



# HICKSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2009 NEWSLETTER

Old age and the passage of time teach all things.- Sophocles  
September is Healthy Aging Month

## LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

The Library Board of Trustees next scheduled meetings are: **Wednesday, September 16 and October 21 at 7:00 PM.**

## TRIPS RETURN TO THE HPL! INTREPID AIR AND SPACE MUSEUM and NYC POLICE MUSEUM

**Thursday, October 15 at 8:30 AM**

Our first stop takes us downtown to the N.Y.C. *Police Museum*. Enjoy artifacts that go back to the days of the Dutch Settlements. After our tour we head uptown to the *Intrepid Air and Space Museum*. But first we enjoy a light box lunch in the mess hall. Our tour guide will then take us on a 1 hour tour of the Intrepid. After, you will have time to explore on your own. Before heading home, time and weather permitting we will go down to the South Street Seaport for a brief stroll, take pictures, have an ice cream or cup of coffee before heading home. We will return around 7:30 PM.

Price includes lunch, tours, gratuities, and transportation: **\$68 per person** check or money order only. No Refunds. Please make check payable to the Hicksville Public Library.

**Registration** for Hicksville UFSD residents: **Thursday, Sept. 3** at 9:30 AM. Open Registration: Sept. 21. Limit: 2 tickets per person. Bus departs at 8:30 AM from Town Parking Lot H4 off Newbridge Road.

The Hicksville library is pleased to announce that we will be partnering with the Jericho Public Library on this trip.

## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK



The Hicksville Public Library Board of Trustees and staff look forward to a challenging year-and one that is likely to be marked by significant change. Like many libraries, our community's demand for service outstrips our ability to offer those services in our current building at 169 Jerusalem Avenue. New technology has created an explosion in information resources and availability, making the public library the first choice for many students, researchers, hobbyists and information seekers. The component of service heavily in demand by the public, has a significant impact on space utilization. We have received back from you, the residents of Hicksville, the answers to the survey we sent out, and are in the process of tabulating and evaluating those responses. As we enter a new era for the Hicksville Public Library, our goal is to continue to provide quality service, resources and recreational and learning opportunities in a variety of formats to meet the interests and needs of our diverse community.

I am available to meet with your civic, educational or social group to explain what the Library offers to you the taxpayers and I look forward to meeting with you individually in my office as well.

*Carol Ahrens*  
*Library Director*

## PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS OUTREACH PROGRAM

**Wednesday, October 7 from 6PM - 8PM**

**The Nassau County Department of Assesment** will literally be bringing its office operations to the library. The department will be linked to the county's database and will be able to process property tax exemptions (Basic and Enhanced STAR, Veterans, Senior Citizens, Volunteer Firefighters etc.) Please bring a copy of your 2008 tax return.

# ADULT PROGRAMS

## SHINGLES, OSTEOPOROSIS, FALLING & NORMAL PRESSURE HYDROCEPHALUS

**Tuesday, September 15 at 1:00 PM**

Chana Schachner, PhD will hold a lecture and discussion on causes, risk factors and symptoms of Shingles, Osteoporosis, and the brain disorder NPH. Ms. Schachner will also cover injuries to the brain resulting from a fall.

## EFFECTIVE ENERGY SAVING TIPS FOR THE HOMEOWNER

**Thursday, Sept. 17 at 7:00 PM**



**BOCES of Western Suffolk** will present a lecture on how to make your home more energy efficient. Learn how to lower your utility bills. **Keep your home "Green" and the "Green" in your home.**

## EMPLOYMENT FOR 55 +

**Wednesday, September 23 at 1:00 PM**

**The Nassau County Department of Senior Citizens Affairs** will provide a workshop for people 55+ who are in the process of actively seeking employment. It will cover such topics as developing a resume, interviewing with an employer and dressing for success in the job market.

**Registration for Hicksville UFSD residents:** Wednesday, September 2 at 10:15 AM. Open registration is on September 4.

**Limit of 10 No Fee**

## BROWN BAG: REVIEW OF YOUR MEDICATIONS

**Friday, September 25 at 1:00 PM**

Please bring in your medications including over-the-counter items to a Brown Bag Session! The pharmacist will answer questions regarding doses, interactions and the best time to take Medications. Program length is 15 minutes per participant.



