HOME SWEET TEMPORARY HOME
We are finally set up in our temporary modular unit home. If you haven’t had a chance
to visit, it is truly a “mini library”. There are computers, comfy chairs for reading
magazines and newspapers, a small conference room and a children’s area. If we
do not have the book or DVD you want, we can order it from one of our neighboring
libraries. During the course of construction, we will continue to run programs, both in
person and on Zoom. We hope you are as excited as we are to see the shovels go into
the ground as we start the construction of the renovated and expanded library.

Terry Lucas, Library Director

LET’S TALK ABOUT MUSIC
August brings some great music programs to the Shelter Island Library. We will continue the
program started in July with Part 2 of The Pioneers of 50s Rock and Roll with Kevin Westly.
We will also welcome author and jazz aficionado Dan Ouellette who will talk about long
buried stories from some of music’s great artists. Finally, we end the summer with the return
of David Browne and Tom Junod talking about some of their favorite summer songs. There
is something for every music lover in this eclectic group of programs.

SHELTER ISLAND LIBRARY TENNIS TOURNAMENT - AUG 10, 2024
In the mid 1990’s Jerry Berner put together a tennis tournament to benefit the library. In 2018,
Chuck and Linda Kraus, brought it back. Put together a team and play, or just come to watch
your friends and neighbors. Moussa Drame will format the tournament so everyone will get in lots
of play. We are especially excited this year to be holding the tournament at the Shelter Island
Racquet Club which has 7 Har-Tru tennis courts. Sign up at the library or click the QR code to sign up online!

A TOUR OF TAYLORS ISLAND – TAYLOR’S ISLAND FOUNDATION
Wednesday, August 14th, 10:30am 🌞🏡
Join us for our annual trip to Taylor’s Island to see the historic Smith-Taylor Cabin, built
around 1900 and given as a gift to the community by S. Gregory Taylor. Bring a picnic
lunch and wear good walking shoes. Transportation will be provided. Registration is
required as space is limited.

TAI CHI WITH DENISE GILLIES: Wednesdays, August 7th & 21st, 5:00pm 🍃
Tai Chi is an ancient Chinese health practice that provides a wide range of mind/body benefits. Denise Gillies has a
teaching style that is relaxed, enthusiastic and designed to leave you feeling energized.

KNITTING WITH ASHLEY: Monday, August 12th, 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.

BOOK SALE ROOM
We are no longer accepting book donations.
FRIDAY NIGHT BOOK CLUB – EMILY HARDING & AUDREY BELLEZZA: Wednesday, August 14th, 7:00pm
A truth universally acknowledged, per Elizabeth Bennett, is to just say no to summer in the Hamptons. Audrey Bellezza and Emily Harding, authors of Emily of 83rd Street, give Austen’s Pride and Prejudice a fresh and virulently funny spin in Elizabeth of East Hampton - and a whole new meaning to the term beach read. Join us East End Programming Event hosted by Westhampton Free Library.

BREASTFEEDING – THE KEY TO A STRONG START IN LIFE – AIMEE LIGUORI, TSSLD, MS, IBCLC
Thursday, August 15th, 12:00pm
In honor of National Breastfeeding Month, Aimee Liguori, Stony Brook Southampton Hospital’s Board-Certified Lactation Consultant, will discuss how breastfeeding helps build your baby’s immune system and offers the perfect nutrition. She will also talk about common difficulties and the best ways to overcome them to make the entire experience a rewarding one for both baby and mom. East End Programmers Event hosted by Montauk Library.

DECLARING FLORIDA YOUR DOMICILE – MICHAEL J. COWAN AND CHRIS MCDERMOTT
Wednesday, August 28th, 4:00pm
There is a constellation of considerations that must be weighed when deciding to move one’s homestead / domicile from New York State (or any other state) to Florida. With 15+ years of experience, join Michael J. Cowan and Chris McDermott, as they discuss how to navigate the path to becoming a resident of Florida.

VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALK SERIES
Each month we will be providing a series of virtual Author Talks. Books and authors selected will cover a wide range of fiction and non-fiction genres. Visit the Shelter Island Public Library website to register for these exciting presentations.

