Sorrow's Kitchen by Laura Baskes Litwin (YA B Hurston L)

Snow Falling in Spring: Coming of Age in China During the Cultural Revolution by Moying Li (YA B LI)

Reggae Poet: The Story of Bob Marley by Calvin Craig Miller (YA B Marley M)

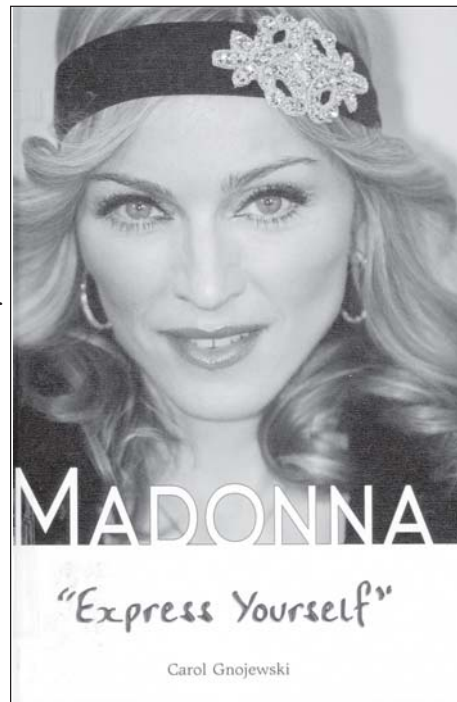
Tiki Barber: All-Pro On and Off the Field by Tom Needham (YA B Barber N)

J. Robert Oppenheimer: The Brain Behind the Bomb by Glenn Scherer

and Marty Fletcher (YA B Oppenheimer S)

Ella Fitzgerald: A Twentieth Century Life by Tanya Lee Stone (YA B Fitzgerald S)

ADHD and Me: What I Learned from Lighting Fires at the Dinner Table by Blake E.S. Taylor (YA B Taylor)



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