## COUGH, COLD, FLU, AND ALLERGY

**Tuesday, October 20 at 1:00 PM**

A pharmacist will discuss how to tell the difference between a cold, flu, and an allergy.

Prevention and the right course of action will be provided.

Both programs are presented in cooperation with CVS.

## PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN with Joe Valenti

**Friday, October 16 at 1:00 PM**



Pirates have loomed large in movies and books as men with peg legs and parrots. In reality piracy is more complex. This discussion will cover the Golden Age of Piracy, famous Pirates, today's Modern Pirates and so much more!

## LONG ISLAND'S MOST HAUNTED MANSIONS

**Friday, October 23 at 1:00 PM**

Are some of Long Island's Mansions haunted? Join historian and parapsychologist *Monica Randall* as she shares some true stories of **SPECTRAL BEINGS** who show up on film and make their voices heard. Learn about some of L.I.'s most intriguing manor houses with their secret passageways, hidden chambers and tunnels.

## APPALLING SECRETS OF.....

In the winter of 1883, terror lurked out in the snow covered fields of a rural L.I. residents alone in their farms were helpless before a mysterious force that dealt death. Hicksville seemed immune from the horror...but it was not.

Forgotten in the mists of time for over 125 years on **Thursday, October 29 at 7:00 PM** in a lecture presented by the **Hicksville Historical Archives**, you will learn the **APPALLING SECRET OF .....** *If You Dare!*

## ELLEN COVIN'S SIMPLY STRONGER & SENIOROBICS

Thursdays, Oct. 1 - Dec. 17 at 1:00  
and 2:00 PM respectively.

This session is comprised of 10 classes.

No classes: 10/29, 11/26,

Registration: Thursday, Sept. 17 at 9:15 AM

Fee: \$35 for each series. Limit: 40. Classes and registration are held at the library.

## SIMPLY STRETCH

Mondays, Oct. 19 - Dec. 21 at 1:30 PM

This session is comprised of 10 classes.

Registration : Tuesday, Oct. 6 at 6:00 PM for Hicksville UFSD residents and open registration is Oct. 8. Fee: \$35 for each series. Limit: 22 Initial registration is at the Computer Resource Center; thereafter it is at the library. Classes are held at the Resource Center.

## YOGA

Tuesdays, Nov. 10 - Feb. 2 at 5:30 PM

No classes: 12/1, 1/19, 1/26

Registration : Wednesday, Oct. 14 at 6:30 PM for Hicksville UFSD residents and open registration will be on Oct. 16. Initial registration is at the Computer Resource Center; thereafter it is at the library. Classes are held at the library.

Fee: \$30 Limit: 45 Sessions: 10 Classes

## ADVANCED YOGA

Thursdays, Oct. 22- Dec. 17 at 5:45 PM

No class: 11/26

Registration : Tuesday, Oct. 6 at 6:30 PM for Hicksville UFSD residents and open registration will be on Oct.8. Initial registration is at the Computer Resource Center; thereafter it is at the library. Classes are at the Resource Center.

Fee: \$35 Limit: 24 Sessions: 8 Classes



## KNITTING

with Marlene Proctor

Tuesday, Sept. 22, 29, Oct. 6 at 7:00 PM

**Beginner's Program:** Students will learn about yarn weights, needle sizes, gauging, cast on, knit, pearl, bind off and other related techniques. Projects; Scarf, shawl and hat.

and

Thursdays, October 15, 22, 29 at 7:00 PM

**Neck Down Sweater:** Learn the basics to make a one piece sweater with no seams to sew.

**Registration for both courses is at the library: for Hicksville UFSD residents:** Tuesday, September 8 at 9:15 AM. Open registration is on September 10. **Limit of 10 for each class.** Materials list will be supplied at time of registration. **No fee. Both sessions are at the Computer Resource Center**