DR. JENNIFER LEVASSEUR, BEHIND THE SCENES AT THE SPACE STATION: Wednesday, August 7th, 2:00pm
You’re invited to virtually step inside one of the greatest international achievements! Dr. Levasseur will guide you through the Smithsonian’s Behind the Scenes at the Space Station and take you on a once-in-a-lifetime virtual tour of the space station.

IRENA SMITH, THE GOLDEN TICKET: Thursday, August 15th, 2:00pm
With college application season around the corner, stress begins to build for teens and their parents. Join us for this must-watch talk by Irena Smith, PhD. You will hear about constructive and healthy ways to approach the college application process, preserve your relationship with your teen, and help them define success on their terms.

SHELBY VAN PELT, REMARKABLY BRIGHT CREATURES: Wednesday, August 21st, 7:00 pm
Join us as we chat with the amazing New York Times bestselling author Shelby Van Pelt about her beloved novel Remarkably Bright Creatures. You don’t want to miss this exploration of friendship, reckoning, hope, and so much more!
PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

BOOK CLUBS

CHARLES DICKENS BOOK CLUB: Little Dorrit — Saturday, August 10th, 2:00pm
The Charles Dickens Book Club, led by Terry Lucas, takes you on an adventure through the novels written by Charles Dickens. Little Dorrit, offers a complex portrait of debtors’ prisons and government bureaucracy. A masterpiece considered to be Dickens at his most incisive.

SHELTER ISLAND LIBRARY BOOK CLUB: The Secret Book of Flora Lea by Patti Callahan Henry
Tuesday, August 20th at the Shelter Island Historical Society, 4:30pm
The Shelter Island Book Club, led by Suzanne Louer, reads works of fiction and nonfiction with an emphasis on well-regarded contemporary fiction. When a woman discovers a rare book that has connections to her past, long-held secrets about her missing sister and their childhood spent in the English countryside during World War II are revealed.

COOKBOOK CLUB: No Cook, Cool Down Dishes — Wednesday, August 21st, 5:00pm
Beat the heat! This August we’re making dishes that don’t require you to turn on your oven. From Icebox cakes, to sandwiches, salads, gazpacho and more! Cool down with a refreshing plate. Sign up at the circulation desk and, as always, bring a copy of your recipe and an empty tummy!

THE MYSTERY BOOK CLUB: Exiles by Jane Harper — Monday, August 26th, 5:30pm
The Mystery Book Club reads everything from classic mysteries to thrillers. Federal investigator Aaron Falk has landed in the South Australian wine country to investigate the disappearance of a mother who vanished, leaving behind her baby. As Falk’s investigation continues dark questions linger and long-ago truths begin to emerge.

SHAKESPEARE IN COMMUNITY ONLINE

THE TRAGEDY OF KING RICHARD THE SECOND
Saturday, August 24th, 12:30pm
Richard II, who ascended to the throne as a young man, is a regal and stately figure, but he is wasteful in his spending habits, unwise in his choice of counselors, and detached from his country and its common people. This Shakespeare classic, presents the tragic downfall of King Richard II as he is overthrown and imprisoned by his cousin, Henry Bolingbroke.

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

MAH JONGG: Mondays, August 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th, 10:00am
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: Tuesdays, August 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th, 4:00pm
The Art/Rich Poetry Roundtable welcomes readers of poetry who enjoy meeting with fellow lovers of poetry for a lively discussion. Bring a poem and your enthusiasm. This program will be offered as a hybrid program, both in person at the library trailer and on Zoom.

INTERMEDIATE FRENCH CONVERSATION: Thursdays, August 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th, 11:00am
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. This program will be offered as a hybrid program, both in person at the library trailer and on Zoom.

THE BASICS OF PHILOSOPHY: Fridays, August 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th, 10:00am
Please join us for a philosophy discussion roundtable. Would you like to engage in Socratic dialogue on questions that get to the fundamental human experience? All are welcome, whether you are sixteen or ninety. This program will meet in person at the library trailer.