## BALLROOM DANCING

with Catherine Politis

Mondays, September 14, 21,

October 5, 19,

November 2, 16 at 7:00 PM

Ballroom Dancing returns to the HPL!! It offers more than mere steps. It includes charm of manner, graceful body, and coordination. Both singles and couples welcomed. **Registration for Hicksville UFSD residents:** Tuesday, September 1 at 9:15 AM. Open registration is on September 8. **Limit of 30 No Fee**



## HALLOWEEN CUPCAKES

with the Baking Coach

Wednesday, Oct. 7 at 1:00 PM

Decorate cupcakes as spider webs, monsters, mummies, ghosts, pumpkins and much more. Perfect for a Halloween Party! **Registration for Hicksville UFSD residents:** Thursday, September 24 at 9:15 AM. Open registration is on September 28. **Limit of 24 No Fee**



**All programs and registrations take place at the library unless stated otherwise.**

## MONDAY MATINEE MOVIES at 1:30 PM

### SEPTEMBER -

no movie 9/7 (Holiday)

#### 14 - *GRAN TORINO*

Clint Eastwood (PG 91 min.)

#### 21\* - *SLUMDOG MILLIONAIRE-*

Dev Patel (R 109 min.)

#### 28 - *PINK PANTHER 2* - Steve Martin (PG 13 104 min.)

### OCTOBER - no movie 10/12

#### 5 - *FRIDA\*\** - Selma Hyack

(R 123 min.) See art lecture below.

#### 19 - *POLLOCK\*\** - Ed Harris

(R 122 min.) See art lecture below.

#### 26\* - *THE READER* - Kate Winslett

(R 124 min.)

### \*Fran Cohen's Fiction to Film

Join us for a discussion on the book and how it compares to the film adaptation with Fran Cohen. Refreshments are served.

**September 21:** *Slumdog Millionaire* by Vikas Swarup.

**October 26:** *The Reader* by Bernhard Schlink. You do not have to read the book to attend.

## PROFESSOR D'INNOCENZO

Fridays, Sept. 11 and Oct. 9  
at 1:00 PM



Michael D'Innocenzo, Professor of History at Hofstra University, returns for his monthly discussion on current issues. Everyone is invited to contribute their perspectives.

## TALK 101

Tuesdays, Sept. 29 and Oct. 13  
at 1:00 PM

Fred Chernow returns to discuss issues that concern your everyday life as it relates to current events. A questionnaire is distributed to the audience along with a group discussion.



## BASIC ENGLISH SKILLS

Saturdays, November 7, 14, 21, December 5,  
12, 19 from 10:00 AM to 12 noon

English teacher and Hicksville resident, **William Krant** will conduct a series of **6 classes** to help new English speakers to gain skills and develop confidence in conversation, writing, and reading English. The class will complete conversation exercises, beginning letter writing, basic applications, and learning from newspapers and flyers. **Registration for Hicksville UFSD residents:** Friday, October 16 at 9:15 AM. Open Registration is on Oct. 22. **Limit 12 No Fee**

### \*\*MUSEUM PASSES ON-LINE\*\*

Passes may now be reserved online by visiting the Hicksville Public Library Website at:

<http://www.nassaulibrary.org/hicksv/index.html>

Once you have accepted the Pass Policy, click on the Museum link. You will be at the online reservation system. Click on a date on the calendar to see if a pass is available to the museum you choose. Cradle of Aviation, Long Island Children's Museum, The Old Westbury Gardens and the Nassau County Museum of Art are the passes being offered.



## ART LECTURES\*\* with Emilia Baer

Wednesdays:

October 14, 21, 28 at 10:30 AM



**October 14: Frida Kahlo.** All of Frida's art is an expression of her life. She was married twice to artist Diego Rivera, who had a great influence on what she felt she needed to paint.

**October 21: Gustav Klimt.** Know more about Klimt the Artist whose painting sold for one of the highest prices paid yet - **\$135 million.**

### October 28: Most Expensive Paintings Sold.

A slideshow of Masterpiece Paintings by famous artists (Pollock, Renoir, VanGough, etc.). Learn about the subject matter and it's meaning to the artist.

Enjoy a relaxing morning watching slides of the Masters and hear about their drive, passion, and style. Coffee will be served at all lectures.

# CHILDRENS CORNER

**Registration** for Hicksville UFSD residents for **ALL SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER** programs will be held in Children's Services on **Tuesday, September 1 starting at 9:05 AM**. Proof of birthdate is required for children under the age of 3. A current Hicksville library card is required as proof of residency. Fees must be paid in cash at the time of registration and are not refundable. Non-residents may sign up for programs one week prior to the start date of the class space permitting. Please call the Children's Room to see if any openings remain as registration is ongoing until class is filled.

## FALL "STORYTIMES"



### TINY TOTS

**Classes:** Tuesdays, Sept. 15, 22, 29 at 11:00 AM  
Tuesdays, October 13, 20, 27 at 11:00 AM  
**Class Size:** 15 **Ages:** 2 - 3 (with caregiver)

### PRESCHOOL STORYCRAFT

A delightful half hour of stories, songs, and a simple craft.

**Classes:** Wednesdays, Sept. 16, 23, 30 at 10:30 AM  
Wednesdays, Oct. 14, 21, 28 at 10:30 AM  
**Class Size:** 20 **Ages:** 3 - 5 (adult may stay)



## TIME FOR ART

**Classes:** Thurs., Sept. 10, 17, 24 at 10:00 AM  
"Leaves...Leaves... Falling Down..."  
Children will celebrate Fall with leaf mosaics, leaf printing, and leaf people. Join Tina Gellar for a new season of crafts and stories.



## "HALLOWEEN FUN"

**Classes:** Thurs., Oct. 1, 15, 22 at 10 AM  
The highlights this month are pumpkins, friendly witches, and funny ghosts! No class Oct. 8  
**Class Size:** 25 **Fee:** \$6 **Ages:** 3-5

## JUMP FOR JOY

**Classes:** Fridays, Sept. 11, 18, 25 at 10:00 AM  
Tuesdays, Oct. 13, 20, 27 at 7:15 PM  
**Class size:** 25 **Ages:** 1 1/2 - 4  
Joyce Oddo's class, where children will play along to popular songs and Jump for Joy in the process!

## FAMILY FUN TIME

**Classes:** Wednesdays, Sept. 16, 23, 30 at 7:00 PM  
Mondays, Oct. 5, 12, 19 at 10:00 AM  
**Class size:** 25 **Ages:** 1 1/2 - 5

Enjoy an interactive hour with your preschoolers featuring singing, dancing, storytelling, a craft, and more.

## "PLAYHOORAY" BABY & ME

**Classes:** Tuesdays, Sept. 15, 22, 29 at 10 AM  
Tuesdays, Oct. 6, 13, 20 at 10 AM  
**Class Size:** 20 **Ages:** 6 - 18 months



## CREATIVE ART

**Class:** Tuesday, Sept. 29 at 7:00 PM  
Welcome back to school!! Decoupage a file box to hold some of your important school papers.  
**Class:** Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 7:00 PM  
Happy Halloween! Children will bring a "scaredy" cat to life using paints and glitter.



**Class Sizes:** 25 **Fees:** \$2 **Ages:** 5-7

## CHESS CLASSES with Joel Salman

**Classes:** Saturdays, Oct. 3, 10, 24 at 12 noon  
**Class size:** 25 **Ages:** K-11th

## “MONSTER MASH FLASHLIGHT”

Monday, Oct. 12 (Columbus Day)  
at 11:30 AM

Turn an ordinary flashlight into a colorful ghoul to help light your way at night. Use fun foam, glitter, and other spooky trims to create this fun craft. Needs 2 D batteries.

**Class Size:** 25 **Grades:** K-5 **Materials Fee:** \$4

## “MONSTER MAKER”

Wednesdays, Oct. 28 at 4:00 PM

A serpent with seven eyes, the face of a lion, and three tails? Anything is possible when children’s imaginations and creativity run wild in the Monster Maker program, which combines storytelling and craft-making into a single activity.