You may register for all programs at www.silibrary.org.
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FAMILY PROGRAMS

ICE CREAM SOCIAL:  All ages
Thursday, August 8th, 2:00pm
Come join us for some ice cream as we try to beat the summer heat! We will have different flavors and plenty of toppings for some delicious sweet treats. Everyone is welcome as we celebrate the last few weeks of summer.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM:  All ages
Ends Saturday, August 10th
This year’s theme is Adventure Begins at Your Library so come adventure with us! Our lovable cryptid character posters will be here to cheer us on with reading and renovations. This year we are using the free Beanstack app to log books and/or minutes. Each week we will raffle off a mystery prize box for each age group (ages birth-5, 6-10, 12+). The more you read, the more chances you have to win! Please see Sara for more information.

FAMILY TRIVIA AT SALT:  All ages
Tuesday, August 13th and 20th from 4:00-6:00pm
This summer at the Shipwreck, grownups, kids, and friends go head to head with other teams in the silliest trivia competition this side of the ferries! No two rounds of trivia are the same, with surprise challenges, twists, turns and mayhem! Doors open at 4:00pm, game begins at 5:00pm.

COTTON CANDY DAY:  All ages
Thursday, August 22nd, 2:00pm
Join us for delightful cotton candy! You’ll get to enjoy pink or blue cotton candy and watch it being made in front of you. This program is weather dependent. Please register early.

EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

STORY TIME:  Ages: 0-5
Mondays at 10:00am except August 5th
Join Mary at the library for Monday morning Story Time! We’ll be reading some new and old favorite books.

FARMSTAND STORY THYME:  Ages: 0-5
Saturdays in August, 10:30am
Come join Sara at the Sylvester Manor Farmstand for our outdoor Story Thyme! We’ll read all kinds of books and have a great time.

BUBBLE HOUR:  Ages: 2-5
Saturdays in August at 11:15am.
No bubble hour on August 24th
Bubble Hour will be outside with our bubble machine, bubble wands, and fun!

TODDLER TIME UNDER THE TENT:  Ages: 0-4
Tuesdays in August (except August 6th) at 10:00am
Toddlers time is back! We are under the tent for the month of August so join us for all the fantastic fun.

CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

MASHOMACK CRAFT DAY:  Ages: 2-5
Wednesday, August 14th and 28th, 3:00pm
Join us at Mashomack where we will have a different story & craft every other week during August! Our themes for this month are Monarchs, reptiles and amphibians!

CRAFTERNOON:  Ages: 6+
Mondays at 1:00pm except August 5th
We’re making crafts! We’ll have a different drop-in craft as a perfect way to spend the afternoon.

MASHOMACK CRAFT DAY:  Ages: 6+
Wednesday August 7th and 21st, 3:00pm
Join us for our Mashomack Craft Day at Mashomack! During our two August crafts we are learning about the wonderful world of birds and celebrating the Monarch migration.

SLIME TIME!:  Ages: 6+
Thursday, August 15th, 2:00pm
Let’s make slime! We’ll provide the ingredients and measurements, all you need to do is be prepared to create it. We’ll have colors, shaving cream, and water to add to make fluffy or super stretchy colorful slime.

GARDEN CLUB PLANTING:  Ages: 6+
Friday, August 16th, 1:00pm
Garden Club of Shelter Island is coming to the library again! We will be making amazing fairy garden terrariums. You’ll get to make your own terrarium with tiny plants and decorations.

TWEEN/TEEN PROGRAMS

TEMPORARY TATTOO DAY:  Ages: 10+
Friday, August 2nd, 1:00pm
Get ready for a super unique temporary tattoo day. We’ll be using both traditional temporary tattoos and tattoo markers to create amazing body art. Bring a friend and a blank canvas (yourself) and let’s tattoo! *Temporary tattoos are washable but some may take up to a week to fully come off of your skin.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS: THE BEGINNING
Grades: 6th+
Every Saturday in August from 1:00-3:00pm except August 24th
Join us for wacky and wild one shots. Come prepared with a level 5 character (or one will be provided for you if you’re new to the game) and join us as our adventurer party picks from a notice board of different quests to complete during that session. The program will take place in the multipurpose room in the trailer.

KEY:  ⛺️  = in-person outdoors  📺  = Zoom  🧵  = Take and Make  ⛺️  = Inside