**Class Size:** 30 **Ages:** 4-10

## “HALLOWEEN FUN”

Friday, Oct. 30 at 10:00 AM

Parents join your pre-schooler 18 months - 4 years for an hour of fun interactive activities.

Enjoy singing, dancing, storytelling, and making a Halloween craft. No costumes please!

**Class Size:** 25

## SPANISH CLASSES

with Miss Lupe

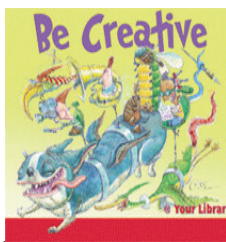
**Classes:** Saturdays, Sept. 12, 19, and Oct. 3, 10, 24

**Times:** Intermediate/Advanced  
10:00 AM

Beginners: 11:00 AM

**Grades:** K-5

**Class Size:** 25



Children’s Services has had another busy summer. If you haven’t done so yet, please pick up your projects, certificates, folders, and book report magazine by mid-September.

**Thank you** to the following corporate sponsors: *McDonalds, Applebees, Panera, and Friendlys.*



**HAVE YOU HEARD?**

**Concerts** are returning to the HPL in November. Look for **Tommy Sullivan**, native of Hicksville and an original member of Johnny Maestro and the Brooklyn Bridge. I also hear **Naomi Zeitlan** is coming. Oh and what about a **Chocolate Workshop** and **Giftwrapping Workshop**. I heard **CPR classes** too! Let’s remember to check for dates in November/December Newsletter.

**Library Card Sign-up Month 2009**  
**Get the Smartest Card @ your library®**

September is Library Card Sign-up Month, and the HPL wants to make sure that all members of our community have the smartest card of all— a library card. A library card has always been the most important school supply of all. Kids can come to the library to get homework help, check out books, attend programs, and use the Internet.

There’s a lot happening at HPL, and the best part for both kids, adults, and seniors is that it’s all free with a library card. Call or stop by the library to get details on how to obtain a library card.

## BOOK DISCUSSION

The Book Discussion Group meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 1:00 PM. Books are available approximately 4 weeks before each discussion. Anyone who reads the book is welcomed to attend. Refreshments are served.

**September 9:** The Story of Edgar Sawtelle by David Wroblewski

**October 14:** Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe

# TEEN CORNER

Registration for all September/October Teen Programs is  
Tuesday, September 1st at 9:15 AM in Children's Services.



## CELL PHONE CHARM

Wednesday, September 23  
at 7:00 PM

Create a charm for your cell phone  
with Linda and Lauren Rendina  
**Class Size:** 22 teens **Fee:** \$3.50 for materials

## D.I.Y. LAMP


Wednesday, September 30 at 7:00 PM

Join Doris Benter to make your own lamp.  
Create a design using paper and permanent  
markers. Your design will be attached to a wall  
sconce lamp. Lamps come pre-wired and include  
a light bulb.

**Class Size:** 20 teens **No Fee**

## BE-A-SUPERHERO DRAWING WORKSHOP

Thursday, October 1 at 7:00 PM



Peter Simeti will help you create your  
own superhero identity using your  
superpowers and imagination. He will supply all materi-  
als.

**Class Size:** 20 teens **No fee**

## BABYSITTING

Tuesday, October 27 at 3:00 PM

Joanne Tanck and Georgette Basso, registered nurs-  
es, will teach you the basics of infant and small child  
care. You will receive a Certificate of Completion. Bring  
a Cabbage Patch doll or similarly-sized doll or stuffed  
animal to class.

**Class Size:** 30 teens **No Fee**

## COLLEGE APPLICATION & ADMISSION PROCESS

Tuesday, October 6 at 7:15 PM

Leslie and Bernie Bilawsky, college  
admission consultants, will discuss the  
college application and admission  
process, and answer your questions.  
Public vs. Private Schools? Small vs.  
Large? What's really considered in  
admissions? Financial Aid, etc?

**Class Size:** No limit **No fee**



## THE GHOSTS OF SWEET HOLLOW RD. AND OTHER L.I. HAUNTS

Thursday, October 15 at 7:00 PM

Investigate L.I. haunts through still and video  
photography with the Paranormal Adventurers.  
Unbury the dark legends of "Mary". Could she  
have been a victim of witch trials?

**Class Size:** No limit **No Fee**

## HAUNTED CHOCOLATE HOUSE

Wednesday, October 28 at 7:00 PM

Build and decorate a Haunted  
Chocolate House with Mary Anne  
Impostato.

**Class Size:** 15 teens **Fee:** Free



## TWILIGHT T-SHIRT

Thursday, November 5 at 7:00 PM

Make your own Twilight T-shirt with Alice  
Azoulay. T-shirt and all materials will be supplied.

**Class Size:** 20 teens **Fee:** \$5.00 materials fee

## TWILIGHT TRIVIA CONTEST

Complete the *Twilight Trivia  
Contest Sheet* for a chance to win a  
*Twilight DVD*. Pick up a trivia contest  
sheet in the Teen Center at the library  
or download it from our website. It is  
open to **Hicksville UFSD in grades 6-12**. Return  
your sheet to the Teen desk in Children's Services  
by 5:00 PM Saturday, Oct. 31. One winner will be  
randomly selected from all correct entries. Winner  
will be notified by phone November 3.



## TEEN READ WEEK

October 18 - 24

Celebrate Teen Read Week by reading the **2009**  
list of nominated **Teen Top Ten Books**.  
All Teens are invited to vote for their favorites  
between August 25 & September 18 at  
[www.ala.org/teenstopten](http://www.ala.org/teenstopten). The list of nominations  
with annotations is posted in the Teen Corner in  
the library.

**Wrestlemania** returns on **October 18**. Enter for  
a chance to win a trip to Wrestlemania 26 in  
Phoenix, Arizona in March 2010. **Register at the  
Teen Desk starting October 18. Grades 5 -12.**

# HICKSVILLE HAPPENINGS !

## LIBRARY CLOSINGS

The library and the Computer Resource Center will be **closed Monday, September 7 (Labor Day)**.

The library will be **open Monday, October 12 (Columbus Day) from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM**. The Computer Resource Center will be open 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM.

## SUNDAY HOURS

As of October 4th the library will be open from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM on Sundays.

## AARP DRIVING & DEFENSIVE DRIVING

Registration for AARP & Defensive Driving classes is ongoing at the Reference Desk. . Call or stop by the **Reference Department** for further information.

## ART EXHIBITS

**Robert Bloom's** digital L.I. landscapes along with **Mike Agosta's** photographs of various landscapes will be showcased in **September**. October will feature **Robert Ambrose's** silhouettes & Scherenschnittes (turned wood).

## LOBBY DISPLAY CASE

The **Girl Scouts** will be featured in **Sept.** and the **Galileo Lodge** will have a display in Oct.

## COMPUTER & RESOURCE CENTER

The Resource Center, at **101 Jerusalem Avenue**, is open from 1:00 PM to 9:00 PM Monday through Thursday, 1:00 to 5:00 on Fridays and 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM on Saturdays.

## COMPUTER CLASSES FOR ADULTS

### Beginner Computer Classes:

Tuesdays, Sept. 15, 22, 29 at 6:00 PM

Wednesdays, Sept. 30, Oct. 7, 14 at 2:30 PM

**Intermediate Computer Class** (slightly more advanced than beginners, students are expected to know basics and mouse and keyboard skills):

Tues. Oct. 20 & Thurs. Oct. 22 at 6:00 PM

**Powerpoint:** Tues. Oct. 6 & Thurs. Oct. 8 at 6 PM

**Excel:** Wed. Sept. 16 & Thurs. Sept. 17 at 6 PM

**Beginner Microsoft Word:** Tues. Oct. 13 & Thurs. Oct. 15 at 6 PM

**Sept. Classes: Registration** for Hicksville residents: Tuesday, Sept. 2 at 1:30 PM and open registration is Sept. 4.

**Oct. Classes: Registration** for Hicksville residents: Wed. Sept. 23 at 1:30 PM and open registration is Sept. 25.